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Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

Monday (Liturgy of the Word) 7:00 am

Wed., Thurs., Fri. (Mass) 7:00 am

First Tuesday of the Month 6:00 pm

(Mass, Novena, Benediction and Anointing of the Sick)

All other Tuesdays - Confessions 5:30 pm

(Mass and Novena) 6:00 pm

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office

Marriage: Please contact the pastor a minimum of six months before the wedding

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:00 pm



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2019

Excuses, Excuses

As the saying goes, ignorance of the law is no excuse. That is what Moses is telling the people in the first reading. The laws of God are not difficult to understand. Anyone with a conscience should be able to live with them.

By the time of Jesus, the scribes and Pharisees had added many more laws. The scholar who questioned Jesus about eternal life knew what was important: loving God with all your being and loving your neighbor as yourself. If he had stopped there, he would have been all right. But by asking "Who is my neighbor?" he implied that there are limits to love.

Even today, we find people making excuses for not doing what God asks of us. We judge people who

need help, saying they choose to be poor or homeless. We sign our kids up for so many sports that we don't even go to church on Sundays. Before you start beating yourself up with guilt, remember that God expects us to take care of our families, to spend time with our children, and even to take time to rest and relax. If we are willing to look at our lives and bring them to God, asking for guidance, we are making the first steps to keep God's law of love.

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We welcome Rev. Bruno, OSB from Sivagangai, India to all Masses this weekend.

Your generous donations support seminarians, catechists' formation, women's empowerment, education of poor students, youth ministry and other social activities.

Please pray for our Christian brothers and sisters of India.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth."
— Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Available hours for scheduled visitation to the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel are:

- Thursday: 5am-6am
- Sunday: 4pm-5pm

To volunteer as a scheduled adorer or substitute, please call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Holy Spirit Prayer Group



You are invited to join the Holy Spirit Prayer Group Sunday, July 14 from 4pm-6pm in church.

The mission of the prayer group is to offer praise to God, and intercessory prayers for individuals, our community and the needs of the world. All are welcome!

Worship & Scripture July 15-21, 2019

Monday, July 15: 7am Liturgy of the Word
Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 -- 11:1

Tuesday, July 16: 5:30pm Confession/Mass/Novena
Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 17: 7am Mass
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 18: 7am Mass
Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9; 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 19: 7am Mass
Ex 11:10 -- 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Mt 12:1-8

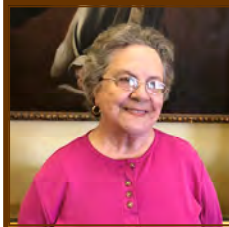
Saturday:
Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday:
Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42



It's a simple concept: love God with your whole being and put that love into practice. How is God calling you to love? Have you considered the way of living called "priesthood" or "religious life"?

If God may be selecting you for the special life of priest or religious, contact Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, framerrick@gmail.com, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.



Reception Honoring Rose Marino

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Please join us in the parish hall following 4pm Mass Saturday, July 20 to honor Rose Marino.

Rose has been invaluable in her humble service to our St. John Church family for 32 years. During her time spent serving our church, Rose has been chiefly involved behind-the-scenes in Altar Society activities, Baptism preparation, Loaves and Fishes ministry, and housekeeping of the rectory, church, church office and parish hall.

We pray that Rose will enjoy retirement with her daughter in Tylertown, Mississippi.



Senator Ricky Ward to Speak at First United Methodist Church

Parishioners are encouraged to attend a meeting of concerned citizens regarding traffic and other local issues on Wednesday, July 17 at 6:30pm.

Senator Ricky Ward will be present to listen and answer questions. The meeting will be held at First United Methodist Church in Plaquemine. All concerned parishioners are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Baptisms & Baptism Seminars



Baptism Seminars

Monday, August 5, 2019
Monday, September 9, 2019
Monday, October 7, 2019

Baptisms

Saturday, July 27, 2019
Saturday, August 24, 2019
Saturday, September 28, 2019
Saturday, October 19, 2019

The Baptism Seminars are held on the third floor of the church office at 7pm. The Baptisms are usually held on the fourth Saturday of the month following 4pm Mass.

Dates are subject to change. Please call the church office at 225.687.2402 during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

Our Hymn Selections this weekend:
(Subject to change)

Entrance: Gather Us In
Music Issue 303

Preparation: **Instrumental**

Communion: I Myself Am the Bread of Life
Gather Hymnal 835

Sending Forth: City of God

Music Issue 385



St. John School News

Spiritual joy arises from
purity of the heart and
perseverance in prayer.

Francis of Assisi

Women's Ordinary Time Silent Retreat

When: Saturday, July 20, 2019 ~ 10:30am-3pm

Where: St. John Parish Hall

Theme: "Holy Spirit and Spiritual Joy"

Given by: The Holy Spirit and Gwen Hayes

A light lunch will be provided. Please call the church office at 225.687.2402 to register.



Uniforms for Kids Distribution

Knights of Columbus Home
58715 Price Street, Plaquemine

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

9am-Noon & 1pm-3pm

Please bring proof of food stamps and Social Security numbers of children. For more information, call the church office at 225.687.2402.

Note: Students needing service hours and parishioners wanting to help are most welcome.

Altar Servers

Any boy or girl in the 4th grade or older interested in becoming an Altar Server and assisting at Holy Mass is invited to join. The ministry of Altar Server is a wonderful way for our young children and youth to involve themselves in service at the Table of the Lord.

Registration forms are available in the church office and on our website at www.stjohnchurchplaq.org under FORMS.



Month of the Precious Blood

The month of July traditionally honors the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. It is the blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, which cleanses from sin; therefore the Church developed a devotion to Jesus' physical blood and its mystical power, just as it did for His Sacred Heart from which His blood poured out on the Cross. The Precious Blood of Jesus courses through the Church spiritually, giving eternal life to the Body of Christ through the sacraments.

Many saints had a devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus, especially Saint Catherine of Siena. Devotion to the Precious Blood spread widely through the preaching of Saint Gaspar del Bufalo, who was a 19th-century priest and the founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. This devotion was later approved and recommended by the Holy See.

St. John Alumni Softball Tournament



The 17th Annual St. John Alumni Softball Tournament will be held August 10 & 11, 2019 at Myhand Park in Addis. We are in need of concession stand workers, cooks and umpires.

For more information regarding playing or volunteering, please contact the school office at 225.687.3056 or Connie Pearce at 225.776.2762.

BINGO



Bingo is held five nights each week at the St. John Fathers' Club Bingo Hall, 24837 Hwy. 1, South in Plaquemine.

The following is the Bingo schedule:

- Sunday—7pm—Knights of Columbus Bingo
- Monday—7pm—Fathers' Club Bingo
- Tuesday—7pm—Fathers' Club Bingo
- Wednesday—7pm—Knights of Columbus Bingo
- Friday—7pm—Fathers' Club Bingo

Come out and play Bingo while supporting St. John School and the Knights of Columbus.

Correction: The bulletin dated July 7, 2019 stated the 2019 St. John valedictorian as Shelby Cheramie. The valedictorian was Madison Nicolosi; the salutatorian was Shelby Cheramie. We regret the error.

Stewardship

June 29 & 30, 2019



Identified.....	\$8,023.00
Number — 163	
Unidentified.....	\$1,554.00
Other collections.....	\$1,323.00
Number — 58	

July 6 & 7, 2019

Identified.....	\$9,246.00
Number — 277	
Unidentified.....	\$1,492.00
Other collections.....	\$3,206.00
Number — 127	
Unidentified.....	\$ 604.00

ONLINE GIVING — JUNE 2019

Stewardship.....	\$5,056.00
Other Collections.....	\$1,125.00

Join the parishioners who are using ONLINE GIVING for automated giving to St. John. It is secure and convenient. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish.

To sign up for ONLINE GIVING, visit www.stjohnchurchplaq.org.

MASS INTENTIONS — July 20-26, 2019

Saturday, July 20-4pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Vincent A. Ferachi, Dr. Larry G. Ferachi, Michael “Boo” Santangelo, Mike & Rita Santangelo, Clay & Julette Bourg; Joel Pachikara; Dace K. & Earline Hahn, Sr., Kim Baggett, Luke Baggett; Ione & Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Sidney “Benny” Quatrevingt, Quatrevingt & Gulotta Families; Dale David; Aubrey Quebedeaux, Wally, Dub & Aline Comeaux

Sunday, July 21-7am Mass — St. John Parishioners



Sunday, July 21-9am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Kristina Mellema; Felix Berthelot; O. J. & Pearl Hidalgo Songy & Families; Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr., Terry Landry, Jr.; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families; Lawrence & Winnie Miller, Paul & Myrtle Richard, Edward Miller; Maggie & Joe Gulotto, Lola & A. J. Adams; Benny & Annie Vaughn; Harold Himel, Sr.; Carlyse Marix, Allen Buquoi; Pete Miranda; M/M Ernest Hernandez, Margaret Hernandez, Gary Hernandez, M/M Clay Hernandez, Rhodes Bourgoyne, M/M Frank Hernandez; Connor Brown

Sunday, July 21-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Fette Hebert; Betty Dugas, The Souls in Purgatory; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Peter & Rosalie Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; Frank, Josie, Victor & Anthony Canella; Paul, Doris & Charles Barbier, Claude Millet; Ruth Ricard

Tuesday, July 23-6pm Mass

Brenda Comeaux

Wednesday, July 24-7am Mass

Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families

Thursday, July 25-7am Mass

Adam H. Vercher, Emily Vercher, Donald R. Vercher, Vercher Family

Friday, July 26-7am Mass

Trista Parro



Sanctuary Candle July 21, 2019

St. John the Evangelist Church
Vincent & Jean Pizzolato,
Esther Pizzolato Schexnayder,
Vincent & Florence Pizzolato Forte

St. Clement of Rome Church
Malcolm Perera

Weekly Ministries

Altar Society



Altar Society Team 3 will be cleaning the church
Wednesday, July 17 at 8am.

Volunteers are welcome!



Coffee and Donuts July 21, 2019

Gordon & Marianne Gregoire (7:30am Mass)
Kevin & Kelly Gourgues (9am Mass)

You are Covered in Prayer



*May you feel His presence-
Experience His Peace-
Draw from His strength-
Rest in His love-*

May God bless and keep you in His loving care.

If someone you know is having major surgery or has been diagnosed with cancer or any other grave illness, please let us bring you a prayer blanket to help get you through this tough time. It matters not the age, all who need it will receive it.

Contact Jane Gauthreaux at 225.413.7157.

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I CAN'T
REMEMBER
A LOT OF
COMPLICATED
STUFF —
I JUST
TRY TO
REMEMBER
“LOVE”



DT 30:
10-14

I KNOW I
HAVE ALL
THESE BOOKS
FOR SOME
REASON, BUT
I FORGET
WHAT IT IS
NOW...



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