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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wed., Thurs., Fri.	7:00 am

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday	5:30-5:45 pm
Saturday	3:00-3:30 pm



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 22, 2020
Leap of Faith

Today's Gospel could be seen as an example of what St. Paul is explaining in the second reading. Since death came into the world with the sin of Adam, Christ's death saved us from sin and his resurrection saves us from death. And since Christ had to die before he could rise, the last enemy to be subjected is death; so too do we have to die before we can rise.

When all this happens, God will be seen in all of creation. Jesus will be seen as equal to God, not just a man, but the Son of God. The Gospel gives us the image of a king on his throne, surrounded by his subjects. And then comes the final judgment.

I always thought the point of this parable was that we recognize God in the poor, the sick, the homeless, prisoners, etc. But the people in the parable who helped all those in need did not recognize Christ in the needy.

That's why he tells them that whatever we do for "these least ones," we do for Christ.

That is actually good news, because it is not always easy to recognize Christ in others. I used to think that once I start seeing Christ in all people, I'll be more willing to help them. But it also works the other way. When you help someone in need, you begin to see Christ there, too. Whether it is a death-row prisoner or a homeless family, we take that leap of faith to help, not because we see Christ in them but just because they need help. Remember, God forgives and saves us because we need God, not because we deserve it.

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LET US GIVE THANKS

The Vigil Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated Wednesday, November 25 at 6pm.

Our office will be closed after noon Wednesday, November 25, Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.

"When you sit down to eat, pray. When you eat bread, do so thanking Him for being so generous to you. If you drink wine, be mindful of Him who has given it to you for your pleasure and as a relief in sickness. When you dress, thank Him for His kindness in providing you with clothes. When you look at the sky and the beauty of the stars, throw yourself at God's feet and adore Him who in His wisdom has arranged things in this way. Similarly, when the sun goes down and when it rises, when you are asleep or awake, give thanks to God, who created and arranged all things for your benefit, to have you know, love and praise their Creator." — St. Basil the Great

Happy Thanksgiving!!
from Father Greg, Deacon Ricard and
The Staff of St. John the Evangelist Church

HONORING OUR BELOVED DEAD

The Mass Intention Book is now open for the scheduling of Masses for next year (2021). Forms are on the bookshelves at the back of Church and on our church website, www.stjohnchurchplaq.org under FORMS.

If you wish to schedule a Mass, please fill out a Mass Intention form. Include your name, address and telephone number in the event we have questions about your intentions and need to contact you. We will try to schedule Masses in the order in which the forms are received to the best of our ability.

Please return the form and your check to the St. John church office or drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Mass.

Book of Remembrance: During the month of November, parishioners are encouraged to list the names of their deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance. This book is near the devotional candles and will remain during the month of November. You may write the names of loved ones in the book at your convenience.

NOTE: Each year, our parish remembers in a special way all those who died within the past year and who were buried from St. John Church. Candles are burned at the altar during All Saints Day Masses for the deceased parishioners who died within the last year.

If you were unable to attend Mass to get your candle, you may come to church and pick up an unlit candle from the devotional candles to burn at home in memory of your deceased loved one.



First Reconciliation

We celebrate God's forgiveness and the new life in Christ for the 36 children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time Thursday, November 12, 2020 at St. John Church.

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the First Reconciliation preparation catechists Jennifer Adams, Vicky Gautreaux and Wanda Ashley.

Daily Scripture Reading November 23-29, 2020

Monday, November 23:

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 24:

Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 25:

Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3b, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 26:

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day (suggested): Sir 50:22-24; Ps 138:1-5;

1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday, November 27:

Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, November 28:

Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7b; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday, November 29:

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;

1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Tending the needs of others is a gift of service to God as well as those in need. Choose to serve in every instance. Listen for a call to service as a priest, brother or sister. Then contact Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, amerrick@diobr.org.



St. John Altar Society

"Recipes Old and New, Tried and True"
A Collection of Recipes by parishioners and friends of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, former Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and St. Clement of Rome Catholic Church

This wonderful cookbook of many of your recipes (650 in total) includes a brief history of the Catholic Church in Plaquemine dating back to the 1820s. The cookbooks (\$20) will be sold **Saturday and Sunday, November 21 & 22** before and after all Masses outside the doors of the church. The Little Blue Advent books (\$1) and the 4-book Gospel set (\$5) will also be sold. All books will be available for you in the church office.

Altar Society Team 4 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, November 25 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

These words of Jesus are an excellent invitation to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:

"Jesus said to the crowds: 'Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.'" (Mt. 11:28-30)

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. Adorers will be limited to two at a time in the chapel. We regret that because of the current restrictions, some may have to be turned away.

There are many available hours. To volunteer, please contact JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Baptisms & Baptism Seminars



Baptism Seminars — 7pm
Third Floor Church Office
Monday, December 7, 2020
Monday, January 11, 2021
Monday, March 1, 2021

Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass
Saturday, November 28, 2020
Saturday, December 26, 2020
Saturday, January 23, 2021

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

The beautiful floral arrangement placed at the Blessed Mother Statue from the marriage of Jill Lamothe and Jordan Wright November 20, 2020 was given in loving memory of:

**Vincent A. Ferachi,
Dr. Larry G. Ferachi,
Paul & Rose Lamothe**

Given by:
Beulah Ferachi, Grandmother of the Bride



BRINGING CHRISTMAS JOY

Advent Giving Tree

The Giving Tree will be set up in church Saturday, November 28, 2020 for you to take a candy cane with a child's name. Please buy a gift and share the joy of Jesus' birth with them. Gifts are due Sunday, December 6.

Christmas Cards for Inmates

The Catholic Community at Louisiana State Penitentiary and the Chaplain's Department are again inviting our parish to participate in the Christmas card program. Their goal is to provide each inmate with at least 5 cards and envelopes.

Anyone interested in donating new religious Christmas cards should drop them off at the St. John Church office by Friday, December 4. Deacon Alfred Ricard will be taking the cards to the prison. We can accept Birthday and Get Well cards also. Religious cards are preferred.



A Grateful Acknowledgement



St. John Church Altar Society, Plaquemine Garden Club and Westside Master Gardeners joined hands to plant 20 flats of flowers donated by parishioners Robbie & Susan Dupont and Jeffery & Larie Dupont of Dupont Nursery. Pictured, l to r, are Trish Ramirez, Cheryl Gros, Joyce Daigle, Derryl Comeaux, Julie Allen, Lorraine Hidalgo, Susan Dupont, Beverly Kolder, Rosemary Cox, Lydia Vadnais, Jennifer Markins, Jeanne Panepinto, Betty Aucoin and Donna Carville.

Mass Intentions — November 28-December 4, 2020

Saturday, November 28-4pm 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; M/M Seth Williamson & Family, Father William Dodd & Sister Claude; Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families; Tony & Frances Savariste; Ronald Dugas, Russell Naquin, Jr., Fal Naquin, M/M Fallon Trabeaux; Andrew & Josephine, Carlo & Kurt Canova; George & Carol Allain, GiGi Allain, Barbara Bajon; Florence Lopez; M/M Lindon Rivet & Family, J. P. Messina, Irene & Lo Gulotta; Wayne Loubiere; Faye Martinez; Shirley Settoon; Christine, Mark, Caitlyn & Dagene McMorris; Cecil Slayton, Jr., Frances Slayton; A Special Favor and In Thanksgiving for a Special Favor

Sunday, November 29-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, November 29-9am 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; Connor Brown; Benny & Annie Vaughn; Medric Smith, Sr., Margaret Smith, Bridge Smith Mann; J. A. "Baby" Palermo, Margaret & Gary Hernandez; Virginia Simon; Olga Hymel

Sunday, November 29-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; T. N. & Ray Patin; Myrna Hargrove; Brenda Fremin; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Isaac Vaughn, Nilda & Isaac Vaughn

Tuesday, December 1-6pm Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.; Van & Thelma Junot, Elvis & Mamie Rabalais; Rusty Haydel

Wednesday, December 2-7am Mass

Tony Savariste

Thursday, December 3-7am Mass

Murray & Dixie Suffrin

Friday, December 4-7am Mass

Harry & Winnie Gallagher



Sanctuary Candle November 22, 2020

St. John the Evangelist Church
Josh Rodrigue

St. Clement of Rome Church
Colby Gomez

REMINDERS

The 2021 Workbooks for Lectors have been placed in the credenza in the Baptistry. You may pick up your copy at your convenience.

The 2021 church calendars are available to our parishioners at the entrances to the church. You may pick up your calendar after any weekend Mass. Special thanks to Wilbert Funeral Services.

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.



CHRIST THE KING

THIS IS A TEST~
PLEASE COMPLETE
THE FOLLOWING
SENTENCE:



"I WILL OBEY
JESUS, NO MATTER
WHAT THE COST—"



☐ A. "UNLESS IT
INTERFERES WITH
MY LIFESTYLE."
☐ B. "UNLESS
THEY GIVE ME
FUNNY LOOKS
AT WORK."



☐ C. "UNLESS IT
COSTS ME MONEY."
☐ D. None of the
above. The sen-
tence is already
complete.



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