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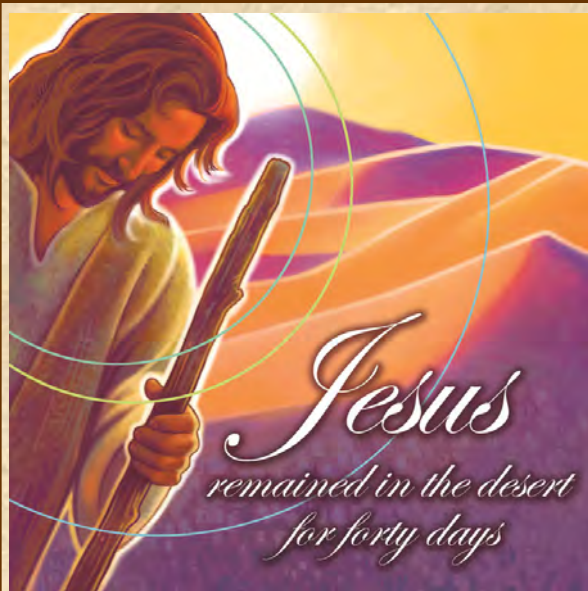
Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wed., Thurs., Fri.	7:00 am

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



## First Sunday of Lent

February 21, 2021

Clear Conscience


Usually, the first reading has something in common with the gospel. Today's however, has more in common with the second reading from St. Peter. They both talk about Noah and the ark, where the few good people were saved by going through the water. Peter compares that to the waters of Baptism, in which we are saved by God. Just as God washed away the evil of the world in the waters of the flood, so the waters of Baptism made us into a new people who have clear consciences, both because God has forgiven our sins and because we promise to follow only Him.

That leads to the Gospel, where Jesus is tempted by Satan. But unlike the people of Noah's time, Jesus does not fall to the temptations. Instead, he comes out of the desert, telling us to repent and believe in the good news.

That means we have a choice to make: Do we accept this kingdom and repent, or do we ignore our baptism and do what we want? Do we still have a clear conscience when we think of how much time we spend getting to know Jesus? Ever pray or read the bible outside of church? Do we spend near as much on the poor, as we do for our entertainment?

Next time you see a rainbow, think about the covenant that God made with Noah. Just as God's promises get better and better till the coming of Jesus, we are challenged to be more and more like Him. Are you satisfied with just a promise that God won't destroy us all in a flood? Or are you ready to live the New Covenant that Jesus promises to those who will follow him?

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**Lent**

**Lenten Weekday Schedule:**  
 Tuesday - 6pm Mass & Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena  
 Wednesday & Thursday - 7am Mass  
 Friday - 12 Noon Stations of the Cross  
 6pm Mass & Stations of the Cross  
 (No 7am Mass during Lent)


**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

These words of Jesus are an excellent invitation to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:  
*“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.”* (Mt 11:28)

Many people have a difficult time choosing an appropriate Lenten penance. This year, why not commit to making a Holy Hour at the Adoration Chapel once a week during Lent? There are many available hours.

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.

To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, please contact JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.



**The Year of St. Joseph**


On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared the year of St. Joseph (December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021). This declaration came on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church by Blessed Pope Pius IX.

Fr. Greg has given permission to have a group meeting regarding the Consecration to St. Joseph. Meetings are being held on Mondays at 6pm and will continue every Monday until March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The required book may be purchased for \$14.00 by contacting 1.800.462.7426, [fathercalloway.com](http://fathercalloway.com) or by calling JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

It's not too late to join us for consecrating our marriages and families to St. Joseph.

**St. John Altar Society**



The St. John Altar Society cookbooks, “Recipes Old and New Tried and True” are being sold for \$20.00 from the church office. The Little Lenten books are available for \$1.00.  
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Altar Society Team 4 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, February 24 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

**In Loving Memory...**

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following persons who donated a memorial gift to St. John the Evangelist Church in loving memory of:

**Harry Marionneaux**

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**Pray for Vocations** Lent: the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you.

If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Josh Johnson at 225.336.8778, [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org), or visit [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).

**Baptisms and Seminars**


Baptism Seminars  
 Monday, March 1, 2021  
 Monday, April 12, 2021  
 Monday, May 3, 2021  
 Monday, June 7, 2021



Baptisms  
 Saturday, April 24, 2021  
 Saturday, May 22, 2021  
 Saturday, June 26, 2021

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 Lily Skidmore at the church office (225.687.2402) during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.



**Wedding Preparations**

*Holy Matrimony* Couples contemplating marriage should contact the Church 6 months prior to the wedding. Plans should not be made before contacting the Church office. Anyone previously married must have an annulment freeing them to marry in the Catholic Church. This includes members of other denominations seeking to marry Catholics in the Catholic Church.

For more information or to schedule a wedding, please call Susan Landry at the church office, 225.687.2402.

**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
 Coming June 5, 2021 — 4pm Mass  
 Parish Wedding Anniversary Mass and Celebration  
 We will welcome couples who are celebrating 25, 50, 55, 60, 65 or greater years of marriage at St. John.



## Divine Mercy Novena Mass and Chaplet

This year on Tuesday, February 23 at 6pm our parish will begin its nine-week Novena of Divine Mercy with Mass, followed immediately by the sung chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Novena prayers.

Divine Mercy is a prominent theme of the Scriptures, in both the New Testament and the Old. In our own time, devotion to the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ has spread throughout the world in an extraordinary way through the grace of a private revelation given to a humble Polish nun, St. Faustina Kowalska (1905-38). Our Lord Himself appeared to St. Faustina and instructed her to act as His “Apostle of Divine Mercy,” giving her the following commission: *My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy!* He also instructed her to have an image of His Divine Mercy painted, just as He had appeared to her, so that veneration of this image would lead a great number of souls to Him. At the foundation of that image is the simple message, *Jesus, I trust in You*. Our Lord likewise instructed Faustina to let it be known that He wished the Sunday after Easter to be instituted in the Church as a universal Feast of Divine Mercy. Concerning the feast, Jesus made the following promise: *On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I will pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. The souls that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion on this day shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. This incomparable grace has been described as a kind of “second baptism,” including the remission of all sin and temporal punishment due to sin. (N.B. confession within a proximate time before the feast, e.g., during the season of Lent, is sufficient. One must receive the Eucharist worthily on the feast, this is, in the state of sanctifying grace.)*

Jesus invites you to enter into the cloister of His Heart! This is the Message of Divine Mercy. He wants you to reside within His Heart and experience His Peace. Through His mediation, He wants you to come to know God the Father and the Holy Spirit, too. There is nothing that Our Lord withholds from the soul who sincerely seeks Him with humble repentance, generosity and trust. Jesus Christ loves you with all His Heart, and He wants to dwell within your heart, too. If there is a need for healing there (and indeed, there is always need for healing there), you can be sure that He knows just what to do.

You are invited to come on the nine Tuesdays from February 23 through April 20, 2021.

*Cor ad Cor Loquitur. Heart speaks to heart. The Heart of Christ speaks to the heart of man — to your heart — if you will but open the door and listen to Him.*



## Mass Intentions — February 27-March 5, 2021

### Saturday, February 27-4pm 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; J. D. Dupre; Douglas Breaux & Family, Salvadore F. Spano & Family; Ione Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Brenda Fremin; Mayon, Callahan & Clement Families; Janice Brown; Joe Rockforte; Raymond & Esther Schexnayder; In Thanksgiving for a Special Intention

### Sunday, February 28-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

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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; Rosa, Curtis & Denise Breaux; Connie Clement; Murphy Breaux, Jr.; Benny & Annie Vaughn; Virginia Simon; The Currier Family

### Sunday, February 28-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Earl J. LeJeune, Jr.; Allen & Alberta Buquoi, Dwight Marix, Lois Marix; Murray & Dixie Suffrin; Brenda Fremin; Anna Belle Davis; Barry Leonard; Leon, Collen & Neil Graffeo, Jimmy Barbee

### Tuesday, March 2-6pm Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.; Winnie & Harry Gallagher, Ethel & Harry Blanchard; Case, Gum & Schuler Families

### Wednesday, March 3-7am Mass Ash Wednesday

O. J. & Pearl Hidalgo Songy & Families

### Thursday, March 4-7am Mass

Alex & Alice Nolan

### Friday, March 5-7am Mass

Calvin Wilbert III, Marion & Betty Cazes, Betty & Calvin Wilbert, Sr.



### Sanctuary Candle February 21, 2021

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Allen & Carrie Callahan

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Joe Nathan "Pepper" Jackson  
Prince Salvage

### Daily Scripture Reading February 22-28, 2021

#### Monday, February 22:

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19

#### Tuesday, February 23:

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

#### Wednesday, February 24:

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

#### Thursday, February 25:

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

#### Friday, February 26:

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

#### Saturday, February 27:

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

#### Sunday, February 28:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19;  
Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

### 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

I'M GOING  
TO GO ON  
A RETREAT  
THIS LENT.



OKAY, BUT  
REMEMBER A  
RETREAT IS JUST  
A TEMPORARY  
TACTICAL  
MANEUVER SO  
YOU CAN COME  
BACK AT THE  
ENEMY EVEN  
STRONGER THAN  
BEFORE!



I COME HERE FOR  
SPIRITUAL  
ADVICE, AND I GET  
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