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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

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021

Father, Forgive Them

The promise made by the LORD in the first reading is very bold. He says that all people shall know him, without having to be taught by others. The way people will know Him is through forgiveness of their sins. Remember, he is speaking to the Israelites. When they broke a commandment or law, they were isolated from the community. So the promise that God would place his law in their hearts meant they would be free to do God's will because they want to, not because they were feared punishment or rejection.

Jesus says something similar in today's gospel. He tells the disciples that his crucifixion would draw everyone to him. Now, Jesus' death showed that he took on the punishment for sins in place of us, who deserve it. By dying on the cross, Jesus shows how much God loves us. By rising from the dead, he shows that we can rise from sin to a new life of faith and love.

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat

Getting back to the first reading, we experience that promise when we bring our sins to God. When we forgive people who have hurt us, we also help them to experience that love. We also help others to know God when we share or experience of being forgiven. The sacrament of Reconciliation gives us the assurance of God's forgiveness, as well as the experience. Along with the other sacraments, it helps us keep God's love in our hearts.

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**St. Joseph Altar
Saturday, March 20 &
Sunday, March 21, 2021**

We will honor St. Joseph Saturday, March 20 at 4pm Mass. The St. Joseph Altar will be displayed in front of the St. Joseph statue in church.

Meals will be served from the K. C. Home drive-through driveway, 58715 Price Street, Sunday, March 21. You may pick up your meal from 11am-1pm at no charge.

St. Joseph, pray for us.



**First Holy Communion
Sunday, March 21, 2021**

Please join us as we proudly welcome our young children to the Table of the Lord as they receive the Eucharist for the first time; 18 children at 9am Mass and 19 children at 11am Mass.

Holy Week Schedule

Tuesday, March 30 - 7pm Mass & Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena

Wednesday, March 31 - 7am Mass

Holy Thursday, April 1 - 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 2 - 12 Noon Stations of the Cross
3pm Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 3 - 7:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 4 - 7:30am, 9am, 11am Masses



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)



**Daily Scripture Reading
March 22-28, 2021**

Monday, March 22:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6;
Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 23:

Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 24:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday, March 25:

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Friday, March 26:

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, March 27:

Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Palm Sunday, March 28:

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7;
Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47
[15:1-39]

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

“And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.” (Luke 11:9-10)

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.

Baptisms and Seminars



Baptism Seminars

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.



Unless a seed first dries out and dies it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we die to our selfish ways, we can never expect to be people whom will “lay down their lives for their friends.”

If you think God is calling you to lay down your life as a priest or religious for His Church, contact Fr. Josh Johnson at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

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:

William "Bill" Middleton

Donated by:
Mrs. Melwyn B. Wendt
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A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following person who donated a memorial gift to St. John the Evangelist Church in loving memory of:

Warren LaBauve

A. J. Laurent
Donated by:
Elizabeth Adams

St. John Altar Society



The St. John Altar Society cleans the church, assists the sacristans and provides assistance as needed for parish receptions. Monthly meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month in the Church office conference room. The next Altar Society meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 23 at 9:30am.

Altar Society Team 4 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, March 24 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

The sale of the Altar Society cookbooks, "Recipes Old and New, Tried and True" are ongoing. 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. You may purchase your copy for \$20 from the church office.

The Easter booklets, Year B, (\$1) and the 4 book set of Gospels daily devotionals (\$5) are also available.



Stewardship

Easter Flower Donations

The beautiful flowers and decorations at Easter enhance our Easter worship.

Envelopes for Easter decorations are included in your March packet of envelopes.

Please list the names of your loved ones on the envelopes. Memorial donations will be published in the bulletin.

Contribution Tax Statement

Anyone needing a 2020 contribution statement for tax purposes should call Susan at the St. John Church Office at 225.687.2402. Statements will be printed upon request.

Online Giving

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.



St. John School News

Walk with Jesus

The St. John 8th grade class will perform their annual "Walk with Jesus" presentation at St. Clement Church on Palm Sunday, March 28 at 6pm.

The public is invited to attend this very special remembrance of Palm Sunday's entrance into Jerusalem to Easter Sunday's Resurrection.

What better way to begin Holy Week than to watch the students reenact Jesus' final days?

Alumni Association

Graduate, awesome! Not a graduate - that's ok too! Show your Eagle pride! Become a member and join the St John Alumni Association; the organization that supports the whole St. John community.

For more information, email torcino@stjohnschool.org or stop by our Facebook page, St. John Alumni Association (Plaquemine), for level options and pricing. Payments can be made via Venmo [@stjohnalumniassociation](https://www.venmo.com/stjohnalumniassociation).

Rewards Programs

Remember to save Box Tops for Education and Coke Rewards bottle tops in addition to the UPC labels from Community Coffee K cups, creamer, sugar, filters, tea mix and bags, canned tea, or any Community Coffee product.

St. John is able to raise thousands of dollars for classroom supplies through these programs. You may bring your labels to church in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket at Mass or drop the labels and bottle tops off at our church parish office. We will see that the school receives them.

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. More information will become available as we approach the celebration date.

Mass Intentions — March 27-April 2, 2021

Saturday, March 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; Robert, Betty & Lee Mooney, Sylvia Gascon; Ambrose Tullier & Sons; Vincent A. Ferachi, Dr. Larry Ferachi; Yves & Vera Ramirez, Jane & Jerry, Kirsch Kember; Ione Robbins, Calvin Robbins & Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Quentin & Annabel Buquoi; Lawrence Seymour; Dominic Engolio, Frances & Michael Savariste, Frank Savariste; Gary Stockstill; Brennan Eugene Bujol, Pim & NuNu Clebert, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Derley Barbier; Johnette & Sam Pizzolato

Sunday, March 28-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, March 28-9am 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; Douglas Bourgoyne, Artie Lyons; Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux; Connie Clement; Benny & Annie Vaughn; Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr., Terry Landry, Jr.; Virginia Simon

Sunday, March 28-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Earl J. LeJeune, Jr.; Murray & Dixie Suffrin, Colby Gomez; John, Krystal, Justin & Josh Donaldson; Brenda Fremin; Leon, Collen & Neil Graffeo, Jimmy Barbee; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Isaac Vaughn, Nilda Vaughn, Isaac Vaughn, Sr.; Harry Marionneaux, Paul, Doris & Charles Barbier

Tuesday, March 30--6pm Mass

Winnie & Harry Gallagher, Ethel & Harry Blanchard; Ethel P. Businelle

Wednesday, March 31-7am Mass

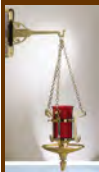
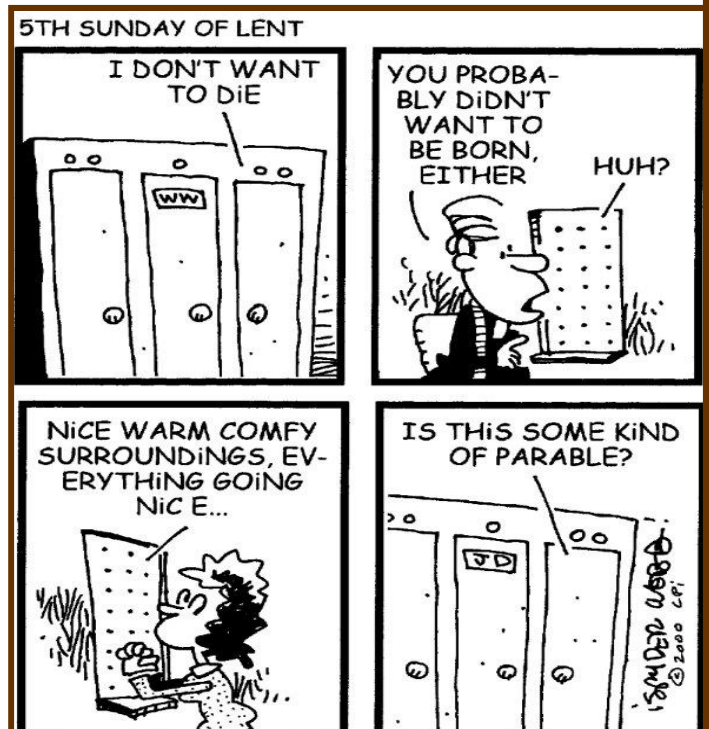
Roland "Dougie" Rivet, Hebert & Rivet Families

Holy Thursday, April 1-7pm Mass

Tommy Griffon



Friday, April 2-Good Friday—No Mass



Sanctuary Candle March 21, 2021

St. John the Evangelist Church
Dr. J. A. Durand & The Dugas Family

St. Clement of Rome Church
Joseph E. "Pat" Dupont
Kathy Dupont Fulton

Divine Mercy Novena

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Novena will continue every Tuesday during Lent after 6pm Mass through Sunday, April 20.





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