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#### Masses

Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday7:30am, 9:00 am,	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wednesday	7:00 am
Thursday	7:00 am
Friday	7:00 am

#### Parish Office Staff

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#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



# The Most Holy Trinity May 26, 2024

#### Three-in-One Love

When I was much younger, I used to think that God was totally invisible, not to be experienced as the people in the bible did. After all, they heard God's voice in the fiery cloud; they saw the waters parted so they could pass through—all the things that Moses talks about in the first reading. But then I ask myself, do I want my faith to be based on special effects? Or do I want to trust Jesus, who told Thomas, "Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed." (Jn 20:29)

Jesus was referring to his resurrection appearances, but it also applies to the Holy Trinity. When we see a newborn child, she can remind us of God the Father creating the earth and all living things. When we see the cross, we recall Jesus' saving death and resurrection. When we share our faith with someone, we know that it is the Holy Spirit who gives us the words to speak and the courage to speak them. Seeing God's work around us, we can still experience God in Three Persons.

The three are not just equal parts of God, one-third of God each. Three infinite Persons are united in one substance or being, so the love they have for each other is infinite. Everything God does is done by all three Persons. So you could say that everything the Trinity does, is done out of love.

Tom Schmidt



#### Pastor's Letter

May 26, 2024

Dear Family:

On this Trinity Sunday, we read Matthew's "great commission" that narrates with breathtaking beauty and brevity the disciples' encounter with the risen Christ on a mountain in Galilee. So much happens in these five verses - the most beautiful of which is the expression of human hope and frailty in the reality that "they worshiped, but they doubted." How could they not? They had tried so

hard, and had loved, lost, and experienced so much, as we do every day.

This encounter affirms that it is acceptable for faith to seek understanding. Such seeking does not deter the risen Christ whatsoever. He nonetheless declares his power and gives the disciples their mission to go, make, baptize, and teach. We are the imperfect disciples of Christ, who are doing the best that we can. Fortunately, more of the Good News is that he will be with us always, guiding us through the Holy Spirit to relationship with God as Father, Creator, and Lord of all.

The remainder of the Good News in this proclamation is that "all nations" can now be in covenant relationship with God as a parent, through the gift of the life, death, and resurrection of the Son, and now actualized by the Holy Spirit in our lives. Matthew's great commission seeds the development of the doctrine of the Trinity. More individually, it calls each of us to intimate participation in this relationship that continues to create the world in which we live. The psalmist proclaims that God is just and right, and Paul declares that we are joint heirs in the Trinitarian relationship. The Trinity is our foundation of support and our summons to active living.

#### Some questions for reflection:

The reading from Deuteronomy presents a poetic image of God's creative sovereignty. How does this image resonate in your life?

Paul challenges us to be led by the Spirit in our lives. What does this mean for you?

These readings together harken the dignity of all humankind in relationship with the Trinitarian God. How might you work toward this end in your life?

We have now finished another school year. We continue to offer our congratulations to all of our graduates, their parents and/or guardians, our teachers and support staff, and our administrators. The largest ministry of our St. John Church is our Eucharistic Ministry. Each day, each weekend we gather for Eucharist as the Body of Christ. The Second largest ministry is that of our St. John School and our Parish School of Religion. Pray for us during the summer that during these days of rest and restoration we will be renewed for the 2024 -2025 school year. Thank you to all our teachers and/or catechists, support staff, Mrs. Schlatre, Mrs. Morel, Mrs. Dupont, Mrs. Wanda Ashley and our new DRE, Mrs. Barbier.

Thanks to our gardening angels and their ministry. With the changing of seasons comes the planting of beautiful flowers and ground cover around our St. John Church. Your dedication to keeping our grounds beautiful blesses our whole community and those who visit us with a spirit of Christian hospitality. It is as if our Church welcomes us as soon as we reach the parking lot.

Thanks to our 100 Year Campaign Committee. We have continued to meet and forge ahead. Our first project will be starting soon (we hope). The first item on our list - replacing our weathered roof. Thank you for your continued support to restore our beautiful St. John Church.

I pray you have been noticing the updates on our campaign and have been seeing our financial situation. Our business manager, Mr. Medric Smith, Jr., works diligently to use the funds you give us to maintain our church building and business. As you may have noticed, there are months when we run short and dip into our savings. Our Finance Committee has asked me to make a formal appeal to you regarding our finances. I will be addressing this matter this weekend.

Peace,

Fr. Greg

The St. John Church Office will be closed Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day.

#### Let us not forget ....





#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Come and Adore, Jesus is Waiting for YOU.

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

## May Devotion: The Blessed Virgin Mary

During the month of May, the Yard Rosary will be prayed at the homes of parishioners at 7pm.

Sunday, May 26: Ronald & Annie LeBlanc

57712 Erwin Dr.

Monday, May 27: Barry & Andrea Young

24250 Kirtley Dr.

Tuesday, May 28: Eugene & Denny Bujol

49475 Island Dr.

Wednesday, May 29: George & Patricia Ramirez

57741 Cardinal St. .

Thursday, May 30: Joe & Janet Bryant

57920 Court St.

Friday, May 31: JoAnn Daigle

24510 Hebert St.

Please join us. Bring your lawn chair and your friends!

# Scripture Readings

Week of May 26, 2024

Sunday Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-19,

20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c; Monday

Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31 Wednesday 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;

Mk 10:32-45

Thursday 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2-5;

Mk 10:46-52

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Friday

Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16: Is 12:2-3.

4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

Saturday Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33 Sunday

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and

Blood of Christ

Ex 24:3-8, Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

#### Ritualsong

The Most Holy Trinity #1189

Entrance: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! #659

Preparation: \*\*Instrumental\*\* Communion: Take and Eat #1025

Sending Forth: All Creatures of Our God and King



#### Baptisms & **Baptism Seminars**

Baptism Seminars — 7pm **Parish Office Third Floor** Monday, June 3, 2024 Monday, July 8, 2024 Monday, August 5, 2024

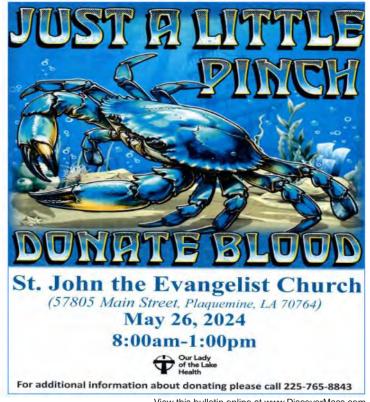
Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass

Saturday, June 22, 2024 Saturday, July 27, 2024 Saturday, August 24, 2024

Dates are subject to change. Please contact Lily Skidmore during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

#### Plaquemine Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, May 26

Drive through to pick up your "World's Best" Spaghetti Dinners at the Lions Club parking lot, 60255 Bayou Jacob Road, Sunday, May 26 from 10am - 12:30pm.



#### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, June 1-4pm 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; Scott Jude Marino, A. J. & Nera Rodriguez, Anthony & Mary Marino, Kids of St. Jude; Mary & Chuchie Flatau, Anthony & Carmella Orcino, Orcino & Flatau Families; Brennan Bujol, Pim & Nu Nu Clebert, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Derley Barbier; John E., Cecil D. & Maurice E. Brown, Joan B. Heath, Brown & Duhon Families; Lawrence Landry, Sr., M/M L. J. Raymond, M/M Joseph E. Bujol; Alfred, Mercedese, Lester & Mary Carville, Reid & Jerry Rainey, Edmund & Louise Bujol; Andrew Canova, Josephine Canova; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; Theresa D. Businelle; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Johnny Zito, Sr., Johnny Zito, Jr., Joseph & Lena Zito; Ernest, Nora, Marvin & The Allen Family; Alvin "Pecan" Daigle; M/M J. E. Dupont, Pat Dupont, Kathy Dupont Fulton, M/M Wilton Watts, Francis LeFleur

# <u>Sunday, June 2-7:30am Mass</u> — St. John Parishioners

#### Sunday, June 2-9am 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; Dudley & Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr., Terry Landry, Jr., Kynlee Bueche; Trabeaux, Dugas & Naquin Families; Fred Hebert, George & Gloria Ramirez, Jimmy & Agnes LeBlanc; James Roucher; Rosemary Cox; Mary Ann Gregoire; M/M A. J. Laurent, Jr.; Robert Jude Grace; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; The Calvaruso Family; Denise Miranda; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Seneca Rafflee; Catherine Kiely, Steve & Gloria Cedotal

#### Sunday, June 2-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Nolan Bueche, III; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Ezora Hedges, Sidney Hedges, Sr.

#### Tuesday, June 4-6pm Mass

Case, Gum & Schuler Families

#### Wednesday, June 5-7am Mass

Ed Bahry

#### Thursday, June 6-7am Mass

Lorraine "Catty" Hebert, Mary Kay Marchand Hudson, Hebert & Clement Families

#### Friday, June 7-7am Mass

Cathie Blanchard

#### Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will resume in August. Anyone interested in helping with Children's Liturgy ministry may call the church office at 225.687.2402.



# Sanctuary Candle

May 26, 2024

St. John the Evangelist **Anthony D. Capone** 

St. Clement of Rome

Alex & Alice Nolan, Larry Skidmore

#### Coffee & Donuts

June 2, 2024





Kevin & Kelly Gourgues (9am Mass)

## St. John Altar Society

#### **Essential Support System of the Church**

Altar Society Extra Team 2 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, May 29. Volunteers are welcome.



# Called By Name Chosen for Consecrated

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." How can you evangelize others

and share in God's glory? Maybe as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.



# The Most Holy Trinity



## Important Acadian Festival Notice

Any 2024-2025 Senior girl attending Plaguemine High School, Iberville West Math, Science and Arts Academy or St. John High School or lives

in Plaguemine and attends a school outside of Iberville Parish is eligible to apply online at acadianfestival.org to be considered for the 2024 Acadian Festival Princess Court. Application period will be June 1 - June 30, 2024. You will receive confirmation when your application has been successfully submitted. There will be no calling of members in the application process.

The Acadian Festival Committee and/or the Knights of Columbus are not responsible for contacting girls to apply.



There are incarcerated women and men in the Diocese of Baton Rouge who are having profound experiences with the Lord - but they need someone to support them on their journey of faith.

Perhaps that someone is you...

# VOLUNTEER FOR PRISON MINISTRY!

Contact Jorge Lavastida at jlavastida@diobr.org or 225-242-0222 for more information. Scan the QR code or visit diobr.org/pm-form to let the diocesan prison ministry team know how they can best contact you.





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