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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
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January 1, 2017 — Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Today's readings include another account of the story of Jesus' birth. Numbers reminds us that we are blessed. We are looked upon with kindness and grace. The psalm and Galatians remind us of the blessings given through God's Son. Luke tells of our ultimate blessing, that Mary, a human being like us, gave birth to a child who is God's Son. Mary, a young mother, watches all that is happening around the birth of her son. She listens as the shepherds bring messages from angels, a message she also received from an angel, about her son. Yet Mary remains silent. She keeps all this news about her son to herself. She reflects on all these experiences. The only thing she shares is the name of her son, Jesus, a name given him before he was even conceived. Her silence leaves us wondering if this is how one responds to such a great blessing.

BLESSED NEWS Both Numbers and the psalm describe being blessed, like the experience of our father's face lighting up as he sees us. Blessings are received with gestures and expressions of kindness and grace. In Galatians, we are reminded that we too are children of God. As children, our Father's blessing is sought and cherished. The shepherds arrive and repeat the message of the angels. They bring news from angels that this child is both Son of God and son of Mary. This small, helpless, impoverished infant is the Savior, the Lord and King for whom all have been waiting. He is the blessing that lights the sky and the face of all who see him. This Son, this Lord and King, rests in his mother's arms as she reflects on all these things.

ANSWER TO OUR PRAYER There is lots of news from various sources in these readings. Moses, Paul, angels, shepherds, all have some news about this child. But there is no news from Mary. Mary is silent and reflective. The shepherds' message is amazing, but she had heard this message before and her response then was to say yes. Yes to the uncertainty, the unknown, the blessing. Her response now is to reflect, keeping all these things in her heart. She said yes and now that yes is real in her infant son. She holds the fulfillment of that earlier promise in her arms and she is powerfully aware of how small and vulnerable that promise is. She knows that her son, God's Son, is the answer to the prayers of so many for so long, and she knows how fragile that answer is. Her son needs to be loved and nurtured. As Mary knows and we will learn, the answer to a prayer is only the beginning.

Today's Readings: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



**Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God**

Saturday, Dec. 31 — 4:00 pm Vigil Mass
**Sunday, Jan. 1 — 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
 11:00 am Masses**

Epiphany Concert for St. John School

EPIPHANY CONCERT

Sunday, January 8, 2017 ~ 4:00 pm
St. John the Evangelist Church



**Songs of the Christmas Season &
 Songs to Enjoy**

**Featuring Rev. Gregory J. Daigle
 with Bill Grimes & the Epiphany Orchestra**

**Tickets (\$25) may be purchased from the St. John
 Church and St. John School offices or at the door.**

Nativity Scene in Church



**Our beautiful crèche with life-size
 Fontanini figures will be available for
 viewing for anyone who would like
 an opportunity to make a prayerful
 visit to our Lord and Savior.**

**The church will be open and lights will be on from
 8:30 am until 6:00 pm from Monday, December 26
 through Sunday, January 1 and until 4:30 pm from
 Monday, January 2 through Sunday, January 15.**

GROWING IN FAITH

**An Eight-Part Bible Study
featuring Dr. Edward Sri**



**Following Christ takes more than simply believing in
 Him or doing what He asks of us. Jesus wants you to be
 more than just a believer—He wants you to be His
 disciple and friend. *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the
 Gospel of John* is a guide to a personal encounter with
 Christ.**

**January 5, 2017—February 23, 2017
 1:30 pm-3:00 pm or 6:30 pm-8:00 pm
 St. John Parish Hall**

\$15.00 for Study Book

Call the Church office (225.687.2402) to register.

**For more information, call Donna Carville at
 225.776.3205.**

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January 2017:
Christian Unity**

**That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's
 teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to
 restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to
 meet the challenges facing humanity.**

PERPETUAL ADORATION



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

"Could you not keep watch for one hour?"

Mark 14:37

Listed below are open hours in the Adoration Chapel:

- Tuesday: 3:00 am-4:00 am**
- Every other Tuesday: 5:00 am-6:00 am**
- Wednesday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight**
- Wednesday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am**
- Thursday: 5:00 am-6:00 am**
- Friday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am**
- Friday: 1:00 am-2:00 am**
- Friday: 2:00 am-3:00 am**
- Saturday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am**
- Saturday: 2:00 am-3:00 am**
- Saturday: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm**
- Saturday: 5:00 am-6:00 am**
- Saturday: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm**
- Saturday: 7:00 pm-8:00 pm**

**To volunteer, call Mickey Rivet at 225.687.6549 or
 JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.**

Weekday Worship & Scripture—Week of Jan 2, 2017

Monday, January 2: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Tuesday, January 3: 5:30 pm Confession/Mass/
 Anointing/Novena/Benediction**

1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday, January 4: 7 am Mass

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday, January 5: 7 am Mass

1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January 6: 7 am Mass

**1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28
 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]**

Saturday, January 7:

1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday, January 8:

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Bereavement Support Group



**The Bereavement Support Group will meet
Wednesday, January 4, 2017 from 6:30 pm-
 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.**

Our Hymn Selections this weekend are:

Entrance: Sing of Mary

Music Issue 698

Glory to God: Mass of the Renewal

Preparation: Silent Night

Today's Missal 70

Communion: Angels We Have Heard On High

Today's Missal 63

Sending Forth: Immaculate Mary

Today's Missal 129



JANUARY

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  Building & Maintenance 2nd Collection Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God 	2 7 pm Baptism Seminar Parish Hall	3	4 6:30-7:30 pm Bereavement Support Group Parish Hall	5 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	6 10 am Comm. Service Legacy (Plaq. Caring)	7 11 am-noon Rosary for Priests every Saturday Adoration Chapel 
8 9 am RCIA 2 pm Ladies of P Claver Parish Hall  4 pm Epiphany Concert St. John Church	9  7 pm Catholic Daughters Meeting Parish Hall	10	11 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	12 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	13 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	14
15 9 am RCIA 6-8:00 pm Confirmation class Parish Hall	16 OFFICE CLOSED 	17	18 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	19 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall  7 pm KC Meeting KC Hall	20 10 am Comm. Service Legacy (Plaq. Caring)	21
22 9 am RCIA 5:30-7:30 pm Confirmation class Parish Hall	23	24  9:30 am Altar Society Meeting Parish Hall	25 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	26 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	27 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	28 10 am-3 pm 1st Communion Retreat Parish Hall  Baptisms following 4 pm Mass
29 9 am RCIA  Catholic Schools Week Begins 6-8:00 pm Confirmation class Parish Hall	30	31				

Happy New Year!

MASS INTENTIONS — January 7 - 13, 2017

Saturday, January 7-4:00 p.m. Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Lawrence "Boo" Santangelo; Scott Jude Marino, Kids of St. Jude, Nera Rodriguez, M/M Anthony Marino, Sr.; Josie Vicknair; Curtis, Denise & Brian Breaux; Mike "Fuzzy" Marino, Melissa Jarreau, David, Gros & Blanchard Families; M/M L. J. Raymond, M/M Joseph E. Bujol; DeNoux, Dugas, Durand & Panepinto Families; Robert, Lee & Betty Mooney, Rita Marchand; John E. & Cecile D. Brown, Brown & Duhon Families; Alfred & Mercedese Carville, Mary & Lester Carville, Reid & Gerry Rainey, Edmund & Louise Bujol; Carlo, Kurt, Andrew & Josephine Canova; C. Z. Breaux, Jr., J. H. Bourgeois Family; M/M John Caffarel, Sr., M/M G. E. Marix & Family; Bobbie Falcon Cloutre; Camile Tempanaro; M/M Tony Falcon; Doris Murry; M/M Curtis Gourgues; M/M Frank Tempanaro; In Thanksgiving; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; Roy A. Hebert, David G. Hebert; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Angelo Mancuso, Nick Mancuso Family, Tarek Smart, Roger Adams; Johnny Zito, Jr. & Johnny Zito; Yves & Vera Ramirez & Family; Ida Ortis, M/M Paul J. Hebert & Grayland Allen, Mary "Ronnee" Roussell; Percy J. Blanchard, Maude A. Blanchard, Chase M. Prejean & Pearl B. Aucoin; Jimmy, Sarah & Jackie Migliacio, P. W. Albert, Jr.; Annelies Ohlmeyer Martinez, Erline Carville, Ruth Larpenteur, Cecil Chopin; Annie Matirne, Placito Mancuso, Lucy Sparacino; Frank Michelle Family; Victor Crescienne Family, Joe Michelle

Sunday, January 8-7:30 a.m. Mass - St. John Parishioners



Sunday, January 8-9:00 a.m. Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Rodney Pizzolato, LTC Craig T. Robinson, Marie Pizzolato Blanchard, M/M Gasper Pizzolato, Sr.; Vincent A. Palermo, Tony & Frances Palermo, Lena P. Brooks; Fred Hebert, George & Gloria Ramirez, Agnes & Jimmy LeBlanc; George & Carol Allain, GiGi Allain, Barbara Bajon; M/M Frank Hidalgo; J. W. Bryant Family, Mrs. E. J. Clifton; Joe & Maggie Gullotto, Lola & A. J. Adams; Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio; Pauline E. deVerges, Edward N. Engolio, Jr.; Madeline, John, Sr., John, Jr. & James Roth, Adolph, Sr. Adolph, Jr. & Ida Mae Jumonville, Freddie Hebert; Harold, Sr., Barbara B. & Frances Himel; Mary "Ronnee" Roussell; Edward J. Simpson, Eddie Vicknair, Sr.; Gloria Hebert, Patrick Hebert; Kelly, Cody & Clint Navarre

Sunday, January 8-11:00 a.m. Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Robert "Bob" Brady, Joseph Passantino; Marshall & Virginia Peavy; Cleo & Ella Dupont; Luke & Mary Fremin, Wayne & Ailene Lishman, Charles & Rosa Drago, Ellis & Enola Fremin; Marvin Allen; Nora, Ernest, Sr. & Ernest, Jr. Allen; Nell & Collin Graffeo; Betty Gongre; Ida Ortis; Evan & Elizabeth Delahaye; M/M Phillip Calvaruso, M/M Vito Calvaruso; Marie Patrick Druilhet; Timothy Coupel

Tuesday, January 10-6:00 p.m. Mass

June Devillier Berthelot; Van & Thelma Junot, Elvis & Mamie Rabalais

Wednesday, January 11-7:00 a.m. Mass

Brenda Comeaux

Thursday, January 12-7:00 a.m. Mass

Michael Gourgues

Friday, January 13-7:00 a.m. Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.

Baptism Seminars & Baptisms



Baptism Seminars — 7:00 pm

Monday, January 2, 2017

Monday, February 6, 2017

Monday, March 6, 2017

Baptisms — After 4:00 pm Mass

Saturday, January 28, 2017

Saturday, February 25, 2017

(No Baptisms during Lent)

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



Sanctuary Candle

January 8, 2017

St. John the Evangelist Church

Calvin Wilbert III

St. Clement of Rome Church

Harold, Sr., Barbara B. & Frances Himel

Coffee & Donuts

January 8, 2017



Judy Seilhan, Jim & Catherine Etier (7:30 am Mass)

Patrick & Helen Pendley (9:00 am Mass)



Children's Liturgy

January 8, 2017

Sabrina Ruggiero (9:00 am Mass)

Mary Hamilton (11:00 am Mass)



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