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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

June 18, 2017 — The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The unifying motif of this year's readings for today is God's gift of living, life-giving Bread. Prefigured in the manna, which not only nourished individuals but defined Israel as a community under God's special care, Jesus, the living bread, bestows on us--individually and as a community--eternal life that, in John's perspective, begins here and is fulfilled hereafter. This "already/not yet" theme is alluded to by the Communion invitation's reference to Revelation's vision of the kingdom-feast: "Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb" (Revelation 19:9) once slain who lives forever. For Saint Paul, the Eucharistic bread and cup are both sign of what the community is called to be and source of the community's strength to live that ideal.

FLESH AND BLOOD Today's Gospel verses, John 6:51-58 are a "Eucharistic version" of the previous verses, 6:35-50, in which Jesus asserts, "Whoever believes has eternal life" (6:47). Now Jesus replaces "believes" with "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life" (6:54). This parallelism is mirrored in the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the intimate relationship between ambo (lectern) and altar, "the table of God's Word and the table of Christ's Body." But today's Gospel presents a further parallel of flesh and blood. By using "flesh," a word he sometimes uses to denote the whole of human nature rather than "body," John seems to suggest that, in receiving Christ's Body in the Eucharist, we disciples are to assimilate the whole of Jesus' humanity, his own radically self-sacrificing-unto-death lifestyle as our distinctive manner of being human. Moreover, the very reason the law forbade partaking of sacrificial blood is precisely why Jesus says we must drink his blood, "for the blood is life" (Deuteronomy 12:23). By partaking of Christ's Blood in the Eucharist, we "have eternal life" here and now; that is to say, we live by Christ's victory over death in this life, a victory that will be made permanent when Jesus raises us up on the last day (6:54).

WE ARE ONE As we partake of this gift, we become one with Christ in reality. But there is more. We also become one with each other. As we all partake of the mystery, we are united in flesh and spirit--in the Holy Spirit--with each other as well. As Paul says, "Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (1 Corinthians 10:17). Today we celebrate this wonderful gift. Even though we do not fully understand it, we believe and accept it with joy. We are one with Christ and one with each other. We too become the Body of Christ in the world.

Today's Readings: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

*Dear Lord,
Please look after those who have embraced the
responsibility of being fathers.
Help make their burdens light and their roads straight.
Give them the wisdom needed to be good fathers and
give them the words to say that will help guide their
children.
Let them live Your love and be an example to their
children.
May they turn to You in need and draw on Your
strength and abundant love. Amen.*

On behalf of Father Greg, Deacon Alfred, and the entire St. John Parish Staff, we would like to wish all of our fathers a very "Happy Father's Day"!

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ANNUAL BAKE SALE

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. John #1214, will have their annual Bake Sale this weekend.

The sweets will be sold outside the main doors of church before and after all Masses. What better way to honor Dad on Father's Day than to treat him to a Catholic Daughter sweet?

Please support this organization which works so generously for our Church, parish and community.

By sharing the body and blood of Christ, we are sealing our covenant with God. We are given the gift of life and asked to share it with others.



If you feel God calling you, call Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, amerrick@diobr.org.



PERPETUAL 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."

Matthew 11:28-30

Listed are open hours in the Adoration Chapel:

- Monday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight
- Tuesday: 3:00 am-4:00 am
- Friday: 1:00 am-2:00 am
- Friday: 2:00 am-3:00 am
- Friday: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
- Saturday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am
- Saturday: 2:00 am-3:00 am
- Saturday: 5:00 am-6:00 am
- Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am
- Saturday: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm

To volunteer for an hour, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Weekday Worship & Scripture—Week of June 19, 2017

Monday, June 19: 7:00 am Liturgy of the Word

2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday, June 20: 5:30 pm Confession/Mass/Novena

2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 21: 7:00 am Mass

2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, June 22: 7:00 am Mass

2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

Friday, June 23: 7:00 am Mass

Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12;

Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26, Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;

Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed every other Thursday to help sort The Catholic Commentator for distribution in church.

Please call the church office, 225.687.2402, to volunteer.



Our Hymn Selections this weekend:

(Subject to change)

Entrance: Praise to the Lord
Today's Missal 26

Preparation: Seek Ye First
Music Issue 434

Communion: Take and Eat
Music Issue 361

Sending Forth: He is The Lord
Music Issue 551

St. John the Evangelist VBS
"A Treasure Tour
of the New Testament"
July 17-21, 2017



Wednesday June 21, 2017 — VBS Preparation Day
9:00 am - 2:00pm — Parish Hall

Painting, drawing, cutting, etc. All volunteers needed, meaning everyone. You do not have to be affiliated with VBS to come and give a hand. Our youth are also included in this group. If you can color, paint or love crafting, we need you. This is a great way to earn service hours! We will be ready and waiting for you! Lunch will be served. Please come and join us.

Wednesday, June 28, 2017 — Kickoff for VBS 2017
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm — Parish Hall

All Adult Volunteers and Junior Helpers please attend. We will have pizza and ice cream for all. This will be our last time to meet before VBS. If you have questions, we will answer them. We will assign JH volunteers to their Adult Volunteers.

Last but not least, we will have some fun.

Thank you.

Wanda Ashley, DRE

St. John Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, June 19

Island Golf and Country Club



Shotgun start is at 1:00 pm, lunch and dinner will be provided. Registration forms are available on the school website, www.stjohnschool.org. Volunteers are needed!

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Carol Wille, cwille@stjohnschool.org.

SAVE THE DATE!!
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The St. John Fathers' Club will conduct the annual membership drive at all Masses on Father's Day weekend, June 17 & 18. A sign-up table will be at the front of the church. Dues are \$5.00 per year. You can complete the slip below & drop it off with the \$5.00 dues.

ST. JOHN FATHERS' CLUB 2017 MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP:

Name: _____

Address: _____

LA. _____

E-mail address: _____ @ _____



The above members of the 2017 St. John High graduation class, are shown at graduation festivities with their parents who are also St. John alumni.

Photo credit Donna Kirkland

MASS INTENTIONS — June 24-30, 2017

Saturday, June 24-4:00 pm 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; M/M Gasper Pizzolato, Sr., Vincent A. & Florence Pizzolato Forte, Marie Pizzolato Blanchard; Chester Hernandez, Leonce Hernandez & Family, Henry Rayne, Sr. & Family; Thomas M. Businelle; Oniel Favron, Sr., Oniel Favron, Jr., Randy Favron, Sr.; Patricia Savoie Hebert; Ronnie Palermo, Brown Family, Palermo Family; Larry Melancon, Clarence & Melvina Devillier, Earl & Mary Devillier; A Special Intention for the Souls in Purgatory in Honor of St. Joseph; Marie Eby; Faye Troxclair; Sidney "Benny" Quatrevingt; Annie Matirne, B. E. Matirne Family, Nick Mancuso Family, Roger Adams; Vivian Whittington

Sunday, June 25-7:30 am Mass - St. John Parishioners



Sunday, June 25-9:00 am 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; Kristina Mellema; CDA Court St. John # 1214 Deceased Members; Patricia LeBlanc; Dwight Marix, Lane Panepinto; Ida LeBlanc, Evelyn Marix, Maggie Marix, Darryl Marix; Richard Hudson; Betty Dupree

Sunday, June 25-11:00 am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; John Ruiz, Anthony & Frances Palermo, Lena Palermo Brooks; William Middleton, William Lewis, Nancy & Bill Middleton; Timothy Coupel; Edward Engolio, Jr., Edward Engolio, Sr., Lucille Engolio, Jean LeJeune Landry

Tuesday, June 27-6:00 pm Mass

Therese Ruiz

Wednesday, June 28-7:00 am Mass

Patrick Collins

Thursday, June 29-7:00 am Mass

Beverly & Fred Allain

Friday, June 30-7:00 am Mass

Shirley Zito

Peter's Pence Second Collection

The second collection taken next weekend, June 24 & 25, helps the Holy Father provide emergency assistance to suffering people throughout the world.



The Altar Society Team 3 will be cleaning the church on Monday, June 20, at 8:00 am.

Baptism Seminars & Baptisms

Baptism Seminars

Monday, July 10, 2017

Monday, August 7, 2017

Monday, September 11, 2017

Baptisms

Saturday, June 24, 2017

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Saturday, August 26, 2017

Saturday, September 30, 2017

The Baptism Seminars are held in the Parish Hall at 7:00 pm. Baptisms are usually held after 4:00 pm Mass on the last weekend of the month.

Please call the church office at 225.687.2402 during the early stages of pregnancy to register for the seminar.



Sanctuary Candle

June 25, 2017



St. John the Evangelist Church

Andrew & Josephine Canova

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Carl D'Albor, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Jules A. Hebert & Donald Hebert

Coffee and Donuts

June 25, 2017



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