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July 2, 2017 — Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Which should we do? Turn our backs on our loved ones, or offer hospitality to all who come to us as Christ? Today we are told to do both, and yet there is no inherent contradiction here. Following Christ might mean that we need to be aware both that Christ comes first in our lives, and that losing our life for Christ's sake means to find it. We also are reminded that when we were baptized, we died with Christ, to sin and to the pull of the world, and live with him in a new life. No contradiction, no necessary confusion. Just grace and hope.

DYING AND RISING The words of Saint Paul hit us smack in the face: "Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?" (Romans 6:3). This epistle is one of the choices to be read at Catholic funerals. It generally comes as something of a shock to the listeners. But the reading goes on to offer great comfort to us as Christians. "[w]e have died with Christ... we shall also live with him ... raised from the dead, [Christ] dies no more ... [Christ] lives for God ... you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus."

HOSPITALITY One of the ways we live in God is to extend God's hospitality to all. As an old Irish tune says, "Often goes the Christ in the stranger's guise." The woman of Shunem offered hospitality to the prophet Elisha in the form of dinner and a place to stay. He rewarded her hospitality with the promise of a son. Christ explains to us just what hospitality means: "Whoever receives you receives me" and shall not lack for a reward. As theologian Paul Wadell teaches, when we offer hospitality, we not only offer food and drink, or a place to stay, or other kindness, we offer ourselves; we offer our attention to a stranger's story, wherein we learn another person's perspective, and in doing so we listen to God's story. In warning us that "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me . . ." and also, "Whoever finds [their] life will lose it, and whoever loses [their] life for my sake will find it", Jesus proposes that we cultivate detachment from things that we now consider primary in our lives. Christ loves us and wants us to put him first before other commitments or desires. Our hospitality to strangers puts Christ before ourselves in just this way.

Today's Readings: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42



St. John the Evangelist VBS "A Treasure Tour of the New Testament"

~ Parent Packet & T-shirt pickup ~ ~Sunday, July 9 ~ 10:30 am-12:30 pm ~ ~Parish Hall~

Please note: Late registrations will be accepted for \$15.00; however, books and CDs are no longer available. If desired, individuals may purchase t-shirts from Addis Athletics.

In Loving Memory...

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following persons who donated a memorial gift in loving memory of:

Robert J. "Bobby" Dupont

Donated by: Tommy & Patti Becnel

The flowers in the sanctuary last weekend were given in loving memory of the deceased grandparents of Caroline Cooper and David Ching who were married at St. John the Evangelist.

St. John School News

Congratulations to the winners of <u>The 23rd Annual St. John Golf Classic</u>!

1st Place Team:Gene Stevens, Mario Migliacio,
Richard Young, Tommy Viguet2nd Place Team:Edward Earl Comeaux, Ralph
Comeaux, Brian Romero, Clint Seneca3rd Place Team:Steve Smith, Dan Alexander, Beau
LeBlanc, Brent LeGrange

Thanks to all the golfers who came out to play!

<u>Alumni Softball Tournament</u>

The 15th Annual St. John Alumni Softball Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, August 5 & 6. We need a lot of help to make this event successful. This is a great way to earn some or all of your service hours before school starts! We need concession stand workers, cooks and umpires.

If you are interested in helping, please call Connie Pearce (225.776.2762) or St. John School (225.687.3056).



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You are invited to join us in praying for our country. The rosary is said at 8:00 pm every Monday. Everyone can

participate by calling 1.720.820.1558. A script for the Patriotic Rosary is available. You may pick up your copy on the shelves in the rear of church.



Our office will be closed 1/2 day Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

Knights of Columbus Fireworks Sale

The Knights of Columbus will be selling fireworks at the K. C. Home, 58715 Price Street, during the following dates and times:

Saturday, July 1: 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm Sunday, July 2: 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm Monday, July 3: 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm Tuesday, July 4: 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Parishioners are encouraged to support the Knights of Columbus with their July 4th Firework Sale. All proceeds help the K.C. fund their many charitable programs in our area.

Plaquemine Main Street July 4th Celebration

Join the fun Tuesday, July 4th at the Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park for family-oriented activities. Admission is free to the Park, Plaqu



activities. Admission is free to the Park, Plaquemine Locks and Iberville Museum (3:00 pm-7:00 pm).

The festivities begin at 5:00 pm with music and dancing, children's games, spacewalk, rides, crafts and more!!

The boat parade honoring veterans departs from the boat launch across from the Iberville Parish Jail and arrives at the Waterfront Park around 5:50 pm. The night ends with Fireworks on the levee at 9:00 pm.

Adult volunteers are needed! Call Lorraine Hidalgo, 225.687.6891, if you can help.

For more information, visit <u>www.plaquemine.org/events</u>, or call 225.687.3116

UNIFORMS FOR KIDS



DISTRIBUTION FOR UNIFORMS FOR KIDS Knights of Columbus Home 58715 Price Street, Plaquemine Tuesday & Wednesday, July 25 & 26 8:30 am-3:00 pm

Please bring proof of food stamps and/or Social Security numbers of children. For more information, call the church office at 225.687.2402.

Note: Students needing service hours and parishioners wanting to help are most welcome.

<u>Altar Society Team 1</u> will be cleaning the church on Wednesday, July 5 at 8:00 am.



Volunteers are welcome!



Serving the Intellectually Disabled



The Order of Alhambra members celebrated their semi-annual Mass recently at St. John. Attendees pictured above, back row, l to r, are Ryan Comeaux, John Sasser, Alcee Becnel, Van Junot, Pat Wilbert, Mike Panepinto, Tommy LeBlanc and Tommy Bickham. Front row: Antoine Landry, Ed Reeves, Father Greg Daigle, Chuck Brown, Danny Cedotal, Chris Reeves and Butch Gourgues. Photo Credit Connie Brown

Weekday Worship & Scripture—Week of July 3, 2017

Monday, July 3: 7 am Liturgy of the Word Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29 **Tuesday, July 4: 5:30 pm Confession/Mass/Anointing/** Novena/Benediction: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12;Mt 8:23-27; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891 Wednesday, July 5: 7 am Mass Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34 Thursday, July 6: 7 am Mass

Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8 Friday, July 7: 7 am Mass Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17; Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30



The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July Lapsed Christians

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

SACREMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick On Tuesday, July 4, following 6:00 pm Mass, our parish celebrates the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for those who are seriously ill, experiencing depression, battling cancer treatments, disabled in any way, the elderly and those who are to undergo surgery in the near future.

Baptism Seminars & Baptisms

Baptism Seminars Monday, July 10, 2017 Monday, August 7, 2017 Monday, September 11, 2017



Baptisms 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 <u>register</u> for the seminar.

July				St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 2017		
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sid Bley, America						1 Building & Maintenance 2nd Collection 11 am-12 noon Rosary for Priests every Saturday Adoration Chapel
2 Building & Maintenance 2nd Collection	3 OFFICE CLOSED 1/2 DAY	4 office closed FAPPY 4TH OF	5 6 pm VBS Jr. Helper Kick-Off Meeting Church 6:30-7:30 pm Bereavement Support Group Parish Hall	6	7 10 am Comm. Service Legacy	8
9 10:30 am-12:30 pm VBS T-shirt pick up - Parish Hall 2 pm-Ladies of P. Claver - P. Hall 4-6 pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group - Church	10 7 pm Baptism Seminar Conference Room V 7 pm Catholic Daughters Meeting Parish Hall	11	12	13	14 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	15
16	17 9 am-12 Noon VBS St. John School	18 9 am-12 Noon VBS St. John School	19 9 am-12 Noon VBS St. John School	20 9 am-12 Noon VBS St. John School 7 pm K. C. Meeting K. C. Home	21 10 am Comm. Service Legacy 9 am-12 Noon VBS St. John School	22 10:30 am-3 pm Women's Silent Retreat Parish Hall 4 pm Mass K. C. Quarterly Communion
23	24	25 8:30 am-3 pm Uniforms for Kids K. C. Home	26 8:30 am-3 pm Uniforms for Kids K. C. Home	27	28 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	29
30	31					Baptisms following 4 pm Mass



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL A TREASURE TOUR OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

JULY 17⁻21

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM ST. JOHN SCHOOL

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 225.687.2402.

MASS INTENTIONS — July 8 - 14, 2017

Saturday, July 8-4:00 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; Michael Laurent; M/M John Caffarel, Sr., M/M G. E. Marix & Family; Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio; PaulinE E. deVerges & Edward N. Engolio, Jr. Joseph Graves, W. A. Graves Family, Jack Jackson, Thomas Morales Family; Brendon, Ronald & Dudley Landry, Coletti Family; Anthony F. Canella, M/M Aaron LeRay, Nora Vitale, Yvonne Curry, Shannie Verret, Camille Tempanaro; Peter Palermo, Benny Palermo, Gaudin Family, Louviere Family; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Ragusa Family, Lapeze Family; Aline, Mit, Dub & Wallace Comeaux, Aubrey Quebedeaux; M/M Lindon Rivet & Family, J. P. Messina, Irene Gulotta; M/M Edmund Gomez, Chris Gomez, Kathleen Garrene; Sidney "Benny" Quatrevingt

Sunday, July 9-7:30 am Mass - St. John Parishioners

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Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure`, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Anthony Marino, Sr.; Anthony & Margie Vitale, James & Hetta Hebert, M/M Gilmore Couvillion; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families; Clinton & Wendell Fournerat; Mitchell Dufour, Boudreaux & Dufour Families; Lena Canella; Betty Dupree

Sunday, July 9-11:00 am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; William Middleton, William Lewis, Ann & Allen Clouatre; Marshall & Virginia Peavy; Cleo & Ella Dupont; Henry Vadnais, Jr.; Milton Allen, Tommy Allen Mosley, Vivian & Doris Allain; Doris & Matthew Allen

Tuesday, July 11-6:00 pm Mass Leona & Mervin Gourgues

Wednesday, July 12-7:00 am Mass James E. Gum

Thursday, July 13-7:00 am Mass Brenda Comeaux

<u>Friday, July 14-7:00 am Mass</u> Vincent A. Ferachi & Dr. Larry Ferachi

> NOTICE: The Bereavement Support Group w Death will meet in the Parish Hall <u>Wednesday</u>, July 5 from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm.

PERPETUAL 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."* Matthew 11:28

Listed are open hours in the Adoration Chapel: -Tuesday: 3:00 am-4:00 am -Tuesday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight -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: 5:00 am-6:00 am -Saturday: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm -Saturday: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm

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

<u>Sanctuary Candle</u> July 9, 2017



<u>St. John the Evangelist Church</u> Anthony Marino, Sr. & Mary "DeeDee" Marino

> **<u>St. Clement of Rome Church</u>** Simpson & Vicknair Families



<u>Coffee and Donuts</u> July 9, 2017

Drs. Cyriac & Leela Luke (7:30 am Mass) Blane & Deryl Ourso (9:00 am Mass)

STEWARDSHIP

June 24 & 25, 2017

Stewardship\$	8,779.00
Peter's Pence\$	
Education Fund\$	425.00

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.





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