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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

## November 13, 2016 — Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings take a fearless look at reality and reach a conclusion that we all know: life is hard. The prophet Malachi preaches fire and brimstone, warning us that evildoers will perish in flames. Saint Paul offers his own warning to the Thessalonians: keep busy, but never become a busybody. He reminds Christians that the apostles themselves worked in "toil and drudgery" as a model for how we ought to contribute to our community. The Gospel returns to the apocalyptic tone of Malachi, describing the utter chaos of the end-times. We will know the end is near when violence, catastrophe, and hatred dominate the earth. But we must not fear! God's saving plan brings peace to our hearts. Malachi speaks of the sun's "healing rays," and Jesus himself promises to protect every hair on our heads.

HOT ENOUGH FOR YOU? The reading from Malachi today consists of only two sentences. The first sentence describes the fire of God's justice, "blazing like an oven," incinerating sinners. "But for you who fear my name," the next sentence explains, "there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." One single element--heat--has vastly different effects. God's intense, fiery justice burns those who reject it, but offers healing warmth to those who long for God. Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians suggests that busyness can have similarly opposite effects. Rigorous work can be helpful or harmful, depending on what's in our hearts. Are we building people up in our work, or tearing them down? "Minding the business of others" might involve jealous thoughts and unhelpful desires to look better than others. Ideally, we tend to our work out of love for family and the wider community.

THE GOSPEL TRUTH Even our love of life could harm us or help us, depending on what we're living for. Luke's Gospel today describes wars, disasters, and persecution. In desperate times like those that Jesus identifies, our instinct is to save ourselves. If we cling to this life too frantically, we might lie or offer false testimony to avoid religious persecution. Jesus calls us to a different way: tell the truth. Proclaim faith in Jesus, even in terrible times or awkward situations. At work, among friends, at the ballot box, on weekends, and yes, even in the face of death, we are asked to show clearly that we believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ. Jesus knows the risk involved in our witness: we will be hated. Even so, we cling to Christ. "By your perseverance," Jesus promises, "you will secure your lives." Our souls are more precious than a comfortable life or extravagant wealth. Jesus died to save our souls. He will never abandon us. He always provides exactly what we need.

Today's Readings: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

#### LET US GIVE THANKS



The Vigil Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated Wednesday, November 23 at 6:00 pm.

Please consider bringing non-perishable food items to Mass that will be placed in the sanctuary to be blessed and consumed by your family on Thanksgiving.

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Our Brothers Keeper Food Bank is in need of nonperishable food items. Especially needed are such items as peanut butter, jelly, cereal, macaroni and cheese, tuna, soup and fruit juices.

Please place your contributions in the Thanksgiving baskets near the Baptistery in church. We appreciate whatever vou can give.

Please join the St. John School family for their Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday, November 16, at 8:00 am in St. Clement Church.



#### **Honoring Our Beloved Deceased**



The Mass Intention Book is open for the scheduling of Masses for the next year (2017). Forms are located on the bookshelves at the

back of Church and on our church website. www.stjohnchurchplaq.org under FORMS.

If you wish to schedule a Mass, please fill out a Mass Intention form. Please include your name, address and telephone number in the event we have questions about vour intentions and need to contact you. We will try to schedule Masses in the order in which the forms are received to the best of our ability.

Please return the form and your check to the St. John Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Mass.

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#### **Book of Remembrance:**

**During the month** of November, parishioners are encouraged to list the names of their deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance. This book has been placed near the stairs to the choir loft in church and will remain during the month of November. You may write the names of loved ones in the book at your convenience.

#### **God Bless our Dead**

Our Hymn Selections this weekend are:

**Entrance:** O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Music Issue 442

**Preparation: Instrumental** 

Communion: All is Well with My Soul

**Music Issue 465** 

Sending Forth: I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Music Issue 684

We welcome the Catholic Daughters Court St. John #1214 to 4:00 pm Mass Saturday, November 12 as they celebrate their Quarterly Communion with us. \*\*\*\*\*

The Catholic Daughters will be selling sweets next weekend, November 19 and 20, after all Masses.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE



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### **Alzheimer's Memory Screenings** Wednesday, November 16

9:00 am to 12 Noon ~ St. John Parish Hall



Alzheimer's Services of the Capital Area will offer free, confidential memory screenings to individuals concerned about memory loss.

A memory screening is not used to diagnose any particular illness but can alleviate the fear of the unknown. This event provides a valuable opportunity to learn more about healthy lifestyle choices for successful aging.

Attend to receive a memory screening and learn more about dementia and community resources available for vour assistance.

For more information: 225.334.7494, www.alzbr.org

#### **Christmas Cards for Inmates**



The Catholic Community at Louisiana State Penitentiary and the Chaplain's Department are inviting our parish to participate in the Christmas card program. Their goal is to

provide each inmate with at least 5 cards and envelopes.

Anyone interested in donating new religious Christmas cards should drop them off at the St. John Church office by Friday, December 2. Deacon Alfred Ricard will be taking the cards to the prison.

We will accept Birthday and Get Well cards also. Religious cards are preferred.

#### St. John Fathers' Club Raffle Winners

The St. John Fathers' Club 19th Annual \$10,000.00 Raffle, "A Night at the Races," was held Saturday, October 29, at the St. John Fathers' Club Bingo Hall.

Congratulations to this year's winners of the \$10,000.00 Raffle, Timmy and Ashley Repp.

Thanks to everyone who bought raffle tickets in support of St. John School.

#### Your Gifts to the BAA Meet Needs Throughout the Diocese

In this year's BAA, we celebrate the mercy of God, knowing we have been called to extend Christ's mercy to others just as the Lord shows compassion to us. Jesus taught, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36). A picture of your commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ and your regard for others, parishioners from St. John the Evangelist Parish have prayerfully made the Bishop's Annual Appeal a priority, and that support is a great encouragement to your neighbors and friends.

Through your generosity, Catholic Charities' staff and volunteers minister to thousands of your neighbors, the Sanctuary for Life provides a home and care for young expectant mothers, and deserving young people experience a quality Catholic education—all because you give to support these deserving ministries and more.

Please pray about your participation in the BAA this year as we strive to *Be Merciful*. Last week, Bishop Muench mailed each parishioner and family a packet of information inviting them to be a part of that effort by choosing to contribute to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you did not receive a packet, please contact the Office of Stewardship at 225.336.8790 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:stewardship@diobr.org">stewardship@diobr.org</a>. To give online, visit <a href="mailto:www.baabr.org">www.baabr.org</a>.

#### 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
-Wednesday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight
-Wednesday: 12 Midnight-1:00 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

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

#### Weekday Worship & Scripture—Week of Nov. 14, 2016

Monday, November 14: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 15: 5:30 pm Confessions/Mass/

Novena

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 16: 7 am Mass

Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 17: 7 am Mass

Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 18: 7 am Mass

Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33

Saturday, November 19:

Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 20:

2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

#### **ATTENTION LECTORS:**

The 2017 Workbooks for Lectors have been placed in the credenza in the Baptistery. You may pick up your copy at your convenience.

### A Grateful Acknowledgement

A grateful acknowledgement is made to Dupont Nursery



for donating the beautiful flowers for the church flower beds.

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



<u>Baptism Seminars—7:00 pm</u> Monday, December 5, 2016 Monday, January 2, 2017

Baptisms—5:00 pm

Saturday, November 26, 2016 Saturday, December 17, 2016 Saturday, January 28, 2017

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.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### November 5 & 6, 2016



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Propagation of Faith	\$	45.00
Education Fund	\$	35.00
All Saints/All Souls	\$	20.00
Religious Education	\$	20.00

To sign up for ONLINE GIVING visit www.stjohnchurchplaq.org

The <u>2017 church calendars</u> are available to our parishioners at the entrances to the church. You may pick up your calendar after any weekend Mass.

Special thanks to Wilbert Funeral Services.

#### MASS INTENTIONS — November 19 - November 25, 2016

#### Saturday, November 19-4:00 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; George & Sarah Clement, Edward & Rosina Achee; Michael Laurent; Louis & Dot Favaron; Annie Matirne, Bossier Matirne Family, Nick Mancuso Family, Tarek Smart; Ramirez & Marix Families; Chester Hernandez, H. M. Rayne, Sr. & Family; Dell Pollage; Alcee & Pauline Becnel; Evans & Virgie Dugas; Lindon "Noonie" Rivet; Murray & Dixie Suffrin; Ione & Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; DeNoux, Dugas, Durand & Panepinto Families; Dalbert Varnell, Sr.; Dace K. & Earline Hahn, Kim & Luke Baggett; Jimmy, Sarah & Jackie Migliacio, P. W. Albert; Kearney Thibodeaux, Sr., Kearney Thibodeaux, Jr., Sadie Thibodeaux, Vernon Suggs, Joe Suggs, Kyle Landon Ourso; Bobbie F. Clouatre; Peter Palermo, Benny Palermo, Rosa C. Grenada, Saraphine Stein; Aubrey Quebedeaux; Lena & Peter Corrent; Jaynell Lopez; Leo Gill

#### Sunday, November 20-7:30 a.m. Mass

St. John Parishioners

#### Sunday, November 20-9:00 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; Florence Colletti Pizzolato, Sam Pizzolato, Vincent J. Pizzolato, Sr., Johnny Pizzolato, Sr., Bishop Ott; Michael Haydel; Bill Tullier; M/M Ernest Hernandez, Margaret Hernandez, Gary Hernandez, Rhodes "R. J." Bourgoyne, M/M Clay Hernandez, M/M Frank Hernandez; Linda Seneca Rafflee, Norman Morales, Cathy Dupont; Maggie & Joe Gullotto, Lola & A. J. Adams; Kelly, Cody & Clint Navarre; Lester E. Hebert, Robertson Family; Josie Vicknair; Teresa Nguyen Thi Co`; Mary Badeaux Cavalier; Sam & Lucy Canella, Frances C. Gilchrist, Cyril J. Gilchrist

#### Sunday, November 20-11:00 a.m. Mass

Betty Gongre; Peter & Mary Palermo, Peter & Lena Palermo & Buster, Armond & Eloise Landry & Sons, Earl Tullier; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Peter & Rosalie Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; Cindy Dickerson; Henry Vadnais, Jr.; M/M W. L. Grace, Jr., Harold & Hayes Sparks, Chantel Livingston; Milton Allen, Tommy Allen Mosley, Vivian Allain & Doris Allain; Ralph Rivet, Sr.; Ed Edwards; Bobby Freeman;

#### Tuesday, November 22-6:00 p.m. Mass

Vincent A. Ferachi, Dr. Larry Ferachi; Mathew & Aley Kappadakunnel Family; Kearney Thibodeaux, Jr., Vernon Suggs

#### Wednesday, November 23-6:00 p.m. Mass

Lillie Distefano; Mary & Chuchie Flatau; Vernon J. "Nook" Dupuy, Jr.; Gladys "Butsy" & Peter A. Palermo, Patrick Burleigh; Robert Jude Grace; Russell Adams; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families; "Pim" & "NuNu" Clebert, Gomez & Clebert Families; Lytle & Kathryn Chustz; Louise & Edmund Bujol; John E. & Cecile D. Brown; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Lapeze Family, Ragusa Family; Lance Blanchard, Ira & Tim Himel; Alfred & Mercedese Carville, Lester & Mary Carville, Louise Bujol, Reid & Gerry Rainey; Donald Vercher, Adam H. Vercher, Emily Vercher; Oneil Favron, Sr., Oneil Favron, Jr., Randy Favron, Sr., Patricia Savoie Hebert; Jerry Hergruder; M/M Guy LoBue, Sr.; Leonard B. & Mary G. Savoie, James "Puddin" & Brenda L. Devillier; Loretta Faye Delaney, Verna Kay Clark, Wayne Neal Clark, James Dunsworth; Winnie & Harry Gallagher; Sidney J. & Lucy F. Gourgues; Sam & Gladys Burgess; Dr. James E. Toups, Sr., Lydia Sue Toups; Frank Ragusa Family, Placito Mancuso Family, Mose Gibson Family, J. D. Collins Family; M/M Anthony Orcino, Sr., Caliste "Joe" Landry & Kimberly; J. H. Millet, Milda Millet, Harold Marionneaux, M/M Tony Louis, Lillian Lee; Anthony & "Tootise" Cardinal, Josie & "Nunzie" Cardinal; Kenneth "Klu" Brown; Bobby Gomez; Kevin Mellieon; Orian Gulotta; Annabelle Buquoi; Ross Campesi, Jr.; Ruth Keller, James Keller, Jr.; Carroll & Kenneth Badeaux

#### Friday, November 25-7:00 a.m. Mass

Lawrence Seymour

Sanctuary Candle
November 20, 2016
St. John the Evangelist Church

Lindon "Noonie" Rivet

St. Clement of Rome Church M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.

**Children's Liturgy November 20, 2016** 

Diana Seneca (9:00 am)

Beryl Burruss (11:00 am)



Coffee & Donuts
November 20, 2016

George & Patricia Ramirez (7:30 am) Steve & Faith Maddox (9:00 am)





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