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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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time The Understanding Father

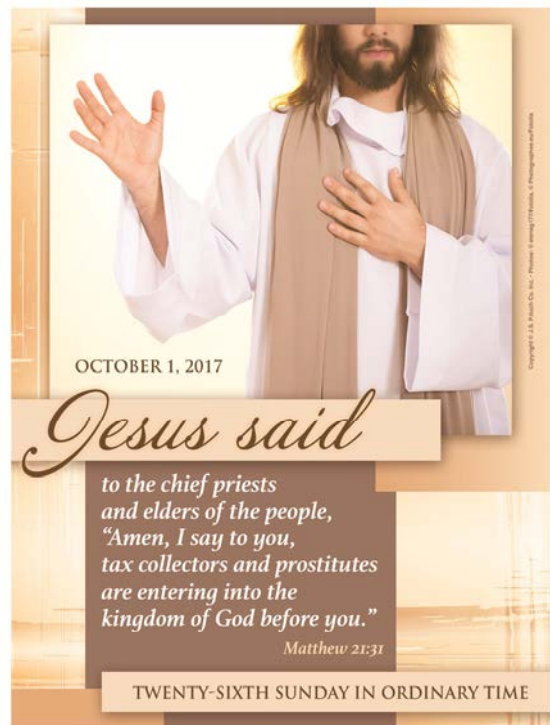
Jesus is saying something important in today's Gospel. He talks about tax collectors and prostitutes who repented after hearing John the Baptist preach. He must have shocked the priests and elders when he said those prostitutes would enter the kingdom of God before them. After all, his listeners had spent their whole lives being faithful to the Law. Yet Jesus was saying that sinners who repented will enter God's kingdom first. Jesus' point was not so much about final salvation as about our daily choices.

Remember the parable about the two sons. The second son said what his father wanted to hear, with no intention of doing it. The first was honest about not wanting to go to the vineyard, but then decided to do it anyway. I suspect the father of those men knew what each would or would not do.

And whom do we want to imitate? The priests and elders said all the right things about obeying God's laws, but they were more interested in looking important than living a holy life. Are we like that--telling everyone I am a good Christian, going to church every Sunday (or at least on Christmas and Easter), and yet never making any effort to be loving, forgiving, patient, honest, or any of the difficult things that Jesus calls us to be?

The tax collectors and sinners knew that they were unworthy, but they listened to the call to repentance and let God make them worthy. Are we honest enough to look at our lives and repent of our hatred, our selfishness, or whatever keeps us in sin, and then to follow Jesus with our whole heart? We may not always like doing what God asks of us, but God is an understanding Father who can accept our weaknesses and forgive them when we are ready to return to him.

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We welcome the Plaquemine High School Class of 1967 to 4:00 pm Mass Saturday, September 30 in celebration of their class reunion. We remember and pray for their deceased classmates.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

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

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28)

Available hours for Eucharistic Adoration are:

- Monday: 10:00 pm-11:00 pm
- Tuesday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight
- Friday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am
- Friday: 1:00 am-2:00 am
- Friday: 2:00 am-3:00 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
- Saturday: 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
- Saturday: 11:00 pm-12 Midnight

To volunteer for an hour in the Adoration Chapel, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Baptisms and Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars — 7:00 pm — Parish Hall



Monday, October 2, 2017
Monday, November 6, 2017
Monday, December 4, 2017

Baptisms — Following 4:00 pm Mass

Saturday, September 30, 2017
Saturday, October 28, 2017
Saturday, November 25, 2017
Saturday, December 16, 2017

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

Weekday Worship & Scripture—October 2-8, 2017

Monday, October 2: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday, October 3: 6 pm Liturgy of the Word/Novena

Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday, October 4: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, October 5: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday, October 6: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, October 7: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37;

Lk 10:17-24

Sunday, October 8: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20;

Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

All Saints' Day Blessing of the Graves

Sunday, October 29, 2017

St. John Cemetery — 12:00 noon

Grace Memorial — 2:00 pm

The beautiful flowers on the altar were given
in loving memory of

Kolby Lorio

from his family, on the occasion of his
September 30th birthday.

St. John School News

Blessing of the Pets Prayer Service



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of animals and the ecology, the blessing of pets will take place at St. John Elementary on Wednesday, October 4 at 8:00 am. Pets will be blessed on the concrete parking area between St. Clement Church and St. John Elementary.

Please make sure all dogs are leashed.



2017 St. John School Open Fishing Tournament Saturday, October 7, 2017

Bass Division and Fun Division

\$1,000 Guaranteed First Place!!! – Bass Division

(No minimum number of boat entries)

One place paid for every 5 boat entries and 1st and 2nd Place Big Bass!

Fun Division: Prizes for Largest 10-Panfish Stringers (Bream, Sac-a-lait, Goggle-eye, Chinquapin, etc.) and 1st and 2nd Place Trash Fish. One place awarded for every 5 boat entries.

Featuring Jambalaya Cook-off at Waterfront Pavillion

*Music, Food, Drinks, and Door Prizes at weigh-in!!!

Launch Sites: Any Lake Verret/Belle River or Atchafalaya Basin Launch Open to the Public

Weigh-in: 3:30 pm - Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park (57845 Foundry St, Plaquemine, LA)

Entry Fees: Bass Division - \$100 (includes Big Bass entry) / Fun Division - \$30

Check-in: 4:30 a.m. – 6:30 a.m. **Pierre Part Store
Parking Lot or Jack Miller's Store**

Tournament Boundaries: No travel or fishing is permitted below Hwy 90 on either side.

Contact: Chris Couch (225) 276-8971

Cpcouch81@yahoo.com



October

Month of the Rosary

and Respect Life Month

Ministries

"The first person in the world to welcome Jesus, to recognize Him in the womb of His mother was a child: John the Baptist. How wonderful, God chooses an unborn child to announce the coming of His redeeming Son."

-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

 We ask that members of our Church sign up for at least one hour for *40 Days for Life*, a peaceful and prayerful gathering seeking an end to abortion. St. John the Evangelist has adopted **Wednesday, October 4 from 7:00 am until 1:00 pm** during the nation-wide *40 Days for Life* prayer event. Please join us for a prayerful vigil outside of Delta abortion facility located at 756 Colonial Drive in Baton Rouge.

To sign up and for more information, contact [Joanne Landry](mailto:JoanneLandry@att.net) at 225.776.0782, joanne4943@att.net.

Altar Society



Altar Society Team 1 will be cleaning the church on Wednesday, October 4 at 8:00 am. Volunteers are welcome.



Children's Liturgy October 8, 2017

Diana Seneca (9:00 am Mass)
Beryl Burruss (11:00 am Mass)

Coffee and Donuts October 8, 2017



Dolores & Gary Pruitt (7:30 am)
Ruel & Diana Seneca (9:00 am)

Stewardship



September 23 & 24, 2017

Stewardship.....	\$ 9,303.00
Education Fund.....	\$ 522.00
Social Responsibility.....	\$ 150.00

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

Help Keep Our Cemetery Beautiful

A cemetery envelope has been added to the church contribution packet for the month of October. Please place your donation for the upkeep of St. John Cemetery on Main Street in Plaquemine in the envelope provided. It will be marked "Cemetery" and can be placed in the offertory basket at any weekend Mass.

Thank you for your generous contributions.



OLOL Blood Drive

Sunday, October 8, 2017

8:00 am-1:00 pm

St. John Church Parking Lot

OLOL Mobil Unit

Give the Gift of Life. Donate Blood.

Gentle Hands Memorial Service

Join us for Gentle Hand's annual Memorial Service on Sunday, October 1 at 3:30 pm at St. Aloysius Church, 2025 Stuart Ave, Baton Rouge.

This service provides healing for many and allows families a chance to remember and honor their child(ren) that was lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death and other tragedies. Whether you've experienced a loss or know someone who has, come and remember that child and support families facing this tragedy.

ALL are Welcome!

Praying the Rosary

In honor of The Blessed Virgin Mary and celebrating October as the Month of the Rosary, the rosary will be prayed in the St. John Church parking lot. Meet us near our Blessed Mother statue on Saturday, October 14 at 12 noon. The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will not be present.



Everyone is invited. Bring your lawn chair and a friend.

Acadian Festival News

The Acadian Festival Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 14.

NOTICE:

There will be no 11:00 am Mass Sunday, October 22 due to the Acadian Festival Parade at 10:30 am.

Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinners



Chicken Dinners
Sunday, October 15
11:00 am-1:00 pm

K. C. Hall - 58715 Price Street
Pick up or dine in

1/2 chicken, 2 sides and a roll - \$8.00

For tickets contact: Barry Lamothe—225.776.3434
Ruel Seneca—225.385.0930

Please support the Knights of Columbus in all the good works they do for our Church and Community.

MASS INTENTIONS — October 7-13, 2017

Saturday, October 7-4:00 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; Mike "Fuzzy" Marino, Melissa Jarreau, David, Gros & Blanchard Families; Trista Claire Parro, Dianne Irwin, Sue Wakeling; DeNoux, Dugas, Durand & Panepinto Families; Mary Bridget, Brad Anthony, Barry Joseph & Bruno O'Neil Tullier, Katelynn M. West; Aileen Richard & Russell Dedon; Kurt, Carlo & Andrew Canova, Johnny Zito; C. Z. Breaux, Jr., J. H. Bourgeois Family; Bobbie Falcon Clouatre; Pim & Nu Nu Clebert & Family; Dixie & Murray Suffrin; Virginia & Eddie Clebert; Stag Gomez; Mary & Chuchie Flatau; Anthony & Camella Orcino, Orcino & Flatau Families; J. Hubert Millet, Milda Millet, Louis Family, Harold Marionneaux; Camille Tempanaro; M/M Tony Falcon; Doris Murry; M/M Curtis Gourgues; M/M Frank Tempanaro; David, Emily & Patrick Doyle, Leigh Woolie; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio, Pauline E. deVerges, Edward N. Engolio, Jr.; May W. Currier; Kenneth "Klu" Brown; M/M Vincent M. Ferachi, Cadence & Cassidy Diamond, Stephanie Rivere, Ferachi & Marino Families; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Brendon, Ronald & Dudley Landry, Coletti Family; Ida Ortis, M/M Paul J. Hebert, Grayland Allen; Jean Claud, Angele & Dalfay Cavalier; Frank Michelle Family, Victor Crescienne Family, Joe Michelle; Lena Gerage Corrent, Peter J. Corrent; M/M Lindon Rivet & Family, J. P. Messina, Irene Gulotta; Cheryl Courtade, Marie & Herman Courtade & Family; Kearney Thibodeaux, Kearney Thibodeaux, Jr., Sadie Thibodeaux, Vernon Suggs, Joe Suggs, Kyle Landon Ourso, Chester Landry, Jr.; Percy J. Blanchard, Maude A. Blanchard, Chase M. Prejean; Paul & Faye Troxclair; Harry "Shot" Hanks; Betty Dupree; Catherine Gomez; M/M Seth Williamson & Family, Father Willam Dodd, Sister Claude, M/M John S. Barbay, Sr. & Family, M/M John S. Barbary, Jr., Barbay & McKay Families, Emma B. Dupont, Joseph H. Dupont



Sunday, October 8-7:30 am Mass - St. John Parishioners

Sunday, October 8-9:00 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; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families; Michael Clause; J. W. Bryant Family, Mrs. E. J. Clifton; Simpson & Vicknair Families; Lena Canella; Alice P. Gallagher; A Special Intention

Sunday, October 8-11:00 am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Lenny, June & Joe Passantino Family; Marshall & Virginia Peavy; Cleo & Ella Dupont; Luke & Mary Fremin, Wayne & Ailene Lishman, Charles & Rosa Drago, Ellis & Enola Fremin; Edward Kocke, Jr.; Lawrence Seymour; M/M Merrill Judice; Carol Ann Jarreau; Victor Joseph Canella; Thomas Poche; Eustace Marionneaux

Tuesday, October 10-6:00 pm Mass

Anthony & Margie Vitale, Lloyd Bouchereaux, Sr.; Wilma & Harris LeBlanc; Kearney Thibodeaux, Jr., Vernon Suggs

Wednesday, October 11-7:00 am Mass

Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families

Thursday, October 12-7:00 am Mass

Volena B. Roth

Friday, October 13-7:00 am Mass

M/M Merrill Judice



Sanctuary Candle **October 8, 2017**

St. John the Evangelist Church

Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert,
Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families

St. Clement of Rome Church

Peter Palermo, Benny Palermo,
Rosa C. Granada, Saraphine Stein

Bereavement Support Group

The Bereavement Support Group will meet Wednesday, October 4, in the Parish Hall from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm.

Vocations

Actions speak louder than words. What are your actions saying? Can your word be trusted? Turning from evil and doing good is what God wants.

If you think God is calling you, then contact Fr. Andrew Merric at 225.336.8778, amerrick@diobr.org.



Our Hymn Selections this weekend: **(Subject to change)**

Entrance: Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens
Music Issue 531

Preparation: We Have Been Told
Music Issue 497

Communion: Bread of Life
Music Issue 319

Sending Forth: We are Called
Music Issue 616



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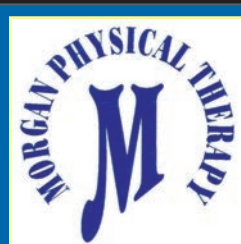
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