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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wed., Thurs., Fri.	7:00 am

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Please contact the pastor a minimum of six months before the wedding.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday	5:30-5:45 pm
Saturday	3:00-3:30 pm



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2020

A Clever Woman of Faith

Why is Jesus being so difficult with the Canaanite woman? At first he seems to be putting her off. He does this not to discourage her, but to draw a response of faith. He wants to see how persistent she is in her request.

We can tell ourselves that we are people of faith, but how easily are we discouraged? Do we think God has forgotten us when we experience trouble? The woman's clever reply to Jesus reminds us that she trusted in Jesus' power and willingness to help. She refused to give up and stop asking.

Jesus was also teaching his disciples that faith is more important than nationality. Long after Jesus' resurrection, the church struggled with the question of non-Jewish believers. Today, we may be doing the same thing in reverse. Some people think that only Catholics can be saved and that there is no hope for Protestants,

much less for Jews. But though some rejected Jesus, God never rejected the Jews.

Finally, Jesus responded to her persistence. He shows us that we can keep praying till we get an answer to our prayer. The more time we spend in prayer, the more likely we are to listen to God's answer. Prayer can help us come to the peaceful acceptance that God only does what is best for us.

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First Holy Eucharist



Father Greg is pictured welcoming Trey Matthew Daigle, Westin James Hamilton, Keenan Elizabeth Landry, Caroline Elise Doyle, Andrew Mason David and Jackson Dean LoBue to the Table of the Lord and as they recently received the Eucharist for the first time.

May God continue to pour out His blessings on the members of these families, that they may continue to grow in faith and love throughout the years.



THANKS TO CHARLES SIMON

After decades of service to Priests and Parishioners alike, Charles Simon is moving on to another ministry in assisting with the care of his parents. Charles has been a good and faithful servant to St. John the Evangelist Parish. For years he has opened up and set up for 7:30am Mass on Sundays. He will be missed, but we call upon God's blessing for him as he begins this new ministry of faithfulness and love.

Parish School of Religion

PSR Online Registration for Grades 1, 3-10 as well as Online Registration for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist and Confirmation will be available online. The Registration Forms can be found on our website: www.stjohnchurchplaq.org under the subheading Formation, PSR Registration.



An email will be sent to all parents of students enrolled in our program. If you are new to the program, please send your email address to wandaashley681@gmail.com. If you have questions, please contact Wanda Ashley at the email address above or call the parish office at 225.687.2402.

CATHOLIC

THINKING ABOUT IT, OR KNOW OF SOMEONE THINKING ABOUT IT?

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a faith journey open to all unbaptized or baptized adults who wish to explore the possibility of becoming Catholic.

If you are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith and even exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic, please join us this fall for a wonderful faith journey.

Classes are held every Sunday following 9am Mass until 10:45am in the church office conference room. The dates for RCIA are Sunday, September 13, 2020, then every Sunday until November 29, 2020.

RCIA resumes after Advent on Sunday, January 10, 2021 following 9am Mass until 10:45am, then every Sunday at 9am Mass until Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 3, 2021.

For more information, contact Donna Carville at 225.687.2402.

NOTICE!!

While the Adoration Chapel is closed, the church will remain open following morning Mass on Wednesdays and Thursdays until noon. The air conditioner and lights will be on to give parishioners an opportunity for prayer and reflection comfortably in church.



Back to School Mass

St. John School will have their first Mass of the new school year Wednesday, August 19 at 8am in St. Clement Church. Please join us!

Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars

Monday, September 14, 2020

Monday, October 5, 2020

November 9, 2020



Baptisms

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Saturday, September 26, 2020

Saturday, October 24, 2020

November 28, 2020

The Baptism Seminars are held on the third floor of the church office at 7pm. The Baptisms are usually held on the fourth Saturday of the month following 4pm Mass.

Dates are subject to change. Please call Lily Skidmore at the church office (225.687.2402) during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

Daily Scripture Reading

August 17-23, 2020

Monday, August 17:

Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 18:

Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 19:

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 20:

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 21:

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 22:

Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 23:

Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



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Let us pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life as a Church—not only for our diocese, but also for the Church throughout the world. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, amerrick@diobr.org.



Mass Intentions — August 15-21, 2020

Saturday, August 15-4pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; J. Hubert Millet, Milda Millet, Louis Family, Harold Marionneaux; Michael Laurent, M/M C. L. Laurent, Sr.; Dwight Marix; Roland “Dougie” Rivet; Hebert & Rivet Families; Johnny & Johnny Zito, Jr.; Hazel LeBlanc, Gary LeBlanc, Angele Cavalier; Gulotta & Quatrevingt Families; Dace K. & Earline R. Hahn, Kim Baggett, Luke Baggett; Anthony F. Canella, Aaron & Delia LeRay, Nora Vitale; Janice Brown; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Lapeze & Ragusa Families; Faye & Paul Troxclair; Kye Boudreaux; Wayne Gary, Milton & Doris Fontenot, Jerry Fontenot; M/M Frank Ragusa & Family, M/M Placito Mancuso & Family, Mose Gibson Family, J. D. & Ella Collins Family; Ione & Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Brennan Bujol, Pim & NuNu Clebert, Stag Gomez, Clebert & Gomez Families, Frank & Catherine Ferachi; Brandon & Eddie Schouest, Jr., Josie & Eddie Vicknair, Jr.; Philomena & Joseph Rosso, Shirley & Ed Darcy; A Special Intention to St. Jude; Randolph Willis

Sunday, August 16-7:30am Mass — St. John Parishioners



Sunday, August 16-9am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Connor Brown; Frances Santangelo LeBlanc, Mike & Rita Santangelo, Anatole Santangelo; Edward Kocke, Jr.; Linda Seneca Rafflee, Norman J. Morales, Cathy B. Dupont, Ruel J. Seneca, Sr.; Josephine Pizzolato Robinson, Jean A. Pizzolato, Esther Pizzolato Schexnayder, Gasper Pizzolato, Sr. Family; Lawrence & Winnie Miller, Edward Miller, Paul & Myrtle Richard; Lezin & Clelie Himel, Anna Himel Fanguy; Theresa Crescionne, Victor Crescionne, Michelle Family, Crescionne Family; Benny & Annie Vaughn; The Currier Family; Virginia Simon; A Special Intention

Sunday, August 16-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson Elmo & Otella T. Loubiere; Brenda Fremin; Bobby Tullier, M/M Verner Comeaux, Sr., M/M Russell Rivet, Sr., Tommy Rivet; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Isaac Vaughn, Ezora & Sidney Hedges; Brennan Eugene Bujol; Allen “Dottie” Rivere

Tuesday, August 18-6pm Mass

Tracie Caston, Harry & Vivian Banta

Wednesday, August 19-7am Mass

Marie Ragusa LeBlanc

Thursday, August 20-7am Mass

Ronald, Brendon & Dudley Landry, Agnes & Sam Coletti, A Special Intention

Friday, August 21-7am Mass

Jaynell Lopez, Albert Lopez, Jr.



Sanctuary Candle — August 16, 2020

St. John the Evangelist Church
My Papa & My Momma

St. Clement of Rome Church
Jaynell Lopez & Albert Lopez, Jr.



Altar Society

The St. John Altar Society cleans the church, assists the sacristans and provides assistance as needed for parish receptions. Monthly meetings are usually held the 4th Tuesday of the month in the church office.

An envelope marked Altar Society has been included in the August packet of contribution envelopes. If you would like to join the Altar Society or renew your membership, kindly place your yearly dues of \$20 in the Altar Society envelope provided or in a regular envelope. You may drop it in the collection at any weekend Mass or mail it to 57805 Plaquemine Street. Please make checks payable to St. John Altar Society.

Altar Society Team 3 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, August 19 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I KEEP MYSELF
PURE FROM
THOSE WHO
DON'T BELIEVE
THE SAME AS
WE DO.



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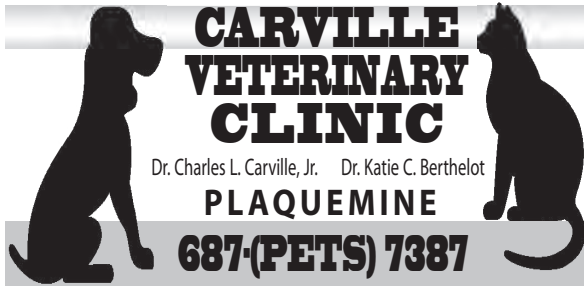


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