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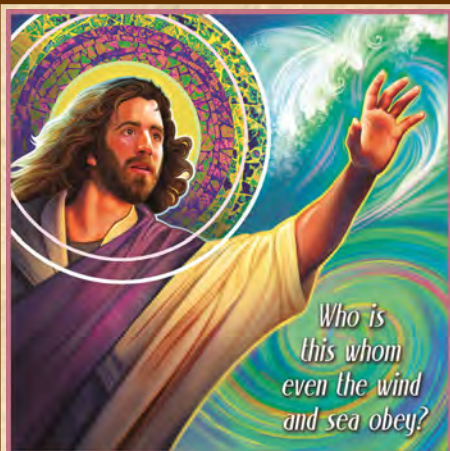
Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wed., Thurs., Fri.	7:00 am

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



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 20, 2021

Though we re-enter Ordinary Time already knowing that Jesus is the Son of God (see the centurion's words at the end of the Palm Sunday Passion reading from Mark's Gospel), the long succession of Sundays confronts us again with the question that each Christian community, each individual Christian faces continually throughout life: "Who is this?" (Mark 4:41), and prompts an "examination of conscience" regarding the practical consequences of our response. This year's Gospel readings from Mark suggest that we find our answer in the cross and in the Eucharist. Today's stark challenge of Jesus' call to discipleship is, thankfully, balanced by the comfort we can take in relating—perhaps only too well—to the disciples' fears. Though we welcome Jesus in Word and Eucharist Sunday after Sunday, don't we all, from time to time during our lives' "ordinary time," experience Jesus' "real absence"?

SEA AND WIND As always in Ordinary Time, today's Old Testament sets the stage for the Gospel. God, who in Jesus will "rebuke the wind" and "command the sea to be still" (Mark 4:39), "addresses Job out of the storm" (Job 38:1), speaking to the turmoil in Job's heart, calling to mind the primal chaos of creation's untamed sea, reminding Job that God's mighty word then was enough to command order and bring forth life. In today's Gospel, the disciples' fear, even near despair, takes center stage. Are any of us strangers to such emotions? Squall-force winds buffet their boat, waves break over it, and Jesus might as well not be there. Mark's account is especially grim. Alone among the evangelists, he tells us that Jesus is in the stern, the very back of the boat, not just asleep—sound asleep! Only Mark adds the detail, "on a cushion" (4:38).

AWAKEN CHRIST Though we welcome Jesus in Word and Eucharist Sunday after Sunday, haven't we all, from time to time, experienced Jesus' "real absence"? This personal application should comfort us, as it has generations of disciples before us. Though the "boat" is, primarily, a symbol of the Church, never forsaken by Christ, carried safely across time's stormy waters, Saint Augustine preaching on this very Gospel sixteen hundred years ago noted that, since each of us is a temple of God, each one's heart is a sailing boat. Consider any temptation, says Augustine, as "the wind, the surging of the sea," and do what the disciples did: wake up Christ, "the sleeper in your heart," by recalling his words and commands. Then be like the wind and the sea: "The sea obeys him, the wind is still." Whenever emotions make our hearts turbulent, whenever Christ seems absent or at least asleep, "let us not despair but awaken Christ, so that we may sail in quiet waters, and reach at last our heavenly homeland."

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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!"

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

These words of Jesus are an excellent invitation to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:
"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." (Luke 11:9-10)

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, please contact JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Daily Scripture Readings June 21-27, 2021

Monday, June 21:
 Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday, June 22:
 Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday, June 23:
 Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mt 7:15-20
Thursday, June 24:
 Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6b, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12;
 Lk 1:5-17, Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
 Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
Friday, June 25:
 Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4
Saturday, June 26:
 Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17
Sunday, June 27:
 Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

RITUALSONG

(Readings and Songs this Weekend)

Readings: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time #1228
 Entrance: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #806
 Preparation: **Instrumental**
 Communion: Eat This Bread #1033
 Sending Forth: Lead Me, Guide Me #759

In Loving Memory...

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following persons who donated a memorial gift to St. John the Evangelist Church in loving memory of:

Mary Louise Dufour

Donated by:
 Leona Tullier Gourgues Family

Baptisms and Seminars

Baptism Seminars

Monday, July 12, 2021
 Monday, August 9, 2021
 Monday, September 13, 2021



Baptisms

Saturday, June 26, 2021
 Saturday, July 24, 2021
 Saturday, August 28, 2021
 Saturday, September 25, 2021

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.



Diocese of Baton Rouge Child Nutrition Summer Program

The Child Nutrition Program community summer feeding sites will run from 9am-noon. The distribution dates for St. John Church are on the following Mondays: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, and 26.

The 750 boxes allotted to St. John will be handed out to students regardless of income or location of residence on a first come, first serve basis. Each box contains seven breakfasts, seven lunches and one gallon of milk. Each child will receive one box. If a child is not present during pickup, a form will need to be filled out by an adult picking up.



Life can remind us of life-eternal; Death can remind us of death-eternal. Each day we must choose to live or die physically or spiritually. What we do daily either builds us up or tears us down. Priests and religious are unique proclaimers of eternal life. If you feel God is calling you to be one, contact Fr. Josh Johnson at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

St. John Valedictorians and Salutatorian



Shown above following St. John's Graduation Mass on May 12, 2021 are, l to r, co valedictorian Emily Deslatte, daughter of Dean Deslatte and Ashley Hebert Deslatte, Salutatorian Kathryn Perry, daughter of John and Nicole Perry, and co valedictorian Julia Bucher, daughter of George and Kristen Bucher.

Congratulations, Emily, Kathryn and Julia!

Photo credit Donna Kirkland

St. John Fathers Club Membership Drive



The St. John Fathers Club will conduct their annual membership drive on Father's Day weekend, June 19 and 20, 2021. Members will be collecting dues and enrolling new members outside the doors of church before and after all Masses.

For more information, contact Terry Bradford at 225.810.1626.



Please note...

If you are a newcomer to St. John the Evangelist Church Parish, have recently married, or no longer live with your parents, please remember to fill out a census form to register here.

Registering is easy. Simply choose one of the following methods:

- Call the St. John Church Office at 225.687.2402 and we will mail a census form to you.
- Pick up a census form from the church office or the bookshelves in the back of church.
- Access FORMS via our website, www.stjohnchurchplaq.org.

Registration Forms....

Additional printable registration forms may be accessed from the St. John Church website for Baptism, First Eucharist & Reconciliation, Confirmation, PSR, RCIA and Altar Server. Mass Intention forms are also available.



RELIGIOUS
FREEDOM
WEEK

Religious Freedom Week

June 22-29, 2021

Solidarity in Freedom

"Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community." (*Fratelli tutti*, 116).

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom.

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:

Thursday, July 1: 6pm to 8:30pm

Friday, July 2: 6pm to 8:30pm

Saturday, July 3: 2pm to 8:30pm

Sunday, July 4: 12 noon to 6pm

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 Hometown Celebration

~ Celebrating 20 Years ~

Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta

Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park

Sunday, July 4, 2021 ~ 5pm

The City of Plaquemine is ramping up its July 4th Hometown Celebration this year with music of Phat Hat. The celebration of our nation's birthday will also include many residents' favorites: a patriotic boat parade, games for the kids, plenty of food, booths, and fun.

Festivities begin at the Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park at 5pm, but the Iberville Museum will be open earlier in the day for tours. Close out the fun with a great fireworks display at 9pm! Contact 225.687.3116 for information.

If any adult or student would like to help in the soft drink and water booths, contact Lorraine Hidalgo at 225.687.6891. Students will earn service hours.

Mass Intentions — June 26 - July 2, 2021

Saturday, June 26-4pm 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; Ronald L. Dugas, M/M Fallon Trabeaux, M/M Alvin L. Dugas, Russell Naquin, Jr., Fal Naquin; Eva, Tony & A. J. Doiron, Bola Gascon; Andrew & Josephine Canova; Ione Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Quentin & Annabel Buquoi, Helen Kokiernak; Paul Ortis, Earl & Mary Devillier; Patrice Ann LeBlanc; The Currier Family; Emily, Adam, Harry, J. C. & Connie Vercher

Sunday, June 27-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners



Sunday, June 27-9am 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; Kristina Mellema; M/M Gasper Pizzolato, Sr., Vincent A. & Florence Pizzolato Forte, Marie Pizzolato Blanchard; Bertha, Dempsey & Jeffery Carline; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Mae Ourso; Virginia Simon; Mary Ann Gregoire; J. W. Bryant Family

Sunday, June 27-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Audrey & Ava Kora, David & Reneé Donaldson; Brenda Fremin; Leon, Collen & Neil Graffeo, Jimmy Barbee; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Isaac Vaughn, Sidney Hedges, Jr., The Family of Sidney Hedges, Sr.; Steve Patin, T. N. & Ray Patin; Sammie Ann Gulotta; Christopher Stassi; "Brother" Michel

Tuesday, June 29-6pm Mass

Kathy Dupont Fulton, Joseph E. "Pat" Dupont

Wednesday, June 30-7am Mass

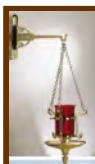
Alice & Alex Nolan

Thursday, July 1-7am Mass

William "Billy" Haydel

Friday, July 2-7am Mass

Joe Nathan "Pepper" Jackson



Sanctuary Candle

June 20, 2021

St. John the Evangelist Church

Vincent & Jean Pizzolato

Anthony "Tonto" Pizzolato

Vincent & Florence Pizzolato Forte

Mr. & Mrs. Gasper Pizzolato

St. Clement of Rome Church

Kathy Dupont Fulton

Joseph E. "Pat" Dupont

You are Covered in Prayer



*May you feel His presence-
Experience His Peace-
Draw from His strength-
Rest in His love-*

May God bless and keep you in His loving care.

If someone you know is having major surgery or has been diagnosed with cancer or any other grave illness, please let us bring you a prayer blanket to help get you through this tough time. It matters not the age, all who need it will receive it.

Contact Jane Gauthreaux at 225.413.7157.

Altar Society



Altar Society Team 4 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, June 23 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome!

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WHEN EVERYTHING
SEEMS TO GO
WRONG, LET US
REMEMBER THAT
GOD IS STILL
IN CONTROL.

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I THINK GOD
TURNED
CONTROL OF
MY LIFE
OVER TO A
STUDENT
ANGEL OR
SOMETHING.



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