

# St. John the Evangelist Church

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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



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."  
At once they left their nets and followed him.  
Matthew 4:19-20

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023

They left their nets and followed him. (Matthew 4:20)

Can you imagine how exciting it was for Peter and his friends as they followed Jesus from town to town? Hearing him preach so often, seeing him perform so many miracles, watching people's lives change so dramatically—no wonder they left their nets and became his disciples!

But what about those times when there were no crowds—when they were traveling between towns or on those days when Jesus took a break? What were those "in-between" days like?

They were probably even more exciting! Those were the days when the disciples had Jesus all to themselves. They could ask him questions about what he had taught the crowds. They could listen to him explain his parables, pray with him, and experience for themselves the new relationship with his heavenly Father that he had proclaimed. It's possible that these were the days that really changed their lives.

Today is Sunday of the Word of God, a day when we celebrate the power and the grace contained in God's word in Scripture. This is the word that the disciples heard day in and day out, and it can change us just as it changed them. It can comfort us, convict us, and lift our hearts

to heaven. It can bring us to our knees in humble repentance, and it can lift us to our feet in joyful worship.

Do you want to experience God's word coming to life in you? Then imitate the apostles. Spend time with Jesus and immerse yourself in his word. Ask him questions about what you read there, and listen prayerfully for his answers. It takes time, patience, and perseverance, but the reward is well worth the effort. Like the apostles, you'll come to know Jesus personally as the One whose love lasts forever and whose mercy never ends!

*"Come, Lord, and speak your words of life to me today!"*

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**Parish Wedding Anniversary  
Mass and Celebration 2023**

On Saturday, February 11 at St. John the Evangelist Church, couples celebrating 25, 50, 55, 60, 65 or greater years of marriage will be honored at 4pm Mass. A reception hosted by the St. John Altar Society will follow in the parish hall for family and friends.

If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries this year and would like to celebrate with us, please email [marshaadupont@sj.brcoxmail.com](mailto:marshaadupont@sj.brcoxmail.com), call the church office (225.687.2402), or fill out the form below. You may drop the form in the collection basket at any weekend Mass or mail it to St. John Church, 57805 Main Street, Plaquemine, LA 70764

Full Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please circle anniversary to be celebrated:  
25 50 60 65 More than 65 \_\_\_\_\_

**Diocesan Wedding Anniversary  
Mass and Celebration**

**Sunday, February 19, 2023 — 2pm  
St. Aloysius Church  
2025 Stuart Avenue  
Baton Rouge, LA**

Bishop Michael Duca will celebrate a liturgy honoring couples reaching 25, 50, 65 or greater years of marriage anytime during 2023.

The families of the honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and reception following the liturgy in the St. Aloysius Parish Hall.

To register, you may call the church office at 225.687.2402 or fill out the form below and mail before Wednesday, February 1, 2023 to St. John Church, 57805 Main Street, Plaquemine, LA 70764.

**\*\*Please print or write legibly. Names will appear on certificate as indicated below. Please fill in all blanks.\*\***

Examples: Mary & John Jones; or Mary Brown and John Jones; or Mr. and Mrs. John Jones  
Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of years married: \_\_\_\_  
*Estimated # of family members to attend besides couple: \_\_\_\_*

**St. John the Evangelist, Plaquemine, LA 70764  
225.687.2402**

**RITUALSONG**

**(Readings and Songs this Weekend)**

Readings: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time #1200  
Entrance: The Summons #886  
Preparation: \*Instrumental\*  
Communion: We Are Many Parts #918  
Sending Forth: City of God #876

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

"The most powerful thing we can do on this earth with our time is to spend it in Eucharistic adoration. Nothing can do more to change the world, to bring about peace, to convert hearts, to make reparation for the many evils committed. Spending time in prayer may seem, on the outside, to be a passive thing; however, it is anything but! Our world is in desperate need of hope, of renewal, of a 'turning back' to the things of God. By visiting Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we take up the best weapon for the battles of our age and contribute to the healing of our culture. Cultivating a Eucharistic life of adoration also bears tremendous fruit in our own hearts and lives. We cannot spend time in the rays of His Eucharistic Presence without receiving His grace, His love, His mercy, His peace. As we gaze upon Him face to face, we are transformed little by little into a closer reflection of His divine image."

—AN EXCERPT FROM Manual for Eucharistic Adoration, Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, p. 37-38

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

**Baptisms and Baptism Seminars**



**Baptism Seminars — 7pm  
Church Office Third Floor  
Monday, February 6, 2023  
Monday, March 6, 2023  
Monday, April 3, 2023**

**Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass  
Saturday, January 21, 2023  
Saturday, February 18, 2023  
Saturday, April 22, 2023**

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

**Day of Prayer  
for the Legal Protection of the Unborn  
January 23, 2023**

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

—Pope Saint John Paul II Evangelium Vitae

## Christmas Flowers and Decorations 2022

### In Loving Memory:

Aubrey Quebedeaux  
Aline Comeaux  
Wally Comeaux  
Saul Quebedeaux  
Blane Quebedeaux  
Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux  
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Paul D'Albor, Jr.  
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Sherlin & Carrie LeJeune  
Joe & Edna Allen  
Joe & Emily Diamond  
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Leah Diamond  
David Bolotte  
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### In Honor of:

Cathie Blanchard

### A Grateful Acknowledgement

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the parishioners who contributed to the flowers and decorations at Christmastime. Your generous donations enhanced the beauty of our church and liturgical celebrations.

### **GROWING IN FAITH**

**St. Peter Bible Study: January 19-March 23, 2023**

The Study of St. Peter is subtitled "Cornerstone of Catholicism," and Peter is a vital and fundamental stone, but the more we study and understand the life of Peter, the better we will know the one Peter followed and professed, the true and absolute Cornerstone of the Church, Jesus Christ.

It's not too late to attend the 9 remaining sessions on St. Peter. Sessions are held in the church office conference room from 1:30-3pm and 6:15-7:45pm. You may attend either session and receive your study guide (\$10) at your first session.

*"So that your faith may not rest on human wisdom but on the power of God."*—1Corinthians 2:5



### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention**

**January 2023**

#### For Educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

### **A Vocation View**

Jesus proclaimed this theme: "Reform your lives!" Are you bold enough to reform your life and proclaim the Good News — perhaps as a priest, sister or brother? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at 225.336.8778, [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org).



**Mass Intentions — January 28-February 3, 2023**

**Saturday, January 28-4pm 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; Liz Adams; Trista Parro, Diane Irwin, Myrtle Lively, Ned Verret; Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families; Robert, Lee & Betty Mooney; Murray & Dixie Suffrin; Michael Laurent; Faye & Harry Martinez; Wayne Gary, Doris, Jerry & Milton Fontenot; M/M Edmond Gomez & Family; Anthony F. Canella, Aaron & Delia LeRay, Shannie Verret; Ione Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.

**Sunday, January 29-7:30am Mass**

St. John Parishioners



**Sunday, January 29-9am 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; Virginia Simon; Denise Miranda; Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Michael Clause, Dwight Marix; Flo, Allen & Paco Ourso; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle; Ray, T. N. & Steve Patin

**Sunday, January 29-11am Mass**

Cindy Dickerson; Brenda Fremin; Nita Comeaux Foster, Lloyd Comeaux, Jr., Firmin & Clouette Tullier; Isaac Jr. & Brent Vaughn, Nilda & Isaac Vaughn, Sr.

**Tuesday, January 31-6pm Mass**

Bobby & Bootsie Dupont; Alfred & Mercedese Carville, Edmund & Louise Bujol

**Wednesday, February 1-7am Mass**

Alice & Alex Nolan

**Thursday, February 2-7am Mass**

Brenda Comeaux

**Friday, February 3-7am Mass**

Buté Richard

**Daily Scripture Reading — January 22-28, 2023**

**Sunday, January 22:**

Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

**Monday, January 23:**

Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday, January 24:**

Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2 & 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35

**Wednesday, January 25:**

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1-2; Mk 16:15-18

**Thursday, January 26:**

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8, 10; Mk 4:21-25

**Friday, January 27:**

Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

**Saturday, January 28:**

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41



**Sanctuary Candle  
January 22, 2023**

**St. John the Evangelist  
Ralph Rivet, Sr.**

**St. Clement of Rome  
Alfred & Mercedese Carville**

**Coffee & Donuts  
January 22, 2023**



**Guy & Sabrina Ruggiero (7:30am Mass)**

**Lee Ann Howard & Amy Bradford (9am Mass)**



**Altar Society**

Altar Society Team 4 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, January 25 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

**Contribution Tax Statements**



Anyone needing a 2022 contribution statement for tax purposes should call Susan at the St. John Church Office at 225.687.2402. Statements will be printed upon request.

Please remember St. John Church and St. John School in your Last Will and Testament.

**3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

XAVIER, WHAT WOULD YOU TELL PEOPLE WHO WANT TO FOLLOW IN THE LORD'S FOOTSTEPS?



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WELL, THE FIRST THING IS TO GET SOME REALLY GOOD SANDALS...



**St. John the Evangelist Children's Christmas Eve Mass**



The St. John Children's Christmas Eve Mass on December 24, 2022 was a joyful event heralding the coming of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

A grateful acknowledgement is made to all participants and to Christa Berthelot, Hope, Tré and Jennifer Adams who prepared the children for the special Nativity reenactment. Photo credit Jennifer Adams



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