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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.

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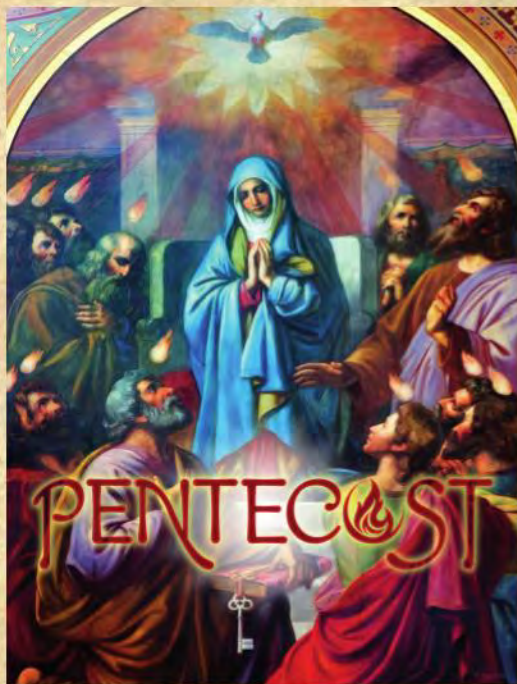
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

... from every nation under heaven. (Acts 2:5)



Today's first reading makes it pretty clear: the Holy Spirit wants everyone to hear the good news and come together through faith in Jesus. Men and women from all over the known world were in Jerusalem for the feast of Pentecost, and they didn't all speak the same language. But when the Spirit came upon the believers gathered in the upper room, that massive crowd heard the disciples proclaiming God's mighty works in their own languages, and that manifestation of God's power helped them come to believe!

That miracle of God gathering people from all over the world wasn't limited to the first Pentecost. Consider Philip preaching to the Ethiopian court official (Acts 8:26-40) or Peter preaching to the Roman centurion Cornelius (10:34-48) or Paul preaching to the philosophers of Athens (17:22-34). The Spirit came in power both upon those who preached and those who heard. He broke down barriers and brought people together through the gospel.

The Holy Spirit still wants to dismantle walls between people from all walks of life and bring them together. And by virtue of your baptism, you are called to participate in that mission.

How? You can start right where you live. You're sure to encounter someone who might not "speak your language." Maybe someone in your family or among your neighbors has a different worldview than you do. Maybe there are people who come from a different country or from a different generation. Bring Jesus to them. Just say a prayer, open your mouth, and trust the Spirit to work through you to bring them together.

The Holy Spirit is still eager to bring us all together in Christ. Let him fill you on this special day!

"Holy Spirit, give me the words to proclaim the good news wherever I go."

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Dear Family:

Happy Pentecost! I pray this Easter Season has been filled with abundant blessings in the Risen Lord.

The early Church believed humanity had received a fresh start. After the resurrection, a mysterious vitality motivated the disciples. Some new force subtly coordinated their efforts, giving them energy, insight, and courage. The Bible gives this power different names, but it is often called the Holy Spirit.

When Jesus shared the Holy Spirit with his disciples, they changed in two ways. First, they received the gift of peace, God's presence quieted the disciples' fears and gave them joy. They knew that, no matter what they faced, God was always with them.

Their newfound peace freed their hearts. In that freedom, they discovered a second gift, an ability to discern the causes of sin and the power to overcome it. The Spirit conferred the power to untangle the mess that humans make of life and the world.

This fresh start humanity received is also clear in this Sunday's first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles. The mighty wind and the tongues of fire were just the opening act; the climax came when the members of the crowd heard of the mighty deeds of God in their own languages. The barriers that stood between God's love and human understanding had started to fall.

The Holy Spirit made God's love clear. The Spirit also inspired Christians to love each other, as this Sunday's second reading shows. Addressing the spiritual competition that had arisen among Christians, Paul reminded them that the Spirit coordinated all human effort toward the fulfillment of Christ's mission. This too was a fresh start. Cooperation and conflict, order and chaos, had struck an uneasy balance for so long that no one could imagine a different world. Now, in the Spirit, cooperation would be ever stronger, drawing people together to work for God's glory and Christ's mission. This Sunday's responsorial psalm recognizes that same cooperation on a cosmic scale. As the Spirit renews creation, everything works together for the glory of God.

Some questions for reflection:

What fresh start has God made in your life?

What did the disciples fear so much that they kept the doors locked?

With whom can you work to fulfill Christ's mission?

This weekend we welcome Rev. Honesto Gile, a priest from the Philippines, who will make an appeal to us for the work in the Missions of his diocese. Please offer him a warm St. John welcome.

I will be making a trip to visit my brother, Paul, and his family in Tennessee and to help with some work on his plot of land. I haven't seen him since my aunt/godmother's funeral in January. So, the Daigle boys will for sure be having a good reunion. I'll return for Masses next weekend. Please keep me in your prayers as I travel. Assurance of prayers for you as well.

Peace,

Fr. Greg Daigle



Our office will be closed Monday, May 29
in observance of Memorial Day.

“Let us not forget.”

May Devotion



In the words of Pope Paul VI, May is "a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God ... For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne."

The Yard Rosary will be prayed at the homes of parishioners at 7pm.

Monday, May 29: Prentiss & Sarah Passantino
58415 Village Ct.

Tuesday, May 30: Melwyn Wendt
23920 Eden St.

Wednesday, May 31: George & Patricia Ramirez
57741 Cardinal St.

Bring your lawn chair and your friends.

Prayer for Protection During Hurricane Season

*Our Father in Heaven,
through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt
Succor, spare us during this hurricane season from all
harm.*

*Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature.
Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



Summer Program for Youth “Learning to Love Like Jesus” St. John Church and Parish Hall

Our Summer Programs will replace the Vacation Bible School. It is our intent to reach all our youth in the Church Parish.

The schedule is set up to accommodate smaller groups and to focus more attention on each child's spiritual path through fun and fellowship.

June 5, 6 & 7 — 4 & 5 year-olds — 10am-Noon

June 12, 13 & 14 — 6 & 7 year-olds — 10am-Noon

June 19, 20 & 21 — 8, 9 & 10 year-olds — 10am-Noon

June 26, 27 & 28 — Pre-teens & teens — 6-7:30pm

Any questions? Please send an email to Wanda Ashley, wandaashley681@gmail.com with your contact email or cell phone number.

Plaquemine Lions Club

“World’s Best” Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, May 28



Drive through to pick up your spaghetti dinner at the Lions Club parking lot, 60255 Bayou Jacob Road Sunday, May 28 from 10am-12:30pm.

RITUALSONG

(Readings and Songs this Weekend)

Readings: Pentecost Sunday #1185

Entrance: Come Holy Ghost #648

Preparation: **Instrumental**

Communion: Send Us Your Spirit #654

Sending Forth: O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God #649

Monsignor Leonard Robin Award



The Monsignor Robin Award is St. John High School's most prestigious award, which recognizes a senior boy and girl who display loyalty, leadership, school involvement and moral character. The award is presented to the two students who best exemplify this mission.

The Monsignor Robin Award recipients for the graduating class of 2023 are

Oscar Xiao,

son of Mr. Mei Ton Xiao and Mrs. Hui Dong and

Morgan LeBlanc,

daughter of Todd and Wendy LeBlanc.

Oscar and Morgan accepted their awards from Father Greg Daigle during Graduation Ceremonies.

Congratulations, Oscar and Morgan!!



Important Acadian Festival Notice

Any 2023-2024 Senior girl attending Plaquemine High School, Iberville West Math, Science and Arts Academy or St. John High School or lives in Plaquemine and attends a school outside of Iberville Parish is eligible to apply online at acadianfestival.org to be considered for the Acadian Festival Princess Court. Application period will be June 1 – June 30, 2023. You will receive confirmation when your application has been successfully submitted.

There will be no calling of members in the application process. The Acadian Festival Committee and/or the Knights of Columbus are not responsible for contacting girls to apply.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Do not be afraid. —Luke 5:10
 Let Jesus' words to Peter settle in your heart as well. Let them convince you that it's perfectly safe to come into the presence of God. On the contrary, it's the most rewarding, joyous, saving thing you could ever do—and you can do it every single day!
 —Excerpt from "The Word Among Us"
 Daily Meditation on 9/1/22

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.

Daily Scripture Readings—May 28-June 3, 2023

Sunday, May 28:

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b Or Ez 37:1-4 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 20, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39; Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Monday, May 29:

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3. 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday, May 30:

Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 31:

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday, June 1:

Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mt 10:46-52

Friday, June 2:

Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday, June 3:

Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33

Baptisms and Baptism Seminars



Baptism Seminars
 Monday, June 5, 2023
 Monday, July 10, 2023
 Monday, August 7, 2023

Baptisms
 Saturday, June 24, 2023
 Saturday, July 22, 2023
 Saturday, August 26, 2023

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 at the church office (225.687.2402) during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

Angels for Angels

The Angels for Angels program has been able to help children in our local schools with much needed items. Teachers contact the Angels for Angels with a specific need for a specific child in their classroom. Volunteers are needed to relieve the burden some teachers face who use their own monies to purchase these items.

Please call Dr. Katie Berthelot (225.776.2809) or the church office (225.687.2402) to participate in this worthy cause.

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JUNE 3, 2023 | 9am-10pm

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(Indoor)

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(Indoor)

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These Masses include lower lighting, softer music, and shorter, more literal homilies; however, the biggest difference is that they offer an environment free of stigma. We encourage families and individuals to get up and move if needed, to bring alternative seating, fidgets or noise cancelling headphones, and to participate in the liturgy just as they are.

ALL ARE WELCOME

A Ministry for Individuals with Special Needs and Their Families

SENSORY MASS

Sunday, May 28, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

St. George Catholic Church
 7808 St. George Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70809
 Celebrated by Fr. Paul Yi

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Maintenance & Repairs Collection 11am-Noon Pray the Rosary every Saturday for Vocations Adoration Chapel
4 Maintenance & Repairs Collection 11am Mass Landmark	5 7pm Baptism Seminar Conference Room	6	7	8	9	10
11 2pm Ladies of Peter Claver Meeting Parish Hall 4-6pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group Church	12	13	14	15 7pm K. C. Meeting K. C. Home	16	17 Before & After Mass Catholic Daughters Sweet Sale
18 Before & After All Masses Catholic Daughters Sweet Sale 	19 OFFICE CLOSED 6pm Catholic Dtrs. Potluck Supper Parish Hall	20	21	22	23	24 Following 4pm Mass Baptisms
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Mass Intentions — June 3-9, 2023

Saturday, June 3-4pm 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; M/M L. J. Raymond, M/M Joseph E. Bujol; Johnny & Johnny Zito, Jr., Joseph Zito, Carlo Canova, Sr.; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; Winnie & Harry Gallagher, Ethel & Harry Blanchard; Michael Laurent; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Cleveland Boudreaux; John E., Cecil D. & Maurice E. Brown, Joan B. Heath, Brown & Duhon Families; Alfred, Mercedes, Lester & Mary Carville, M/M Edmund Bujol, Reid & Gerry Rainey; Faye & Harry Martinez; Ignace & Vivian Tullier; Wayne Gary, Cindy Milton, Davis Fontenot; M/M Victor Crescionne, Crescionne Family, Michelle Family, Sister Joycelin Staempfli; M/M Thomas Keith & Family; John “Shane” David Smith; Sadie & Tony Mancuso

Sunday, June 4-7:30am Mass - St. John Parishioners

Sunday, June 4-9am 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; Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr., Terry Landry, Jr., Kynlee Bueche; Fred Hebert, George & Gloria Ramirez, Agnes & Jimmy LeBlanc; Douglas Bourgoyne, Artie Lyons, Lydia Mae Blanchard; Laurent Family; Mary Ann Gregoire; Glynn Hebert, A Special Intention; Joshua “Josh” Landry; Denise Miranda; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Virginia Simon; Ray, T. N. & Steve Patin; The Calvaruso Family; Merle Ostergren; Douglas & Devin Durand

Sunday, June 4-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Tina Ferachi Loyacano, Agnes & Sam Colletti & Family; Vincent M. Ferachi & Family; Brenda Fremin, Luke & Mary Fremin, Charles & Rosa Drago, Ellis & Enola Fremin; Sam “Bute” & Lucille Leggio Distefano; Isaac Jr. & Brent Vaughn, Nilda & Isaac Vaughn

Tuesday, June 6-6pm Mass

Lorraine “Catty” Hebert, Mary Kay Marchand Hudson, Hebert & Clement Families; Joshua “Josh” Landry

Wednesday, June 7-7am Mass

Sue S. Landry

Thursday, June 8-7am Mass

Tina Ferachi Loyacano, Agnes & Sam Colletti & Family, Vincent M. Ferachi & Family

Friday, June 9-7am Mass

Donald G. Persick



Sanctuary Candle — May 28, 2023

St. John the Evangelist
Murray & Dixie Suffrin

St. Clement of Rome
Ernest & Josephine Lapeze
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A Vocation View



Come, Holy Spirit, with your seven-fold gifts. Inspire, enlighten, energize and encourage me to be a witness for the gospel.

If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.



Coffee & Donuts — June 4, 2023

Gary & Dolores Pruitt (7:30am Mass)

Patrick & Helen Pendley (9am Mass)

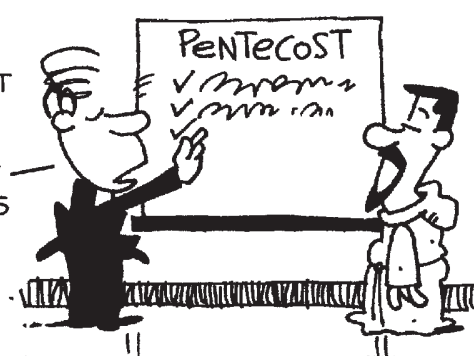
Altar Society



Altar Society Extra Team 2 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, May 31 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

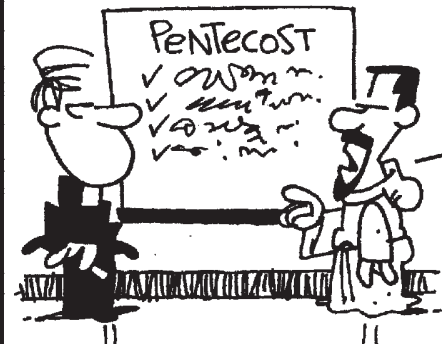
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