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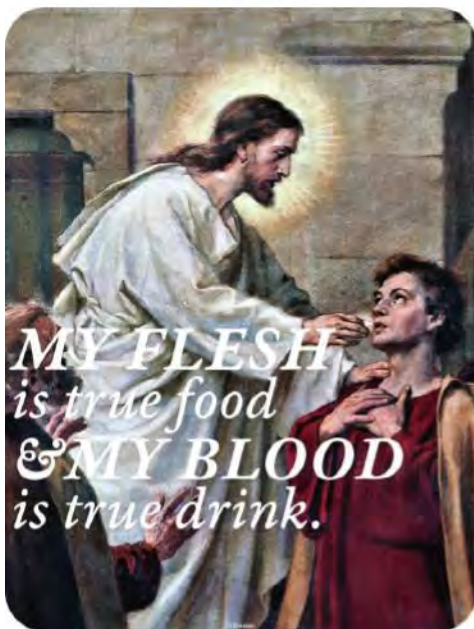
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Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
 Sunday....7:30am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
 Tuesday.....6:00 pm
 Wednesday.....7:00 am
 Thursday.....7:00 am
 Friday.....7:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday.....5:30-5:45 pm
 Saturday3:00-3:30 pm



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2024

Wise Fools

When we were in high school, we learned that the word sophomore came from Greek words meaning “wise fools.” The idea was that the second year student thinks he knows it all now, but still has a lot to learn. The first two readings invite us to a banquet of wisdom. Jesus says he himself is the way to understanding God’s will; he gives himself as food and drink for eternal life. So how will we accept these invitations to partake of the Wisdom of God?

One way is to read the scriptures every day, taking time to think and pray about what you read. Don’t do all the talking; let God have his chance to be heard. The gospels are especially good “food” because of all the examples Jesus gave in his sermons and parables.

Listen to the readings and homily at Mass. The Pastor may have some insights that make you think. Receive Communion often to be fed with the living Bread. The Church has always taught that we are fed with both the word and the Eucharist.

If we want to grow in God’s wisdom, we have to exercise our faith. If you have a friend or relative who is a good example of faith, talk with that person about how you experience God or your lack of experiences. You could offer to be a sponsor for someone in the OCIA, and help someone else’s faith to grow. Your parish or diocese may also have on-line resources or discussions. God never forces himself on anyone. To grow in his Wisdom, we have to accept it. Ask him for real food and you won’t be disappointed. But be patient, God only gives what we are ready to receive.

Tom Schmidt

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW THINKING OF

Becoming Catholic

AN INVITATION TO COME AND SEE

TUESDAY
AUGUST 20
6:30-7:30
PARISH HALL



Scan Me

REGISTER NOW
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OCIA

OCIA is a faith journey open to all unbaptized or baptized Christians who wish to explore more about the Catholic faith and the possibility of becoming Catholic. Current Catholics who may be looking for a refresher about their faith may also attend the inquiry classes in the Fall of 2024.

A "Come and See" session will be hosted by Fr. Greg Daigle on **Tuesday evening, August 20**, from 6:30-7:30pm in the parish hall. Please call the church office to register as well as encourage others to call who may be inquiring about the Catholic faith.

OCIA inquiry classes about our Catholic faith continue every Sunday from 9:30-10:45am in the church office conference room starting Sunday, September 8 through December 8, 2024.

After the Christmas season, OCIA catechumenate classes will resume until Easter Vigil Mass with some of the classes being held after 4pm Mass on Saturday for topics like church history, Holy Orders and a tour of the church by outside speakers.

A schedule of topics will be included in upcoming bulletins. For more information, please call Donna Carville at 225.687.2402.



Called By Name Chosen for Consecrated Life

"Always give thanks for all things." Give thanks to the priests, sisters, and brothers who answered

God's call with open hearts to serve Him. Is Christ calling you to serve as a priest or in consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.

Ritualsong

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time #1252

Entrance: At the Table of Jesus #1051

Preparation: **Instrumental**

Communion: Take and Eat #1025

Sending Forth: Let All Things Now Living #747



Eucharistic Adoration

Come and Adore. Jesus is Waiting for YOU.

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

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord." (Mt 11:28)

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, contact Patricia Ebert at 225.385.1501 or Bern Ebert at 225.385.1500.

Scripture Readings

Week of August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20;
Jn 6:51-58

Monday Ez 24:15-23; Dt 32:18-21;
Mt 19:16-22

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

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

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

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

Saturday Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13ab, 17-18;
Jn 1:45-51

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3,
16-21; Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32;
Jn 6:60-69

A Prayer to Avert Storms and Hurricanes

Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.

Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars — 7pm
Church Office Third Floor
 Monday, September 9, 2024
 Monday, October 7, 2024

Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass

Saturday, August 24, 2024 (During Mass)
 Saturday, September 21, 2024
 Saturday, October 19, 2024

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

Angels for Angels

Providing for Children in Need

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.

Our Brothers Keeper

Community Thrift Store

Our Brothers Keeper Thrift Store, 58311 Plaquemine Street, sells gently used clothing and other household items provided by donations from us. Proceeds after paying rent and utilities are used to support community needs such as the school uniform distribution, St. John Church maintenance, and repairs to St. Clement Church.

Please continue to bring your donated items to them during store hours 8:30am-1pm, Monday through Friday.

A Grateful Acknowledgement



Louisiana Knights of Columbus raised \$40,000 for Notre Dame Seminary's mission trip to Costa Rica! This is their biggest donation ever to Notre Dame Seminary for the missionary component of their formation. Pictured are Tony Vavasseur, Fr. Andrew Gutierrez, Vince Whittington, and Vernon Ducote.

Thanks to all who purchased or sold a seminary mission fund raffle ticket.

DAY OF FELLOWSHIP & FORMATION

FOR CURRENT AND INTERESTED PRISON MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

LEARN MORE ABOUT PRISON MINISTRY!

Are you interested in or actively participating in prison ministry in the Diocese of Baton Rouge? If so, this event is for you!



THE DAY WILL INCLUDE:

- "Catholic Prison Ministry, Prison Visits, and Prison Culture – What Works and What Doesn't" with **Andrew Hundley**, Executive Director of The Louisiana Parole Project
- "Restorative Justice and the Common Good – Applied Catholic Social Teaching" with **Fr. Fred Kammer**, Director of the Jesuit Social Research Institute
- Roundtable Discussions with other volunteers



WORKSHOP DETAILS

AUGUST 24, 2024

8 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 KLEINPETER ACTIVITY CENTER *REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

FIND MORE INFORMATION & REGISTER
<https://diobr.org/pm-event>

CONTACT US
jlavastida@diobr.org



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 24-4pm 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; Trista Parro, Sue & Mike Wakeling, Alex Parro; Brennan Eugene Bujol, Pim & Nu Nu Clebert, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Catherine & Frank Ferachi; Michael Laurent, Jack Laurent; Lonnie Michel, Baco Romero, Nat Michel Family; Henry "Tutie" Berthelot, M/M Edmond Berthelot, Sr., M/M Earl Breaux, Sr., John D. Bourg; Huey Hebert, Burke Daigle; Sidney "Benny", Rose & Sid Quatrevingt, Quatrevingt Family; Donald Stockman; Pat Messina; Manuel, Mary, Delores & The Diamond Family; Adam "Rock" Martinez; The Souls in Purgatory Who died from COVID

Sunday, August 25-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, August 25-9am 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; Dudley & Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr. & Jr., Kynlee Bueche; Guy Hopkins & Family; Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Shane Smith; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Seneca Rafflee; Denise Miranda; The Souls in Purgatory Who died from COVID

Sunday, August 25-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Joshua "Josh" Landry, Harry & Vivian Banta, Gloria & "Joe" Landry; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Ezora Hedges, Sidney Hedges, Sr.; Leon Graffeo, Sadie & Harry LeBlanc, Beverly Polito; Rachael "Sally" & Dom Engolio; Jacqueline Hemenway; Marie Kocke

Tuesday, August 27-6pm Mass

Patrick Gaudet, M/M Clerfet Templet; The Souls in Purgatory Who died from COVID

Wednesday, August 28-7am Mass

Murry & Dixie Suffrin

Thursday, August 29-7am Mass

George Ourso, Jr.

Friday, August 30-7am Mass

David Wendt, Sr. Family, Joseph Andre Family, William Barker Family



Sanctuary Candle

August 18, 2024

St. John the Evangelist
John "Sonny" Bunch

St. Clement of Rome
Jaynell Lopez, Albert Lopez, Jr., Johnson & Lopez Families

Coffee & Donuts

August 25, 2024

Gary & Dolores Pruitt
(7:30am Mass)



Patrick & Helen Pendley (9am Mass)

Altar Society

Essential Support System of the Church


The St. John Altar Society annual dues (\$25) are due in August. Dues are the main source of income for the Altar Society to serve both St. John's and St. Clement's needs. Use the envelope provided in your August stewardship packet or drop an envelope marked "St. John Altar Society" in the church collection. Please make checks out to St. John Altar Society.

Altar Society Team 3 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, August 21 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.



August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"I am the
living bread
that came down
from heaven..."



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