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Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
 Sunday...7:30 am, 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
 Saturday 3:00-3:30 pm



LUKE 6:23

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16, 2025

Woe is Me?

In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, he has only four blessings and he adds four woes. Did you notice that all the things that we work forty or more hours a week to give to our family are considered "woes"? So is Jesus saying we should not have savings for the future, food for the kids, a happy, safe environment, or a good reputation?

I suspect that the disciples and the others listening to Jesus wondered the same thing. The values of this world are not necessarily the values of God's Kingdom. Jesus himself is the extreme example of reversing worldly values: His death was not a tragic ending, but the saving action that brought us forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection.

So how do we experience the blessings of the poor, the hungry, the mourning, or the unpopular? Do we have the faith to let go of self-reliance and to trust in Jesus? How much money does it take to meet the needs of our family? Are we really helping our children if we give them anything they want? We buy them nice clothing; do we teach them to see Jesus in others? How can we say this is all too idealistic,

and still claim to believe in the Resurrection?

I don't expect everyone to go around saying "woe is me." Some of the happiest people are those who live simple lives of faith and trust in God. When we learn to trust the Lord and love one another, we not only can see Jesus in the poor or the lonely, he can also be seen in us.

Tom Schmidt



World Marriage Day

St. John Church Parish Wedding Anniversary Mass and Celebration

Congratulations to the couples who are celebrating special anniversaries and are being honored at our 4pm Wedding Anniversary Mass and Celebration on Saturday, February 15, 2025. Everyone is invited to join in the celebration following Mass in the parish hall hosted by the St. John Altar Society.

25th

Laurie & Luke Crousillac
Patricia & George Ramirez

50th

Charlotte & James "Gerald" Clouatre
Darlene & Tony Diez
Susan & Robbie Dupont
Betty & Alex Gueho, Jr.
Charlotte & Charles Gulotta
Roberta & Randy LaPrairie
Jennifer & LeBoeuf Ourso
Dawn & Ralph Rivet
Sybil & Glenn Wisdom

55th

Donna & Milton "Bro" Bradford
Johnette & Ronald Gourgues

60th

Evelyn & Ralph Devillier
Dolores & Gary Pruitt

65th

Annette & L. J. Zeringue

67th

Margery & Charles LePere

68th

Shirley & Jack Franklin

70th

Carol & Alcee Becnel

74th

Verlee & Joe Guilbeau

Ritualsong

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time #1211

Entrance: Seek Ye First #800

Preparation: **Instrumental**

Communion: Psalm 34: The Cry of the Poor #52

Sending Forth: Be Not Afraid #797



Eucharistic Adoration

Come and Adore. Jesus is Waiting for YOU.

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!

"The Word Among Us" Daily Meditation (09/01/22)

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To schedule an hour, please email or call Susan Landry, susanblandry@sj.brcoxmail.com, 225.687.2402.



Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars

Monday, March 10, 2025

Monday, April 7, 2025

Monday, May 5, 2025

Monday, June 2, 2025

Baptisms

Saturday, February 15, 2025

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025 — 9am & 11am Masses

Saturday, May 31, 2025

Saturday, June 28, 2025

The Baptism Seminars are held at 7pm in the church office conference room. Baptisms are usually held once a month following 4pm Mass.

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



Sacrament of Confirmation
Sealed With the Holy Spirit

St. John the Evangelist Confirmation Mass was held Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 7pm. Congratulations to the 37 young people who were sealed with the Holy Spirit by Bishop Michael Duca in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Albert, Mason Quinn
 Barbay, Baileigh Rose
 Barbier, Linward Joseph
 Bergeron, Jacob
 Brown, Brady Michael
 Burleigh, Nathan Paul
 Bunch, Addyson Claire
 Cavanaugh, Stephen Michael
 Clark, James
 Edwards, Tyler Andrew
 Gallagher, John Douglas
 Guerin, Grant
 Guzzardo, Nicholas Anthony
 Hebert, Brooklyn
 Landry, Calise Ann
 Landry, Cinclare Renee
 Landry, Meredith Lee
 LeBlanc, Kate Avery
 Loupe, Evan Michael

Marcantel, Emma Grace
 Markins, Cole Michael
 Martin, Benjamin James
 Martinez, Danae Alyse
 Mendoza, Austin
 Neuman, Charli Cate
 Pearce, Sarah Jane
 Quebedeaux, Maddox Luke
 Reeves, Emily Alaina
 Sanders, Madelyn
 Schexnaildre, Carlie
 Schexnaildre, McKenzie
 Schlatre, Caroline Eve
 Smith, Kendal Grace
 Taylor, Emily Claire
 Taylor, Peyton
 Weber, Cade Bryant
 Weber, Cohen

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.

Sedar Meal



The OCIA and Confirmation candidates participated in a Sedar Meal on Sunday, January 26 in the parish hall. Presenter Mike Fulmer explained the traditional Passover, or Sader, meal of the Israelites still practiced today since Moses' time. The Seder meal is a time to remember the Israelites' exodus from Egypt and the harshness of slavery.

The presentation brings to life how Jesus, at his Last Supper, transformed the Passover meal into his body and blood sacrificed for us and is practiced at every Mass according to Him. *"Do this in memory of me."*

In Loving Memory...

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following persons who donated a memorial gift to St. John the Evangelist Church 100 Year Capital Campaign in loving memory of:

Mr. Country Ruiz

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Wanted: Prayer Warriors

St. John the Evangelist has an automated prayer line (225.687.1554) for those requesting prayer; whether they are facing surgery, are ill or would like to pray for another. We have a team who pray for all prayer line intentions. If you would like to join our team of Prayer Warriors, call the church office at 225.687.2402.

Altar Society

Essential Support System of the Church

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



Divine Mercy Novena

On Tuesday, February 25, our parish will begin its nine-week Novena of Divine Mercy with Mass, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Novena Prayers. The Novena of Divine Mercy will continue every Tuesday during Lent following 6pm Mass leading up to the Feast of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 27.

St. Joseph Altar Preparations

Honoring St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

Baking for the altar will begin Tuesday, February 18 at 9am at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Anyone interested in helping in any way is encouraged to call Betty Aucoin at 225.776.1685.

The St. Joseph Altar will be held Sunday, March 16 from noon until 1:30pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Scripture Readings

Week of February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday Gen 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3-4, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday Gen 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18; 19-23, 29 Mk 8:27-33

Friday Gen 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 - 9:1

Saturday 1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;

1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

St. John School News



2025 Distinguished Graduate

Congratulations to Mrs. Lisa Morel, 2025 Distinguished Graduate of St. John School, who was honored with other distinguished graduates of the Diocese of Baton Rouge at the Renaissance Hotel during Catholic Schools Week. Attending the presentation were, I to r, St. John Principal Cherie Schlatre, Baton Rouge Diocesan Superintendent of Catholic Schools Mrs. Patricia Davis, Mrs. Morel, Bishop of the Diocese of Baton Rouge Michael Duca and Father Greg Daigle, Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

Community Coffee “Cash for Schools” Program

Please continue saving UPC labels from all Community Coffee products. St. John is able to raise thousands of dollars for classroom supplies through the Community Coffee “Cash for Schools” fundraiser. (Coke Rewards bottle tops and Box Tops for Education are no longer accepted.)

You may bring your labels to the church office or put them in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Mass. We will see that the school receives them.

BINGO

Bingo is held three nights each week at 7pm at the St. John Fathers’ Club Bingo Hall, 24837 Hwy 1, South in Plaquemine.

The following is the Bingo schedule:

Sunday — Knights of Columbus Bingo

Tuesday — Fathers’ Club Bingo

Thursday — Fathers’ Club Bingo

Come out and have fun while supporting St. John School and the Knights of Columbus.

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Anthony & Tootsie Cardinal

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DAY OF FELLOWSHIP & FORMATION



Christ Before the High Priest
Gerard van Honthorst

FOR CURRENT AND INTERESTED PRISON MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR 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:

Chaplains and leaders from our State prisons, Kolbe Prison Ministry and Louisiana Parole Project will present the opportunities for ministry and volunteering in their institutions.

Fr. Tom Ranzino, Director of the Office of Worship will provide formation on the significance of liturgical prayer in the spiritual ministry to the incarcerated, including bringing Holy Communion and the general instructions of the Catholic Church that apply. There will be time for Q/A about any liturgical issues affecting this ministry.



FEBRUARY 22, 2025

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

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

CONTACT US
jlavastida@diobr.org



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 22-4pm 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; Yves & Vera Ramirez, Jerry, Jane & Kirsch; Mary & Chuchie Flatau, Anthony & Camilla Orcino, Orcino & Flatau Families; Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families; Adam Rock Martinez; Andrew & Josephine, Carlo & Kurt Canova; Faye & Harry Martinez; William Middleton, Middleton & Clouatre Families; M/M Ernest Hernandez, Margaret & Gary; Amelia, Wheel & Gayle Badeaux; Melanie Rodriguez, Kirt Jackson, Maurice & Velsie Songy; Allen J. "Poppie" Daigle

Sunday, February 23-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, February 23-9am 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; Dudley & Marie Ragusa LeBlanc; Terry Landry, Sr., Terry Landry, Jr., Kynlee Bueche; Alvin Sr., Marion & Trisha Hebert, Nancy Rodriguez; Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux; Paul & Emily Bourgeois, V. J. & Carolyn Vicknair; Scott Jude Marino, A. J. & Nera Rodriguez, Anthony & Mary Marino, Kids of St. Jude; J. D. Dupre; Laurence & Winnie Miller, Paul & Myrtle Richard, Edward Miller; Nolan "Country" Ruiz; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Raffle; Gloria Cavalier, Donald & Mary Cavalier, Mark Cavalier; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso

Sunday, February 23-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Bette Howard; G. L. Nelson, Jeffrey W. Nelson, Charles H. Nelson, Della B. Nelson Eubanks; Henry Vadnais, Jr.; Leon Graffeo & Addie; T. J. LaBiche, Beverly Polito; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Margaret Landry, Sidney Hedges, Jr.; Rachael & Dom Engolio; Victor Joseph Canella; Wayne & Colby Gomez, Pitre & Gomez Families

Tuesday, February 25-6pm Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Sr.; Scott Jude Marino

Wednesday, February 26-7am Mass

Lillian Bouchereau

Thursday, February 27-7am Mass

Ed Bahry

Friday, Feb. 28-7am Mass

Marjorie B. Dill



Sanctuary Candle

February 16, 2025

St. John the Evangelist
Tina & Jake Loyacano

St. Clement of Rome
Dom Engolio

Coffee, Donuts & King Cake

February 23, 2025



George & Patricia Ramirez (7:30am)

Lee Ann Howard (9am Mass)

Children's Liturgy — February 2025

A safe and nurturing environment for children to participate in the Mass at an age-appropriate level

February 16, 2025 — 11am Mass

Alexis Schlatre

February 23, 2025 — 9am Mass

Carrie Chiaravalle

Kids' Corner

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

R	E	W	A	R	D	C	N	J	V	A
E	J	A	U	J	W	R	D	R	Z	N
G	R	O	U	N	D	E	A	E	X	C
T	Y	P	S	J	Z	J	B	G	E	E
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E	I	O	C	N	M	I	I	O	J	T
L	A	P	X	P	O	C	J	N	B	O
V	A	H	A	I	A	E	G	O	K	R
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February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Blessed

are they who
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