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Saturday Vigil	4:00	pm
Sunday7:30 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



# Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025

#### "Smoting" and Non-"smoting"

Some times I get angry at things that frustrate me. So I have to struggle with the line in our first reading, where the disciples were "rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name" (Acts 5:41).

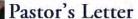
Imagine rejoicing over pain and suffering. These disciples had seen Jesus on the cross. When he rose from the dead, they began to see that his suffering was not a tragic loss, but a sign of his glory. And when they suffered because they believed in him, as in today's reading, they saw that as a way to imitate Jesus on the cross. Those who had followed him in life could also follow him to the cross.

Most of us today find ourselves suffering because we have done wrong. God does not use special interventions to smite sinners. Think of the times we were punished as a child. Think of the times we lost a friend because of a cruel remark. These are the result of our actions. These are sufferings that we would rather avoid.

Jesus, however, suffered for our sins when he was totally innocent. If he could do that, could we not accept suffering for our own sins when it comes? If we behave differently because of it, if we can grow to be better persons, then that suffering can be our way of accepting the cross.

Of course, not all suffering is caused by the sins of the person suffering. The suffering of the innocent is a great mystery, a cause for sorrow and a challenge to help where we can. But like growing pains, all suffering is a step to new life in Christ. And that is what Easter is about.

Tom Schmidt



May 4, 2025

Dear Family:

New Testament writers often speak of the exaltation of Christ. His exaltation was the result of his obedience: when he accepted the cross rather than abandon his mission, God responded

by lifting him up to rule over every creature. The resurrection, early Christians thought, was the most noteworthy sign of Christ's exaltation, but not the only one. Christ could still make his presence felt among humanity in the Spirit, through which he guided his Church and interacted with individual disciples. These signs of Christ's exaltation are the topic today.

Christ's exaltation is clearest in the second reading, when the author of the Book of Revelation describes heavenly worship. All the heavenly beings, as well as all of the human family, fall down to worship the Lamb of God. In this Sunday's first reading, the exaltation of Christ is more subtle. The first effect is the bold speech with which the apostles address their captors, proclaiming the Gospel to them as a defense. Throughout the New Testament, bold speech is a sign that Christ is at work in someone. The second effect is the joy the apostles feel at having been dishonored on Christ's behalf. They could see through their suffering and recognize the presence of Christ who was Lord even of their captors.

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Christ's exaltation consists in his ability to surprise people with his unexpected presence. The hallmark of these visits was a statement of love, such as the one he shared with Simon Peter. For John the Evangelist, a critical aspect of discipleship was the search for signs of the exalted Christ still at work among his people. Giving witness to these unexpected visits was the primary way the faith was communicated. Just so today, we are called to pay attention to Christ's presence and share his love with all we meet.

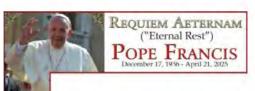
Some questions for reflection:

Has the risen Christ ever made his presence known to you? How has Christ communicated his love to you?

How can you help someone else seek the risen Christ?

Peace.

Fr. Greg



As we mourn the death of Pope Francis, let us join with Catholics worldwide in praying for the repose of his soul.

# The Pope's Prayer Intention for May For Working Conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

#### Adorer Appreciation Dinner

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 — Following 6pm Mass K. C. Hall, 58715 Price Street

To express gratitude to our committed adorers, the Appreciation Dinner, given by the Knights of Columbus, will be held Tuesday, May 6 immediately following 6pm Mass.

#### Adult Confirmation

#### **Deepening Your Faith**

If you are 18 years of age or over and have not been confirmed in the Catholic Church, Adult Confirmation classes will be begin <u>Sunday</u>, <u>May 4</u> from 10-11am in the St. John Church Office Conference Room.

Classes will be held weekly on Sunday leading to the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday. Bishop Michael Duca will administer the Sacrament June 8, 2025 at St. Joseph Cathedral.

#### Plaquemine Lions Club

"World's Best" Spaghetti Dinner

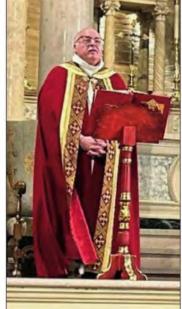
Sunday, May 25, 2025

The Lions Club will be selling spaghetti dinner tickets (\$12) Saturday & Sunday, May 3 & 4 outside the doors of the church before and after all Masses. Dinners may be picked up from the Lions Club drivethru Sunday, May 25 from 10am-12:30pm.

Benefit: Vision Impaired and Handicapped Children

# Celebrating the Easter Triduum; Three days, One journey







As a single celebration, the Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, leads us Friday through the Passion and Death, and to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil. The Vigil Mass is the high point of the Triduum and the high point of the liturgical year. The Triduum observance closes with the Divine Office recitation of Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday.



Three new members joined the Catholic Church at St. John during the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 19, 2025. The neophytes and their sponsors, I to r, are Naomi DeDual with neophyte Bret DeDual, neophyte Andrew Agosta with Alise Agosta, Biney Rowland with neophyte Matthew Rowland. Andrew David assists Father Greg Daigle in the welcoming ceremony. Congratulations to Bret, Andrew, Matthew and their families.



# Easter Flower Donations 2025

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#### **GOD BLESS OUR DEAD**

# Ritualsong

3rd Sunday of Easter #1170

Entrance: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones #989

Preparation: \*\*Instrumental\*\*

Communion: Without Seeing You #791

Sending Forth: Jesus Christ is Risen Today #614

## In Loving Memory...

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

#### **Buelah Hebert Ferachi**

Donated by: Janis M. Rockforte

# St. John School News

Art Fest

The St. John Art Fest will be held Saturday & Sunday, May 3 & 4 in the parish hall

following all weekend Masses. The theme for this year is "30 years of SJ Art." You are invited to view the artistic talents of the St. John students on display and support the arts at St. John School.

St. John High School cordially invites you to the Eighty-sixth Annual May Pole honoring the young ladies of the 2025 Senior class. Carl F. Grant Civic Center Sunday, May 4, 2025 - 5pm

Baccalaureate Mass

Sunday, May 11 ~ 9am ~ St. John Church

Senior Honors Night

Tuesday, May 13 ~ 6:30pm ~ St. Clement Church

Graduation Ceremony

Thursday, May 15 ~ 7pm ~ St. John Church

Ring Ceremony

Saturday, May 17 ~ 4pm Mass ~ St. John Church

# Children's Liturgy - May 2025

May 4, 2025 ~ 9am Mass ~ Tracy Cox May 11, 2025 ~ 11am Mass ~ Alexis Schlatre May 18, 2025 ~ 9am Mass ~ Carrie Chiaravalle



# Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars — 7pm Church Office Conference Room

Monday, May 5, 2025 Monday, June 2, 2025 Monday, July 7, 2025

#### **Baptisms** — Following 4pm Mass

Saturday, May 31, 2025 Saturday, June 28, 2025 Saturday, July 26, 2025

Dates are subject to change. Please register online or call the church office during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar. Contact Lily Skidmore at 225.687.2402.



## Vacation Bible School Registration

St. John the Evangelist Church will be hosting Vacation Bible School Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 6, 2025. The theme is "A Great Big Beautiful World."

Registration forms are available in the back of the church, in the church office and on our church website, <u>stjohnchurchplaq.org</u> under RESOURCES. For more information, contact Jennifer Adams at moma2christa@gmail.com or 225.687.2402.

## Scripture Readings

Week of May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or

Jn 21:1-14

Monday Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,

29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab,7b,

8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a;

Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;

Jn 6:44-51

Friday Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1b-2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17;

Jn 6:60-69

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5;

Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30



# Sanctuary Candle

May 4, 2025

St. John the Evangelist

Lorraine "Catty" Hebert

Mary Kay Marchand Hudson

St. Clement of Rome

Paul & Rose Marie Lamothe

#### May Yard Rosary

"The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who loves His Mother.

— St. Louis de Montfort

During the month of May the Yard Rosary will be prayed at the homes of parishioners at 7pm.

Sunday, May 4: Chuck & Connie Brown

59245 Island Dr.

Monday, May 5: Emily Brown

Blessed Mother Statue Church Parking Lot

Tuesday, May 6: Marianne Freeman

23515 Church St.

Wednesday, May 7: Stacie Decuir

58220 Randolphs Dr.

Thursday, May 8: Derryl Comeaux

57820 Erwin Dr.

Friday, May 9: George & Patricia Ramirez

57741 Cardinal St.

Saturday, May 10: Jacob & Laurie Barbier

23775 Kirtley Dr.

Sunday, May 11, Mother's Day: Emily Brown

Blessed Mother Statue Church Parking Lot

Please join us. Bring your lawn chair and your friends!

# Altar Society

**Essential Support System of the Church** 

Altar Society Team 1 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, May 7 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.

#### Called By Name

#### **Chosen for Consecrated Life**

"Peace be with you." His peace will be fully felt when you are living the vocation that he has called you to.



If you think you may have a vocation to follow the Risen Lord as a priest or in consecrated life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225.336.8778 or via email: jjohnson@diobr.org.

#### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, May 10-4pm 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, Diane & Jim Irwin; Elmire Caffarel, Mrs. G. E. Marix; Vera Ramirez, Jane Hawk, Kirsch Kember; Ralph & Jodi Sonnier, Andrew & Catherine Roucher; Mary & Chuchie Flatau, Anthony & Carmella Orcino, Orcino & Flatau Families; Brennan Eugene Bujol, Pim & Nu Nu Clebert, Johnny Clebert, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Basilia Tella Cotoli; Murray & Dixie Suffrin; Tammie Charrier; Rose, Benny & Sid Quatrevingt, Gulotta & Quatrevingt Families; Mayon, Callahan & Clement Families; Josephine Canova, Cutsy Blanchard, Olivia Blanchard, Mary Hatch; Joseph Graves, Sr., W. A. Graves Family, Michael & Kandy Rarick, Thomas Morales Family; Henry "Tutie" Berthelot; Margie Doiron, Betty Mooney, Rita Gascon, Eva Doiron; Ronnie Dugas, M/M Fallon Trabeaux; Russell Naguin, Fal Naguin, M/M Alvin Dugas, Jackie Dugas Fremin; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Lapeze Family, Ragusa Family; Hollye Comeaux, Rosina C. Achee, Daisy C. Miller, Sarah C. Clement, Annette "Nettie" Carringone, Verina Brown Achee, Ella D. Panepinto, Frances D. Durand; Angele Cavalier, Hazel LeBlanc, Nelia Simoneaux; M/M Frank Ragusa & Family, May & David Currier; M/M Placito Mancuso, M/M Mose Gibson & Family, J. D. & Ella Collins & Family; Faye & Paul Troxclair, Carolyn Bordelon; Paul & Jenise Ortiz, Earl & Mary Devillier; Lazzaro Family, Kolby Lorio, James "Butch" & Sadie Tullier, Michael Lazzaro; Anthony F. Canella, Aaron & Delia LeRay, Shannie Verret; Josie & Tony Palermo; Mary Ann Landry; Micah Theriot; Mary Johnson Bourgoyne, Lois LeBlanc Landry, Louise Comeaux Bourgoyne, Maria Guillot LeBlanc

#### Sunday, May 11-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

#### Sunday, May 11-9am 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; Frances Santangelo LeBlanc, Rita & Mike Santangelo, Anatole Santangelo; Dudley & Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr. & Jr., Kynlee Bueche; J. R. Boudreaux, Virgie Junot & Family: M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.; Jaynell Lopez, Evelyn Lemay, Leontine Lopez; Roland "Dougie" Rivet, Hebert & Rivet Families; Rita Marian Dugas, Bessie Brown, Ms. Tony Louis, Marie Marionneaux, Milda Millet, Evelyn "Butté" Richard; Jason Guidry; Alcee & Pauline Becnel, Evans & Virgie Dugas; Barbara, Frances & Clelie Himel, Angelic Barbier; Anthony "Tonto" Pizzolato; Gladys "Butsy" Palermo, Peter A. Palermo, Patrick Burleigh, Douglas Brewer; Margie Vitale, Lillian Bouchereau, Hetta Hebert, C. Couvillion; Mary Ann Gregoire, Marie Martinez, Alma Gregoire; Earle, Debbie & Cathie Blanchard; Paul & Emily Bourgeois, V. J. & Carolyn Vicknair; M/M Vincent M. Ferachi, Cadance & Cassidy Diamond, Stephanie Rivere, Tina Loyacano, Ferachi & Marino Families; Roselyn Sanchez; Maggie & Joe Gullotto, Lola & A. J. Adams; Frank, Josie, Anthony & Victor Canella; Lawrence & Winnie Miller, Paul & Myrtle Richard, Edward Miller; Janice Brown, Mary Gulotta Brown, Ada Pinell Hebert; Sylvia Rivet, Shane Smith, Rivet Family; Rose Marie Canella LeBlanc, Jamie Cedotal Landry; Ronald, Brendon & Dudley Landry, Agnes & Sam Coletti Family; The Calvaruso Family; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Nancy Angeron Taylor; Mitchell Dufour, Boudreaux & Dufour Families; Lois & Baco Romero; Allen, Flo & Paco Ourso; Anna Mayet; Jessie Billings, Debra Billings; Beulah Ferachi; Virgina Clebert, Nilda Daigle; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Rafflee; Gloria Cavalier, Donald & Mary Cavalier, Mark Cavalier

#### Sunday, May 11-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Michael Shepherd, Ruth "Se Se" Becnel, Ruth Keller, Pauline Becnel; Brennan Bujol, Pim & Nu Nu Clebert, Johnny Clebert, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Derley Barbier; O. J., Buster & Pearl Hidalgo Songy & Families; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Peter & Rosalie Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio, Pauline E. deVerges, Ed Engolio, Jr.; Urban & Jennie Andre; Mary Belle D'Albor, Paul D'Albor, Sr., Dorothy Canova, Paul D'Albor, Jr., Lee Canova; George O. Michel, Alvin Daigle, Sr. Family, Anatole Nestor Michel Family; Polly Vadnais, Ethel Bergeron Vadnais, Helen Duplantis; William Middleton, Middleton & Clouatre Families; Nancy Taylor, Frances Palermo, Theresa Hernandez, Daisy King; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Isaac Vaughn, Sr., Nilda Vaughn; Rodney & Betty LaBauve, Paul & Emily Bourgeois; Rachael & Dom Engolio; Ethel Jarreau; Glenda Fournet; Wayne & Colby Gomez, Pitre & Gomez Families; Berthelot, Schlatre, Cavet & Guillot Families; Joshua "Josh" Landry, Harry & Vivian Banta, Gloria & Joe Landry; Kevin Mellieon, Geraldine Kelly, Elsie Sam, Lena Delahoussaye; Lynda Roetker Dawkins (continued on next page)



## Mass Intentions (continued)

Tuesday, May 13-6pm Mass

Case, Gum & Schuler Families

#### Wednesday, May 14-7am Mass

Dudley Nicolosi, Beryl Fourroux, Nicolosi & Schexnaildre Families

#### Thursday, May 15-7am Mass

Walter Mazone

#### Friday, May 16-7am Mass

Ed Bahry



Coffee & Donuts

May 11, 2025

June Pinsonat, Sandra Bizette & Mary Jo Caffarel

7:30 am Mass

#### Roger & Rosalind Sadden

9am Mass







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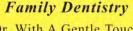


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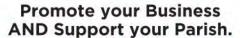


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