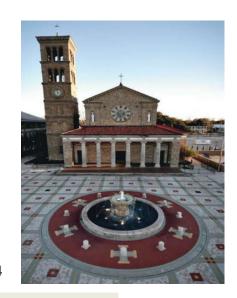
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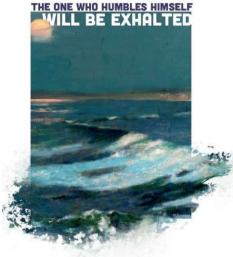
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Masses

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



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 31, 2025

Partying with Angels

While the first reading from Sirach and the Gospel focus on humility, with a surprise reversal of the humble being exalted, the reading from Hebrews surprises us in a different way. The author uses apocalyptic imagery to show how much the relationship between God and humanity has changed. He starts with images of fire, storms, and trumpet blasts—images that may remind you of an erupting volcano. Even God's words brought fear and trembling.

It may not be surprising that God is beyond human comprehension, but Hebrews says no. God doesn't want to be so far beyond us that we only approach in fear. Using more images from the end-time, the author gives us a picture of the baptized partying with angels and all the just who have died. And of course God is the host. Let's look at some of those images to see how our relationship with the Lord has grown.

The heavenly Jerusalem reminds us that the Church is our home—not just your parish church building but the whole community of faith. How "at home" are you with your fellow parishioners? A church community can be a place to support those who are sick or jobless or depressed. It is also a place to be supported, to see God's love in action. The angels in Hebrews may be a symbol of that support.

The "firstborn" and "spirits of the just" could remind us of those who went before us and now rest in the Lord. They had their own struggles in life, and now live in glory. They help us to keep our true goal in mind, eternal life.

Jesus came to show us how much God loves us and how close God can be. When he shed his blood on the cross (the final sign in our reading), he renewed the covenant with God's people. We accept that gift not just by a verbal statement of faith, but by a life lived as Jesus showed us, in love of God and our neighbor. Tom Schmidt



Eucharistic Adoration

An Invitation to Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

—Psalm 95:6-7

The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To schedule an hour as a committed adorer or a substitute, contact Susan at 225.687.2402, susanblandry@sj.brcoxmail.com.

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Barbara Gerace

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Scripture Readings

Week of August 31, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11;

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a;

Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;

Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday Col 1: 1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Ritualsong

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time #1259

Entrance: Gather Your People #940

Preparation: **Instrumental**

Communion: At the Table of Jesus #1051

Sending Forth: City of God #876

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PSR Begins Soon! Enroll Now!!

PSR registration is open for grades 1 through 11. Please visit the church website.

www.stjohnchurchplaq.org to enroll your child. Catholic School students must register to receive Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation through the Church Parish. Being a student in a Catholic School does not insure your registration. A separate registration form has to be completed with your church parish.

Children's Liturgy

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

Sunday	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
September 7	9am	Tracy Cox
September 14	11am	Alexis Schlatre
September 21	9am	Carrie Leonard
September 28	11am	Alexis Schlatre

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." —Matthew 19:14



The Pope's September Prayer Intention

For Our Relationship with All of Creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults 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 2025.

OCIA inquiry classes about our Catholic faith will begin **Wednesday, September 10** from 6-7:30pm in the church office conference room, then twice a month on Wednesdays until December 10, 2025. After the Christmas season, OCIA catechumenate classes will resume until Easter Vigil Mass.

To register or for more information, please call Donna Carville at 225.687.2402 or email dbcarville@gmail.com.

Our office will be closed Monday, September 1 in observance of Labor Day.

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Harry Marionneaux, Paul, Doris & Charles Barbier

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Baptisms & Baptism Seminars

Baptism Seminars — 7pm Church Office Conference Room

Monday, September 8, 2025 Monday, October 6, 2025

Monday, November 3, 2025

Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass

Saturday, September 27, 2025 Saturday, October 25, 2025 Saturday, November 22, 2025

During the early stages of pregnancy, please register online at www.stjohnchurchplaq.org under FORMATION or call the church office at 225.687.2402. Baptism preparation may be done at a seminar or online. For online information, email wandaashley681@gmail.com. Confirm with Lily Skidmore at the office, 225.687.2402, as dates are subject to change.



Helping Women in Unplanned Pregnancies

Baby bottles are placed at the doors of the church. Please fill a baby bottle or envelopes provided with cash or a check, or make a credit card donation online at www.womansnewlife.com/babybottle.

Your gift will provide free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, professional counseling and more for women in unplanned pregnancies.

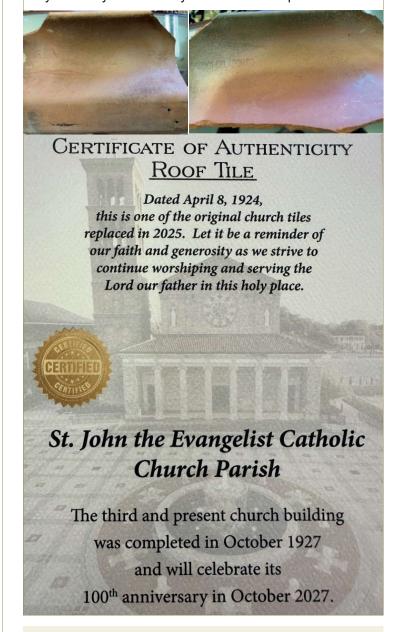
On behalf of the mothers you will help, thank you!

Parish Activities —	- September 2025
Monday, September 1 LABOR DAY	OFFICE CLOSED
Thursday, September 4	
Bible Study Begins	Conference Room
1:30-3pm, 6:15-7:45pm	
Sunday, September 7	
Choir Returns	Church
9am Mass	
OLOL Blood Drive	Church Parking Lot
8am-1pm	
Monday, September 8	Cantanana Daam
Bible Study1-2:30pm	Conference Room
Catholic Daughter Meeting	Parish Hall
6-8pm	
Baptism Seminar	Conference Room
7pm	
Wednesday, September 1	0
OCIA Begins	
6-7:30pm	
Thursday, September 11	
Bible Study	Conference Room
1:30-3pm, 6:15-7:45pm	
Sunday, September 14	
Holy Spirit Prayer Group	Church
4-6pm	
Monday, September 15	0 (5
Bible Study	Conference Room
1-2:30pm	
Thursday, September 18 Bible Study	Conforance Boom
1:30-3pm, 6:15-7:45pm	Conference Room
Sunday, September 21- C	ATECHETICAL SUNDAY
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2-4pm	iot weeting r anon rian
Monday, September 22	
Bible Study	Conference Room
1-2:30pm	
Tuesday, September 23	
Altar Society Meeting	Conference Room
9:30am	
Thursday, September 25	
Bible Study	Conference Room
1:30-3pm, 6:15-7:45pm	
Saturday, September 27	
Baptisms	Church
Following 4pm Mass	
Monday, September 29	0 1 -
Bible Study	Conterence Room
1-2:30pm	

100 Year Capital Campaign Authentic Ceiling Tile Sale

Working toward our goal of financing a new HVAC system for our church, we will be selling authentic ceiling tiles from the 100 year old roof which were replaced by new tiles.

The tiles will be sold (between \$10 and \$100) Saturday and Sunday, September 6 and 7 following every Mass outside the doors of the church and in the parish hall. Payments by Venmo may be made in the parish hall.



St. John Altar Society

Essential Support System of the Church

Altar Society Team 1 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, September 3 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.



St. John Choir News

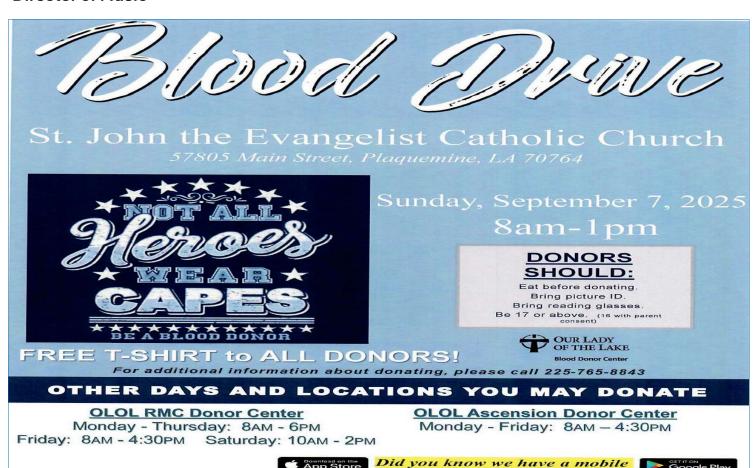
The St. John Choir will be returning from our summer break on Sunday, September 7th at 9am. This is the perfect time for you to join our choir ranks as we lead the parish in the praise of God through song. Our roster has diminished over the past few years and quite honestly, we NEED you! Rehearsals will resume sometime in early October. But, for now, just come up to the loft and sing with us! If you need further information or if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me @ 225-776-0168. God bless you!

Medric

Medric Smith, Jr.

Director of Music

Community Blood Drive



app? Scan to download and schedule today!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 6-4pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Fr. Greg Daigle, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Brennan Bujol, Pim & Nu Nu Clebert, Johnny Clebert, Derley Barbier, Louise & Edmund Bujol, Alfred & Mercedese, Lester & Mary Carville, Reid & Gerry Rainey; "Dottie" Rivere, Julius & Neva Bolotte; Rose, Benny & Sid Quatrevingt, Gulotta & Quatrevingt Families; Carl & Elaine Beauvais; John E. & Cecile D. Brown, Maurice E. Brown, Joan B. Heath, Mickey J. Brown, M/M Robert E. Brown & Families, M/M Maurice L. Duhon & Families, Wayne A. "Parin" Achord; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Brenda Lapeze, Lapeze Family, Ragusa Family; Roselyn Sanchez; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Ronnie Palermo, Brown Family, Palermo Family; Henry J. Daigle & JoAnn Daigle Family, Alfred & Volena Roth & Family, Alfred Roth, Jr., Dupuy & Bourgoyne Families; Anthony F. Canella, Aaron & Delia LeRay, Shannie Verret; Lois & Baco Romero, Lonnie Michel; M/M Victor Crescionne, Crescionne Family, Michelle Family, Joycelin Staempfli; Benny Joe Carringone; Matthew Bryce Gomez

Sunday, September 7-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

Sunday, September 7-9am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Fr. Greg Daigle, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Dudley & Marie Ragusa LeBlanc, Terry Landry, Sr. & Jr., Kynlee Bueche; Roland "Dougie" Rivet, Hebert & Rivet Families; Fred Hebert, George & Gloria Ramirez, James & Agnes LeBlanc; J. Hubert Millet, Milda Millet, M/M Tony Louis, M/M Harold Marionneaux; Jason Guidry; M/M L. J. Raymond, M/M Joseph E. Bujol; Clinton & Wendell Fournerat; Gladys "Butsy" Palermo, Peter A. Palermo, Patrick Burleigh, Douglas Brewer; Paul & Emily Bourgeois, V. J. & Carolyn Vicknair; Rosemary Cox; Denise Miranda; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Mitchell Dufour, Boudreaux & Dufour Families; Brian Zito; Father Walter Heinzl: Jessie Billings, Debra Billings; Ida Gaudet Family, Ruel Seneca, Sr., Leah Diamond, Linda Rafflee; Gloria Cavalier, Donald & Mary Cavalier, Mark Cavalier; Michael Clause, Mary Jo Primeaux, Alberta Buquoi

Sunday, September 7-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Michael Shepherd, Ruth "SeSe" Becnel, Pauline & Alcee Becnel, Jr.; Patrick Gaudet, J. P. & Anna Gaudet; Isaac Vaughn, Jr., Brent Vaughn, Ezora Hedges, Sidney Hedges, Sr.; Jackie Jackson, Kirt Jackson, Melanie Rodriguez, Ronnie Touchet; The Currier Families; Randy Normand

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Mass Intentions (continued)

Tuesday, September 9-6pm Mass

Dianne Grace: Case. Gum & Schuler Families: Mickey J. Brown

Wednesday, September 10-7am Mass

J. R. Boudreaux, Virgie Junot & Family

Thursday, September 11-7am Mass Ed Bahrv

Friday, September 12-7am Mass

Larry Skidmore, Dorothy Skidmore



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Sanctuary Candle

August 31, 2025

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Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio Pauline E. deVerges Ed Engolio, Jr.

St. Clement of Rome

Peter Mazone, Chester Mazone

Coffee & Donuts

September 7, 2025

George & Patricia Ramirez (7:30am Mass)



Roger & Roger Sadden (9am Mass)

Kids Corner

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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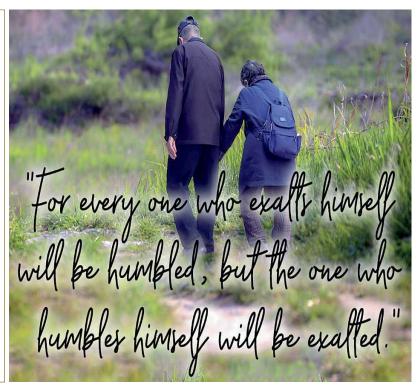
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