



*May 12, 2013  
The Ascension of the Lord  
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**ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST**  
catholic church



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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday ..... 8:00 a.m.  
Friday ..... 8:00 a.m., with Adoration until 11:30 a.m.  
First Saturday of the month only ..... 8:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday ..... 3:30–4:15 p.m.  
Tuesday thru Friday ..... 7:40 a.m. or by appointment

**PARISH STAFF**

Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain ..... Pastor  
Sammy Collura ..... Permanent Deacon  
Julie Ginther Cilano ..... Christian Formation  
Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
Pat Durbin ..... Parish Secretary  
Karen Lemoine ..... Christian Formation  
Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director  
Larry Durbin ..... Maintenance Supervisor  
Richard Rabalais ..... Maintenance

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.  
Office closed for lunch 12:30–1:30 p.m.

**BAPTISM**

Celebrated at weekend Masses. Parents should call the office early to enroll in our baptismal preparation program. Parents should be registered and actively practicing the faith.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

Inquiries – Call the Parish Office

**MARRIAGE**

Contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. Preparation program is required. Couples should be actively practicing their faith.

**CARE OF THE SICK**

Emergency calls answered immediately, if possible. Communion calls to homebound and hospitals weekly by request. Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

**CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Family should contact the pastor to begin funeral arrangements.

**PRAYER LINE**

Call Judy Thousand, 749-9257 or the Parish office.

*Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God. - Lk 24:50-53*

Dear Parishioners,

Nominations are now open to fill several upcoming vacancies on our Parish Pastoral Council. Jamie Chustz, David Couvillon, Wendy Parrish, and Jerry Zimmerman are all completing their terms of service on the council and so must be replaced. Nomination forms are available in the back of church and you are invited to nominate yourself or any other registered parishioner. The deadline for nominations is the last Sunday of this month, May 26, and the forms may either be mailed to the church office or placed in the collection basket.

Once all of the nominations have been received, the names will be sent to the members of the current council for prayerful review. The current members will then elect three new members at their June 12 meeting. The fourth position is filled by pastor's appointment and may come from the pool of nominated candidates or from the community at large. All elected and appointed members serve three year terms beginning at the September 2013 meeting. This is the main consultative body for our parish so please give serious consideration to possible members.

I am happy to announce that Father Matt Dupre has assigned a seminarian to our parish for the summer. Mr. Patrick Landaiche is a native of Baton Rouge and a member of St. Louis King of France Parish. He graduated from Redemptorist High School in 2009 and then spent three years at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond studying Industrial Technology before deciding to enter the seminary last summer. He is completing his first year of philosophy and pre-theology studies at St. Joseph Seminary College near Covington.

Patrick was very active in campus ministry at Southeastern and so I am sure he will be a great asset to our parish during his summer assignment. The main purpose of the summer assignment is to provide an opportunity for the seminarian to live in a rectory and observe some of the day to day activities of a parish priest. Patrick will be expected to maintain his prayer life and spiritual reading in addition to involving himself in whatever parish activities occur during the summer. This will include serving at two of our Mass-

es each weekend, assisting with funerals, weddings, and baptisms, visiting the sick, helping in the office, working with the youth, and serving at Vacation Bible School. He is scheduled to move into our parish the last week of May.

This Sunday, May 12, is the chosen date to honor our Blessed Mother through a traditional May crowning ceremony. We will try to follow the same procedure as in past years and process out to our Lourdes Grotto at the conclusion of the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The crown will be carried by one of our second graders, accompanied by other children and adults carrying flowers for the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will then offer prayers and hymns to our Blessed Mother as an expression of our love and devotion.

This date was chosen to coincide with Mother's Day since Mary is the Mother of Jesus and the Mother of the Church. In honoring her we honor all of the mothers of our community on this special day. Happy Mother's Day!

In Christ,  
Father Matt

## **Christian Formation**

### **PARENT INFORMATION MEETING**

Come learn about the exciting transformations to our Religious Education Program for the 2013-2014 school year! Tuesday, May 28th at 6:30 pm in the Activity Center.

**NO YOUTH NIGHT ON MAY 16th  
DUE TO BRUSLY HIGH GRADUATION.**

### **REAL WORLD SERVICE IMMERSION CAMP**

A 5-day experience of learning and living the principles of Catholic Social Teaching  
**July 23-27**

Cost: \$80

Open to current 9th-12th graders

Housing Location:  
St. Isidore, Baker LA  
Contact: Julie Cilano  
225-749-3387  
Register by May 16!



**SUMMER SOFTBALL**  
Calling all High School Students!

Sign up for the Co-Ed summer Softball League! Mondays in June & July. Contact Julie Cilano at (225) 749-3387. Sign up by May 20th



# Steubenville South



June 21-23; Alexandria, LA

Open to High School Youth

Youth Cost: \$225

(First \$75 due by April 30; \$75 due by May 15th;

Last \$75 due by June 13th)

Chaperone Cost: \$50

Interested? Julie@sjbcc.brcoxmail.com



## GROUNDS CLEAN-UP DAY SATURDAY, MAY 18th

Springtime brings green grass and blooming flowers that we all get to enjoy, but it also brings weeds and grounds maintenance to be done. We would like to ask that any of you who are available to join us on **Saturday, May 18th at 8:00 am** to help spruce up our flower beds and grounds around the church. We will be cleaning, mulching and planting, so please bring your shovels, rakes, pruner, etc. to help us.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a tractor with a front end loader and can bring it to use this day, please call Larry at 749-2189.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THEN!**

WITNESSES  
to this truth

**PRAYERS & SYMPATHY** are extended to Sue Lockhart and family upon the death of her brother, Francis Ducote and to George Robertson, IV and family upon the death of his father, George Robertson, III. Please keep them in your prayers.



### STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

May 5, 2013

Regular:

317 Identified- - - - - \$14,209.00

Loose Collection- - - - - 650.00

TOTAL- - - - - \$14,859.00

Catholic Commentator—\$1,042.00

### A VOCATION VIEW

Those who love me will be true to my word. My Father will love them and will come to them. How will I respond to that one love? Am I being called to priesthood or religious life? If God is calling you, call or email Fr. Matt Dupre at 225.336.8778, mdupre@diobr.org, or visit, [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).

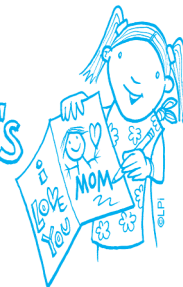


**CONGRATULATIONS TO BUDDIE & NICOLE TOUPS DAVID WHO WERE MARRIED HERE LAST WEEK.**

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY Book of Revelation

You are invited to join us for a Bible Study on the Book of Revelation on Mondays at 6:30 pm from May 20th thru July 29th. It will be held in Classroom #1 in the Activity Center each week. Material fees: \$20.00. Please register ahead of time so we can plan to purchase materials. Call Brenda at 276-3490 for information or to register.

HAPPY  
Mother's  
DAY



### Readings for the Week of May 12, 2013

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23  
or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/  
Lk 24:46-53

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/  
Jn 21:20-25

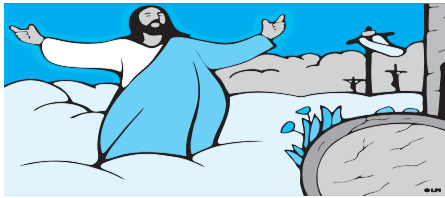
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/  
Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/  
Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/  
Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or  
Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or  
Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

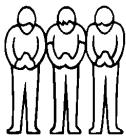
**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST  
PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2012-2013**

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**CALENDAR**

- ⇒ **Carpool trip to New Orleans**—Thursday, May 23 to view the Pope John Paul II Exhibit. Call the office (749-2189) to let us know if you wish to go.
- ⇒ **Summer Softball for June & July** Sign-up by May 20th.
- ⇒ **Real World Service Immersion Camp** July 23-27—Sign-Up by May 16—Call Julie at 749-3387.
- ⇒ **Cards, Etc. - Monday, October 21st**—Call Gale at 749-3769 or 413-5809 or email [gale43@cox.net](mailto:gale43@cox.net).



**WEEKEND  
RETREAT**

**MANRESA RETREAT**

“Men (minimum age 18) of the parish are invited to join other parish members in attending the upcoming Manresa retreat on July 4-7. The retreat is based on the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius under the direction of the Jesuits. The 3-day retreat begins Thursday evening and ends after dinner on Sunday. The Retreat House is located in Convent, LA.” If you are interested, contact Grayson Brewer (075-3603) or Russ Bourgeois (235-0386).