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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

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain Pastor
Sammy Collura Permanent Deacon
Carolyn Dupuy Bookkeeper
Pat Durbin Parish Secretary
June Hebert Director of Religious Education
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 monthly after the 11:00 am Mass. Also celebrated during Mass on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and Easter Sunday. Parents should call the office to enroll in our baptismal preparation program, preferably early in pregnancy. Parents are encouraged to register in the parish and actively practice their 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 taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

Dear Parishioners,

As I mentioned last week, we are in need of more liturgical ministers to serve at our weekend Masses. Altar Servers (5th grade and up), Eucharistic Ministers (18 and older), Lectors, and Ushers are needed at all four of our Masses. Since you have to attend Mass anyway, why not volunteer to serve in one of these capacities on a rotating basis? Your ministry will give you new insight into the Mass and hopefully enrich your relationship with the Lord.

Training sessions will be held for new liturgical ministers this Tuesday, May 31, 2016. We will train new Altar Servers at 5:00 p.m.; new Eucharistic Ministers at 5:30 p.m.; new Lectors at 6:00 p.m.; and new Ushers at 6:30 p.m. All of the training will take place in the church. This may be a great opportunity for families to serve together at the same Mass in the various ministries.

Registration forms are now available in the back of church and on our parish website for this year's Vacation Bible School to be held July 11-15, 2016. VBS is open to children in grades K through 5th so sign up your kids for a week of fun, faith-filled activities. We need teachers and aides as well as participants and the forms for adult and youth volunteers are also located in the back of church. VBS is a joint effort of Holy Family and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

Father Steve Rodrigues, O.F.M.Cap., is scheduled to visit our parish in two weeks on June 11-12 to make an appeal on behalf of the *Capuchin Franciscans* working in his native India. They work with the poor and disadvantaged in numerous villages throughout India providing education, housing, medical care, food, and other basic necessities of life.

Father Rodrigues' visit is coordinated by our Diocesan Propagation of the Faith Office and provides an opportunity for us to support the pastoral ministry and missionary activity of the Church. We will have a second collection at each of our Masses that weekend to benefit the *Capuchin Franciscans* and their important ministry. As always, please make your checks out to *St. John the Baptist Church* so we can count and deposit the collection, and then forward the proceeds to

our Propagation of the Faith Office, who will then forward the money to the *Capuchin Franciscans*.

Father Rodrigues' Mission Appeal will allow me to travel to San Antonio, Texas with several other priests to attend the 50th Anniversary of Religious Profession of Sister Dianne Heinrich, CDP, a Sister of Divine Providence. Sister Dianne worked in our Diocese for many years at several parishes as well as in the Chancery and the Office of Vocations before returning to her native Texas. I will be out of the office from Thursday, June 9, through Wednesday, June 15, so please help Father Rodrigues to feel at home during my absence.

Speaking of anniversaries, this Tuesday, May 31, is the 30th Anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. I give thanks to God for my vocation and for the privilege of serving Him as a Catholic priest. I think I still have a few good years left in me but I am praying for another young man to hear God's call so that we will always have priests to serve in our parishes.

In Christ,
Father Matt

**VOLUNTEERS!
NEEDED!**

**NEEDED:
Altar Servers, Lectors,
Eucharistic Ministers & Ushers**

Sign-up Sheets are in the back of church. Please pick one up and volunteer—**WE NEED YOU!**

Training Sessions Scheduled for new ministers on

Tuesday, May 31st

Altar Servers—5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers—5:30 pm

Lectors—6:00 pm

Ushers—6:30 pm



We Love Vacation Bible School!
Join Us
this Summer

VBS at SJB
July 11—15, 2016
Grades K—5

\$20/Child/\$60 Max per Family
Sign-up before June 30th or pay
\$5 late Registration Fee



CAN YOU HELP???????
**WE STILL NEED A CATECHIST
FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH AT
11:00 AM MASSES ON SUNDAYS.
CALL KAREN at 749-3387 TO
VOLUNTEER**

You are Invited—

CALLING ALL MINISTERS!!!!

**Mark Your Calendars for Saturday, June 25th
Annual Ministry Appreciation Dinner
After 4:30 pm Mass—Activity Center**

If you are involved in any ministry (Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Catechists, Choir, R.C.I.A. Money Counters, Bereavement, K.C.'s, Catholic Daughters, Zippers, Environment) and any others we may fail to mention:

COME & LET US HONOR YOU AT THIS SPECIAL EVENT.

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO R.S.V.P.



A VOCATION VIEW

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as a married, single, ordained or consecrated person. If you feel God is calling you, call or email Fr. Matt Dupre' at 225.336.8778, mdupre@diobr.org.



MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 30, 2016

We honor all who have given their lives to ensure our freedom.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THIS HOLIDAY.

Baptisms

The following children were baptized here last week-end: Vivienne Adele Aillet, daughter of Spencer & Landa Aillet, Jesse Owen Gill, son of Jason & Brittany Gill, Abel & Bentley Gomez, sons of Leslie Gomez & Brandy Lewis, Austin Thomas Hedges, son of Dustin & Brandi Hedges, Raylan Kyle Landry, son of Lloyd Landry & London Jones and Olivia Kate Mitchell, daughter of Taylor & Brandie Mitchell.

Congratulations to them and their families!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sunday, June 5

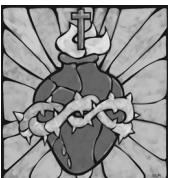
- ⇒ Communion Service for K.C. Members & their families at 7:30 am Mass.
- ⇒ Coffee & Donuts will be served after 7:30 am Mass in the Activity Center.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Thanks to Beverly & Harold Babin for chairing the committee during the month of May. Chaircouple for June will be Joel & Janice Hebert (749-3863). Please give them a call for any concerns.

ALTAR SOCIETY

Thanks to Mary Delapasse for cleaning the church during the month of May. Care of the church during June will be done by Opie Vidrine (749-4403). Give her a call if you want to help.



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS NOW BURNING IN MEMORY OF EMILEY GASSIE THIBODEAUX, JOHNNIE MAE FONTENOT, & LAWRENCE GASSIE.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY are extended to Dimple Spragio and family upon the death of her husband, Louis Spragio, Sr. Please keep them in your prayers.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

May 22, 2016

REGULAR:

186 Identified- - - - - \$6,721.00

Loose Collection- - - - - 590.00

TOTAL- - - - - \$7,311.00



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me." (Mt 27:17)

Need Help? Go to Jesus!

All night Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, June 3rd at 8pm thru Saturday, June 4th at 8am.

Please consider joining Jesus in an hour of prayer.

Sign-up sheets are in the foyer of the Church.

For more info contact Julie Millard @ 749-8260 or Mary @ 324-5289.

Readings for the Week of May 29, 2016

Sunday:	Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1-4/1 Cor 11:23-26/ Lk 9:11b-17
Monday:	2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-16/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-6/ Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1-2/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/ Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5b-11/ Lk 15:3-7
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-17, 22/Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:17-24/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13/ Gal 1:11-19/Lk 7:11-17

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." Today's Gospel shows us that Jesus wants to do more than satisfy our needs. He wants to give us an experience of fullness and abundance. He not only miraculously fed the crowd of thousands; he also provided enough to make a mountain of leftovers. More than they needed, more than they ever expected. That's what Jesus gave.

And it's what he continues to give us every time we receive the Eucharist. This too is a miraculous meal. Like the multiplication of "five loaves and two fish," Jesus turns something small--bread and wine--into something abundant and overflowing: his body, blood, soul, and divinity.

Through this sacrament we experience the gift of union with Jesus and the resulting graces that come from encountering him. Just like the crowds gathered that day in a deserted place, we come to Jesus with our emptiness--our needs, our weaknesses, our fears--and he fills us up until we too are "satisfied."

The prayer after Communion on today's feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ reminds us that what we experience at Mass is a foretaste of that ultimate satisfaction that we will experience in heaven: "Grant, O Lord, we pray, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your precious Body and Blood." Receiving the Lord in the Eucharist is a momentous miracle and an earthly glimpse into heaven. May today's celebration help remind us to be ever grateful for this most glorious gift.