



# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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King of the Universe  
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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  
Donna Badon ..... Christian Formation  
Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
June Hebert ..... Director of Religious Education  
Pedro Hernandez ..... Custodian  
Layne Mire ..... Parish Secretary  
Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director  
Katie Roettger ..... Mothers' Day Out

## 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 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 the Parish Office





Dear Parishioners,

One of our Baton Rouge seminarians, Josh Zelden, will be staying with us during his upcoming semester break. Josh is just completing his first semester at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans and wants to get some parish experience before he returns in January. He will be assisting at Masses during the week and on the weekend, plus helping out with some of our parish ministries.

Josh is a graduate of Catholic High School in Baton Rouge, St. Thomas More College in New Hampshire, and L.S.U. Law School, and worked as an attorney before discerning a call to the priesthood. His home parish is St. Aloysius Parish in Baton Rouge. He plans to arrive sometime next weekend so please welcome him to the parish when you see him.

Tuition, room, and board for our seminarians is paid by the Diocese thanks to the generosity of all of you. That's one of the reasons why I encourage you each year to support the Bishop's Annual Appeal. The BAA provides the means for Bishop Duca and our Diocese to fund essential ministries such as seminary formation for our future priests, and campus ministry for our college students. Last year, 72 individuals or families from our parish contributed a total of \$14,075 to the BAA. So please give your generous support to this year's BAA.

Just as the Church rejoices when young men answer the call to the priesthood, so we also rejoice when people feel a desire to join the Catholic Church. Some were raised in other Christian denominations and some were raised with no religion, and yet they somehow follow the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to our door.

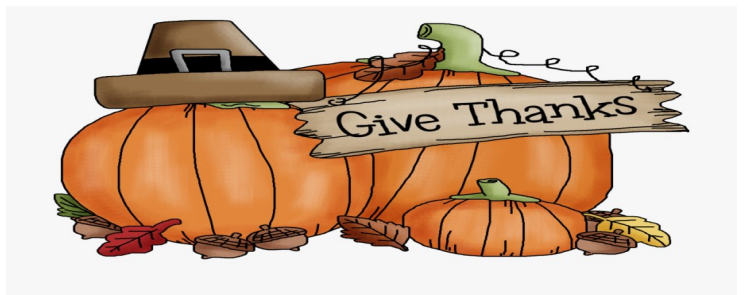
The "Rite of Acceptance," taking place at the 9:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, is the first of several thresholds that inquirers cross as they discern entrance into the Catholic Church. From now until Easter, they will attend the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00 a.m. Mass so as to be nourished by the Sacred Scriptures and supported by the prayers of this community. Please pray for our two inquirers Cynthia and Michaela.

Everyone is invited to attend Thanksgiving Day Mass with us at 8:00 a.m. Thursday morning. As in the past, you are also invited to bring a canned good with you to our Thanksgiving Day Mass to benefit our food pantry. We will **not** have Mass or Adoration on Friday, the day after Thanksgiving. I plan to visit my family on Thanksgiving Day and hope to spend the night. Christian Formation Classes are also canceled on November 23 and 24 due to the Thanksgiving holidays.

Lastly, I have a monthly get together with several of my brother priests for prayer and fraternity this Monday and Tuesday, so we will have a Communion Service in place of Mass this Tuesday morning, November 24. Have a good week and try not to eat too much.

In Christ,  
Father Matt



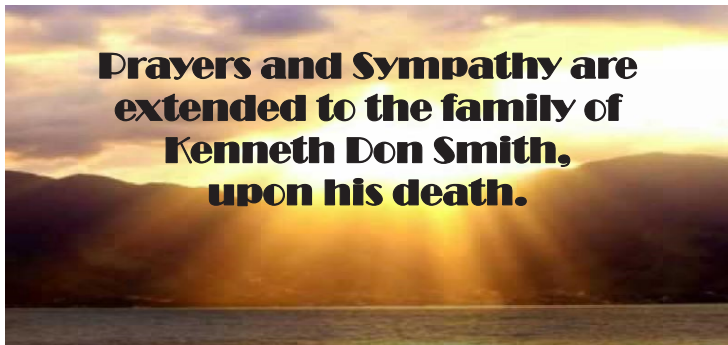


**Many Thanks to Ruth Landry and our November Bereavement Committee! Please contact Janice Hebert 749-3868 to help in December.**

**Thank you Jackie Morain and your team for cleaning our Church in November.**



Can you be a shepherd for Jesus? Will you renounce worldly power and follow Jesus as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you choose this path, please call Father Josh Johnson at 225-336-8778 or email him, [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org)



Lector Workbooks are available for pick up in the Vesting Sacristy.



**A Thanksgiving Prayer**  
 We thank you, Lord, for all you give;  
 the food we eat, the lives we live.  
 And to our loved ones far away, please send your blessings, Lord, we pray.  
 And help us all to live our days with thankful hearts and loving ways. Amen

## St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

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### Readings for the week of November 22, 2020

- Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
- Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/ Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 21: 5-11
- Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 [Rev 15:3b]/ Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [Rev 19:9a]/Lk 21:20-28
- Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a [Rev 21:3b]/Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab [1 Cor 16:22b]/ Lk 21:34-36
- Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

