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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m
Sunday	
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	8:00 a.m
Friday	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	

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 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,

Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York, gave a beautiful commencement address at the University of Notre Dame a couple weeks ago. He introduced his address by the phrase, "It was so obvious I almost missed it."

It seems that Cardinal Dolan was having trouble writing his talk for the commencement when providence intervened. He was taking the train from New York City to Washington, D.C. when a distinguished looking man boarded the train in Philadelphia and took a seat next to him. It turns out the man was a Notre Dame alumnus.

Cardinal Dolan explained how his seat mate began to speak "with obviously radiant pride and gratitude about Notre Dame, telling me his faithful Jewish parents wanted him to attend a Catholic college — because, in their words 'The Church founded the universities, and educate better than anybody else' — and reporting to me that, even as a faithful Jew, he considers his four years here at this Catholic university a gift beyond measure."

"Father,' he went on, holding my arm and looking me in the eye, 'let me tell you the secret of Notre Dame. It's not the library, as first-rate as it is; it's not the professors and courses, as stellar as they are; it's not the campus, as enchanting as it is, or even the football team, as legendary as it is. No the secret of Notre Dame is really a person, whom we Jews call 'Miriam,' and you Christians call 'Mary.' She's there...she looks down from the 'golden dome;' and if you really want to discover the secret of Notre Dame, visit that grotto you Catholics call 'Lourdes.' There's something there...no, there's someone there...we call her Notre Dame, and she's the secret of her university.'"

"So obvious I had almost missed it...I'm going to speak of Notre Dame...Notre Dame...our Lady... Mary the mother of Jesus." And the Cardinal went on to speak of her important, unparalleled, role in history and in faith. She is both patroness and model for every follower of Christ throughout one's life journey, and her witness invites us to continually say 'yes' to God as we live out our respective vocations.

The month of May is dedicated to Mary beginning with a crowning of her image and ending with the *Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary* on May 31. I was ordained on the Feast of the Visitation so the Blessed Mother, *Our Lady*, will always have a special place in my heart and my priesthood. Since she is so familiar to us Catholics, perhaps it takes a non-Catholic like the man mentioned above to remind us of how special she is as Mother of the Church.

On a different topic, please take note of our Ministry Appreciation Dinner scheduled for Saturday, June 29, at 5:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. The dinner is open to any and all parishioners who participate in a ministry or organization here at St. John the Baptist. Please call the parish office by June 15 to reserve a spot and so we can prepare enough food.

In Christ, Father Matt







VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 8—12 (9am—12pm)
Grades K—5th
Registrations Open Now
Cost is \$25/child
Contact the Christian
Formation Office
(749-3387)

ATTENTION! ALL MINISTERS & VOLUNTEERS



Are you a volunteer?? Do you belong to any church organizations?? Are you involved in any ministries???

Thanks for generously giving your time! Now, come and let us honor you at our annual Ministry Appreciation Dinner which is set for Saturday, June 29th in the Activity Center immediately following 4:30 pm Mass.

Please give us a call (749-2189) by June 15th to let us know if you will be there. WE HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND!!!

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS NOW BURNING FOR COMPLETE RECOVERY OF PAUL BREAUX



PRAYERS & SYMPATHY go out to Pete



Curcio & family upon the death of his wife, Virgie "Bea" Curcio and to Marty & Patricia Fitzgerald & family upon the death of their daughter, Brittany Ledford. Please keep them in your prayers.

DO THIS
IN
REMBRANCE
OF ME





A Special Collection will be taken up for the Victims of the Oklahoma Tornado on the weekend of June 15 & 16. Please be generous. Please make checks out to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

May 26, 2013

Regular:

199 Identified------\$5,490.00 <u>Loose Collection----</u> 622.00 TOTAL----- \$6,112.00

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.

☑ Check This Out...

W.B.R. MUSEUM

Blast from the Past 2013 Summer History Camp "The Treasure Hunt for Fun Begins"

A week-long adventure awaits campers! Two one-week sessions will be offered: June 17—21 and again, June 24—28. Drop-off is from 8:00—8:30 a.m. and pick-up is from 3:00—3:30 p.m. Campers will need to bring a bag lunch. Snacks and drinks will be provided daily. Space is limited. Advanced, paid registration is required and reservations are taken on a first-come, first-paid basis. Registration is \$65 for WBR residents and members of the WBR Historical Association and \$75 for all other participants. For more information or for an application form, please visit www.westbatonrougemuseum.com or call (225) 336-2422, Ext. 15.

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOL GRADUATES ATTENDING SOUTHEASTERN LA UNIVERSITY!!

If you will be attending Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond this fall, look for the tent of St. Albert Chapel & Catholic Student Center on campus at your summer orientation session this summer and sign up to join Southeastern's Catholic Student Association (CSA)! St. Albert Catholic Student Center is operated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge and is located on the southern perimeter of the campus at 409 W. Dakota St. Let them be "your home away from home" while you are at Southeastern! See their website for more information, to join the CSA, or contact them at www.stalbertselu.org.

Readings for the Week of June 2, 2013

Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/1 Cor 11:23-26/

Lk 9:11b-17

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Mk 12:18-27 Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/

Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Lk 2:41-51 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24/Gal 1:11-19/

Lk 7:11-17

Welcome Patrick!

Dear New Parish Family,

Hello! My name is Patrick Landaiche (landash). I am currently a seminarian studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Baton Rouge. As a part of my summer formation, I have been assigned to St. John the Baptist to assist Fr. Lorrain as well as the parish staff.

I know this weekend that I have met many of you, but I wanted to write a more detailed introduction as to who I am. First, I would like to say that I am thrilled to have been assigned to this parish, and I would like to get to know as many of y'all as possible.

I am from Baton Rouge, and I am now 22 years old. My home parish is St. Louis King of France on N. Sherwood Forrest Blvd. I attended grade school there through the eighth grade. From 2005— 2009, I attended Redemptorist High School (RHS). After I graduated from RHS, I attended Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, LA for three years. While I was there, I studied Industrial Technology (IT). Now, it has been quite the change from IT to seminary. I used to wake up and learn how to run a weld, machine blocks of metal, and pour molten aluminum into molds. Now I wake up and learn Latin, Aristotle, and Metaphysics! Quite the change! I do, however, enjoy learning philosophy and my time at Seminary. I just completed my first year of priestly formation at St. Joseph's Abbey and Seminary College (SJASC). I will be a senior next year. After I graduate, I will have four more years working towards a Masters in Theology at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans.

Before I entered seminary, I worked at Vernon's Hardware in Baton Rouge for five years. I enjoy working with my hands. I enjoy fishing, mostly freshwater, when I get a chance. My biggest passion is golf. I have played golf for many years, and I will hopefully be able to play a few rounds at The Island this summer.

I wanted to write this brief introduction just to give y'all a feel for who that "new guy" is that y'all will be seeing this summer. Anyways, I am really looking forward to my time here this summer, and I am looking forward to getting to know y'all more. Thanks for all your prayers and support, and know that I will be praying for y'all as well.

Take Care.

Patrick Landaiche