



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.
Monday, 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.
Monday, Wednesday thru Friday	7:40 a.m. or by appointment

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Arun John, IMS	Pastor
Dana Babin	Bookkeeper
Candice Breaux	Youth Group Minister
June Hebert	Director of Religious Education
Sara Hernandez	Janitorial
Jayne Jason	Child Protection
Layne Mire	Parish Secretary
Lil Stutes	Mother’s Day Out
Celeste Veillon	Music Director

OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
Office closed for lunch 12:00–1:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

Celebrated monthly after the 11:00 am Mass and also celebrated after the 11:00am Mass on the Feast of the Baptism of Our 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 – Please call the Church 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 as soon as 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.
For Cemetery information, please call Jerry Deshotel 225-281-0333.

PRAYER LINE

Please call the Church Parish Office.



12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not be afraid; you
are worth more than
many sparrows.”
- Mt 10:31

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Necklace

I have a necklace that originally belonged to my great-grandmother. I don't really know much about the man who gave it to her, most of those details have been lost to time. But I know that he wanted to marry her, and that she refused, and it had something to do with religion — ultimately, he did not share her faith. And while I've certainly seen many interfaith couples have loving and successful marriages, in this particular case, my great-grandmother discerned that this would not be one of those marriages.

Like I said, I don't have many details about this man, but I know that she felt she couldn't marry him because it might jeopardize the souls of her children, and therefore the souls of their children, and their children after them — me. She turned him down because of me.

My great-grandmother never sold that necklace, not even when the Great Depression further reduced her financial circumstances. She kept it, and she gave it to her daughter, who gave it to her daughter, who gave it to me. The necklace is always given with a warning: there is something worse than being poor, worse than being scared, worse even than being desperate. Worse than all of these things is separation from God.

When I wear this necklace, I think about my grandmother and this man she possibly loved a hundred years ago. I think of the many decisions we make every day — large and small, good and bad — that reverberate down through the generations in ways we cannot, at the time, imagine. I think of the God who knows every hair on my head.

“And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.” — Matthew 10:28



Do you know anyone who wants to become Catholic? You can join the journey to discover the Catholic Faith by enrolling in the R.C.I. A. program.

We will have an Open House on Wednesday, August 23rd in the Church Office at 6:30pm.

If you have any questions, please call Carolyn Dupuy, 225-276-6269.

We've got space for YOU at Vacation Bible School!

When? July 10th-14th from 9:00am-11:30am

Children in Grades K-5 are welcome.

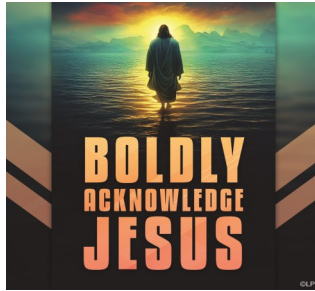
Registration Forms and Volunteer Forms can be found online at sjb-brusly.com or in the Church Office. Please call June or Jayne, 225-749-3387, for more information.

Volunteer Meeting

On July 5th at 6:00pm we will have a meeting for all Volunteers in the Activity Center.

Stewardship of Finances

**Building and Maintenance Collection for June: \$8,570.00
Thank you for your generosity!**



Sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Josie Tranchina LeJeune upon her death.

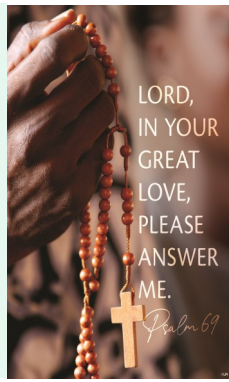
The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Harold Babin.



Many Thanks to Opie Vidrine and her team for cleaning our Church in June. Please call Patricia Lefeaux, 225-749-3108, if you can help during the month of July.

Many Thanks to Terry & Steve Guidry and their group for the Bereavement meals during June. Please contact Ruth Landry, 225-749-3101, if you can assist her in July.

Vocations
Can you share your love of Jesus with others? If you believe God is calling you as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact Father Josh Johnson at 225-336-8778 or email him: jjohnson@diobr.org or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations
Please pray for Vocations!



Organizations
Catholic Daughters will NOT have a meeting in July. Their next meeting is Thursday, August 3rd at 7:00pm in the Activity Center.

Knights of Columbus will have their meeting at 6:00pm in the Activity Center on Thursday, July 6th.

Donuts on July 2nd after 7:30am Mass in the Activity Center

Pro-Life Rosary on July 15th at 4:00pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Zippers will be closed from July 1st through July 15th. Please do not drop-off any donations during this time.

The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

There will be a Baptismal Seminar on Wednesday, July 12th at 6:00pm. Please call the Church Office to register.

Food Pantry distribution will be on Monday, July 17th at 8:30am at the Activity Center.

The next Zippers Sale is Thursday, July 20th at 7:30am.

Due to the Holiday, there will be NO All Night Eucharistic Adoration on June 30th through July 1st. There will be NO 8:00am Mass on Saturday, July 1st.



Readings for the week of June 25, 2023

- Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (14c)/
Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33
- Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/
Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/
Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday: *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/
Jn 21:15-19 *Day:* Acts 12:1-11/
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/
Mt 16:13-19
- Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 8:1-4
- Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55/
Mt 8:5-17
- Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17,
18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Suicide Prevention Presentation

On July 18th and 19th, Father David Allen and Katie Zylicz, Crisis Counselor, will lead two presentations on suicide prevention at the Catholic Life Center. The presentation is from 6:00pm-8:00pm on July 18th and from 9:00am-11:00am on July 19th. They will help you grow in your awareness of risk factors and warning signs. To sign up, go to: www.diobr.org/suicide-prevention-presentation

W.B.R. Acadian Heritage Celebration

**Sunday, July 23rd from 1:00pm-5:00pm
St. John the Baptist Church's Activity Center
All Acadian Descendants are welcome!
You will enjoy food, Cajun music and dancing,
photographs and genealogy, a self-guided
graveyard tour and much more! For more
information, please contact Billy Hebert,
225-200-5950.**

Pilgrimage to the International Shrine of St. Jude in New Orleans

A Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Jude is planned for Monday, July 24th. You can join this group by contacting Cecilia Blanchard, 985-513-2252. The Cost of this trip is \$47.00 per person.