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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday8:00 a.1	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	

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain	Pastor
Sammy Collura	
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.

And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" - Lk 17:15-18

Dear Parishioners,

In preparation for the Feast of All Saints, we have scheduled another "Parish Work Day" on Saturday, October 19, with a focus on our cemetery. Since the "Feast on the Levee" falls on the last Sunday of October, next Saturday is about our only opportunity to clean up the graves and cemetery grounds before the cemetery blessing on Saturday, November 2. Our labor of love includes spreading some dirt around the graves, picking up trash and old flowers, cleaning headstones, and power washing the crucifix area near the cemetery entrance. We plan to work for about four hours, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, so please join us and bring a shovel, wheelbarrow, metal rake, weed eater, and anything else you think you might need.

Our annual "Card Party" sort of serves as a startup event for the "Feast on the Levee," and it will take place in a little over a week on Monday, October 21, in the Parish Activity Center. The deadline to register was this past Monday so pray that the participants have their usual good time. Monday is normally my day off but I look forward to visiting the games and sampling the spaghetti and meatballs lunch. Thanks in advance to Gale Thibodeaux and her hard-working team of volunteers for organizing and hosting such a fun event

Thank you as well to everyone who has sold or purchased raffle tickets or made donations to this year's "Feast on the Levee." The preparations are taking on greater urgency now that we are just two weeks away from the "Feast." As the bulletin announcements note, we are still collecting books for the book drive, cakes for the sweet shop, gifts for the silent auction, and recruiting every manner of volunteer to help cook, serve, sell tickets, or supervise the children's games. The "Feast" is a great opportunity for teenagers to earn service hours or family enrichment hours with their parents.

Please note that we follow a special Mass schedule on the "Feast" weekend: the 4:30 Vigil Mass and 7:30 a.m. Mass are unchanged, but we substitute a **special 10:00 a.m. Mass** in place of the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. The food booths are scheduled to begin serving at 11:00 a.m. immediately following the 10:00

a.m. Mass. Do not forget that we have the Fun Run and 5 K Run beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday morning so be extra careful of runners and pedestrians when arriving and departing for Mass on the Sunday of the "Feast."

Our third in a series of Parish Pot-Luck Dinners is this Thursday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. This month's meal theme is "Cajun/ Seafood" so I am sure the dishes will either match or exceed those prepared for our last two dinners. I have a wedding rehearsal in Baton Rouge at 6:00 p.m. that same evening so I appeal to the kindness of the participants and ask that they set aside a plate for me to enjoy on my return. I hate it when my pastoral duties interfere with my social calendar but I guess we are all called to sacrifice occasionally.

Have a good week!

In Christ, Father Matt



POT LUCK DINNER
Thursday, October 17th
6:30 pm—Activity Center
Theme: Cajun/Seafood
Bring a dish to serve 10—15 people
Call the parish office to RSVP

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)

The Christian Formation Office is looking for a Teacher for the RCIC Program. This program helps youth with no prior Christian Formation receive sacramental preparation. Ages vary from 3rd to 8th graders; class size is about six youth. Schedule is very flexible. Please let us know if you are interested! (225) 749-3387.



MARCH FOR LIFE

High School Students—Join us for the Pro-Life Washington DC Pilgrimage January 18—23, 2014
Cost—\$500
\$100 Deposit Due October 16, 2013
www.youthmarchforlife.org

BOOK DRIVE

The Youth will be selling books at Feast on the Levee (October 27)

Please feel free to donate books for the sale.
Bring books to the Christian Formation Office
during business hours or to Mass and leave them in
the Book Drive Bin in the back of Church

High School Students—volunteering at the Feast on the Levee with your families counts as family enrichment hours and service hours.

DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

Sunday, October 27, 2013 (1 pm—6 pm)
St. Joseph, French Settlement
Free Event—Open to All Ages
RSVP: 225-749-3387

*High School youth—This counts as a Diocesan/ National Event, and if your families come it also counts toward Family Enrichment Hours".



PLEASE NOTE: HAUNTED HOUSE CANCELLED
We will not be doing the Haunted House this year.

Have a Safe & Happy Halloween!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The CDA Meeting will be this Wednesday, October 16th in the Activity Center. The semi-annual audit will begin at 5:45 pm. All officers and auditors should be present. All other members come join us for dinner with the KC's at 6:30 pm or the meeting at 7 pm.

REMINDER: Members of our Court will be praying at the Delta Abortion facility on Sunday, October 13th from 4:00 pm—7:00 pm. All parishioners are invited to join them.

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, October 19th 8:00 am—12:00 noon Bring shovels, metal rakes, Wheelbarrows & any other tools we might need.



STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

October 6, 2013

REGULAR:

A VOCATION VIEW

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If God is calling you, call or email Fr. Matt Dupre at 225.336.8778, mdupre@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.



FEAST ON THE LEVEE Sunday, October 27, 2013

Be sure to call Pamela & Scot at 749-1915 or email

scotrhodes@cox.net or pamelabrhodes@cox.net to let them know what you want to do!
WE NEED YOU!

Cooks, Booth Workers, Children's Games You are needed in any capacity you wish to serve. Help us to make this the BEST FEAST EVER

You should have received your raffle tickets (Regular and Super) by now Please try to sell all of them as soon as possible!

If anyone needs more tickets please call the Parish Office.

CAKE BAKE-OFF

If you wish to enter a cake for the contest, please arrive at the Activity Center around 8:00 am with cake and recipe card. Judging will be held at 11:00 am. Call Toni at 413-3990 with any questions.

ATTENTION: STUDENTS
Need Service Hours? Call Lucille Bouquet at
687-6927 to work in Hamburger Booth.



FOOTBALL BOARDS

Layne will have Football Boards available for Saints & Tiger games.
Get your squares from her!

Readings for the Week of October 13, 2013

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/

Lk 17:11-19

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41 Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54 Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14--4:2/Lk 18:1-8

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2012-2013

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THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL IS UNDERWAY

Your Support preserves Life-Sustaining Ministry
In a purposeful divine plan, God extends the prayerful support of generous Catholics to others in need. Desiring to honor God for his goodness, parishioners from St. John the Baptist Parish support a worthy effort like the Bishop's Annual Appeal. In turn, ministries supported by the BAA put those contributions to work, every gift reaching fellow parishioners, friends and neighbor.

God is good, and we are blessed to be part of the work of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Baton Rouge. That includes the ministries of Catholic Charities, Catholic Life TV, and the Catholic School Tuition Assistance fund, each one a recipient of essential funding through the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Please consider your own involvement. Give to the Lord for All His Goodness to You. Your thoughtful response to Bishop Muench will spread the love of Christ to others and provide life-sustaining ministry to thousands of your fellow residents through the diocese. Bless others. Please support the BAA.

If you have not yet received a copy of this year's appeal by mail, please contact the Office of Stewardship at 225-336-8790 or stewardship@diobr.org.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Young men in the 8th grade and their parents are invited to attend an Information Night at Catholic High School on either October 20th or 27th (7—9 pm).

Young men in grades 6-8 and their parents are invited to the Open House at Catholic High School on November 14th. Tours begin at 5 pm.

GRAND DAY CELEBRATION

Honoring Grandparents & Grandchildren
12 Noon Sunday, October 20th at St. Joseph Cathedral
Special Mass & Street Party
A Petting Zoo of Farm Animals, Pony Rides, Music, Food
and many more activities for children.

Free and Open to everyone! Call 387-5928 for more info.