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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	
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	

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain	Pastor
Sammy Collura	
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

"A widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'" - Lk 18:3-4b, 5

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for all of your prayers while I was on retreat earlier this month. As I mentioned previously, I opted out of the usual diocesan retreat at Manresa and instead made a private retreat at a guest house in Mobile, Alabama. The temperature was very pleasant that week so I was able to take daily walks on tree shaded streets as part of my prayer and meditation.

The goal of my retreat, and most retreats for that matter, is to abandon oneself to the will of the Father, just as Jesus did throughout his life, but especially during the last days of his life. It takes a great deal of faith to trust totally in God's providence and to embrace his will in every circumstance. We naturally prefer to exercise greater control over our lives and have great difficulty in submitting to his guiding presence.

However, the more we try to control our surroundings, the more frustrated and anxious we become. To surrender to God's will is to recognize that one is sustained and protected by God's loving grace at all times and in all places. I accept both suffering and happiness as his will for me and for my ultimate good.

I still have a long way to go yet and thus I still need growth in daily prayer, the grace of the sacraments, and time dedicated for an annual retreat. Your life may be similar and so I encourage you to set aside time as your schedule allows for prayer and the sacraments. We will have a Parish Mission in Lent, and many parishioners also attend an annual retreat at Manresa, Grand Coteau, or the Archdiocesan Retreat Center (formerly the Cenacle).

Please note that we will follow a special Mass schedule on October 29-30, the weekend of the "Feast on the Levee." The 4:30 p.m. 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.

Breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m. and the food booths are scheduled to begin serving at 11:00 a.m., following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. We have a Fun Run at 8:00 a.m. and a 5 K Run at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday so please be extra careful of runners and pedestrians when arriving and departing for Mass on October 30.

Tuesday, November 1, is the *Solemnity of All Saints* and a holy day of obligation. Our Masses on All Saints Day will be at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. This year's *Blessing of the Graves* will take place on the following Saturday, November 5, at 12:00 noon in our parish cemetery. All are invited to attend.

We will once again place a "Book of Remembrance" in church beginning with the Feast of All Saints and remaining throughout the entire month of November. The book and accompanying candle serve as a visible reminder to offer prayers for our beloved dead and for all who have gone before us in faith. Feel free to once again write in the names of any of your deceased relatives and friends so that they may be included in our prayers.

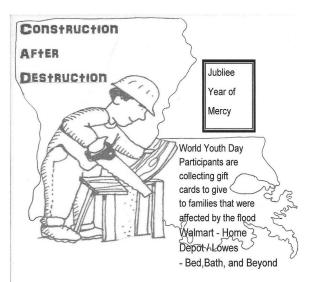
In Christ, Father Matt



ALL 2ND GRADE YOUTH AND PARENTS ARE TO ATTEND THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 26TH FROM 6:30–7:30 P.M. IN THE ACTIVITY CENTER. THIS IS FOR 2ND GRADERS IN PUBLIC AND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

Please Note

THERE WILL BE
NO CHRISTIAN
FORMATION CLASSES
On Monday, Oct. 31 or
Tuesday, Nov. 1 due to
All Saints Day.
The Parish Office will
Also be closed on
Tuesday, Nov. 1.



If any of you want to donate gift cards please bring them to June Hebert at the Christian Formation Office. We will bring them to WYD on October 23, 2016.



FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT THE YOUTH MARCH FOR LIFE TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC.

Drop and Shop Day #1, 2016

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH ACTIVITY CENTER

Friday, November 25, 2016 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

GRADES Pre K - 5TH

REGISTRATION FEE \$15 PER PERSON (Family Max \$40)

Food/Fun/Movie will be provided.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: NOV. 11

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH, IN THE CHRISTIAN FORMATION OFFICE OR ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE.

Contact: June (749-3387) or Mary Benoit (324-5289)

with any questions. Or email:

june@sjbcc.brcoxmail.com_or_maryben69@gmail.com



A VOCATION VIEW

God will answer the prayers of those who cry out. Ask for men and women to respond to the call to service as priests and religious. If God is calling you, call or email Fr. Matt Dupre' at 225.336.8778, mdupre@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

SPECIALL COLLECTION

Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Its theme this year is "Mercy Changes the World." Pope Francis invites the entire church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Place your envelope in the regular collection. If you didn't get your special envelope, there are some in the back of church.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES October 9, 2016

REGULAR:

201 Identified-----\$6,910.00 <u>Loose Collection----</u> 903.00 TOTAL----\$7,813.00



FEAST ON THE LEVEE 2016

It's almost Feast on the Levee time again: The date is set for Sunday, October 30, 2016.

COOKS: If you are a great cook, then prove it. Make your special dish for all of us to taste.

BAKERS: Dust off those recipes and join us for a "cake walk." Enter those family recipes that have been handed down thru the generations.

students: Get those service hours in—either call me or let Ms. June or Ms. Karen know you want to help out. We still need help in the Coke Booths, Childrens' Games, Bounce House, Slide and Trash Detail. I will try to get everyone assigned to a task as soon as I get the names in so sign up early to get the task you want to participate in.

If you can help out, please let us know—it takes many hands to make our Feast a success. You can call me at 225-603-8782 (Mimi), or call Evelyn at (225) 933-8924.

DON'T FORGET TO TURN IN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS!!!!





SILENT AUCTION PARADE OF PRIZES

ATTENTION: TALENTED PARISHIONERS!!!

We need your help. We are in need of creative items for the Silent Auction and Parade of Prizes. You can bring your donations to the office or call Hayley at 776-2659 with any questions. Gift cards are accepted.



FUN RUN Begins at 8:00 am
5K Begins at 8:45 am
Free T-Shirt for all participants!
Entry Forms are available in
Parish Office or in the back of Church.

We will have a Cake Walk, so Bakers—get your cakes in by 9:00 am on Sunday, October 30th.

Readings for the Week of October 16, 2016

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-8/2 Tm 3:14--4:/

Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-6/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/

Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 12:54-59 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23/

2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS NOW BURNING IN LOVING MEMORY OF RAY, ELSIE & SISSY PARSONS.

Congratulations!

JUST MARRIED! Maureen Elizabeth Alford and Bradford Joseph Murtagh

Knights of Columbus

Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, October 19—Activity Center
6:00 pm—Officers' Meeting
7:15 pm—Regular Meeting

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Hansel Mabile, Burton Vidrine, David Avera,
Madison Soniat, Sarah Wade, Jimmy & Brenda Rills,
Jacob Cordell, Shelly Mayfield, Scott & Heather Martinez,
Patsy Coleman, Ashley Cavalier, Alvin Landry,
Veronica Landry, Betty Mabile, Cindy Crochet,
James G. Vidrine, Evelyn Hue, Mattie J. Hall,
Jason Hebert, Tyler Freeland, Chad Dupuy,
Carl & Nancy Ritzmann, Loretta Blanchard,
Lloyd Bouchereau, David Coleman, Sue Dilsaver,
Kirk Allain, Roy Mouch, Linda Oneal, Aimae C. Marks

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

ATTENTION: Catholic Women—The next Catholic Daughters' meeting is Wednesday, October 19th at 7pm. Dinner with the KCs will be at 6:30 pm. All Catholic women over the age of 16 are invited to attend and see what we are all about. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN TRICKS AND TREATS Friday, October 21—Beginning at 5:30 pm

The WBR Library, the WBR Museum, and the WBR Department of Parks and Recreation will host an evening of FREE "Trick and Treat" fun for both the young and the young at heart. Costumes are welcome, but not required for trick or treating at the historic houses on the museum grounds, vintage party games, live music, a magic show at the Community Center, and more!

From 5:30—6:45 pm—search for treats through walkways of the WBR Museum at the historic houses. Also, join in the activities such as craft making and robot building with the library staff in the barn. Also featured will be a Mad Scientist's lab, a hay maze, and games galore! The WBR Alumnae Jazz Big Band and the Lagniappe Dulcimer Society of Baton Rouge will provide musical entertainment.

CHRIS MILLER MAGIC SHOW begins at 7:00 pm. You don't want to miss this.