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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	
Friday 8:00	
First Saturday of the month only	

#### 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 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

One of them, a scholar of the law, tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

- Mt 22:35-37

Dear Parishioners,

This Friday evening and Saturday morning, October 31 and November 1, is the monthly all-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament led by our Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus. The twelve hour period begins at 8:00 p.m. Friday evening and ends with 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday morning. A schedule is available in the back of church if you would like to sign-up for an hour of prayer and adoration in the presence of our Lord.

Saturday, November 1, is of course the Feast of All Saints. Please remember that the obligation to attend Mass is dispensed this year since it falls on a Saturday. So our only Mass for All Saints will be at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. The 4:30 p.m. Mass that same day will be a Vigil Mass for Sunday's Feast of All Souls. This year's *Blessing of the Graves* in our parish cemetery will take place at 12:00 noon on Saturday, November 1.

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 remembered in our prayers.

The "Spirit@Work Retreat" for young adults in their 20s and 30s is also being held this Saturday, November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in our parish activity center. The cost is \$35 which includes lunch and supper, and the retreat is open to all young adults throughout the Diocese. Please contact Sr. Ily at 456-5421 or breatholicya@diobr.org to register for the retreat.

The observance of National Vocation Awareness Week has been transferred from the second week of January to November 2-9. Pope Francis reminds us that "Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood or to the consecrated life there is always the strong and intense prayer of someone: a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father, a community.... Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit."

Please offer prayers that our parish may produce vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Next Sunday, November 2, is also the day when Daylight Saving Time ends and we return to Standard Time. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed next Saturday night and enjoy an extra hour of sleep.

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the success of this year's "Cards Etc. Party" which was held last Monday. Special thanks to Lucy Landry and Terry Guidry for co-chairing the event and for all who worked alongside them to guarantee its success. We had another great turnout in support of our parish and Church.

Enjoy the music, food, and fellowship at the "Feast on the Levee." The New Orleans Saints play the Green Bay Packers at 7:30 p.m. Sunday evening at the conclusion of the "Feast."

In Christ, Father Matt



Saturday, November 1 Mass: 8:00 am Blessing of Cemetery—12:00 Noon

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Three times Jesus asked St. Peter, "Do you love Me?"
St. Peter responded "Lord, you know everything; You know that I love You." (Jn 21:17)

Do you tell our Lord that you love Him? Tell Him soon and tell Him often during Eucharistic Adoration

All night Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, Oct. 31st at 8 pm thru Saturday, Nov. 1st at 8 am.

Sign-up sheets are in the foyer of Church. For more info, contact Julie @ 749-8260 or Mary @ 324-5389



### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME FALL BACK

Upon retiring Saturday, November 1st, Remember to set clocks back 1 hour!

TRICK OR TREAT
Addis & Brusly
Friday, October 31, 2014
5:30 pm—7:30 pm
Watch out for our Witches & Goblins!



#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

#### Sunday, November 2,

- ⇒ Monthly Communion Service for K.C. Members and their families at 7:30 am Mass.
- ⇒ Coffee & donuts will be served after 7:30 am Mass

#### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Skip Chidester, Evelyn Guillot, Wesley Phillips, Lawrence Williams, KC Council #5352, Gilbert Breaux, Gerald & Lillie Mabile, Janet Richard, Alcede Maggitt, C. Don Rome, Ann Couch, Suzanne Erwin, Webb McGehee, Katherine Paine, Barbara Webb, David Whittington, Gayle Stelly, Ray A. Crochet, Alison Breaux, Mike Cazes, Jerry Landry, Jr., Brent Rachal, Neal Rivet, Harvey Cavaliere, Mrs. Elmire Caffarel, Tommy Persick, Tonja White, Lydia Shelnutt, Gloria Daigle, Debbie Barbier

#### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

Thanks to Jocelyn Gauthreaux & her group for cleaning the church during the month of October. Cleaning for November will be done by Mary Anita Tullier (749-3459). Please give her a call if you want to help.

#### BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Thanks to Sandra & Gerald Fitzgerald for chairing the committee during the month of October. Chaircouple for November will be Harold & Beverly Babin at (749-2027). Please give them a call with any concerns.

#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS DAY**

Louisiana Urgent Care Saturday, Nov. 1 (9am—1pm)

(Located in the Common's Shopping Center next to Burger King) 4451 Hwy. 1South,

Come in and take advantage of FREE health screenings, tests, and medical information: Blood Pressure Checks, Glucose/Diabetic Screenings, Weights & BMI, Free Booster Seats for children 4 years of age, weighing 40 pounds (children must be accompanied by an adult).

Sponsored by: Louisiana Urgent Care, WBR Parish Government, Port Allen, Brusly and Addis City Government, Cohn High Alumni Assoc. & Amerihealth Caritas Louisiana

#### INCREASED WEEKLY GIVING PROGRAM

Our Increased Weekly Giving Program will soon be coming to a close. We would like to commend all parishioners for their concern for our parish. If you have not yet returned your response envelope, please consider doing so as soon as possible.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

World Mission Sunday—\$562.00 Building Fund Collection for September—\$12,191.66

#### A VOCATION VIEW

"Love God and your neighbor as yourself!", Jesus commanded. What better way than to embrace His call to you to the priesthood or religious life? So if God is calling you, call Fr. Matt Dupre' at 225.336.8778, mdupre@diobr.org.



#### **COME AND SEE WEEKEND**

November 7-9, 2014 St. Joseph Seminary College

Thought about the priesthood lately? Been on your mind a lot? Come and see what God has to say about it.

This weekend is about how to discern God's call for your life. No cost to you. Meals and beds provided (bring bed linens, pillow, towels and personal items), prayer provided. The weekend is hosted by the seminarians and the Benedictine monks of St. Joseph Abbey and is open to men 16 years and older; you must register a week prior to the event.

For more information contact:
Fr. Matt Dupre
Vocations Director
225-336-8778
www.diobr.org/vocations

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS NOW BURNING IN MEMORY OF LORRAINE & CECIL BREAUX

<u>Prayers & Sympathy</u> are extended to Jason Alford and family upon the death of his father, Willie Alford. Please keep them in your prayers.

# Congratulations!

#### **BAPTIZED**

Waylon Robert Bagwell, son of Dylan & Robyn Bagwell; Wesley Phillips Bonin, son of Todd & Erin Bonin; Colton James Harlan, son of Christopher & Brooke Harlan; and Jonah Francis Haynie, son of Jonathan & Meaghen Haynie. WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY!

#### **MARRIED**

Brandon Simon & Jessica Windham Matthew Strahan & Brittany Baucum Aaron Bertrand & Devyn Pierce Alcide Delapasse & Ann Guillot

#### Readings for the Week of October 26, 2014

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

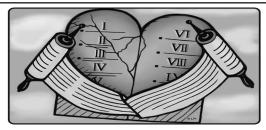
Monday: Eph 4:32--5:8/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a Next Sunday: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/

Jn 6:37-40

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2014-2015

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." The law of love. That's what Jesus came to establish. In a religious milieu that was often marked by legalism and scrupulosity, Jesus brought a kind of freedom. He reminded us that the laws of religion are made to serve the ultimate goal of love: love for God and love for neighbor.

Think about the Ten Commandments. This classical summary of God's rules for us can be divided into two types of laws. First come the laws about loving God: have no strange gods; don't take the Lord's name in vain; honor the Sabbath. Then come the laws about loving our neighbor: honor your parents; don't kill; don't commit adultery; don't steal; be honest; and don't covet your neighbor's spouse or property. When we follow the law of love that Jesus preaches today, all of this is taken care of.

If we loved God with our whole heart, mind, and soul, for example, there would be no room left for false gods. There would be no bitterness or apathy leading us to disrespect God's name or to fail to worship him as he has asked. Similarly, if we loved our neighbors as ourselves by following the Golden Rule, then we would naturally respect them instead of lying, killing, coveting, or the like.

Ultimately, all the dos and don'ts of the law are just specific guidelines describing what love looks like. This is very helpful for those times when love doesn't come so easily to us. When we struggle with having our heart in the right place, the Ten Commandments give us direction. But as Jesus instructs us today, the goal is to grow in the kind of love that naturally leads us to want to do what's best.