



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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## 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*  
Larry Durbin, *Maintenance Supervisor*  
Richard Rabalais, *Maintenance*  
Celeste Veillon, *Music Director*

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.  
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 (7:40 am) or by appointment

## 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.

## Office Hours

Monday–Friday 8:30–4:30  
Office closed for lunch 12:30–1:30

## September 30, 2012



### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The bread machine that sits on the kitchen counter of many homes these days eliminates so much of the toil of producing daily bread. Like many of the other labor saving devices in our homes, it is meant to reduce the work while still giving us something that we want. Though we may have seen pictures, few of us have ever seen an actual millstone designed to pummel and fracture the grains of wheat into flour by the work of oxen that walk around and around to roll the stone over the grain in its circular basin. Fewer of us have even worked such a contraption, which was the labor saving device of its day. No longer did women have to pound, beat, and mortar the grain. The oxen did the work, and it was worth it even if you had to give the miller a portion of your harvest to ensure that he ground your grain.

When Jesus suggests that those who would cause others to sin should have a great millstone placed around their necks, his hearers knew immediately what he was talking about. Every village had its own millstone. It was right there out in the open for everyone to see.

We don't like to hear that sin needs a corrective. There is a natural inclination to hide the evil and to pretend that the sin does not exist. But sin needs to be brought out into the open to be cleansed. I'm not suggesting that everyone stand up on Sunday and tell everything that they've done wrong to the entire congregation. But when we own up to what we have done by exposing it to another person through confession it is like having that millstone right in front of us. We can see it; we can acknowledge it; we can admit that this is a part of who we are. And then we can let it go, no longer burdened with having it hang around our neck.

*At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:38-39*

Dear Parishioners,

I am looking forward to experiencing my first "Feast on the Levee" which is now just one month away on October 28, 2012. Please volunteer to help if you are able via the sign-up sheets or by telephone so that the work (and fun) can be shared among many hands. The "Feast" not only provides money to fund special projects around the church but also serves as an important opportunity for us to strengthen our sense of community. South Louisiana church fairs usually include some combination of music, food, and games, and our "Feast on the Levee" is no exception. Perhaps we should add prayer as a fourth ingredient since we rely on God's generosity for good weather and a safe time for all.

This year's "Feast on the Levee" will begin with a Fun Run and a 5K Run in order to appeal to the more exercise and health oriented fair goers. Our Mass schedule will be adjusted the same as in past years to retain the regular 4:30 p.m. Saturday vigil Mass and 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning Mass, and then add a special 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 28. The 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses are **canceled** on the day of the "Feast." So please make a note to attend one of these three Masses. The Fair Committee chaired by Scot and Pamela Rhodes will meet this Thursday evening, October 4 at 7:00 p.m. to review all of the preparations.

As in the past, we also have two "warm-up" events leading up to the "Feast on the Levee:" the huge **Garage Sale on Saturday, October 6, from 6:30 a.m.—12:00 noon** in the Parish Activity Center, and the **Cards, Etc. Party scheduled for Monday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.** in the Parish Activity Center. The *Garage Sale* is, of course, open to everyone, but you must pre-register to attend the *Card Party* and the deadline for registering is October 8. Your \$25.00 donation includes a spaghetti and meatballs lunch. Many thanks to Judy Cazes and Gale Thibodeaux respectively for chairing these two events.

In honor of Respect Life Month, Bishop Robert Muench will celebrate a **Respect Life Mass on Sunday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m.** at St. Joseph Cathedral in Baton Rouge. All Catholics are invited to attend the Mass and the reception to follow in the parish hall of the Cathedral. We are fortunate to live so close to our Cathedral as to have the option of attending many of the special Masses and seasonal concerts. In any case, we will be united with our Bishop and fellow Catholics throughout this coming month of October in our prayer for greater reverence for life.

In honor of this upcoming "Year of Faith" announced by our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, we have scheduled a series of presentations especially for the adults of our parish entitled *Adult Evenings of Faith*. **The first gathering is on Thursday, October 11, from 6:00—8:00 pm** in the Activity Center. Jason Romero and Katie Austin of Source & Summit Ministry will speak on "Rediscovering Our Catholic Faith." The evening will include a wine and cheese reception, and babysitting will also be available. Please call the Christian Formation Office (749-3387) so we can get an idea of how many sitters are needed. Be sure to mark your calendars as well for our **Parish Mission scheduled for Sunday and Monday evenings, March 3 and 4, 2013, presented by Father Michael Aiello**.

In Christ  
Father Matt

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

## Junior High Youth Night



Friday October 12, 2012  
6:00-8:00PM  
SJB Activity Center  
Play, Pray, Eat!

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## High School Youth Night



Sunday, October 14, 2012  
6:00-8:00PM  
SJB Activity Center  
Play, Pray, Eat!

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PRESENTS,**  
A Year of Faith Event:  
Adult Evenings of Faith:  
*"Rediscovering Our Catholic Faith"*  
Presented by Jason Romero and Katie Austin of Source &  
Summit Ministry  
Thursday, October 11 (6:00—8:00 pm) Activity Center  
*Wine & Cheese Reception*  
Babysitting Available (Please RSVP to the Christian  
Formation Office with the number of children.)

# Feast on the Levee 2012

## October 28, 2012

### CALLING ALL COOKS

Some of our veteran cooks have retired and won't be with us this year. Please grab your family & friends and come out and cook! Call David & Melissa at 687-3776. We need your help!

### SILENT AUCTION/PARADE OF PRIZES

Please call Mary Kay Alford at 749-6014 or 362-8790 or email [mkalford2@cox.net](mailto:mkalford2@cox.net) to donate prizes or work the Auction or Parade of Prizes. You can start bringing donations in now to the Parish Office.

FUN RUN—8:00 am  
5K RUN—8:45 am  
REGISTRATION: 7:30 am  
Call Mike & Jamie Chustz at 749-1978.

### CAKE BAKE-OFF

Bring cakes by 10:00 am  
Judging at 10:30 am/Awards at 12:30 pm  
Cakes auctioned after awards.

### RAFFLE TICKETS

Regular Raffle & Super Raffle Tickets have been mailed out. Please return your stubs as soon as possible.

### NEXT FAIR MEETING

Thursday, October 4—7:00 pm  
Activity Center

Please contact our Fair Chaircouple (Scot & Pamela Rhodes) at 749-1915 or [scotrhodes@cox.net](mailto:scotrhodes@cox.net) or [pamelarhodes@cox.net](mailto:pamelarhodes@cox.net) to volunteer for anything you want to do. WE NEED YOU. Youth—A great chance to gain Service Hours.



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS NOW  
BURNING IN MEMORY OF  
DOLORES PREJEAN.**

### STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

September 23, 2012

REGULAR:

207 Identified- - - - - \$6,207.00

Loose Collection- - - - - 785.50

TOTAL- - - - - \$6,992.50

### A VOCATION VIEW

All who serve in the name of Jesus will receive a reward. Encourage someone you know who would be of service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. Call or email Father Matt Dupre' at 225.336.8778, [mdupre@diobr.org](mailto:mdupre@diobr.org), or visit, [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).



GARAGE SALE—Sunday, October 6th  
Call Judy (749-3265) to donate items.

CARDS, ETC.—Monday, October 22nd  
Call Gale (749-3769) to register.

## Organizations

### ALTAR SOCIETY

Thanks to Lisa Beraud and her group for cleaning the church during the month of September. Cleaning for October will be done by Jocelyn Gauthreaux (687-6333) and her group. Please give her a call if you can help.

### BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Thanks to Ella Dean & Scrap Thibodeaux for chairing the committee this month. Chaircouple for October is Gerald & Sandra Fitzgerald. Give them a call at 749-3294 with any concerns.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Sunday, October 7**

Monthly Communion Service for K.C. Members and their families at 7:30 am Mass. Coffee & Donuts will be served in the Activity Center after Mass.

### August Calendar Winners:

Luke Boudreaux, Caleb Oliphant, Joey Bourgoyne, Sidney Cavalier, Jr., Insurance Unlimited Agency, Don Couvillon, J.E. Sharon, Matt Roland, Toufic H. Issa, James & Tammy Jackson, James & Velma Lovell, Tonja Clay, Hazel Simms, Donald Braud, Jeremy Saltaformaggio, Henri Fontenot, Janet Millard, Addie Graffeo, Randolph Richard, III, Gene Bertrand, Melissa Pintado, Jennifer Broussard, Jamie Bourg, Ross Laymon, Patsy Williams, Julianna Distefano, Charlene Morales, Jenny Paine, Carrie McKinney, Darrel Rivere, Lycia/TMI Doucet

### Readings for the Week of September 30, 2012

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48  
Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50  
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10  
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62  
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12  
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16  
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24  
Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

You are invited to participate in Baton Rouge's second annual 40 Days for Life campaign now through November 4th. 40 Days for Life is a worldwide pro-life campaign that consists of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. A peaceful and prayerful vigil will be held outside of Delta abortion facility on colonial Dr. in Baton Rouge between 7 AM and 7 PM on each of the 40 days. Two St. John the Baptist ministries have adopted times and anyone is invited to join us.:

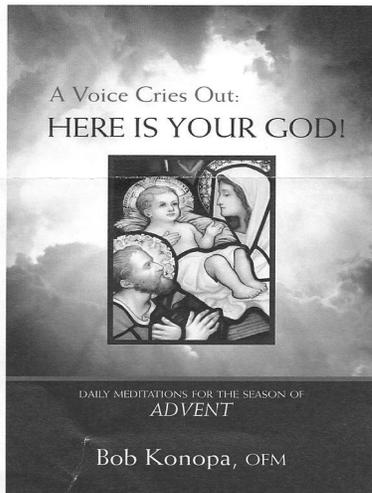
CDA Court 2079—Sunday, Oct 7th from 5—7 pm  
SJB Pro-Life Committees—Sun., October 14  
(11 am—1 pm)

For more information, call Julie at 749-8260 or Mary at 324-5289 or visit the website [www.40daysforlifebr.com](http://www.40daysforlifebr.com) to sign up on your own.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION WEEKEND**

Next weekend is Spiritual Adoption weekend at St. John the Baptist. Please consider "spiritually adopting" a child in danger of abortion by naming the child and praying for him/her everyday for the next 9 months. Please stop by the table in front of church after all Masses and be a part of this life-saving project!!

FATHER BOB HAS WRITTEN ANOTHER BOOK  
"ADVENT MEDITATIONS"  
CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR COPY.  
\$8.00 EACH



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
INFORMATION NIGHT  
October 7, 2012 or  
October 21, 2012  
7 p.m.—9 p.m.  
In the CHS Union**

**This night provides the opportunity to learn more about Catholic High School. Representatives of the faculty, staff and student body will be present to answer questions regarding admission to Catholic High.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:  
CHS Open House—November 8, 2012**