

**402 SOUTH KIRKLAND DRIVE (RIVER ROAD)** 

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
	7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
	8:00 a.m.
	8:00 a.m., with Adoration until 11:30 a.m.
	8:00 a.m.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:30–4:15 p.m.
Tuesday thru Friday	7:40 a.m. or by appointment

#### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain	Pastor
Carolyn Dupuy	Bookkeeper
June Hebert	Director of Religious Education
Pedro Hernandez	Custodian
Layne Mire	Parish Secretary
Celeste Veillon	Music Director
Katie Roettger	Mothers' Day Out

#### **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 – Please 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 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.

#### PRAYER LINE

Please call the Parish Office.

#### Dear Parishioners,

I give thanks to God for another grace-filled Lenten season. God has sustained us with his love throughout these forty days and prepared our hearts to celebrate the joy of Easter. Thank you for your dedication to prayer and to the many treasured Lenten devotions which deepen our relationship with the Lord.

Easter is the high point of the liturgical year for Catholics. We return to singing the Alleluia and the Gloria at Mass, we feel the cool drops of baptismal water during the sprinkling rite, and we participate in the new life that is so visible in nature this time of year. Our rebirth is a gift of the Holy Spirit resulting from our Lenten practice and Christ's sacrificial love. I pray that the Holy Spirit may strengthen and renew our parish community throughout this coming year.

I especially enjoy reading from the Acts of the Apostles during the Sundays and weekdays of Easter. These readings are a continuation of St. Luke's Gospel and describe the birth of the Church. It's wonderful to read and reflect on the scenes which describe the appearances of the risen Lord Jesus to the apostles, and how these encounters changed them and empowered them to spread the Gospel. I pray that our communal prayer this Easter season will change us as well, and help us to be ambassadors for Christ.

Please continue to help welcome our new Catholics who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Martha Artmann, Michaela Lindsly, and Cynthia Sullivan are now one with us at the Eucharistic table. May their enthusiastic reception of their new faith help us to renew our own sense of gratitude in being chosen by God for membership in his family.

I am taking a small mini-vacation this Monday–Wednesday, April 5–7, so please watch over the parish while I am away. This will allow me to rest up a bit after the busy Lenten schedule. We will have Communion Services in place of the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

We will be offering a short course on the Sacrament of Confirmation for any adult aged 18 or older who has not yet been confirmed and wishes to receive the sacrament this spring. The course is comprised of four sessions to be held at 6:30 p.m. on the evenings of April 22, 29, May 6, & 20. Those completing the short course will be confirmed on May 30, Trinity Sunday, at the 11:00 a.m. Mass here at St. John the Baptist. Bishop Duca has delegated me, as well as all pastors of the Diocese, to celebrate Confirmation for our adult parishioners this year. Please call the parish office for more information or to register.

Father Jim Sichko, who preached our Lenten Mission, was really taken with the beauty of our parish church. It's nice to be reminded of what a treasure we have, especially from someone who has visited so many churches around the country. Next Saturday, April 10, is the ten-year anniversary of the rededication of our church after its restoration and renovation. May the beauty of our church inspire us to lead more beautiful lives of service to God and our neighbor.

In Christ, Father Matt





WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH!

Martha Artmann Michaela Lindsly Cynthia Sullivan

These ladies received the seal of the gift of the Holy Spirit and became one with us for the first time at the Eucharistic table of the Lord.



Prayers and Sympathy are extended to these families upon the deaths of their loved ones:

Rita Lise Babin and Morris Bellelo

The Sanctuary
Candle is
burning in
Memory of
Robert "BJ"
Boudreaux, Jr.



# ADULT CONFIRMATION Any adult, 18 years or older, that is interested in being confirmed can attend classes beginning Thursday, April 22nd. Confirmation will be held on May 30th. Please call the Church Office by April 15th to register.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Wednesday, April 21st 5:00-6:30pm in Church

4th Graders and older should call the Church Office to sign-up.

Stewardship of Finances March 21, 2021

106 Identified: Loose Collection: Total: \$6,359.00 238.00 \$6,597.00

#### CHIRISTIAN FORMATION



First Communion Retreat

Saturday, April 10th 9:00am-11:15am Activity Center

FIRST EUCHARIST

Saturday, April 17th 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, April 18th Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am & 2:00pm

### FINAL CHIRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

April 19th & 20th Many THANKS to the Catechists who made this a successful year for our youth!

All those who are participating in online learning must turn in their workbook for verification and complete all classes by Friday, April 16th!



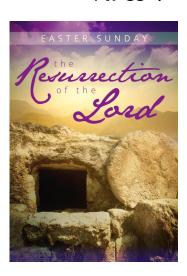
# Senior 2021

# SENIOR MASS & LUNCH

All Seniors will be honored at 11:00am Mass on April 25th. Lunch for Seniors & immediate family in the Activity Center after Mass.

Please RSVP by April 16th to June 749-3387.

Jesus wants us to preach the good news of his Resurrection. Will you follow him and minister in His Church? If so, please contact Father Josh Johnson 225-336-8778 or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations



#### St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

John Begue

**Bob Bewick Audy Bourgeois** 

Christie Chapman, Secretary

Wayne Delapasse

Paige Fitzgerald

**Janice Hebert** 

Fr. Matt Lorrain

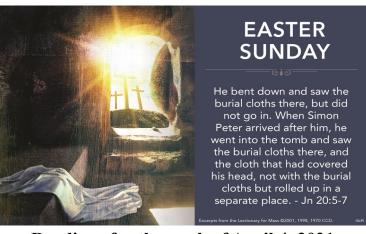
Mary Claire Meyer, Chairman

**Joey Normand** 

**Edana Robnett** 

Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman

**Jewel Woods** 



#### Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Sunday:

[24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/

Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/

Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/ Jn 21:1-14

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21

Saturday:

[21a]/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1

Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

