



**ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST**  
 catholic church

*April 11, 2021  
 Second Sunday of Easter  
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**CHRISTIAN FORMATION: 225-749-3387**

**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 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,

Our second graders celebrate their First Eucharist next weekend, April 17 & 18, at all of our regular weekend Masses, including a special 2:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday. We normally fit all of our second graders and their families into one Mass, but that is not possible this year given the guidelines for social distancing. Each family has been surveyed for their first and second choice for which Mass to attend, and we will do our best to make the day special for each child and family.

Unfortunately, the circumstances will not allow for a group photograph this year, or for a reception honoring all of the children at this important moment in their journey of faith. But we will take plenty of individual photos and I am sure the boys and girls will receive many expressions of congratulations from their family and friends.

From its earliest days, the Church has taught and believed in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The visible signs of bread and wine point to a greater reality which is hidden, namely the sacrificial love of Christ by which we are saved and made one with God and others. The Eucharist is a sign of our unity, our oneness with Christ as members of his body. Our reception of Holy Communion nourishes and strengthens our sense of identity as the Body of Christ. We are called to become what we receive in the Eucharist.

This is a great mystery which can be difficult to understand without the gift of faith. And yet even children as young as our second graders can appreciate in their hearts this special gift of Christ to his Church. Their innocence and trust help all of us to reaffirm our faith and reawaken a sense of gratitude for the Eucharist. Please pray for our second graders and their families.

We will honor all of our high school seniors at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, April 25, and then treat them and their parents to a catered lunch in our Parish Activity Center. We are extremely proud of their accomplishment and wish to assure them of our continued prayers as they plan for the next phase of their life's journey. We ask the graduates or one of their parents to please call the parish office (749-2189) if they can attend so that we can prepare the proper amount of food.

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.

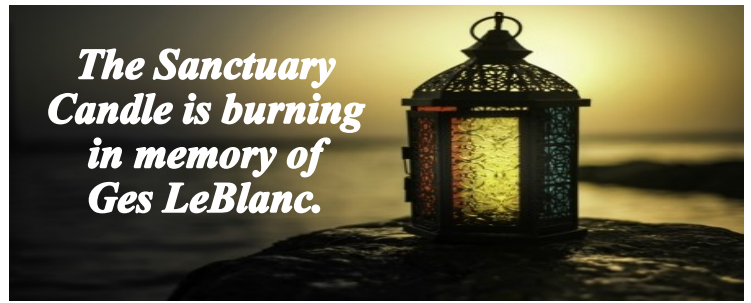
In Christ,  
Father Matt



# CHRISTIAN FORMATION

**FIRST EUCHARIST**  
**Saturday, April 17th**  
**4:30pm Mass**

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



*The Sanctuary  
Candle is burning  
in memory of  
Ges LeBlanc.*



**LAST CHRISTIAN  
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!**



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

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

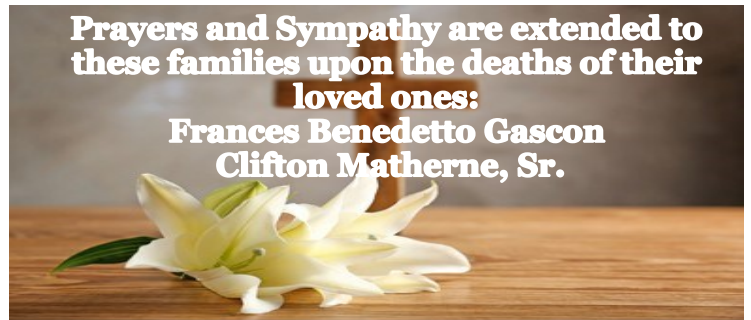


**ADULT CONFIRMATION**  
**Any adult, 18 years or older, that is  
interested in being confirmed can attend  
classes beginning Thursday, April 22nd.**

**Confirmation will be held on May 30th.**

**Please call the Church Office by  
April 15th to register.**

**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.**



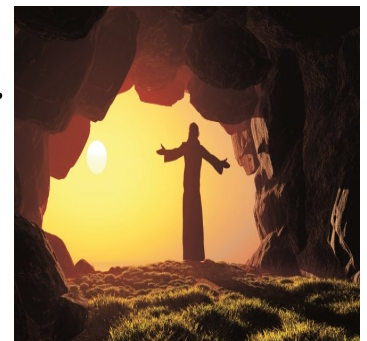
**Prayers and Sympathy are extended to  
these families upon the deaths of their  
loved ones:**

**Frances Benedetto Gascon  
Clifton Matherne, Sr.**

**FOOD PANTRY**  
**Now Open on the 2nd  
Monday of each month  
beginning April 12th at  
8:30am. The Food Pantry  
will no longer be open on  
Thursdays.**



**A New Life! Can you  
proclaim the truth of the  
Resurrection as a priest or  
religious vocation? If so,  
please contact  
Father Josh Johnson  
225-336-8778  
or visit:  
[www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations)**



**Please join the  
K.C.s for the  
Pro-Life  
Rosary**

**4:00pm  
April 17th.**



*Stewardship of Finances  
March 28, 2021*

*118 Identified: \$6,706.00  
Loose Collection: 246.00  
Total: \$6,952.00  
Thank you for your generosity!*

## St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

John Begue

Bob Bewick

Audy Bourgeois

Christie Chapman, Secretary

Wayne Delapasse

Paige Fitzgerald

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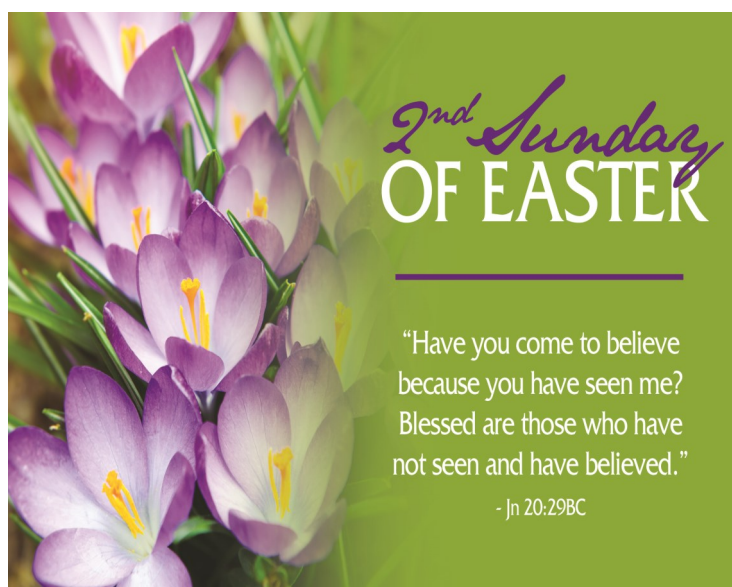
Mary Claire Meyer, Chairman

Joey Normand

Edana Robnett

Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman

Jewel Woods



### Readings for the week of April 11, 2021

- Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
- Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
- Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21
- Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

