



ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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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
Lil Stutes 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.

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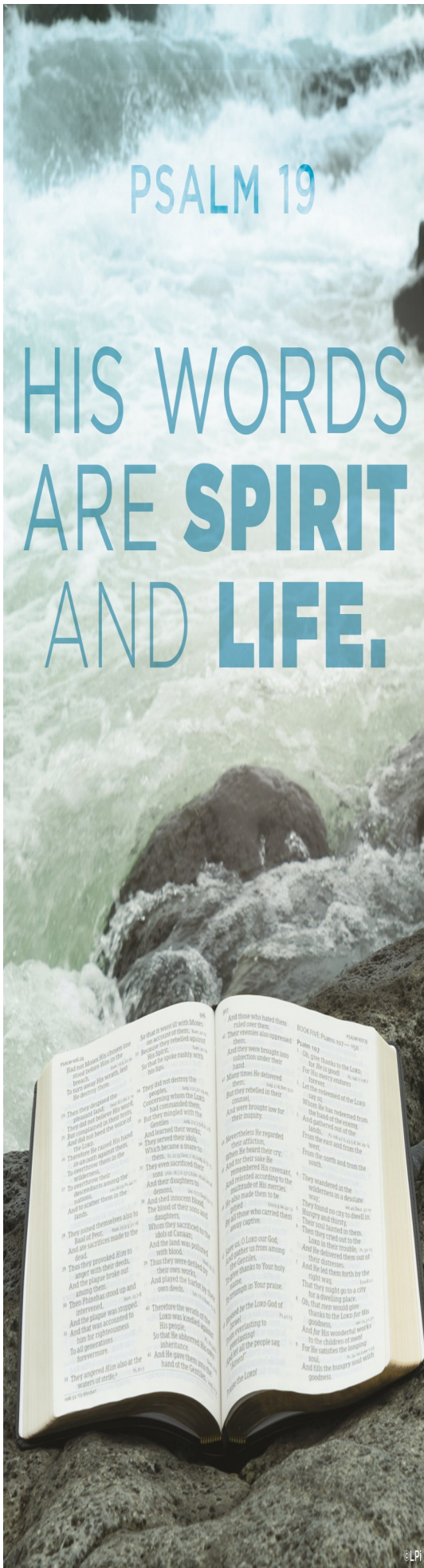
Emergency calls answered as soon as possible. Communion calls to homebound weekly by request. Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Family should contact the Pastor to begin funeral arrangements.
For Cemetery information, please call Jerry Deshotel 281-0333.

PRAYER LINE

Please call the Church Parish Office.



Dear Parishioners,

Pope Francis has invited Catholics around the world to participate in a synodal process designed to help the Church grow in the areas of “Communion, Participation, and Mission.” Bishop Duca released a letter on the Third Sunday of Advent outlining our response to the Pope’s appeal here in the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

A series of dialogue sessions have now been scheduled in every region of the Diocese. One for our area is scheduled for next Saturday, January 29, from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Holy Family Church in Port Allen. Discussion questions include, “In what ways has the local Church of Baton Rouge and/or your parish been successful in bringing people together in communion?” “Which groups and individuals are least included in our diocese and/or your parish?” “Where is the Holy Spirit calling the Church to mission and service today?”

All are invited to attend the dialogue session next Saturday at Holy Family, or one of the later sessions held elsewhere. Another one is scheduled for Wednesday, February 16, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist Parish Hall in Plaquemine. Catholics unable to attend one of the sessions will also be provided with an opportunity to submit their feedback online.

National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It runs from January 30 – February 5, 2022, and this year’s theme is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” There are 5,981 Catholic Schools in the United States, of which 4,812 are elementary and 1,169 are secondary schools. Our own Diocese of Baton Rouge has 22 Catholic elementary schools and 8 Catholic high schools.

Although we do not have our own parish school we are blessed to have Catholic schools on either side of us at Holy Family and St. John the Evangelist. Holy Family School in Port Allen has its Open House on Thursday, February 3, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., and St. John Interparochial School in Plaquemine has its Open House on the same day, Thursday, February 3. (Please call the school for times.)

The men of our parish are invited to attend the Catholic Men’s Conference to be held on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at St. George Church in Baton Rouge, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. This year’s speakers include Dr. Brant Pitre, Super Bowl Champ Harrison Butker, Chef John Folse, and Father Todd Lloyd. For more information and to register, please visit <http://www.catholicmenbr.com/>.

Our 11th graders celebrate their Confirmation this Thursday, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. They will now be fully initiated members of the Catholic Church and ready to serve as godparents and sponsors at baptisms and confirmations. I pray that God will continue to bless and guide their journey of faith as they finish their high school studies. I also offer thanks to their sponsors and our Confirmation team members for their great work.

In Christ,
Father Matt

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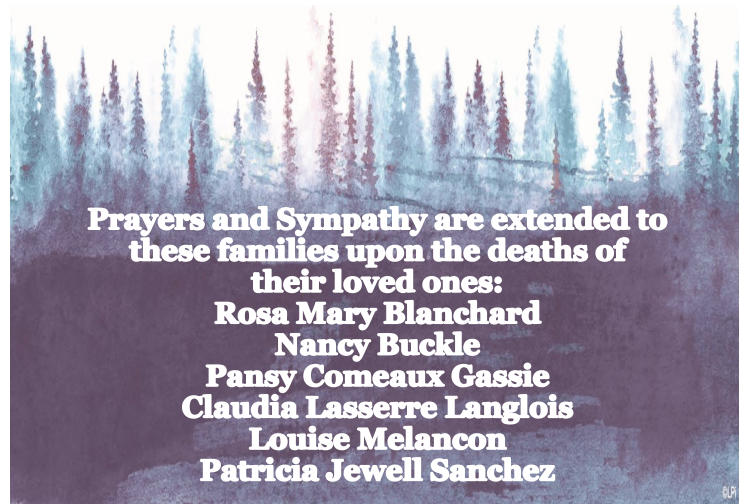


The Sacrament of Confirmation
will be received by
37 candidates @ 7:00pm on
January 27th.

Mass @ 5:30pm for K-8 Students
on Tuesday, February 8th.
Please drop off your child at
5:15pm in Church and pick up
your child from Church. (There
will be no classes on February
7th or 9th for K-8 grades.)



The Sanctuary
Candle burns in
memory of
Mike Alleman.



2022-2023 Registration Dates:
February 1- Current MDO Families

February 8- St. John the Baptist Parishioners
(9:00am-1:00pm in the Activity Center)

February 15- Open Registration
(9:00am-1:00pm in the Activity Center)

Contact: Lil Stutes: mdu.stjohn@gmail.com

Catholic Daughters/Knights of Columbus

**Catholic Daughters: Meeting @ 7:00pm on
February 3rd in the Activity Center**

**K.C. Meeting: February 3rd in the Activity Center
6:00pm Officers' Meeting
7:15pm Membership Meeting**

**K.C. Coffee & Donuts: after 7:30am Mass, February
6th in the Activity Center**

K.C. Pro-Life Rosary: February 19th at 4:00pm

**K.C. Baby Bottle Campaign: Please get a baby bottle
in the back of Church and place your donation
inside to assist families at the Family Life
Foundation Problem Pregnancy Center.**

Many people
mistake our
work for our
vocation.
Our vocation
is the love
of Jesus.

-St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Can you share the love of Jesus as a vocation? If
God is calling you as a priest, brother, sister or
deacon, please contact Father Josh Johnson**

225-336-8778,

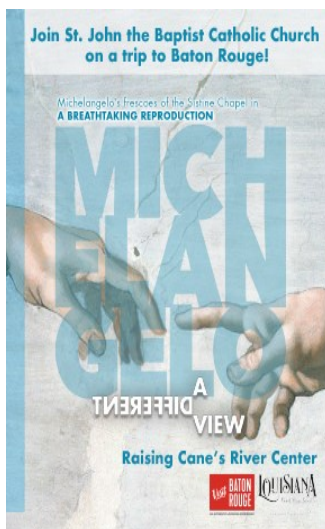
jjohnson@diobr.org

or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations

**Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry
Programs Position at the Catholic Diocese**

**This position offers full-time benefits and assists the
Director in planning, coordinating, implementing
projects and events, and provides resources and support
to all youth, parents and young adults.**

**For more information on this position, go to:
<https://diobr.org/employment-opportunities>**



**The Michelangelo
Exhibit will return to
the Raising Cane's River
Center in Baton Rouge
on March 18 through
April 17th.**

**The W.B.R. Senior Spirit
Group will view the
Exhibit on March 25th @
10:30am at a cost of
\$12.50 per ticket. If you
are interested in joining
this Group, please call
215-5290 to sign up.**

St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

Bob Bewick

Audy Bourgeois

Christie Chapman, Secretary

Justin Clouatre

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 January 23, 2022

- Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/
1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
- Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/
Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/
Mk 16:15-18
- Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/
Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12,
13-14/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a,
6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17
[cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13
or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

**Catholic Schoolhouse, homeschooling in a
Catholic Community, Pierre Part
Registration is open for 2022-2023
academic year.**

**Open House on Thursday, January 27th at
St. Joseph the Worker in Pierre Part at 7:00pm
For more information contact, Joni Landry:
jlandrycsh@gmail.com**