



ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST
 catholic church

*July 25, 2021
 Sixteenth Sunday
 In Ordinary Time
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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.

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.



He
answers
all our
needs.

Psalm 145

Dear Parishioners,

We normally read from St. Mark's Gospel during this "Cycle B" liturgical year, but the Gospel for this Sunday as well as the next four Sundays is taken from Chapter 6 of St. John's Gospel. Chapter 6 opens with John's account of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, a miracle found in all four Gospels. This provides an introduction and opportunity for Jesus to further his disciples' faith by introducing them to the "Bread of Life."

The Bishops of the United States are currently working on a new instruction on the Eucharist and its meaning and importance for Catholics. I imagine it will be very similar to their 2006 statement, "Happy Are Those Who Are Called to His Supper," which can be found on the Bishops' website - <https://www.usccb.org/>.

Documents are often updated to reflect cultural and linguistic changes, and to address confusion in belief or practice. For example, note that the title of the 2006 statement is the previous version of our current invitation to communion, "Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." It's a subtle change which better reflects the imagery of Revelation 19:9, "Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb."

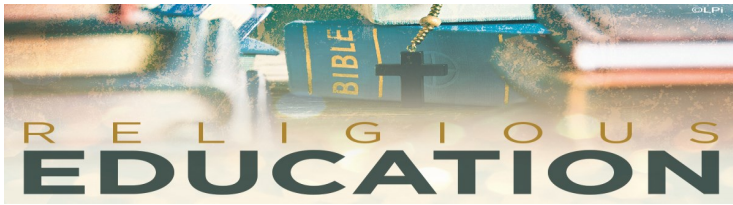
The new statement will most likely reaffirm our unchanging belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, one's preparation for receiving the Sacrament, and when one should refrain from receiving Communion. The decision to refrain from receiving Communion is made after an examination of conscience or consultation with one's priest.

The tone of the document will be equally important as its content, especially as the Church seeks to reestablish communion with those members who have been seduced by a secular world view or who publicly reject some essential teaching of our faith. I pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the hearts and minds of the Bishops as they address this important sacrament of unity.

Our Christian Formation classes are set to resume in three weeks, beginning with the 11th grade Confirmation Class which meets on Sunday, August 15. Registration for all other grades will take place next weekend, July 31 - August 1, immediately following each of our Masses. Our Parent Meeting for all grades is scheduled for Tuesday, August 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Religion classes for children in grades 1-10 are set to begin on Monday, August 16, Tuesday, August 17, or Wednesday, August 18.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in two weeks on Saturday, August 7, immediately following the 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass. Any person who is seriously ill because of sickness, old age, or injury may be anointed. The illness may be either physical or mental, and can include addictions. Anointing is also allowed prior to undergoing surgery. Please spread the word to your family and friends who may be in need of the healing graces provided through this special sacrament. And please pray for your fellow parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound, or struggling with cancer or some other serious illness.

In Christ,
Father Matt



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parish School of Religion Registration will be held after all Masses on the weekend of July 31-August 1.

Religion classes for K-8 will begin on August 16th.

Parent Meeting for Religion is August 10th @ 6:30pm in the Activity Center.

Teacher Meeting for Religion is August 12th @ 6:30pm in the Activity Center.

Organizations

THANKS to RUTH LANDRY and her group for the Bereavement meals in July. Please contact Geri & Bill Schneider 749-3508 in August.



THANKS to PATRICIA LEFEAUX and her team for cleaning our Church during July. Please call Lucille Bouquet 687-6927 to help in August.

Sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Ilene Bush Gantt, upon her death.



Please join the KCs and their families for Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am Mass on August 1st.

Stewardship of Finances July 18, 2021

198 Identified:	\$12,733.33
Loose Collection:	+611.00
Total:	\$13,344.33

Collection for Catholic Charities: \$878.00



Please welcome to our faith community:
Leo Gerard Gaudet
son of Jake & Danielle Gaudet
and
Layne Joseph Rills
son of Trey & Nicole Rills
who were baptized on
July 18th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



WBR Public School Uniform Distribution
Friday, July 30th
9am-12:00pm and 2pm-4pm
Cohn Elementary School
805 North 14th Street
Port Allen, LA
225-383-7837
* Students must qualify for the distribution.

*The Sanctuary
Candle is
burning in
memory of
Carroll
Bourgeois.*



SHROUD OF TURIN
August 19th in Church
6:00pm



Please join the Catholic Daughters #2079 for a presentation by Fr. Jason Palermo on the history of the Holy Shroud of Turin, Italy. You will view a replica of the Holy Shroud in a display case. A reception will follow in the Activity Center.

St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

Bob Bewick

Audy Bourgeois

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Justin Clouatre

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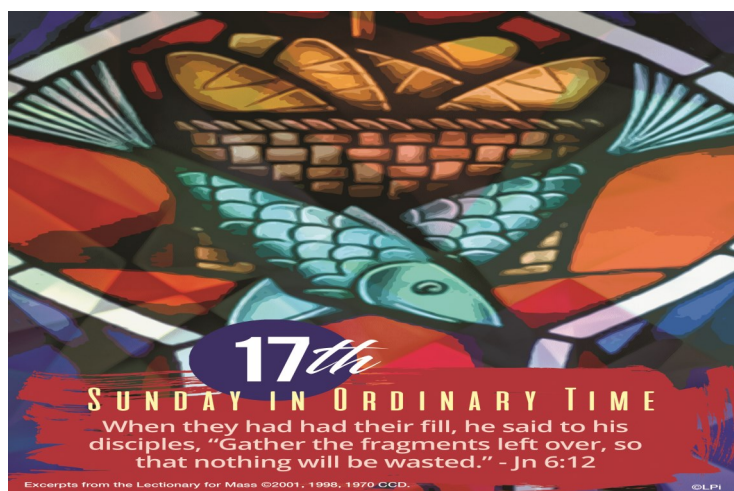
Mary Claire Meyer, Chairman

Joey Normand

Edana Robnett

Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman

Jewel Woods



Readings for the week of July 25, 2021

Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15
Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13: 44-46
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/ Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35



**Please pray for those who are
being called to a Church
Vocation. If you believe God is
calling you, please contact
Father Josh Johnson
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or visit: [www.diobr.org/
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