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# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

• catholic church •



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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

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain ..... Pastor  
Donna Badon..... Christian Formation  
Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
Pat Durbin..... Parish Secretary  
June Hebert ..... Director of Religious Education  
Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director  
Katie Roettger..... Mothers’s 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 – 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 the Parish Office

*"Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence."*

**-Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8**

Dear Parishioners,

St. John the Baptist has a good number of students who attend Holy Family School, and our representative on their School Board for the last four years has been Mrs. Laurie Moreau. However, since Laurie's daughter Corinne has now graduated and is moving on to high school, it is time to appoint a new representative. I am happy to announce that Mrs. Tia Stein has agreed to serve as our new parish representative on the Holy Family School Board. Tia is married to Luke and they are the parents of Mason and Madison Stein. I thank both Laurie and Tia for their willingness to serve our parish community in this important role.

I will be at Rosaryville Retreat House near Ponchatoula this Thursday and Friday, August 1 and 2, helping to direct a retreat for our diocesan seminarians. The retreat provides an opportunity for the men to get together and talk about some of their experiences this past summer. It also allows the new and returning seminarians to get to know one another before the start of classes this fall.

This Friday evening and Saturday morning, August 2 & 3, is the monthly all-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament led by our Catholic Daughters. The twelve hour period begins at 8:00 p.m. Friday evening and ends with 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday morning. A schedule is available in the back of church if you would like to sign-up for an hour of prayer and adoration in the presence of our Lord.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick next Saturday, August 3, 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.

Congratulations to the new officers of our K.C.

Council 10744 who were recently installed at their summer banquet. The Grand Knight for a second term is Christian Benoit and the Deputy Grand Knight is Jerry Eagan. Sincere thanks to all of the officers and knights for their dedicated service to our community and parish.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual West Baton Rouge Acadian Heritage Celebration is today, Sunday, July 28, from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in our Parish Activity Center. It is free and open to the public.

Lastly, we are hosting a reception to honor our parish secretary, Mrs. Pat Durbin, on her retirement after 34 years of service. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, August 11, beginning at 4:00 p.m. and stop by the Activity Center and thank Mrs. Pat for her service.

In Christ,  
Father Matt



**PAT DURBIN IS RETIRING!**

**Let's Celebrate her 34 years of service on Sunday, August 11th at 4:00 PM in the Activity Center. PLEASE JOIN US!**



Natalie Palermo will serve as our chairperson again this year. We would like to start lining up volunteer cooks as early as possible. Please let us know we can count on you for a food booth by contacting the church office or emailing Natalie at [feast2019@cox.net](mailto:feast2019@cox.net). We also need ideas for a t-shirt design. Please send your idea to [feast2019@cox.net](mailto:feast2019@cox.net) by Friday, August 23rd.

*Thank you to all who ministered to our family and friends when we were most emotional and vulnerable. Your service and compassion are greatly appreciated.*

**-- The Sylvia Haydel Family**

**Calling ALL Catechists!!**

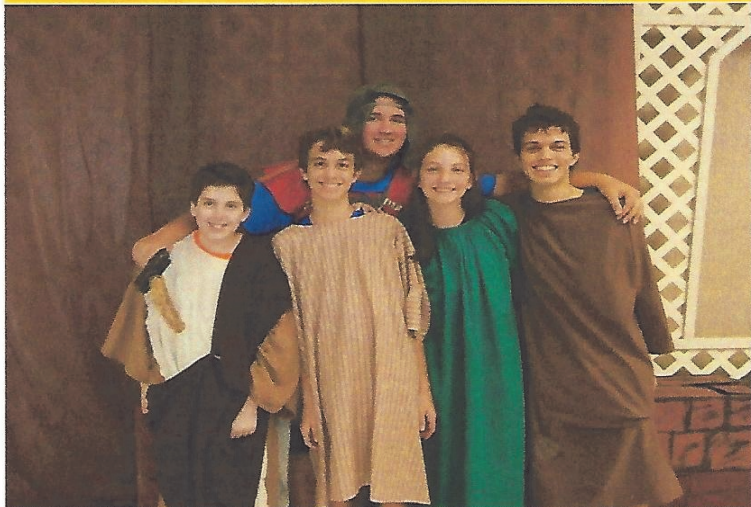
If you are currently a catechist and **HAVE NOT CONTACTED June or Donna ABOUT RETURNING FOR THE 2019-2020 YEAR PLEASE DO SO SOON SO WE CAN SEE HOW MANY CATECHISTS WE WILL NEED.** If you think God may be calling you to be a catechist please contact us as well. There will be a Catechist Meeting on Thursday, Aug. 15th at 7:00 P.M. in the Activity Center. 749—3387



**A VOCATION VIEW**

“Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and it will be opened to you.” Try it! Then listen, look, and enter. Perhaps priesthood or consecrated life awaits you. If God is calling you, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, [framerick@gmail.com](mailto:framerick@gmail.com), or visit [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).

THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE  
THIS ANOTHER AWESOME VBS  
ROAR- LIFE IS WILD - GOD IS GOOD



**R.C.I.A. OPEN HOUSE  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2019  
6:30 PM IN THE RECTORY**

**WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CHURCH??**

In response to those who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith and receiving the sacraments, we are having an Open House on Wednesday, August 21st at 6:30 pm in the Rectory.

- This meeting is especially for:*
- ⇒ *Someone who wants to become Catholic and has never been baptized.*
  - ⇒ *Someone baptized into another faith and now wants to become Catholic.*
  - ⇒ *Someone baptized Catholic wishing to receive Eucharist and Confirmation.*

This meeting is a great time to come, listen, and ask questions. If you feel better bringing someone with you, please do so. We are happy to welcome them, too. There are no obligations for attending. If you come and then decide this is not right for you, that's fine. We welcome you anyway!

Please call the parish office at 749-2189 for more info.

**Readings for the week of July 28, 2019**

- Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- 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]/Mt 13:47-53
- 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: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12:13-21

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES**

**July 21, 2019**

**Regular:**

178 Identified- - - - - \$7,092.00  
Loose Collection- - - - - 866.00  
TOTAL- - - - - \$7,958.00

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2017-2018**

John Begue  
Bob Bewick  
Jamie Bourg  
Chris Buckle  
Christie Chapman  
Jules Lefeaux, Vice-Chairman  
Mark Loreno, Chairman  
Fr. Matt Lorrain  
Mary Claire Meyer, Secretary  
Jason Murphey  
Joey Normand  
Derek Scott  
Andrea Smicker



## *Organizations*

### **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Thanks to Ruth Landry and her committee for chairing the committee during the month of July. Chaircouple for the month of August will be Bill & Geri Schneider (749-3508). Please give them a call with any concerns.

### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

*Thanks to Patricia Lefeaux and her group for cleaning the church during the month of July. Lucille Bouquet (687-6927) and her group will be cleaning during the month of August. Please give her a call if you can lend a hand.*

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Sunday, August 3, 2019

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

## *Congratulations*

*CONGRATULATIONS to Grace Marie Cosse and her family upon her recent baptism! She is the daughter of Andrew and Victoria Cosse.*

*WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY!*

Evan Richard & Lauren Beary

Were married here last week.

BEST WISHES IN YOUR FUTURE LIFE TOGETHER