

Fourth Sunday of Lent St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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# **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	
	00 a.m., with Adoration until 11:30 a.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday	
Tuesday thru Friday	

# 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. P. O. BOX 248, BRUSLY, LOUISIANA 70719

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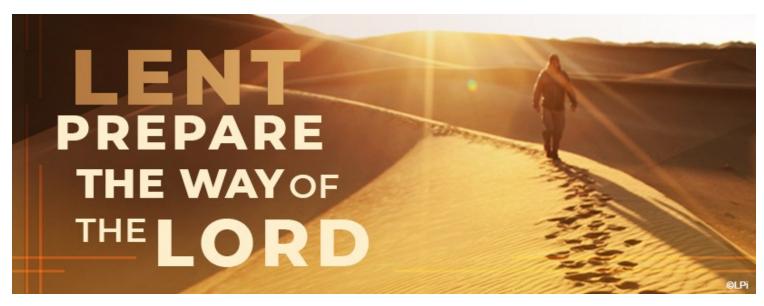
Emergency calls answered as soon as possible. Communion calls to homebound weekly by request. Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

### **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,

I will celebrate the Saturday Vigil Mass this weekend but will be absent on Sunday morning so I can drive with Father Paul Counce to Louisville, Kentucky for the installation of Bishop Shelton Fabre as the new Archbishop of Louisville. His installation is this Wednesday, March 30, and I return to Brusly on Friday evening.

Please welcome Father Jon Koehler who is celebrating the 7:30 Mass, and Father David Allen who is celebrating the 9:00 & 11:00 Masses, this Sunday, March 27, in my absence. We will have Communion Services in place of the weekday Masses this Tuesday – Friday, March 29 – April 1.

The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> weeks of Lent are an ideal time to go to confession, especially if it has been more than a year since your last confession. I realize that I will be out of town this week, but you can always visit a neighboring parish or make plans now to come next Saturday afternoon beginning at 3:30 p.m. During the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Lent, I will also be in the confessional on Wednesday evening before and after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

Jesus was always very compassionate and forgiving to sinners in the Gospels. He was less patient with people who didn't see themselves as sinners, and therefore didn't feel the need to apologize or make amends. Thankfully, most of us are very much aware of our failings even though we may put off seeking forgiveness in the sacrament of confession. Perhaps the prodigal son can be an encouragement to us to set aside our fears of embarrassment or rejection.

Our monthly 12-hour period of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8:00 p.m. this Friday, April 1, and ends with 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday, April 2. All are invited to sign-up for an hour of prayer and adoration during the night or early morning. You are free to sit or kneel in silent prayer, or pray the rosary, or engage in spiritual reading and meditation while in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Holy Family Parish and School have their annual "Bear Fair" next weekend, Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, April 1, 2, & 3, 2022. The fair opens at 5:00 p.m. on Friday and will include food, rides, and musical entertainment beginning at 6:30 p.m. The hours on Saturday are from 10:00 am – 11:00 pm, with live music beginning at 1:00 and again at 6:30 pm. On Sunday, the final day, the fair will run from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please help support this important fundraiser and community builder for the school.

Our Catholic Daughters are holding their annual Jambalaya dinner fundraiser on Sunday, April 10, so please support them and their good work by purchasing a dinner or two. Jambalaya tickets are available from CDA members and will also be sold after all Masses this weekend and next.

In Christ, Father Matt



Please welcome these newly baptized children to our faith community:

Annie Lynn McCune daughter of Kurt & Jade McCune baptized on March 13th

Maverick Allen Richoux son of Ainsley & Kayla Richoux baptized on March 19th

Prayers and Sympathy are extended to the family of Paul Hubert Sarradet upon his death.



We are so excited to announce the new Director of Youth Ministry, Candice Breaux! Candice is one of our 7th grade Catechists. We will have a kick-off gathering for all the 9th-12th graders to meet her on Sunday, March 27th from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the Activity Center. Come join us for dinner and an evening of faith, fellowship and fun. Please RSVP to June Hebert, 749-3387.

#### Stewardship of Finances March 13, 2022

143 Identified:	\$7,356.00
Loose Collection:	<u>+814.00</u>
Total Collection:	\$8,170.00
Building Fund- February:	\$9,196.00
Black & Indian Mission:	\$726.00
<b>March 20, 202</b>	2
182 Identified:	\$9,934.33
Loose Collection:	+695.00
Total Collection:	\$10,629.33
Please give generously to the Services Collection this	
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## CHRISTIAN FOMATION

5th & 6th Grade: These students MUST attend the Stations of the Cross and Reconciliation from 6:30-7:00pm on Wednesday, April 6th. Please meet in the Activity Center at 6:15pm and proceed to Church. These students DO NOT have class on March 30th.

First Eucharist Sacramental Prep: All 2nd Grade Students from Religion Classes & Catholic Schools MUST attend Sacramental Prep Classes on April 11th or 12th from 5:30-6:30pm in the Activity Center.

<u>First Eucharist Retreat:</u> All 2nd Grade Students from Religion Classes & Catholic Schools and ONE Parent MUST attend the Retreat on April 30th from 9:00am-12:00pm in the Activity Center.

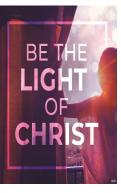
<u>First Eucharist</u> Sunday, May 1st at 2:00pm in Church

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Thomas "Tommy" Hebert.

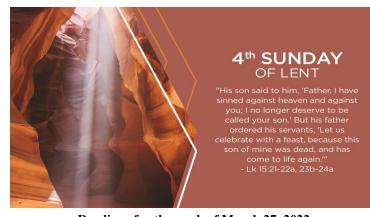




Marriage Blessings are extended to: Michaela Lee Lindsly & Brady Michael Bergeron upon their wedding of March 11th.



Will you be the light of Christ? Are you being called as a priest, brother, sister or deacon? If you are seeking a religious vocation, please contact Father Josh Johnson, 225-336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations St John the Baptist Parish Council Members <u>2021-2022</u> 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 March 27, 2022 Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/ 2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/ Jn 4:43-54 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/ Jn 5:17-30 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/ Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53 Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/ Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

#### **Catholic Daughters:**

<u>All night Eucharistic Adoration:</u> Friday, April 1st @ 8:00pm thru Saturday, April 2nd at 8:00am

Meeting: April 7th @ 7:00pm in the Activity Center

Jambalaya Dinner: April 10th in the Activity Center

**Knights of Columbus:** 

<u>Coffee & Donuts:</u> after 7:30am Mass, April 3rd in the Activity Center

<u>Meeting:</u> April 7th in the Activity Center 6:00pm Officers' Meeting 7:15pm Membership Meeting

Pro-Life Rosary: April 16th @ 4:00pm