



# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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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  
Candice Breaux ..... Youth Group Minister  
Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
June Hebert ..... Director of Religious Education  
Pedro Hernandez ..... Custodian  
Layne Mire ..... Parish Secretary  
Lil Stutes ..... Mothers' Day Out  
Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director

### 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.  
For Cemetery information, please call Jerry Deshotel 281-0333.

### PRAYER LINE

Please call the Church Parish Office.

Dear Parishioners,

Blessed Charles de Foucauld and Blessed Titus Brandsma are among the holy men and women scheduled to be canonized saints by Pope Francis this Sunday, May 15, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. I wrote about Blessed Charles de Foucauld last week and this week I offer a few words on Blessed Titus Brandsma.

Titus Brandsma (1881-1942) was raised on a small dairy farm in the Netherlands, the country of Vincent Van Gogh, Rembrandt, and Anne Frank, bordering Belgium and Germany. He joined the Carmelites and was ordained a priest in 1905. He had a strong interest in both Carmelite spirituality and journalism, and traveled to the U.S. in 1935 to give a series of lectures at Carmelite foundations.

Blessed Titus was serving as spiritual advisor to the Catholic journalists of the Netherlands when the Nazis invaded in May 1940. He encouraged opposition to the publication of Nazi propaganda in Catholic newspapers, and was arrested by the Gestapo while personally delivering letters from the bishops to the editors of the Catholic newspapers. He was 60 years old at the time of his arrest.

Titus was held at a couple of labor camps in Holland before being transferred to the Dachau concentration camp in southern Germany. Although he suffered from malnutrition, forced labor, and cruel beatings, he remained a source of support and hope for the other prisoners. The nurse who administered the lethal injection which killed him, later testified that she always remembered the face of the priest who had compassion on her.

This Thursday is the last day of school in West Baton Rouge Parish so I congratulate all of our students and teachers on the completion of another successful year. I pray that everyone will have a restful and enjoyable summer vacation.

Father Babu Nalkara, IMS is scheduled to visit our parish next weekend, May 21-22, to make an appeal on behalf of the *Delhi Province of the Indian Missionary Society*. Father Babu is one of several priests from the Indian Missionary Society currently serving in our Diocese, and is stationed at St. Ann Parish in Morganza. The Indian Missionary Society, founded in 1903, is the first indigenous missionary organization in India. Our support is critical to their ongoing ministry and service to the Catholic minority in India.

Father Babu's visit is coordinated by our Diocesan Propagation of the Faith Office and provides an opportunity for us to support the pastoral ministry and missionary activity of the Church. We will have a second collection at each of our Masses next weekend to benefit the *Indian Missionary Society* and all of their priests and parishioners. As always, please make your checks out to St. John the Baptist Church so we can count and deposit the collection, and then forward the proceeds to our Propagation of the Faith Office, who will then forward the money to the *Indian Missionary Society*.

In Christ,  
Father Matt





Are you willing to serve your Church as a Lector, Usher, Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister or Catechist at Children's Church?

**WE NEED YOU!**

Please call the Church Office to make a difference today!

*The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of Michael Willis.*



**If Jesus is calling you as a disciple of faith, please pray for an answer to accept this call to religious life.**

**For more information to become a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact**  
**Father Josh Johnson,**  
**225-336-8778,**  
**[jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org)**  
**or visit: [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations)**

**Announcements**

**Children's Church: May 22nd, 9:00am Mass**  
**Please call June 749-3387 to become a Catechist for this Ministry.**

**Rosary at the Grotto: Tuesday at 3:00pm**  
**Please join the group to pray the Rosary every Tuesday at the Grotto in front of Church at 3:00pm.**

**Stewardship of Finances**  
**May 8, 2022**

182 Identified:	\$9,661.00
Loose Collection:	+ 830.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$10,491.00</b>

Thank you for your generosity!

**Confirmation Retreat**  
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Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for May 25, 26 & 27 in the Activity Center. Please report at these times on the following days:

- May 25th 5:00pm-9:00pm
- May 26th 1:00pm-9:00pm
- May 27th 1:00pm-9:00pm



*Get Ready...  
 For a Howlin' Good Time!*

*Join us at VBS*

*July 11-15*

*9-11:30 am*

*Adult & Youth Volunteer forms and Registration forms for Children are in the back of Church and also in the Church Office.*



**Prayers and Sympathy are extended to the family of Eric Parsons upon his death.**



**The Zippers have 2 beautiful Wedding dresses for sale. The dress sizes are: Size 6 & Size 10. Please call Andrea Normand 328-4843.**

**The Zippers sale is every Thursday during May from 7:00am-10:30am. Dates and times will change for the summer.**

## St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

**2021-2022**

**Bob Bewick**

**Audy Bourgeois**

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**Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman**

**Jewel Woods**



### 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." - Jn 13:34

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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### Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

- Sundays: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/  
Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
- Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/  
Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
- Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
- Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/  
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

**PRAYERS FOR THE MEN  
AND WOMEN WHO SERVE  
IN OUR ARMED FORCES.**



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