



# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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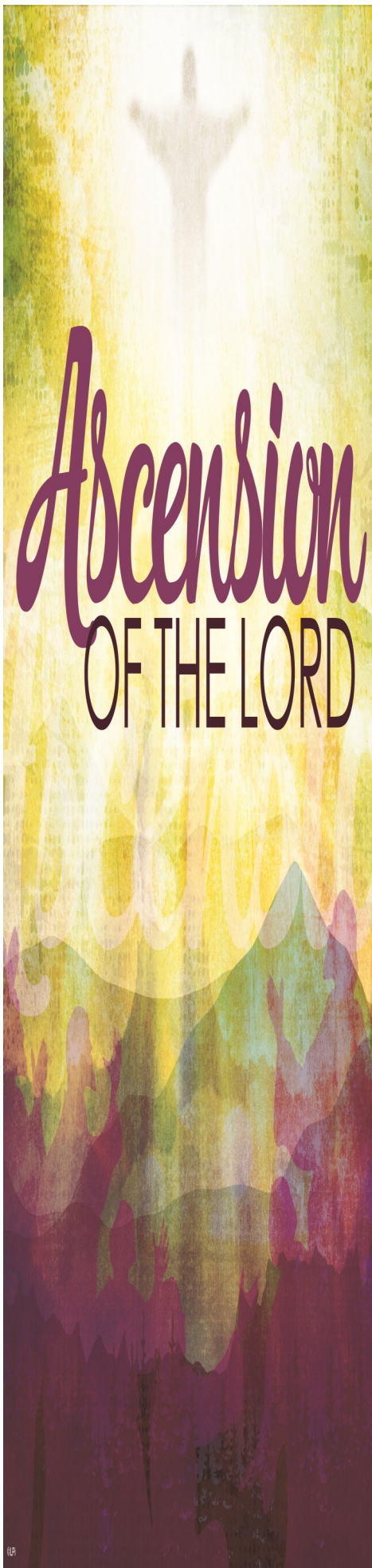
Emergency calls answered as soon as possible. Communion calls to homebound weekly by request. Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

### CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Family should contact the Pastor to begin funeral arrangements.

### PRAYER LINE

Please call the Parish Office.



Dear Parishioners,

We are nearing the end of the Easter season and so we pause this weekend to reflect on the mystery of our Lord's Ascension to heaven. Jesus, in his glorified body, now sits enthroned at the right hand of God the Father. He watches over his Church in fulfillment of his promise to remain with us until the end of time.

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. This past year was very challenging for everyone, but both students and teachers managed to persevere through it all with the assistance of humor and grace from on high. I pray that everyone will have a restful and enjoyable summer vacation.

As Catholics, we rejoice at the upcoming ordination of three new priests for our Diocese on Saturday, May 22, at 10:00 a.m. at St. George Church. The three being ordained are David Dawson, a parishioner of Sacred Heart Parish who also served as a deacon at Holy Family Parish; Danny Roussel, a parishioner of Our Lady of Peace Parish in Vacherie who spent a summer with us; and Taylor Sanford, a parishioner of St. George Parish.

The soon to be Father Danny Roussel will celebrate his First Mass at 4:00 p.m. that same day, May 22, at Our Lady of Peace Church; Father David Dawson will celebrate his First Mass at 11:00 a.m. on May 23 at Sacred Heart Church; and Father Taylor Sanford will celebrate his first Mass at 6:00 p.m. on May 23 at St. George Church. Please continue your good prayers for more vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious life.

Father Raju Macherla is scheduled to visit our parish next weekend, May 22-23, to make an appeal on behalf of the *Diocese of Warangal* located in the south Indian state of Telangana. The Diocese is led by Bishop Bala Udumala and has a Catholic population of about 75,000, which represents about 1% of the majority Hindu population. Our support is critical to their ongoing evangelization of the rural and poor areas of the Diocese.

Father Raju'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 *Diocese of Warangal* 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 *Diocese of Warangal*.

Bishop Duca will lift the dispensation from the obligation for Catholics to attend Sunday Mass effective June 6, 2021, the Feast of Corpus Christi. At that time we will resume passing the collection baskets and processing forward in two lines to receive communion.

In Christ,  
Father Matt

*Congratulations to Dawn Elizabeth Jason and Gary Jennings Walker who were married here on May 8th!*



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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



St. John the Baptist VBS

**PLEASE CHOOSE ONE SESSION ONLY**

SESSION 1—July 12—19, 2021 9am—11:30am

SESSION 2—July 19—23, 2021 9am—11:30am

“JESUS’ POWER PULLS US THROUGH”

Registration and Volunteer Forms available at the Back of Church, in the Church Office, the Christian Formation Office and on-line at <http://www.sjb-brusly.com/> on the home page.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

**JUNE 29, 2021**

**REGISTRATION FEE \$20 (FAMILY MAX \$60) GRADES K-5**

**LATE REGISTRATION WILL INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL**

**\$5 FEE PER FAMILY**

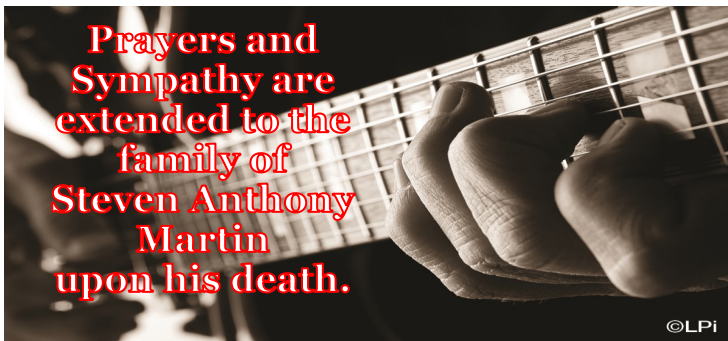
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**The Sanctuary Candle is burning in Memory of Richard Rabalais.**



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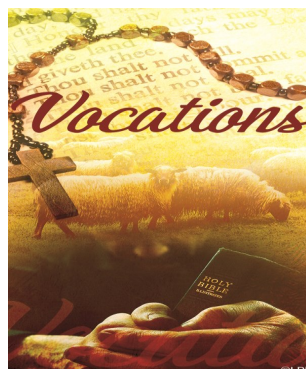
*Please give generously during the weekend masses of May 22-23 to the second collection in support of tribal Evangelization in the Catholic Diocese of Warangal-India. Your donation will help with water, housing, education and healthcare for the tribal people of that area. THANK YOU for your generosity!*



**COME SHOP WITH US!**  
The Zippers of Rita's Closet holds a sale every Thursday from 8:00-10:30am.

Please drop your donations off by their door. NO furniture can be accepted.  
Thank You!

**After the Lord ascended into heaven, his disciples continued his work on earth. Have you been called to continue this work? If this is your vocation, please contact Father Josh Johnson 225-336-8778 or visit: [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations)**



**Stewardship of Finances**

**May 9, 2021**

<b>114 Identified:</b>	<b>\$7,564.00</b>
<b>Loose Collection:</b>	<b>359.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7,923.00</b>

**Catholic Commentator \$878.00**

**Building Fund— April: \$8,427.00**

## St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

John Begue

Bob Bewick

Audy Bourgeois

Christie Chapman, Secretary

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 May 16, 2021

- Sunday: *Ascension*: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 *Seventh Sunday of Easter*: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19
- Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: *Morning*: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25
- Next Sunday: *Vigil*: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/  
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
*Extended Vigil*: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/  
Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
*Day*: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15