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The Most Holy Trinity
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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

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain Pastor
Carolyn Dupuy Bookkeeper
Pat Durbin..... Parish Secretary
June Hebert Director of Religious Education
Karen Lemoine Christian Formation
Celeste Veillon Music Director
Wayne Delapasse..... Maintenance
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 Judy Thousand, 749-9257 or the Parish office

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

Dear Parishioners,

Our parish office will be closed on Monday in honor of Memorial Day, a day to remember all of the men and women who died while serving in our country's armed forces. We offer special prayers for all of our parishioners and family members who died in service to our country.

As Catholics, we also note the many Catholic priests who were killed while serving as chaplains, including several Medal of Honor recipients and two who are being considered for sainthood.

Father Emil Kapaun was born in 1916 in the small Czech farming community of Pilsen, Kansas. Ordained in 1940, he volunteered for the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps in 1944 and served until 1946. He then reenlisted in 1948 and was among the first troops sent to Korea in 1950. He was with the 8th Calvary Regiment of the 1st Calvary Division during the Battle of Unsan, and chose to remain with the wounded rather than escape when they were overrun. He died on May 23, 1951 as a prisoner of war in North Korea. His heroism wasn't fully known until the release and testimony of his fellow POW's two years later in 1953.

Father Vincent Capodanno, MM, was born in 1929 in Staten Island, New York. He was ordained a priest as a member of the Maryknolls in 1958. He then joined the U.S. Navy as a chaplain in 1965 and volunteered for duty in Vietnam where he was assigned to the Marine Corps, 3d Battalion. Though wounded several times himself, he continued to drag others to safety and minister to the wounded until he was killed in action on September 4, 1967.

This Thursday, May 31, is the 32nd Anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. I give thanks to God for my vocation and for the privilege of serving Him as a Catholic priest. I think I still have a few good years left in me, but I continue to pray that one or two young men from our parish will hear God's call to serve the Church as priests.

Vacation Bible School is July 9-13 this year so be sure to mark your calendars and come enjoy a week's

activities with classmates and friends. We need teachers and aides as well as participants so all are invited to join us. As you know, VBS is a joint effort of Holy Family and St. John the Baptist Parishes and that always adds to the fun. Registration forms are available in the back of church or you may call the Christian Formation Office at 749-3387 for more information.

Today is the last day to nominate one or more of your fellow parishioners to serve on our Parish Pastoral Council. The forms may either be mailed to the church office or placed in the collection basket. The three new members will then be chosen at the June 13 meeting of the Council. They will serve three year terms beginning with the September 2018 meeting.

Lastly, our Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus invite everyone to spend an hour in prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament this First Friday, June 1, starting at 8:00 p.m. and ending just prior to our 8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass.

In Christ,
Father Matt



Registration and Volunteer forms are in the back of Church or online at www.sjb-brusly.com

Join us for VBS 2018 July 9th - 13th

SHIPWRECKED
RESCUED BY JESUS



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Any boy or girl who has completed the 4th grade and/or adults are eligible to serve! We will be scheduling a training session soon. Please call the parish office (749-2189) if you are willing to serve.

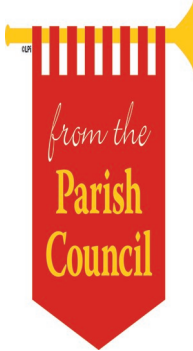


Several people from our parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation last week at St. Joseph's Cathedral: Angelle Dugas, Katelyn Anderson, Maegan Gaudet Elkins, Christen Gaudet, Hannah Gaudet, Preston Gaudet and Mario Rubio. Congratulations on your faith journey!



A VOCATION VIEW

God the Father, Creator. God the Son, Redeemer. God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we "go out to make disciples of nations" we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest or religious? If so, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, framerrick@gmail.com.



PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION
Nomination forms are in the back of church and you may nominate yourself or any other registered parishioner to fill the three vacancies. Deadline for nominations is TODAY! Please either send your form to the parish office or drop them in the collection basket.



Monday
May 28th
We Honor our
Fallen Veterans

Organizations

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sunday, June 3, 2018

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

ALTAR SOCIETY

Thanks to Wendy Daniel and her helpers for cleaning the church during the month of May. Cleaning will be done by Opie Vidrine (749-4403) during the month of June. Please give her a call if you want to lend a hand.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Thanks to Harold & Beverly Babin for chairing the committee during the month of May. Chairing for June will be Janice & Joel Hebert (749-3863). Please give them a call with any concerns.



*THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
IS NOW BURNING
IN MEMORY OF CARL DUCOTE*

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

May 20, 2018

REGULAR:

203 Identified- - - - - \$ 9,826.83
Loose Collection- - - - - 674.00
TOTAL- - - - - \$10,500.83

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Christians are no strangers to sacrifice. Jesus lays down his life for our redemption, martyrs remain faithful to the end, and every believer faces "deaths" in the spiritual life when love requires a re-ordering of preference and priority.

On Memorial Day, we honor those who laid down their lives for their nation and for the values we espouse - freedom, justice, and a better world for our children. In a day that often fills with barbeques and boat launches, remember to take some time in prayer! Intercede for those who have died and for the loved ones they left behind, and pray for peace on earth.

Thanks to our local veterans for the flag flying over our plaza!



Readings for the Week of May 27, 2018

- Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
- Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 10:17-27
- Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
- Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mk 11:11-26
- Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6 [2b]/Mk 11:27-33
- Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2017-2018

Donna Badon
John Begue
Bob Bewick
Maria Bertrand
Jamie Bourg
Chris Buckle
Jules Lefeaux
Mark Loreno, Vice-Chairman
Fr. Matt Lorrain
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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Happy Trinity Sunday! In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus declare together all three Persons of the Trinity. "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

When we speak of the Trinity, two different theological words are sometimes used: immanent and economic. The immanent Trinity is the life of the three Persons within themselves, the inner harmonious relationship between Father, Son, and Spirit. We see this in the Gospels when Jesus speaks of his Father and promises to send the Holy Spirit. The term "economic" has its roots in the Greek word *oikonomia*, roughly meaning "household management." The economic Trinity is our three-Personed God's relationship with creation; it is creation and redemption and ongoing relationship with us.

Made in the image and likeness of God, we are called to imitate God's immanence by giving and receiving love with one another in community. However, this is not limited only to those close to us, though that's where love often starts. We also imitate the economy of God when we go out, when we extend our love and care in a life-giving way. "Go therefore?" Every believer is sent on mission. Every believer is invited to follow Jesus and the Apostles "to the nations," to the margins, to the people who require a little extra reach. This could be a distant relative, the residents of your local homeless shelter or even the forgotten neighbor next door! When we love well, we create something beautiful—a relationship, a holy moment, a foretaste of heaven. This Trinity Sunday, take some time to examine the relationships in your life. How well do you love those nearest to you? How well do you reach out to those farther away? How are you creating something beautiful?