First Sunday of Advent St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	
Friday	
First Saturday of the month only	

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	
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.

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.

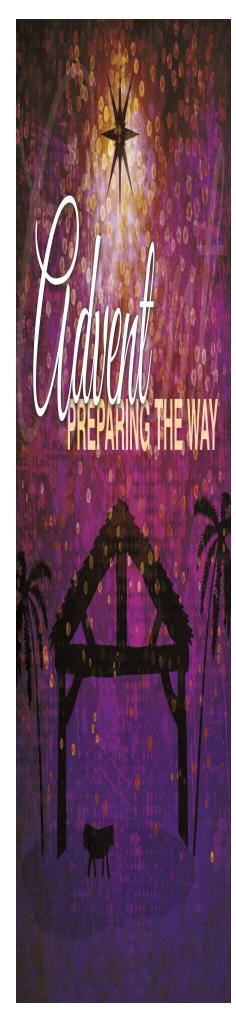
CHRISTIAN BURIAL

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,

At their meeting in Baltimore earlier this month, the U.S. bishops granted approval for the advancement of sainthood causes for three laypeople, including two from the Diocese of Lafayette. All three have the title "Servant of God," given to candidates once their causes are officially opened.

Auguste Robert Pelafigue lived in Arnaudville and had a lifelong devotion to the Sacred Heart and to the Blessed Mother. He was given the nickname "Nonco," a derivative of the French "oncle," and by his selfless ministry was an uncle to everyone. He died on June 6, 1977.

Charlene Richard, a native of Richard, died in 1959 of acute lymphatic leukemia at the young age of 12. The last two weeks of her life were spent at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital where her faith left a lasting impression on Father Joseph Brennan, Sister Theresita Crowley, and many others. She expressed her desire to offer her suffering for a particular person each day.

The third person whose cause was advanced was Joseph Dutton, a Civil War veteran who converted to the Catholic faith in 1883 at the age of 40, and then traveled to Molokai to help Father Damien serve the Hansen's disease patients. He spent 44 years there and died in 1931.

We will celebrate Mass for our Christian Formation students in grades K-8 this Tuesday, November 30, at 5:30 p.m. Our sacred mission is to form the whole child so we purposely expose them to prayer, adoration, and the sacraments in addition to their study of the Catholic faith. Please bring your children to church at 5:15, and then pick them up from church at about 6:20 p.m. or so.

This Friday evening and Saturday morning, December 3 & 4, is the monthly all-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament led by our Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus. 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 have a Parish Blood Drive taking place next Sunday, December 5. The Advent season is a nice time to give of ourselves in preparation for receiving God's gifts at Christmas, so please donate if you are able.

Wednesday, December 8, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and a holy day of obligation. Our Masses on the feast day will be at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. We honor the Blessed Virgin Mary as patroness of the United States of America under the title of the Immaculate Conception.

The 7th Annual Nativity Carol, an evening of Advent and Christmas song, will be held on Sunday, December 12, at 5:00 p.m. in the church. We receive many complements on the singing of our choir and this concert gives us a chance to enjoy their beautiful singing outside of Mass. Admission is free but you are invited to bring a canned good for our food bank. A Christmas Cookie reception will follow in the Parish Activity Center.

In Christ, Father Matt

CHRISTIAN FORMATION



Mass for K-8 Grades

@5:30pm on November 30th. Please drop off your child at 5:15pm in Church and pick up your child from Church. (There will be no classes on November 29th or December 1st for K-8 grades.)

Sacramental Prep Classes for 1st Reconciliation

December 6 & 7
All 2nd grade students in
Catholic and public schools must
attend from 5:30-6:30 pm on
their assigned day. Please drop
off your child at 5:15pm @ the
Activity Center and pick up your
child at 6:30pm.

1st Reconciliation Retreat

December 11th, 9:00am-10:45am Activity Center One Parent must attend with their child.

1st Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, December 14th 6:00pm in Church

Prayers and Sympathy are extended to these families upon the deaths of their loved ones:

Sara Ann Griffon Sarradet
Ruth Cook Pitre
Wade Gill



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Sunday, December 5th
7:00am-1:00pm
Blood Bus will be parked near
the Church Office.
Please donate and help
save lives!



Will you seek a Vocation as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If you can share the Gospel with others, please contact Father Josh Johnson 225-336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations



The Sanctuary
Candle burns in
memory of
Nancy
Richards

Our Nativity Carol Christmas Concert is scheduled for 5:00pm on December 12th. Please plan to attend!





The Food Pantry needs your help!

Please drop off the following food donations to the Church Office:
Hot Chocolate Mix, Pudding Mix, Cake Mix, Frosting Mix, Marshmallows, Jellied Cranberry Sauce, small bags of Flour or Sugar, Rice (1lb, 2lb or 5lb bags), Gravy Mix (turkey or brown), Canned potatoes, carrots or beets, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Chicken Noodle Soup, Grits, Oatmeal, Chocolate Bars, Pancake Mix & Syrup

Thanks for your generosity!

Many Thanks to Terry & Steve Guidry and their Bereavement Group for the meals provided during November. Please contact Janice & Joel Hebert 749-3863 in December if you can assist them.

Thank You to Jackie Morain of the Altar Society and her team for cleaning our Church in November. Please call Carolyn Bourgeois 776-3325, if you can help in December.



Stewardship of Finances November 14, 2021

126 Identified: \$10,562.00
Loose Collection: + 627.0
Total: \$11,189.0

Thank you for your generosity!

St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

Bob Bewick

Audy Bourgeois

Christie Chapman, Secretary

Justin Clouatre

Wayne Delapasse

Paige Fitzgerald

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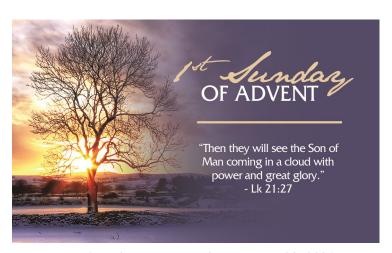
Mary Claire Meyer, Chairman

Joey Normand

Edana Robnett

Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman

Jewel Woods



Readings for the week of November 28, 2021

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9,

10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/

Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/

Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

[cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6,

8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Organizations Catholic Daughters

Meeting & Social on December 2nd in the Activity Center at 7:00pm

Knights of Columbus

Meeting & Social on December 2nd in the Activity Center at 6:00pm

Coffee & Donuts after 7:30am Mass on December 5th in the Activity Center

Pro-Life Rosary at 4:00pm on December 18th