



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
Donna Badon..... Christian Formation
Carolyn Dupuy Bookkeeper
June Hebert Director of Religious Education
Pedro Hernandez..... Custodian
Layne Mire Parish Secretary
Celeste Veillon Music Director
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 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 the Parish Office

Dear Parishioners,

The parishioners of St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland Parish in Albany have just completed a major renovation of their parish church, similar to the restoration that was completed here in Brusly just over eight years ago. I plan to attend their Mass of rededication which is set for 2:00 p.m. this Sunday, November 17, 2019.

St. Margaret Parish was founded in 1910 by Hungarian immigrants who came to work in the local timber industry and take advantage of the opportunity to purchase inexpensive cut-over timberland. They would have preferred to name their parish after St. Margaret of Hungary, but she was not yet a saint in 1910, so they settled for St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, who was Hungarian by birth.

Their parish church is constructed of wood, in a style similar to our own, and was completed in 1912. One hundred years later, the sanctuary and seating capacity were no longer adequate for their growing congregation, and the bell tower was in danger of collapsing. So, they decided the time had finally arrived to restore and expand the church, and to add modern amenities such as a restroom and a covered drop-off. They also commissioned original artwork for their church, and paved their parking lot and driveways. Congratulations to St. Margaret Parish community.


We are down to the final two weeks of ordinary time before we begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. We would normally celebrate the Rite of Acceptance next Sunday, the Solemnity of Christ the King, but we unfortunately don't have any R.C.I.A. candidates inquiring into the Catholic faith this year. However, we continue to welcome those of other faiths who worship with us.

As I mentioned, the new liturgical year begins two weeks from now on December 1, the first Sunday of Advent. The lectionary readings switch to cycle "A" which means we will be following the Gospel of Matthew for the next 12 months. St. Matthew's Gospel is the most Jewish and the most Palestinian of all the Gospels. It was written for a Jewish Christian audience and cites the Old Testament more frequently than the other Gospels.

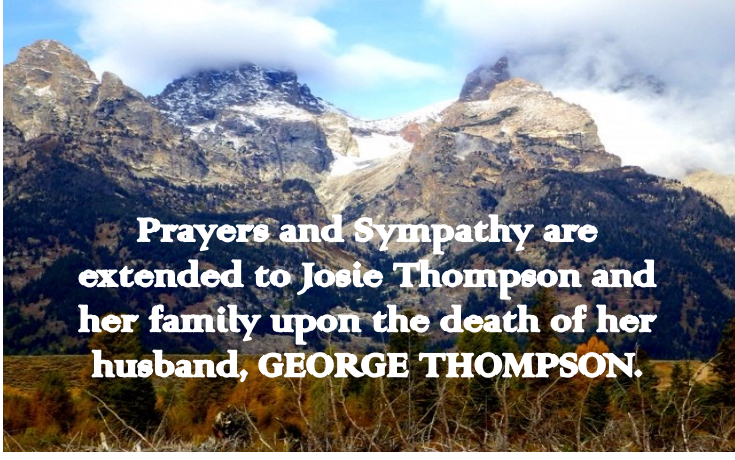
A central theme of the Gospel of Matthew is "the Kingdom of Heaven." The *Sermon on the Mount* (Matt 5-7) might be described as a manifesto for the kingdom in that it outlines the moral code for all of the kingdom's subjects. The *Sermon* is read from the Fourth to the Ninth Sundays in Ordinary Time during Cycle A. St. Matthew is also the only one of the four Gospels to use the word "church."

Everyone is invited to attend Mass with us at 8:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning. As in the past, you are also invited to bring a canned good with you to our Thanksgiving Day Mass to benefit our food pantry. Christian Formation Classes are canceled on November 25, 26, and 27 due to the Thanksgiving holidays.

In Christ,
Father Matt



*Welcome LUCAS JAY ROCK
to our faith community!
Lucas is the son of
Brennan and Kacie Rock
and was baptized on November 10th.
Congratulations to the Rock family!*



**Prayers and Sympathy are
extended to Josie Thompson and
her family upon the death of her
husband, GEORGE THOMPSON.**

CHRISTIAN FORMATION



MASS FOR CHRISTIAN FORMATION STUDENTS K-8
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
 Drop Off 5:15 in Activity Center
 Pick Up in Church at 6:30pm
NO CLASS December 2nd or December 4th due to MASS



ZIPPERS NEED YOUR HELP! PLEASE DONATE!



Need: BOYS (size 6-14)
 Shirts, Pants & Jackets

Need: GIRLS (size 5-6)
 Jackets & Long Sleeved
 Tops
GIRLS (size 8-14)
 Long Sleeved Tops
 & Jackets

KC CALENDAR FUNDRAISER
Get Your Calendar Today!
Call Gene Betrand 687-6743
Call Bob Bewick 603-2528

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES:

November 10, 2019

161 Identified- - - - -	\$ 7,067.00
Loose Collection- - - - -	811.00
TOTAL- - - - -	\$ 7,878.00



ADVENT BIBLE STUDY
 is scheduled at 8:30am -9:15am in the
Annex Room of the Church for:
November 26
December 3
December 10
December 17
 Please call Paige Fitzgerald
687-9513



A VOCATION FOR YOU?

HAVE PATIENCE AND LISTEN FOR THE CALL OF GOD... With endurance you will win your life. If GOD has given you a sign, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8778, or framerrick@gmail.com



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PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2019-2020

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"You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."
Lk 21:16-19

Readings for the week of November 17, 2019

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 [cf. 9]/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chrn 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43



SIGN UP YOUR GROUP! April 1-30, 2020
View replicas of the Sistine Chapel ceiling frescoes of MICHELANGELO at the Raising Cane's River Center, Baton Rouge. Call 389-7025.