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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
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' 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,

God blessed us with beautiful weather in which to celebrate the *Blessing of the Graves* on All Souls Day in our parish cemetery. Thank you to everyone who came out for the blessing and to everyone who worked to clean the graves or bring flowers for the Feast of All Saints.

The month of November is an especially appropriate time for visiting the graves of loved ones and offering prayers for all of the faithful departed. It can also be a time for contemplating one's own mortality and preparing for the day when God will call me home.

The Catholic priest and spiritual writer Henri Nouwen (1932-1996) wrote the following reflection during a sojourn to Latin America in the 1980s:

“Within a few years (five, ten, twenty, or thirty) I will no longer be on this earth. The thought of this does not frighten me but fills me with a quiet peace. I am a small part of life, a human being in the midst of thousands of other human beings.

It is good to be young, to grow old, and to die. It is good to live with others, and to die with others. God became flesh to share with us in this simple living and dying and thus made it good. I can feel today that it is good to be and especially to be one of many.

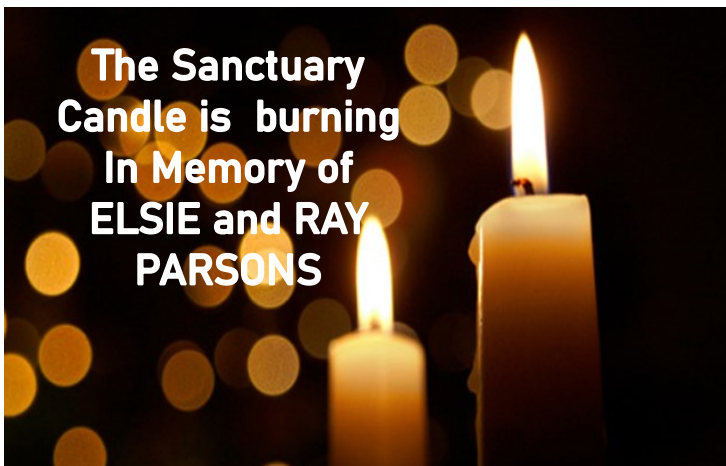
What counts are not the special and unique accomplishments in life that make me different from others, but the basic experiences of sadness and joy, pain and healing, which make me part of humanity.

The time is indeed growing short for me, but that knowledge sets me free to prevent mourning from depressing me and joy from exciting me. Mourning and joy can now both deepen my quiet desire for the day when I realize that the many kisses and embraces I received today were simple incarnations of the eternal embrace of the Lord himself.” (*Gracias!*, 1983, 120)

We offer special prayers for all of our veterans at our Masses this weekend, including a musical tribute at our 11:00 a.m. Mass. Veterans Day began as Armistice Day which commemorated the end of World War I on November 11, 1918, and honors all American veterans, living and dead, but especially living veterans who served their country honorably.

Bishop Duca recently wrote to all registered Catholics regarding this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. The BAA provides the means for Bishop Duca and our Diocese to fund essential ministries such as seminary formation for our future priests and campus ministry for our college students. Last year, 72 individuals or families from our parish contributed a total of \$11,660 to the BAA. Please give your support to this year's BAA. Special envelopes are available in church for your convenience.

In Christ,
Father Matt



Join us for Advent Bible Study in the Annex Room of the Church beginning Tuesday, November 26 from 8:30am-9:15am. Materials will be provided. Please contact Paige Fitzgerald at 687-9513 to register.





PRAY FOR VOCATIONS... Let us pray that the Word of the Lord will make progress. Please pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Please call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8778 or framerrick@gmail.com



KC/CDA MEETING NOVEMBER 20TH in the Activity Center
 6:00pm KC's Officers' Meeting
 7:15pm KC's Members' Meeting

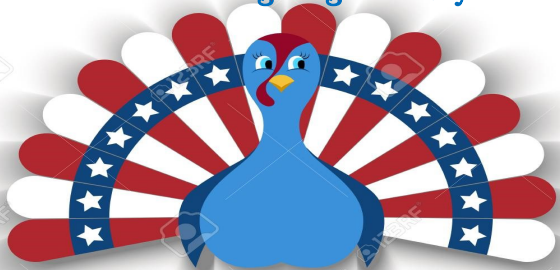
6:00pm CDA Rosary
 6:30pm CDA/KC Dinner
 7:00pm CDA Meeting

KC ROSARY 4:00pm NOVEMBER 16th

WELCOME
AUGUST HELLER HARSCH,
 son of Richard and Lindsey Harsch,
 who was baptized November 3rd
 Congratulations to his family!!

BAPTISMAL SEMINAR
NOVEMBER 13TH at 6:00pm
Classroom 5
 Please register at the Church Office

NO CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES: November 25, 26 or 27 due to Thanksgiving Holiday



The 2020 Books are now open for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candles

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 Contact Donna Kirkland @ 225-803-6013 or www.donnakirkland.com to embark on a fantastic journey!*



STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES:	
November 3, 2019	
275 Identified-	-----\$ 18,083.50
Loose Collection-	----- 839.00
TOTAL-	----- \$ 18,922.50
November 1, 2019 All Saints- - -\$1,829.00	

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL--
 HOPE IN THE LORD**
 Please consider a donation to this great work. Envelopes are available in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.

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**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL OF OUR
VETERANS IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Jesus said to them, "The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise." - Lk 20:34-36

Readings for the week of November 10, 2019

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2
Thes 2:16—3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27,
34-38
Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10
[24b]/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
[2a]/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130,
135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-
37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,
42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 [cf. 9]/2
Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19