



# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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Twenty-ninth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
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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  
Sammy Collura ..... Permanent Deacon  
Julie Ginther Cilano ..... Christian Formation  
Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
Pat Durbin ..... Parish Secretary  
Karen Lemoine ..... Christian Formation  
Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director  
Larry Durbin ..... Maintenance Supervisor  
Richard Rabalais ..... Maintenance

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.  
Office closed for lunch 12:30–1:30 p.m.

### BAPTISM

Celebrated at weekend Masses. Parents should call the office early to enroll in our baptismal preparation program. Parents should be registered and actively practicing the 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.

"A widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'" - Lk 18:3-4b, 5

Dear Parishioners,

The "Feast on the Levee" is now just one week away so please double up on your prayers for good weather next Sunday. Pray also that all of our fairgoers, both parishioners and guests, may spend an enjoyable day together and travel safely between home and church. Thank you in advance for all that you do for one another and for our beloved Church. I pray that our shared ministry may bear much fruit and be the source of many blessings.

Please note that we follow a special Mass schedule on the "Feast" weekend: the 4:30 Vigil Mass and 7:30 a.m. Mass are unchanged, but we substitute a **special 10:00 a.m. Mass** in place of the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. The food booths are scheduled to begin serving at 11:00 a.m. immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Do not forget that we have the Fun Run and 5 K Run beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday morning so be extra careful of runners and pedestrians when arriving and departing for Mass next Sunday.

The **Feast of All Saints** is a holyday of obligation and follows right on the heels of our "Feast on the Levee." This feast is especially popular in Louisiana and provides encouragement for us to grow in holiness in imitation of the saints. Our Masses on **Friday, November 1**, will be at **8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.** The **Blessing of the Cemetery** will take place the following morning on **Saturday, November 2, at 9:00 a.m.** You may even wish to come an hour early and join us for our 8:00 a.m. first Saturday Mass in celebration of All Souls Day.

We will once again place a "Book of Remembrance" in church beginning with the Feast of All Saints and remaining throughout the entire month of November. The book and accompanying candle serve as a visible reminder to offer prayers for our beloved dead and for all who have gone before us in faith. Feel free to once again write in the names of any of your deceased relatives and friends so that they may be included in our prayers.

Please watch your mailboxes for a letter from Bishop Muench on behalf of his Bishop's Annual Appeal. The BAA is similar to a parish fair in that it provides

the means for Bishop Muench and our Diocese to fund special projects or programs. It is especially important this year since the Diocese is undertaking a major renovation and expansion of the parish hall at St. Joseph Cathedral. The Cathedral is our mother church and hosts many important Masses throughout the year including ordinations, confirmations, weddings, the Rite of Election, and the Chrism Mass. Please give your support to this year's BAA for the Cathedral project and the other worthy projects including *CatholicLife TV* and *Sanctuary for Life*.

Lastly, please say a prayer for Father Louis Oubre who died suddenly and was buried this past week. He was a friend, seminary classmate, and member of my priests support group. He completed his parish internship here at St. John the Baptist under the supervision of Father Howard Hall just prior to our ordination. Father Oubre had retired from parish ministry for health reasons and was serving as chaplain of St. Clare Manor in Baton Rouge. *May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

In Christ,  
Father Matt

### RITE OF *CHRISTIAN INITIATION* FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)

The Christian Formation Office is looking for a Teacher for the RCIC Program. This program helps youth with no prior Christian Formation receive sacramental preparation. Ages vary from 3rd to 8th graders; class size is about six youth. Schedule is very flexible. Please let us know if you are interested! (225) 749-3387.



### MARCH FOR LIFE

High School Students—Join us for the Pro-Life Washington DC Pilgrimage

January 18—23, 2014

Cost—\$500

\$100 Deposit Due October 16, 2013

[www.youthmarchforlife.org](http://www.youthmarchforlife.org)



REMINDER—HAUNTED HOUSE CANCELLED!

Have A safe & Happy Halloween!



### **BOOK DRIVE**

The Youth will be selling books at  
Feast on the Levee (October 27)

Please feel free to donate books for the sale.

Bring books to the Christian Formation Office  
during business hours or to Mass and leave them in  
the Book Drive Bin in the back of Church

*\*High School Students—volunteering at the Feast on  
the Levee with your families counts as family  
enrichment hours and service hours.\**

### **DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY**

**Sunday, October 27, 2013 (1 pm—6 pm)**

**St. Joseph, French Settlement**

**Free Event—Open to All Ages**

**RSVP: 225-749-3387**

*\*High School youth—This counts as a Diocesan/  
National Event, and if your families come it also  
counts toward Family Enrichment Hours”.*



### **CARDS, ETC.**

**Monday, October 21, 2013  
(9 am—2 pm)**

Workers & volunteers please arrive for  
8 am to set-up work areas. If you are  
baking for us please bring your cake by 9 am. We will  
slice and plate desserts. We are looking forward to a  
great day of fun and fellowship!!!

## **Respect Life**



Abby Johnson, Former Planned Parenthood  
Director/Now Pro-Life Leader to speak!  
Wednesday, October 23, 2013 (6—8 pm)  
Our Lady of Mercy Church, Baton Rouge

Abby will share her journey from abortion industry leader  
to her conversion embracing the gift of life after viewing  
an abortion on ultrasound in 2009. A wonderful oppor-  
tunity to not only hear her testimony, but also hear about  
Planned Parenthood from someone who has seen the or-  
ganization from the inside. **FREE TO THE PUBLIC!**

**prayer**

KEEPS  
US CLOSE  
TO GOD



### **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

*Please place your special  
envelope in the Regular  
Collection this weekend.*

### **A VOCATION VIEW**

God will answer the prayers of those who cry out. Ask for  
men and women to respond to the call to service as priests  
and religious. If God is calling you, call or email Fr. Matt  
Dupre' at 225.336.8778 mdupre@diob.org, or visit,  
[www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS  
BURNING FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION  
BY GENEVIEVE LEVERT**

## *See You at the Fair!*

### **FEAST ON THE LEVEE**

**Sunday, October 27, 2013**

Be sure to call Pamela & Scot

at 749-1915 or email

[scotrhodes@cox.net](mailto:scotrhodes@cox.net) or [pamelabrhodes@cox.net](mailto:pamelabrhodes@cox.net)

to let them know what you want to do!

**WE NEED YOU!**

Cooks, Booth Workers, Children's Games

You are needed in any capacity you wish to serve.

Help us to make this the **BEST FEAST EVER**

You should have received your raffle tickets (Regular  
and Super) by now Please try to sell all of them as  
soon as possible!

**If anyone needs more tickets please call the  
Parish Office.**

### **CAKE BAKE-OFF**

**If you wish to enter a cake for the contest, please ar-  
rive at the Activity Center around 8:00 am with cake  
and recipe card. Judging will be held at 11:00 am.**

**Call Toni at 413-3990 with  
any questions.**

### **ATTENTION: STUDENTS**

**Need Service Hours? Call Lucille Bouquet at  
687-6927 to work in Hamburger Booth.**



### **FOOTBALL BOARDS**

Layne will have Football Boards  
available for Saints game.  
Get your squares from her!

### **Readings for the Week of October 20, 2013**

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14--4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/  
Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/  
Lk 18:9-14

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2012-2013**

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**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

Faithful Catholic parishioners enjoy a legacy of life-affirming ministry and service in south Louisiana. Thanks to those who contribute so generously every year, the Bishop's Annual appeal is a treasured chapter in that story, spreading the love of Christ, meeting needs, and funding essential Catholic ministries. Many parishioners from St. John the Baptist have chosen to contribute to this vital mission. Every single gift makes a difference.

We recognize God's goodness, so each of us joins the psalmist and asks, "How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me?" The BAA is an ideal way to affirm the Lord's blessing. So, if you haven't already, please offer your support this year. Give to the Lord for all His Goodness to You. Your gift will channel the love of Christ to those who need it most.

If you have not yet received a copy of this year's appeal by mail, please contact the Office of Stewardship at 225-336-8790 or [stewardship@diobr.org](mailto:stewardship@diobr.org).



**COME AND SEE WEEKEND**

**November 8- 10, 2013**  
**St. Joseph Seminary College**  
**Covington, Louisiana**

Spend a weekend with the seminarians. See what day to day life is like at the seminary.

The program is designed for young men 16 years of age and older who are interested in the priesthood and who would like to find out more about seminary life. The weekend is hosted by the seminarians and the Benedictine monks of St. Joseph Abbey. There is no charge for the weekend; you must register a week prior to the event.

For more information contact:

**Fr. Matt Dupre**  
**Vocations Director**  
**225-336-8778**

[www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations)