



# 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  
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 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

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone...? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." - Mt 21:42ab, 43

Dear Parishioners,

This coming week of October 6-10 is the week during which all of the priests of the Diocese of Baton Rouge make their annual priests' retreat. Most of the priests will be at Manresa Retreat House but I am taking the opportunity to join two other priests in a private retreat at St. Augustine Retreat House in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. So please pray for us as we promise to do the same for all of you throughout the Diocese. We will have Communion Services on Tuesday – Friday of this week while I am on retreat. Funerals will most likely be led by one of our deacons since the Bishop has asked that we not interrupt our retreat if at all possible.

Thank you very much to all who have responded to our Increased Weekly Giving Program. I know that not everyone is able to increase his or her contributions but I appreciate your prayerful consideration of my request. God is never outdone in generosity and I know that we will all experience his goodness many times over for the responses we make in faith.

I recently draped two green "scarves" over our altar to add a little decoration for the final few weeks of Ordinary Time. Our church doesn't need much decoration but it's still nice to add a few touches of fabric or foliage occasionally to help mark the change in seasons. In addition to paying the electric bill, your financial support also provides for all of our liturgical and sacramental supplies. Our Holy Father has also encouraged us to be mindful of the poor and I am pleased to report that we have given over \$10,000 this year to help the less fortunate.

St. John the Baptist Parish has adopted Saturday, October 11, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. as our day to pray outside of the Delta Clinic on Colonial Drive in Baton Rouge as part of the "40 Days for Life" pro-life campaign. As I announced at Mass last weekend, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of church if you would like to commit for a particular hour, or you are free to come whenever you are able.

The *Feast on the Levee* is a mere three weeks away and I thank all of you who have returned your raffle tickets. You might also enjoy participating in the *Card*

Party scheduled for Monday, October 20, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. The cost is \$25 which includes a spaghetti and meatballs lunch. Lucy Landry and Terry Guidry are co-chairing the party this year, and we plan to use the proceeds from this year's *Card Party* to underwrite the cost of an Acadian Memorial to be dedicated on the 180<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the incorporation of our church parish on March 15, 1835.

Saturday, November 1, is the Feast of All Saints and normally a holy day of obligation. However the obligation is dispensed on the years when it falls on a Saturday or Monday. So our only Mass for All Saints will be at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 1. The 4:30 p.m. Mass that same day will be a Vigil Mass for Sunday's Feast of All Souls. This year's Blessing of the Graves in our parish cemetery will take place at a new time of 12:00 noon on Saturday, November 1.

In Christ,  
Father Matt



**FEAST ON THE LEVEE**  
**Sunday, October 26, 2014**

**Still need a few more "CHEFS" - main dishes, as well as casseroles.**

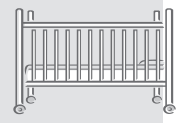
**STUDENTS: Step right up! Get your service hours... WE NEED YOU!**

All parishioners should have received raffle tickets by now. Please sell all of your tickets and get them turned into the church office. You can put them in an envelope with the money and drop in the collection at Mass if you'd like.

**We are looking for auction items...**if you'd like to donate to the auction, feel free to drop off items at the Church Office or you can donate \$\$\$ and items will be purchased to add to the auction and parade of prizes. **Auction contact: Mary Kay Alford at 749-6014.**

**NEW CASSEROLE DIRECTOR: Tut Diez 749-3976**

Questions, suggestions, concerns...contact Scot or Pamela Rhodes at 749-1915 or [scotrhodes@cox.net](mailto:scotrhodes@cox.net) or [pamelarhodes@cox.net](mailto:pamelarhodes@cox.net)



### BABY ITEMS DRIVE

The Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus at St. John the Baptist are sponsoring a service project for the Sanctuary for Life maternity home run by Catholic Charities in the Baton Rouge Diocese. The home is always in needs of diapers, baby clothes and other baby items to help these families get started. Lists of these items are located in the baby bed at the entrance of the Church. Please consider purchasing some of these needed items and place in the baby bed through Sunday, October 12th. For more info contact Julie at 776-4646. Thank you for your generosity!



Baton Rouge's fourth annual 40 Days for Life campaign is going on now through November 2. 40 Days for Life is a worldwide pro-life campaign that consists of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. This vigil will be held outside of Delta abortion facility on Colonial Drive in Baton Rouge between 7am and 7pm on each of the 40 days. St. John the Baptist Church Parish has adopted Saturday, October 11th. Please consider joining us at Delta for one or more hours of prayer on that day. You can sign-up on the sheets in the foyer of the Church or just show up between 7am and 7pm on October 11. You may also pray with others on any other day during the 40 days. For more info, call Mary at 324-5289 or Julie at 749-8260.



## Increased Giving Program

Your participation in St. John the Baptist's Increased Weekly Giving Program is important. Please give prayerful consideration to Father Matt's request for a reasonable increase in your weekly offering.

### STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

September 28, 2014

#### REGULAR:

217 Identified-	-----	\$7,033.00
Loose Collection-	-----	667.00
TOTAL-	-----	\$7,700.00

### A VOCATION VIEW

Today's readings encourage us to present our lives to God in the form of prayer and petitions that are full of gratitude. Let us therefore pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. If you think you are being called by God, then call Fr. Matt Dupre' at 225.336.8778, or email [mdupre@diobr.org](mailto:mdupre@diobr.org).

### **CALLING ALL CDA MEMBERS PAST AND PRESENT**

We are looking for any memorabilia concerning the SJB Catholic Daughters from the past 40+ years. So, search those closets and find any pictures, programs, pins, medals, minutes and newspaper clippings you may have squirreled away. Call Laura Mayeux if you find anything @ 749-2144 or email to: [lmyu2084@gmail.com](mailto:lmyu2084@gmail.com).



### 2014 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

*Centered on the Concerns of Others*

To the many thousands of our neighbors who receive support, the Bishop's Annual Appeal is an essential source of service and assistance all across the Diocese of Baton Rouge. For 29 years caring parishioners have responded to an annual invitation: "Bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ. (Galations 6:2)

Modeling the love of Jesus, 73 Catholic parishioners from St. John the Baptist Church Parish participated this past year, contributing a total of \$11,195. Please accept our thanks for your involvement. Bishop Robert W. Muench shepherds an ever-changing diocesan community, so needs are varied and ongoing. We invite you to take part once again.

This week, parishioners will receive a personal invitation from Bishop Muench, mailed to their home, inviting them to participate in the 2014-15 Appeal. Please think of those in need and pledge your prayerful and financial support of the BAA. From the blessing God has granted you, give to support the needs of those around you. *Consider the concerns of others for God knows their needs.*

If you do not receive a copy of this year's appeal by mail, please contact the Office of Stewardship at 336-8790 or [stewardship@diobr.org](mailto:stewardship@diobr.org). For an in-depth look at the ministries or programs supported by the BAA, visit [baabr.org](http://baabr.org).

### Readings for the Week of October 5, 2014

Sunday:	Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43
Monday:	Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28
Next Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST  
PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2014-2015**

Donna Badon  
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Jules Lefeaux  
Mark Loreno  
Fr. Matt Lorrain  
Jason Murphey  
Andrea Smicker  
Toni Tolar, Vice-Chairman  
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**REDEMPTORIST HIGH OPEN HOUSE**

Thursday, October 9 (4—7 pm)

Students & their parents are invited for a tour and to meet the faculty and students. For more info call 357-0936 or visit the website: [www.rhsbr.org](http://www.rhsbr.org).

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL RESPECTLIFE MASS**

Please join Bishop Robert W. Muench for the Respect Life Mass on Sunday, October 12 at 11:00 am at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Baton Rouge.

All those involved in Respect Life ministries, promoting human dignity from conception to natural death, will be invited to receive a special blessing.

All are invited to a reception after Mass in their Parish Hall.

**AN EVENING WITH WARDEN BURL CAIN**

*Bringing the Love of Christ to Those Who Live at Angola through Kairos, a St. Aloysius Ministry.*

*Tuesday, Oct. 14th (6—8 pm) in St. Aloysius Parish Hall.*

*Dinner & social—6:00 pm. Keynote Presentation—6:30 pm followed by a panel discussion and Q&A.*

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO**

LISTEN & CALL IN ...

to the Radiothon on October 14th, 15th and 16th. Listen for your favorite priests and other voices you know. If you like what you hear, and want to keep this station and its quality Catholic broadcasting on the air in our area, call in your pledge or donation at 1-855-341-5199. Thank you in advance for your gracious assistance. Working together, we can continue to keep our Catholic message alive and on the airwaves. May God's blessings be with you.