



# ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST

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*Twenty-Seventh 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
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 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 the Parish Office

Dear Parishioners,

Today is designated as Respect Life Sunday, and the month of October as Respect Life Month. This year's theme is "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life." Our faith encourages us to aim high in our work on behalf of life. Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "If we cannot hope for more than is effectively attainable at any given time, or more than is promised by political or economic authorities, our lives will soon be without hope" (*Spe Salvi* 35). I pray that our prayer and witness on behalf of life may produce changes in belief and practice within our lifetime.

The priests of the Baton Rouge Diocese have our annual retreat this week of October 7-11 at Manresa Retreat House in Convent. Our retreat director is Bishop Shelton Fabre, formerly a priest of the Diocese of Baton Rouge and now Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. The theme for this year's retreat is "Called by God."

Bishop Fabre is a native of New Roads, Louisiana and attended St. Joseph Seminary College near Covington, and the American Seminary in Louvain, Belgium, prior to his ordination in 1989. He served as pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Grosse Tete, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Maringouin, and Sacred Heart Parish in Baton Rouge before being named an auxiliary bishop of New Orleans in 2007. He has served as the Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux since 2013.

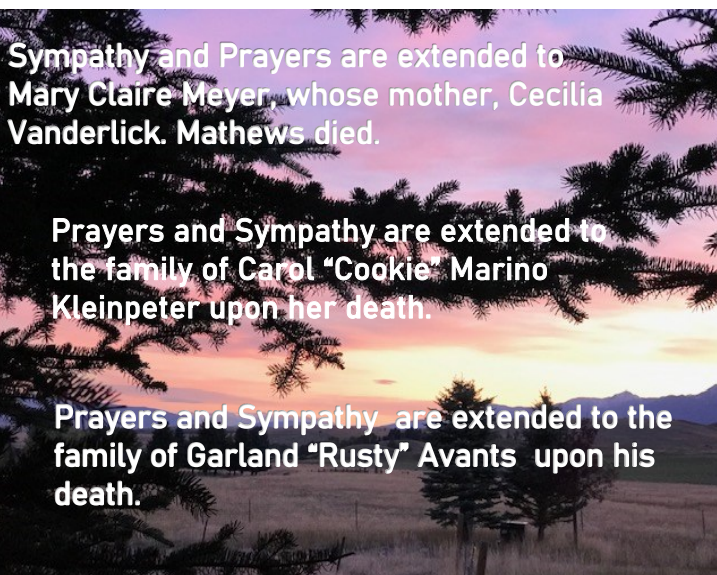
We will have Communion Services on Tuesday – Friday of this week while I am on retreat. Bishop Duca has requested that any funerals be celebrated by one of our deacons or scheduled after the conclusion of the retreat in order that we not interrupt our retreat. So please pray for us as we promise to do the same for all of you throughout the Diocese.

Next Saturday, October 12, is election day in Louisiana. We have a full slate of state wide offices on the ballot including governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, treasurer, commissioner of agriculture, and commissioner of insurance. We also vote for a parish president and sheriff of West Baton Rouge. I encourage everyone to vote on Saturday according to your knowledge of the candidates and the guidance of your conscience.

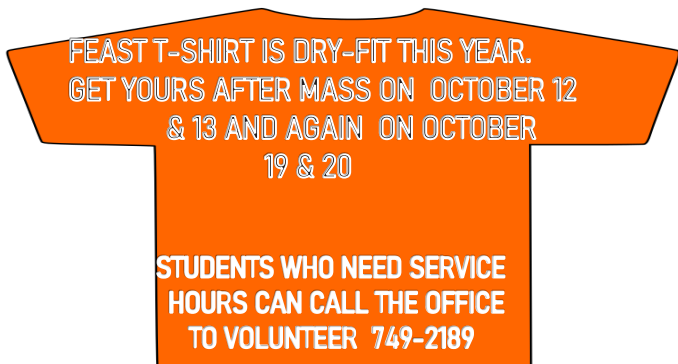
Our annual *Cards, Etc. Party* is just one week away and set for Monday, October 14, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. The cost is \$25 which includes a spaghetti and meatballs lunch. Chairpersons for the *Card Party* are Paige Currie and Stacy Gauthreaux. The *Feast on the Levee* is three weeks away and scheduled for Sunday, October 27, 2019. Thanks to everyone for offering your support and returning your raffle ticket stubs and money.

Christian Formation classes are cancelled this week due to the Fall Break on Monday and the parent-teacher conferences slated for Tuesday for West Baton Rouge Parish Schools. Enjoy the brief holiday.

In Christ,  
Father Matt



**FEAST ON THE LEVEE  
OCTOBER 27 11AM-7PM**



**COMING SOON.... AUCTION ITEMS FOR THE  
FEAST will be available to view on our website:  
Sjb-brusly.com**



**DON'T BE LATE!  
October 14 is a very important  
date!**

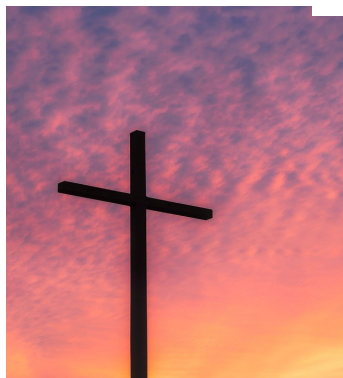
**Join the Card Party from 10am-  
3pm in the Activity Center.  
Please call Paige Currie 749-  
9025 or Stacy Gauthreaux 749-  
0519 to get in the game.**

**KC CALENDAR FUNDRAISER**  
Call Gene Bertrand 687-6743  
Call Bob Bewick 603-2528  
Call any Brusly Council Member

**GET YOURS TODAY!**

**NO CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES  
OCTOBER 7, 8, OR 9TH**

**SCHOOL IS OUT!**

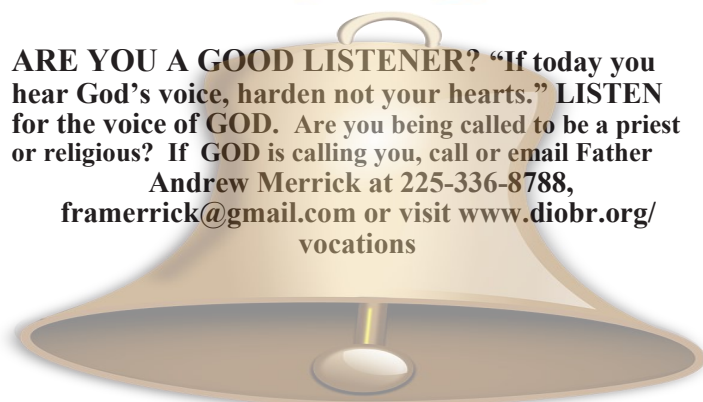


**ALL 2ND GRADERS**

**AND PARENTS must attend a meeting on  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 FROM 6:30 TO 7:30PM in  
the Activity Center; Meeting is for 2nd Graders in  
Public and Catholic Schools**



**CARLY ROSE GUIDRY & ALEX MICHAEL  
FONTENOT celebrated the Sacrament of  
Matrimony on September 28. BEST  
WISHES for a fantastic future!**



**ARE YOU A GOOD LISTENER? "If today you  
hear God's voice, harden not your hearts." LISTEN  
for the voice of GOD. Are you being called to be a priest  
or religious? If GOD is calling you, call or email Father  
Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8788,  
framerrick@gmail.com or visit www.diobr.org/  
vocations**

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES: September 22, 2019**  
189 Identified- - - - - \$7,281.00  
Loose Collection- - - - - 801.00  
TOTAL- - - - - \$ 8,082.00

**September 29, 2019**  
172 Identified- - - - - \$6,865.00  
Loose Collection- - - - - 745.00  
TOTAL- - - - - \$7,610.00

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**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2019-2020**

John Begue, Chairman  
Bob Bewick  
Audy Bourgeois  
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Wayne Delapasse  
Janice Hebert  
Fr. Matt Lorrain  
Mary Claire Meyer, Secretary  
Jason Murphey  
Joey Normand  
Edana Robnett  
Derek Scott  
Jewel Woods

*"Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"*  
- Lk 17:9-10

**Readings for the week of October 6, 2019**

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
[8]/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10  
Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk  
10:25-37  
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8  
[3]/Lk 10:38-42  
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10 [15]/  
Lk 11:1-4  
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps  
40:5a]/Lk 11:5-13  
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-  
9 [9]/Lk 11:15-26  
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12a]/  
Lk 11:27-28  
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf.  
2b]/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-1

**K.C.'s/C.D.A.**

**KC's Meeting & Dinner OCTOBER 16 in the  
Activity Center, 6:00pm Officer's Meeting,  
7:15pm Members' Meeting**

**CDA Court #2079 Meeting & Dinner  
October 16  
Rosary 6:00pm, 6:30pm Dinner &  
7:00pm Meeting**