



**ST. JOHN *The* BAPTIST**  
 catholic church

*October 17, 2021  
 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**

Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain ..... Pastor  
 Carolyn Dupuy ..... Bookkeeper  
 June Hebert ..... Director of Religious Education  
 Pedro Hernandez ..... Custodian  
 Layne Mire ..... Parish Secretary  
 Celeste Veillon ..... Music Director  
 Lil Stutes ..... 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 – Please 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**

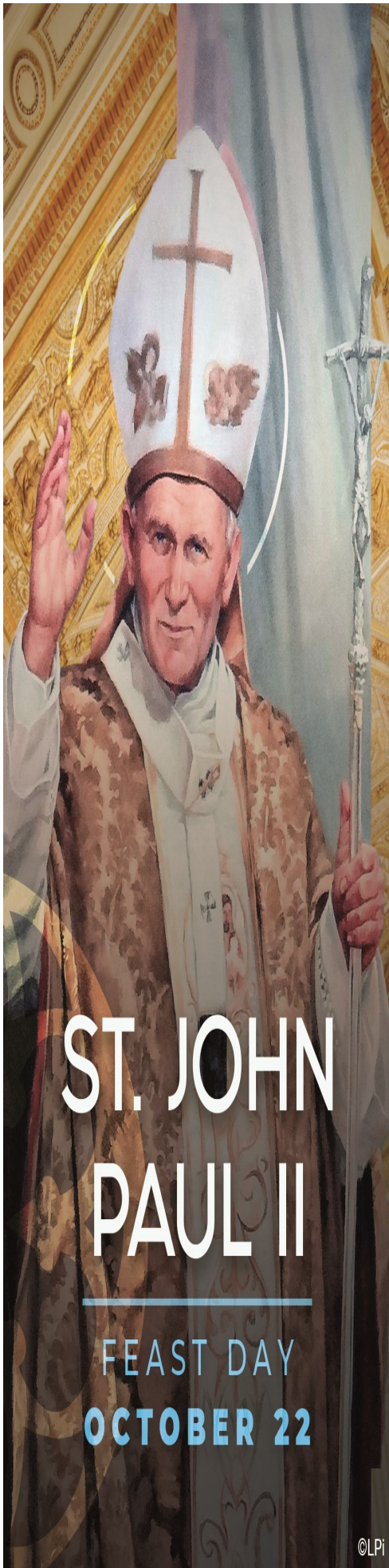
Emergency calls answered as soon as possible. Communion calls to homebound weekly by request. Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

**CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Family should contact the Pastor to begin funeral arrangements.

**PRAYER LINE**

Please call the Parish Office.



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for all of your prayers while I was on retreat earlier this month. As I mentioned previously, the usual priests' retreat at Manresa was canceled this year and so I made a private retreat at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center in Metairie. The temperature was very pleasant that week so I was able to take daily walks as part of my prayer and meditation.

Since my retreat was self-directed, I brought along a few books to help focus my prayer and reflection. The one that I spent the most time with was "On Being Catholic" by Thomas Howard, published in 1997. Howard was raised as a devout Evangelical Christian and first joined the Episcopal Church before converting to Catholicism in 1985.

A second book was "One Ordinary Sunday – A Meditation on the Mystery of the Mass" by Paula Huston. Huston is also a convert and her book is more reflective and easier to digest than Howard's. However, both offer interesting perspectives on the beauty of our Catholic faith from the perspective of someone not raised Catholic.

Please watch your mail for a letter from Bishop Duca regarding this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. The BAA is similar to a parish fair in that it provides the means for Bishop Duca and our Diocese to fund important ministries. Those ministries include Catholic Charities, Seminary Formation, Campus Ministry, Catholic Schools, Support for Single Mothers, and others. I hope you will join me in supporting this year's BAA.

The Solemnity of All Saints falls on a Monday this year and so I have scheduled the *Blessing of the Graves* for Saturday, October 30, at 12:00 noon in our parish cemetery. All are invited to attend. Catholics are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass whenever All Saints falls on a Monday or Saturday, as is the case this year.

We have 36 small memorial crosses hanging near the votive candles in church, representing the 36 members of our community who died since All Saints last year. I will present those crosses to the surviving family members at our weekend Masses on October 30-31. Families may choose any of the four Masses, or the Blessing of the Graves, at which to receive the crosses.

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.

We will have the drawing for our raffle ticket winners on the weekend of October 23-24. There are a total of 8 prizes between the small and large raffles, so I will draw two winners at the end of each of our four Masses. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets!

In Christ,  
Father Matt



*Marriage Blessings*

Congratulations are extended to **Mary Catherine Halphen and Eric Paul Frances** upon their Marriage on October 9th!



**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**  
There will be **NO** religion classes on **October 25, 26 or 27.**



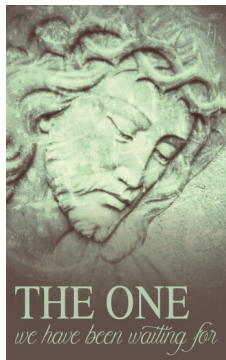
# CHURCH RAFFLE

Please turn in your **RAFFLE TICKETS** by **Friday, October 22nd** to be eligible for the drawings on **October 23rd & October 24th.**

**Thank you for your support!**



**Holy Family Scare Fair**  
October 29 5:00-11:00pm  
October 30 10:00am-11:00pm  
Come and share in the fun and enjoy food, music & rides!



Can you serve others as Jesus did? If you want to live your life serving as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact **Father Josh Johnson** 225-336-8778, [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org) or visit: [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations)

**Please pray for these vocations.**



Please welcome to our faith community:  
**KARA ANN ROUSSELLE**  
Daughter of Jessica Leigh Stelly & Jason Paul Rousselle  
who was baptized on **October 10th.**

**Full time Accounting Assistant Position at the Catholic Life Center**  
**Job Opening for basic accounting and bookkeeping with eligible benefits, please see requirements:**  
[diobr.org/employment-opportunities](http://diobr.org/employment-opportunities) or call Human Resources 387-0561.



**The Sanctuary Candle is burning in memory of Ruby Allain.**



**Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day**  
**October 30th**  
8:00am-12:00pm  
Alexander Park, Brusly  
Go to: [wbrCouncil.org](http://wbrCouncil.org) for a list of acceptable items.



**Ascension of Our Lord Cemetery, Donaldsonville**  
**Save the Tombs Cemetery Tour**  
**October 30th after 4:00pm Mass**  
Tickets are \$20. (proceeds benefit crumbling tombs)  
Join the **Spooky Tour** with your flashlight at the Main Gate of the Cemetery- 716 Mississippi Street.  
For more information, contact Margaret Canella: [chicknft@cox.net](mailto:chicknft@cox.net)

### K.C. Calendar September 2021 Winners

Lincoln Paddock, Jessica Maranto, Dawson Fontenot, Adam Pasqua, Madison Pittman, Troy Blanchard, David & Claire Robinson, M/M Jon Owens, Michael Vince, Joshua Hanchett, Becky Wheeler, Kyle Thibodeaux, Gaynell Gauthier, Susan Dean, Sue Parrill, Court Bradford, Garrett St. Germain, Clarissa Clouatre, Daniel & Kimberly Dupepe, Roger & Theresa Travasos, Chris Kershaw, Linda Mabile, Kristyn Daigle, Nick Dublke, Richard & Martha Dugas, Kylie Major, Trey Ruggiero, Lisa Beatty, John & Phyllis Artigue, Jessica Ourso

## St John the Baptist Parish Council Members

2020-2021

**Bob Bewick**

**Audy Bourgeois**

**Christie Chapman, Secretary**

**Justin Clouatre**

**Wayne Delapasse**

**Paige Fitzgerald**

**Janice Hebert**

**Fr. Matt Lorrain**

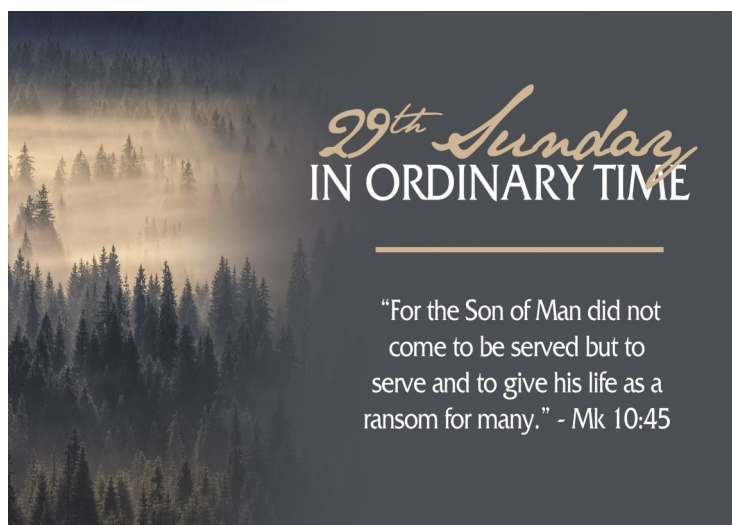
**Mary Claire Meyer, Chairman**

**Joey Normand**

**Edana Robnett**

**Derek Scott, Vice-Chairman**

**Jewel Woods**



### Readings for the week of October 17, 2021

- Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
- Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9
- Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53
- Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

