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CATHOLIC CHURCH



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME * SEPT. 20, 2020

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Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
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Wednesday thru Friday.....8 a.m.
First Friday Mass 8:00 a.m.
First Friday Adoration..... 8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

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Saturday 3:15–3:45 p.m. before Mass
Or anytime by appointment.

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Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to
wedding. No weddings during lent.

BAPTISM

First Saturday of the month after the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

Baptismal Seminar: Last Tuesday of the month.

Make arrangements 2 weeks in advance.

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Anytime when in need. Please phone.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church provide worship, education, ministerial and social opportunities for the Spiritual growth of all.

Offertory Gifts

In Thanksgiving by E. & H. Thibodaux.

Lamp I

In Loving Memory of Esther A/ Trosclair (Anniv-12/30/2018)
by Betty Trosclair.

Lamp II

In Loving Memory of Patricia “Pat” Landry (BDay-9/28) by
Mary & Ray Domangue & Mike Richard.

Missalettes

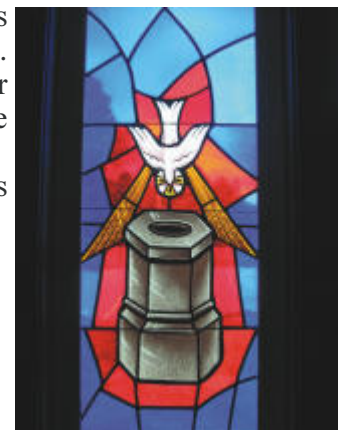
In Loving Memory of Russel & Emelda Benoit by Daughter.

Bulletins

For those affected by the recent hurricanes by St. John Staff.

Baptism

Thru the Waters of Baptism, we welcome our newest member to St. John Church. Cohen Louis Barbera, son of Beau & Kolbey Barbera, was baptized on Sept. 13th here at St. John Church. We ask that our Lord Jesus Christ will continue to bless Cohen and his family. Congratulations to Cohen and his family.



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 20, 2020

The oracle of salvation read this weekend includes a call to worship and a call to conversion. The call to worship is seen in the prophet's exhortation of his hearers to seek and to call upon the Lord, in other words, to approach God. However, the primary focus here is on the call to conversion. This second call is a summons to forsake wicked ways and evil thoughts and to return to the Lord. It means to turn from evil and to turn toward the good. The exhortation is to turn back. These are not suggestions. The people are summoned to worship and repentance.

The prophet describes the sinfulness of the people. He perceives a pattern of sin, not merely isolated offenses. They have embarked on a way of life that has taken them away from the God with whom they have entered into covenant. This is nothing short of total betrayal. The word employed here for sinfulness usually refers to external behavior. The sinners have not only chosen a course of action opposed to the Laws of God, but they have devised plans contrary to God's plans. In the face of this, the prophet assures them God will still be compassionate toward them. He can promise this because he firmly believes that God does not merely forgive once. Rather, God is gracious in forgiving, pardoning sinners again and again.

The difference between the thoughts and plans of God and those of the wicked are next compared with the vast expanse between the heavens and the earth. The comparison is ludicrous, for there is no comparison. These few verses do not explicitly explain what these thoughts and plans might be. However, they can be surmised. We find depicted, on the other hand, wicked thoughts and the ways of the scoundrel, on the other hand, compassion and forgiveness. This oracle both exhorts sinners to turn away from their evil lives and assures them that having turned away they will enjoy the salvation of God. Certainly, the difference between these two dispositions is incalculable, like the distance between heaven and earth.

In our second reading Paul shares with the Christians of Philippi his own inner struggle regarding life and death. The phrase "in my body" indicates he is talking about physical life and death and not speaking metaphorically. This is no idle intellectual exercise on his part. Paul would not be grappling with this issue of imminent death were not a real possibility for him. Nor would he ever take steps to hasten his end. Therefore, we can conclude that when writing this Paul's life was somehow in jeopardy. Although the decision of living or dying was probably not in his hands, it is his attitude toward these options that is of importance. Having said this, we should note that Paul does not consider death a way of escaping the misfortune he may be suffering. His own physical safety or comfort plays no part in his considerations. Rather, he weighs the religious and ministerial advantages of both living and dying.

For Paul, union with Christ is what gives primary meaning to life. This is what he means when he says that for him "life is Christ." Living in Christ and with Christ and for Christ is uppermost in his mind. Paul believes that neither life nor death can separate him from Christ. Continued life will give him opportunities for strengthening this union, and death will allow him to become fully united with Christ. This latter situation is the gain of which he speaks. Although Paul prefers dying and being with Christ, he can see advantage for himself either way.

Paul next considers his ministry. Death might offer him the kind of union with Christ that he really desires, but it will probably not be as advantageous for others. If he continues "in the flesh" he will be able to further the preaching of the gospel, and his ministry will continue to enrich those to whom he has already preached, to say nothing of future field of mission. Paul's unselfish commitment to the welfare of his converts is clear. He seems willing to postpone the joyful union with Christ for which he yearns and of which he is certain in order to spend and be spent for the benefit of those who would hear the gospel from him.

The part of Paul's speech that is read for this weekend merely draws the lines of his dilemma. It does not indicate if or how it was resolved. However, the final verse provides us with a hint of his final inclination. In it, Paul exhorts the Philippians to live lives that conform to the gospel message he has preached. It lays bare his overriding concern for their spiritual well-being. Even when he is facing the possibility of his own death, when he is looking forward to ultimate union with Christ, Paul puts aside any thought of personal gain in favor of commitment to the service of others.

Fr. Joe, pastor



TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— SEPT. 20 2020

COLLECTION—Sept. 12 & 13

Envelopes.....	2427.00
Loose.....	314.00
Total.....	2741.00
Parish Devel.....	215.00
CCD Regist.....	25.00
Masses.....	110.00
Cemetery Reimburse.....	295.00
Funeral.....	100.00
Cath. Univ.....	419.50



Banns of Marriage

#1—Kailey Thibodaux & Cody Gros
Oct. 9, 2020



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday—6 pm in church with the Novena

Wednesday thru Friday—8 am in church

Saturday—4 pm in church

Sunday—8 am & 11 am—in church

Please remember everyone must wear a mask and keep the social distance requirements.

Mausoleum For Sale

Mausoleum Crypt for sale in St. John Cemetery located in St. Hubert, Tier “B”, #30 - burial for one. Please call 446-8654 for price.

**Second Collection for September
Holy Land Collection—Sept. 19 & 20**

This yearly collection is usually taken during Easter Week. This is a Pontifical Collection for the support of pastoral, charitable, educational and social works of the Church in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities. The Bishop has asked that we take this collection to continue to support the Pope in his efforts to help the needy. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

March for Life Pilgrimage—Sept. 26 & 27

This collection provides funding for our Diocesan Youth, Seminarians and Priest to attend the Annual National March for Life held in Washington DC. Please consider a donation.

Please Pray for all those who are ill and those pictured on our side altar.



MASSES – SEPT.

World Peace, Poor Souls In Purgatory, Ida R. & Andre E. Bourgeois, Andre M. Bourgeois, Bob Bourgeois Jr., Lydia & Joseph Roger, Ophelia & Marcellain Bourgeois, M/M Theophine Aucoin, Edwina Boudreaux, Adela Clement, Victoria T. & Walter C. Richard, Tyrone Richard, Bob & Bessie Gros, & Deceased Loved Ones, Mary & Elie Guillot & Fly, Andrew, Rita & Gustave & Harry Tabor, Stanley Gravois, Annalie Gravois, Sterling Aysen, Irving Chiasson, For Conversion & Salvation of Souls, For Priest & Religious & Those in Prison, Lee & Eudora Chauvin, Russel & Emelda Benoit, Bernice Morvant, M/M Edward Aucoin, Eulalie Mire, Louis Mire, Hazel Mire, Virginia L. Mire, Louis Benoit, Eula Benoit, Gary Joseph Benoit, Regina Carlos, Larry Joseph Benoit, Louis Thibodaux, Gale Clement Decker, Thomas E. 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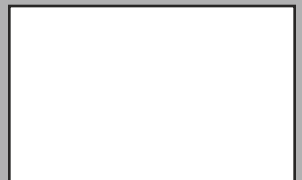


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