



St. John the Evangelist

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CATHOLIC CHURCH



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JUNE 20, 2021

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Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Tuesday.....6 p.m. w/Novena
Wednesday thru Friday.....8 a.m.
First Friday Mass 8:00 a.m.
First Friday Adoration..... 8:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

PENANCE

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

MARRIAGE

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.

ANOINTING OF SICK

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.

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In Loving Memory of Allen Cavalier by Mom, Dad & Tim.

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In Loving Memory of Elsie Taylor by Clare & Gus Legendre.

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In Loving Memory of Ida R. & Andre 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, Steve “Buck” Bourgeois, Mary & Elie Guillot & Fly, Andrew, Rita & Gustave & Harry Tabor, Annalie Gravois, Joseph N.Niquiporo, John Oliver, For Conversion & Salvation of Souls, For Priest & Religious & Those in Prison by Susie & Walter Richard & Jerome & Jennifer Bourgeois & Fly.

Missalettes

In Loving Memory of Hilda Melancon (Nanny) by Sheryle.

Bulletins

In Loving Memory of Robert Thibodaux Jr, Edward Fields, Sylvian Duet Sr & Randy Duet by Jimmie & Velma Duet.

Couples Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, Oct. 24, 2021 at 3 pm at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral we will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with couples who have lived the commitment of sacramental marriage for 25, 30, 50 or 60+ years. Please call St. John Office to register. All couples will receive their certificate at that special celebration. Deadline to register is July 30, 2021.



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 20, 2021

We hear in our first reading from the Book of Job. To better understand the Book of Job and today's reading, it is helpful to know what the Book of Job is about and why it was written. The story that frames the book is a folk tale about a holy man named Job who is tormented by a series of terrible personal losses (Job 1:1-2:13) but who is mercifully restored to well-being in the end (Job 42:7-17). In between the main character, Job is described as carrying on a series of conversations- perhaps "debates" is a better term- with his friends over the cause of his suffering. His friends recite all of the standard of explanations for why bad things happen to people, while Job defends his innocence. Finally, God appears on the scene and confronts Job in two speeches (Job 38:2-39:25 and 40:6-41:26). Today's reading is taken from the first part of the first speech, in which God questions Job about whether he understands God's "counsel."

The reading is a theophany, a self-revelation of God. Job hears the voice of God from within a storm wind. God leads Job into a deeper appreciation of certain aspects of God's own self. These questions also enable Job to look beyond the natural world he knows and to consider the forces of nature in a new way.

The questions themselves are more rhetorical than they are requests for answers. God asks questions about the primordial events of creation and the order within the universe that resulted from these events. Throughout this interrogation, there is one fundamental question: Who did it, or who is the creator? There is no doubt in anyone's mind that the creator of this well-working universe is the very one who is posing the questions.

Job may not have been present at God's cosmological victory, but he is certainly able to appreciate the order that was born of it. He would have known violent storms and the clouds and darkness that were part of it. If he never realized it before, this theophany questioning by God would have helped him realize that regardless of the fury of the storm and the danger it might pose for people God still had control over the elements of the universe.

Our Gospel reading is from Mark. Most of the miracles of Jesus are either healing or exorcism. This one is clearly a nature miracle, though it does contain a feature that resembles an exorcism. Jesus rebukes the powers of the storm as one would rebuke a demon. After a long day with the crowds Jesus and his disciples are on the shore of the lake. From there they enter into a boat to go over to the other side. The stage is set for the miracle.

The disciples themselves act toward Jesus in several different ways in this short passage. At the outset they are concerned with his well-being. They whisk him away from the crowds and allow him to sleep in the stern of the boat as they try to maneuver it across the sea. When the boat begins to fill with water, they run to him for help, believing that he is able to save them from harm. However, their words indicate that they are not confident that he will. This is the lack of faith that Jesus challenges. Finally, after they witness his remarkable authority, they are in awe of him, wondering what manner of man he might be.

The question with which the episode ends captures the gist of the account. Who is this man? By what authority does he act? This is not an idle query. It is really the fundamental question raised by the ministry of Jesus. The force of his teaching and the miraculous character of his deeds were not denied. What was questioned was the origin of the power that he exercised. This was doubly an issue because Jesus did not invoke the power of God before he spoke or acted; he simply spoke or acted and left to those around him to decide about him for themselves.

*I want to wish every one of our Fathers a happy Father's Day. May God bless you all on this day when we specially remember you and say that we love you and appreciate you for everything you do as a father. May St. Joseph the foster father of Jesus intercede for all of you and may the grace of God remain with you for all the days of your life.

Fr. Joe—pastor

***“Hear God’s voice from
within the storm.”***



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PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

O good St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus and Mary, I place myself under your faithful protection.

You were always attentive to the voice of the Lord and never ceased to follow wherever God led you. Help me to hear and respond to God's voice with the same humble fidelity.

O St. Joseph, Terror of demons, protect me from all that might tempt me away from abiding in communion with Jesus.

Chaste Spouse of the Blessed Virgin, grant me a pure heart that I may see as God sees, and love as God loves.

With deep tenderness you cared for Mary and held the sleeping child Jesus, the Son of God, in your arms.

O dear St. Joseph, pray for me that I might have a mind and heart to receive that same love from my Father in heaven.

St. Joseph, intercede for me always so that under your care I might be found worthy to rejoice forever with Jesus and you in heaven. Amen.

Holy Father (Peter's Pence) Collection

Next weekend, June 26 & 27, we will take up a second collection for the Peter's Pence. This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance for the neediest throughout the world including those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. These funds are viewed as a way for the faithful to provide an opportunity to empower the weak, defenseless, & voiceless, as well as sustain those who suffer. We thank you for your consideration of this second collection.

ATTENTION!!! No Masses

There will be no daily masses during the week of June 22 thru June 25 at St. John Church.

Chapel Masses

Starting on Thursday, July 1st, weekday masses will be held in the chapel again. We look forward to seeing you there.



What Makes A Dad

*God took the strength of a mountain,
 The majesty of a tree,
 The warmth of a summer sun,
 The calm of a quiet sea,
 The generous soul of nature,
 The comforting arm of night,
 The wisdom of the ages,
 The power of the eagle's flight,
 The joy of a morning in spring,
 The faith of a mustard seed,
 The patience of eternity,
 The depth of a family need,
 Then God combined these qualities,
 When there was nothing more to add,
 He knew His masterpiece was complete,
 And so, He called it ... Dad*

Author Unknown

Happy Father's Day

We wish all the Fathers, Grandfathers, Godfathers and those men who had an influence in our lives, a very Happy and Blessed Father's Day. God bless you all.

From Fr. Joe and Staff of St. John Church

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