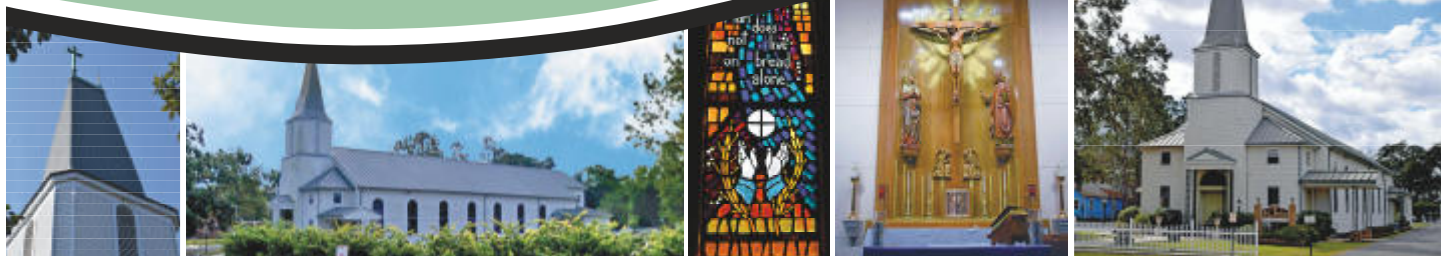




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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUGUST 1, 2021

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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.

Offertory Gifts

In Loving Memory of Sterling Aysen & Deceased Members of the Aysen & Bourg Families by Inez Aysen.

Lamp I

In Loving Memory of Louis Dill by Wife-Mary Ann & Family.

Lamp II

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Missalettes

In Loving Memory of John, Leslie, GiGi & Jack Legendre by Christine & Tommy McGehee.

Bulletins

In Loving Memory of Robert Thibodaux Jr.(Anniv-8/4) by Jimmie & Velma Duet.

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.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 1, 2021

The event of murmuring in the desert highlights more than the Israelites' discouragement in the face of hunger. Their very real need for food put their faith in God to the test. The entire Israelite community grumbled to Moses and Aaron. Although it is God's leadership that is being challenged, it is God's appointed leaders who are being blamed. Since the people are in a very vulnerable situation in the wilderness, a certain amount of complaint is understandable. It is not the complaint itself but its content that is disturbing. The people prefer their former situation of opposition in Egypt with food rather than their present freedom without food.

The deliverance from Egypt was the founding event that shaped the motley group of forced laborers into a distinctive people with a singular relationship with the liberating God. The events that surrounded the Exodus demonstrated again and again God's preference for the descendants of Jacob. Now they are suggested that it would have been better had God not intervened on their behalf. To them, freedom with a commitment to the liberating God seems a small price to pay for the satisfaction of the meat (fleshpots) and the bread of Egypt.

God heard their rebellious grumbling and responded with provisions. They had longed for the meat and bread of Egypt, and God promises to send meat and bread from heaven. There is probably a natural explanation for the availability of this food. The bread (*man-hu*, meaning "what is it?") was probably a substance secreted from the tamarisk tree, which first hardened when the dew evaporated but then deteriorated during the heat of the day. The quails have been birds that were too weak to soar after having flown in from the sea. Although they were natural phenomena, these providential occurrences were perceived as acts of God, and that is exactly how they should be understood.

In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to eat the "bread" of spiritual life, the true bread of heaven. Today's gospel draws us into a dialogue that leads us to the Eucharist by enlightening our faith. Let's try to be there with the people questioning Jesus, and enter into the concerns that were theirs, and ought to be ours as well.

Jesus gave one answer which is a real surprise if you really pay attention to it. When the people asked, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" they were really asking, "What must we do to be saved?" In answer, Jesus said, "This is the work of God: have faith in the one he sent."

Fair enough, so far. Then comes the powerhouse question which, boiled down, comes to this: "Why should we believe in you? What do you do that we should believe you?"

That is a good question. What does Jesus say in answer? The answer is complicated by the remarks about the bread from heaven; but in his answer, in the light of subsequent events, comes to this: "I become the bread of life. I become the Eucharist. I become the Eucharistic sacrifice of Calvary and the Mass."

Surely, that must make us think. Jesus does not answer by speaking of the healing miracles, or the miraculous feeding with ordinary bread. He refers to the Eucharist as the proof which validates his mission and demands our faith in him.

Faith and faithfulness are inseparable. If we have living faith in Christ, we are faithful to his word. To believe in Jesus in any real sense is to live by his word. That is what St. Paul is insisting on in our second reading. Real faith is not empty. It throws our pagan ways and produces a living, breathing image of God. "Not everyone who says Lord, Lord will enter the kingdom of heaven," Jesus once said, "but he who does the will of my father in heaven."

When Jesus promised the bread of life, so many lost their faith and left that he turned to his apostles and said, "Do you also want to leave?" The Apostles walked the way of truth. That is why Peter could respond to Jesus so touchingly, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Fr. Joe. pastor



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUG. 1, 2021

COLLECTIONS—July 24 & 25

Envelopes.....	2696.00
Loose.....	544.25
Total.....	3240.25
Masses.....	140.00
Rental.....	150.00
Donuts.....	31.76



Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday—No Mass

Tuesday—6 pm w/Novena in chapel

Wednesday thru Friday—8 am in chapel

Saturday—4 pm in church

Sunday—8 & 11 am in church

Recitation of the Rosary—10 am on Tuesday & Thursday at the St. John Grotto. All are invited.

Parish Development

A second collection will be taken this weekend, July 31 & Aug. 1 for our Parish Development fund. This money stays at St. John to help us accomplish many needed projects in and around our church. We thank you for your continued generosity.

Adult Formation

An Adult Formation Summit will be held on Fri., Aug. 27th thru Sun., Aug. 29th at the Pastoral Center in Schriever. Precautions are being taken for the safety of everyone in regards to COVID. The weekend is designed to be an opportunity for all those involved in your parish's Adult Formation Leadership to grow in relationship with God and to be coached in the vision and skills for Adult Formation. The event will kickoff on Friday evening with dinner at 5:30 pm with the 1st session starting around 7 pm. We'll have a full day on Saturday & continue thru Sunday afternoon. We will wrap up around 3 pm on Sunday which includes Mass. There is NO CHARGE for this event. Food and needed materials will be provided. For any questions or to register, please call 850-3155.

Additional Mass Intentions

Cecilia Leonard Richard, Irvin & Lillian Perque, Eric Tabor(BDay-8/4), Elsie Taylor, Larry Benoit, William & Windy Adams, Pearl & Edwin Thibodaux, Carroll Terracina



MASSSES – JULY 31-AUG. 6

World Peace, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Russel & Emelda Benoit, Lee & Eudora Chauvin, Hilda Melancon, 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, Joseph N. Niquiporo, John Oliver, Sterling Aysen, Irving Chiasson, For Conversion & Salvation of Souls, For Priest & Religious & Those in Prison, Maurice Mire, Chester A.Mire, Hazel Mire, Virginia Mire, Louis Mire, Eulalie Mire, Eula Benoit, Louis Benoit, Regina Carlos, Larry Benoit, Gary J.Benoit, Russell Bernard Sr, (BDay-1/6), Eddie & Edna Filce, Thomas & Anna Mae Bernard, Trysten Bernard, Robert Thibodaux Jr, Roger & Fields Flys, Mire & Duet Flys, Randy Duet, Abby Tabor Sr, Valcour & Regina Tabor, Edmond & Elise Naquin, Harold Terracina, John Arceneaux, Louis Thibodaux, Rhea G. Hall, Kimberly H. Robichaux, Paul & Margaret Boudreaux & Deceased Family Member, Betty & Jimmy Boudreaux, Loralyn, John & Jeanne Fields, Harold Terracina, John Acherman, Maurice P. Mire, O.J. Legendre, M/M Edward Aucoin, Timmy Aucoin, Henry Usey, Janet (Usey) Molaison, Paul Dudek, M/M Leonce Guillot, Earl, Wilbert, William, Gilbert & Olivia, Francis & Virgie, M/M Marcel Usey Sr, M/M Xavier Touns & Fly, M/M Bartholew Thibodaux & Fly, M/M Tanile Morvant & Fly, Esther & Stanley Morvant Sr, Audrey & Stanley Morvant Jr, Lilly & Harold Clement, Sylvia & Chester Tabor, Gerald & Tiffany Crouch, Elsie & Carolyn "Tut" Delaune, Charles Prejean, Terry Hymel, Louis Thibodaux, Nazie & Dolien Thibodaux, M/M Wilson Alleman, M/M Ridley Westerman, Christopher Alleman, M/M Ralph David, Charles Alleman, Juanita Alleman, Johnathan Besson, Gustave, Enola & Crane Arcement, Lois & Ralph Jougla, Cazenave & Graugnard Flys, Aleen Lorio, Charlotte Zieyes, Wilson E.Thibodeaux, Michael A.Thibodeaux, Amy T.Steinacker, Mona & Joseph Pitre Sr, Hilda & Titus Crawford, Mary E Thibodeaux Marcel, Randolph & Sylvia Richard, Richard & Mire Flys, Albert "A.J." Guillot Jr, Albert J.Guillot Sr, Harry & Letitia Webre, Jody Arcement, Lawrence "L.J."Arcement, Charlie Adams, Bernice Morvant, Ernest Floyd Thibodaux, Ricky, Larry, Louise & Junius Boudreaux, Chester Chiasson Jr, Odette Naquin, Calvin Naquin Sr, Calvin Naquin Jr, Peggy & Chester Chiasson & Holly, Stacy Domangue, June Shaw, Bob Breaux, Nora Shaw, Billy & Delta Shaw, Scott Naquin, Dean Fakier, Rosadel Fakier, Louis Fakier, Raymond & Betty Waguespack, Trosclair, Tregre, Bernard & Terracina Flys, Lester & Lucille Gravois, Joseph & Louise Accardo, Ivory Stewart, Francois & Winnie Aubert, Wilson & Alice Adams, Michel & Lydia Guillot, Judith Guillot, Aubert, Adams & Borne Flys, Mary Elizabeth Hebert, Eustace Breaux, Milton & Yvonne Breaux(Anniv), Amedeo Sr & Laura Roger, Lloyd Legendre, M/M Gus Legendre, M/m John B. Ray, June M. Shaw, O. J. Legendre, Timmy Aucoin, M/M Edward Aucoin, M/M Andrew Milek, Cathy Milek Pharo, Clarence Ford, M/M Louis Fakier, M/M Luke Ford Sr, Thomas E. Gros, Allen Cavalier, Daphne LeRay, M/M Calvin Bourgeois, Drew Adams, Ruffy Adams, Adams & Clement Flys, Elward Arcement, Ricky LeBlanc, Jr., Elsie & Ricky LeBlanc, Dwight LeBlanc, Carole Ann Domangue, Bessie & Louis LeBlanc and Camelia & Elphege LeBlanc, Sophie & Elward Arcement, Sophie & Phillip Cancienne, Dora & Tecoon Arcement, Joe, Verna & Camille Boudreaux, Joyce & Ray Waguespack, Donna Boudreaux Touns and Mary Deanna Dohmann Chachere, Nola Trahan Dohmann, Blackie Dohmann, Carolyn & Alvin LeBlanc, Bryan Ritchie, Barbara Richard Landry, Chester Boudreaux Sr, Milton Duet, Louis L. Dill Jr, Ida & Lawrence Blanchard, L.J.(AI), Irving & Dave Blanchard, Hilda & Louis Dill Sr & Fly, Ione Clause & Hilda Reed, Melvin Pallock, Michael Thomas, Charles(Bubba)Braud, Daniel Legendre, Denis & Rose Legendre, Emile & Marie Blanchard, Joyline Cancienne, Loy Smith, Allen Cavalier, M/M Dewey Talbot & Lorena, Paul & Thelma Boudreaux, Pam & Carrol, Roy & Earline LeBlanc, Chris Alleman, Milton Benoit, Ervin Benoit, Jack Legendre, Anna Mae & Norman Naquin, Tom & Wanda Swafford, Marilyn Himel, Nela Guillot, Janet(Usey)Molaison, Helen Usey, Virgie & Olivia Guillot, Elsie Taylor, Legendre & Taylor Flys, Albert C. Gerstle Jr, Norman Navarre, Brian Parks, Clement, Navarre, Aucoin Families, Enid & Rodney Mire, Lesley LeBlanc, Gigi Bonvillain, William & Windy Adams, Joyce Hidalgo, Anita Ponvelle, Allen Cavalier, Junius"Nonnie"Arabie, Barry"Bugba"Arabie, M/M Dennis Chiasson, M/M Joseph Arabie, Irvin Arabie, Eugene & Theresa"PeeWee" Legendre, Louis Thibodaux, Elsie & Jim Taylor, Claudine Richard, Byrne & Irving Legendre Fly, Joyce & Roland Hidalgo, Archie Julien, Steve, Preston & Vincent Morvant, James & Beverly Stafford, M/M James Blanchard, Dutalie Bourg(BDay-7/28), Parishioners

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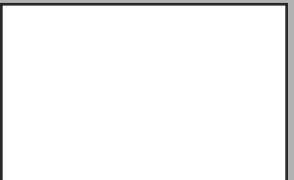
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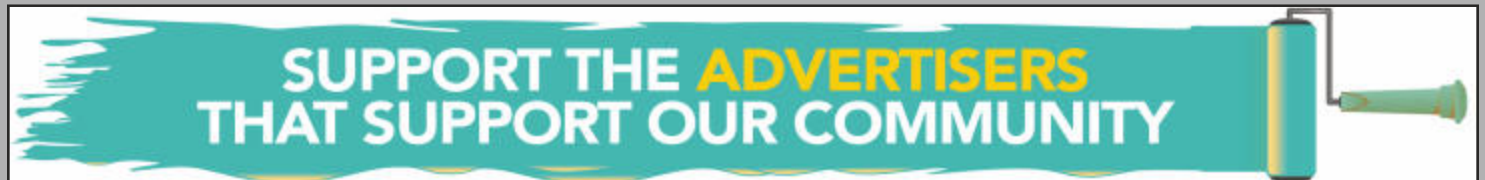
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