October 3, 2021 Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time Volume 53, No. 40

ST. JOHN The BAPTIST

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MASS SCHEDULE

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Saturday V1g11	
Friday8	:00 a.m., with Adoration until 11:30 a.m.
First Saturday of the month only	

RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:30–4:15 p.m.
Tuesday thru Friday	. 7:40 a.m. or by appointment

PARISH STAFF

OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Office closed for lunch 12:30–1:30 p.m.

P. O. BOX 248, BRUSLY, LOUISIANA 70719

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,

Today is designated as Respect Life Sunday, and the month of October as Respect Life Month. Since this is a year dedicated to St. Joseph, we draw strength and inspiration from the witness of St. Joseph as a defender of life. He protected and cared for the Christ Child and the Blessed Mother in loving obedience to God's will.

As mentioned previously, St. John the Baptist has adopted this Sunday, October 3, as our day to pray outside of the Delta Clinic on Colonial Drive in Baton Rouge as part of the "40 Days for Life" campaign. Please call Mary Benoit or Julie Millard to sign-up for an hour, or just come whenever you are able.

The priests of the Baton Rouge Diocese were supposed to have our annual retreat this week of October 4-8 at Manresa Retreat House in Convent. However, Bishop Duca recently canceled the group retreat due to the challenges of housing and feeding all of the priests safely given the threat of the Coronavirus.

Priests were encouraged to reschedule their retreat if possible, and four of us were able to book a private directed retreat at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center in Metairie. Therefore, we will have Communion Services on Tuesday – Friday of this week while I am on retreat. Please pray for us as we promise to do the same for all of you.

We recently lost another one of our priests, Father Jack Nutter, who died of complications from Alzheimer's disease on September 10, 2021. He was 71 years old and had been a priest for 32 years. He served as pastor of St. Louis King of France Parish in Baton Rouge, St. Helena Parish in Amite, and as parochial vicar at St. Patrick and several other parishes.

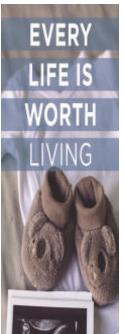
Father Jack was in the first graduating class of our high school seminary, St. Joseph Cathedral Prep, Class of 1968, and also attended St. Joseph Seminary College before dropping out to pursue a lay vocation. He then reentered the seminary later in life and was ordained in 1989.

Jack had the ability to give his entire attention to whomever he was speaking. He was never so busy that he couldn't stay after Mass to listen to a parishioner and offer his assistance. He was an incredibly warm and friendly person and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

The Baton Rouge Diocese will not be able to hold its annual anniversary Mass for married couples this year. However, Bishop Duca would still like to recognize all couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, and 65th and over anniversaries with a certificate and personal message. The Diocese has provided a form for couples to fill out if they would like to be honored. Please call the parish office by October 15 with your information if you wish to receive a certificate.

The Zippers will resume operations in their Thrift Shop this Thursday, October 7. Shoppers are requested to wear masks in kindness to one another.

In Christ, Father Matt



Please welcome the newly baptized to our faith community:

Samuel Ezre Berthelot Son of Daniel & Krystal Berthelot

Jackson Bryce Hebert Son of Michael & Mattie Hebert

Blakely Elizabeth Rodrigue Daughter of Kyle & Amanda Rodrigue

Alaina Kate Smith Daughter of Brennan & Brooke Smith

Nathan Luke Smith Son of Brennan & Brooke Smith

Lawson Randall Tranchina Son of Cody & Micah Tranchina



October is the month of the Rosary. Let's all join in prayer by praying a Rosary for those who are a priest, deacon, brother or sister. Please contact Father Josh Johnson if you are being called to a religious vocation: 225-336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org or visit: www.diobr.org/vocations



The Zippers will open for their weekly Thursday Sale beginning October 7th. Donations will be accepted beginning Monday, October 11th. Please leave your items by their door at that time.



Christian Fomation

Fall Break No Religion Classes on October 11, 12 & 13

First Reconciliation Meeting for all 2nd Grade Sacramental Prep Students & One Parent on October 14th @ 6:30pm in the Activity Center

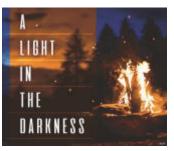


Mother's Day Out Children are Collecting Coins for Cash for a visit from Noah's Ark Petting Zoo. Please leave your spare change in the clear bin at the back of Church to help raise these funds. Thank you for your generosity!

Prayers and Sympathy are extended to these families upon the deaths of their loved ones:

> Patricia Hebert Durbin and Mark Granier

The Sanctuary Candle is burning in memory of Gordon "Curly" Tullier.



SAFETY SAFETY SAFETY Cones will block the parking lot every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday morning from 7:00am-11:30am to prevent traffic through the parking lot to the Cemetery while the children of Mother's Day Out are on this campus. Thank You for your cooperation. St John the Baptist Parish Council Members <u>2020-2021</u> 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 3, 2021

Sunday:	Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb
•	2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
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:	Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/
	Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Stewardship of Finances		
September 26, 2021		
153 Identified:	\$9,413.00	
Loose Collection:	+590.00	
Total:	\$10,003.00	
Religious Education Fund:	\$656.00	



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