



*Father, hallowed
be your name,
your kingdom come.*

LUKE 11:3

JULY
28
2019

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m., Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday & Fridays 8:00 a.m., Thursdays 6pm (Chapel)

Confessions

Saturday 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

Baptism

**First Sunday of the Month. Baptismal seminar is required
for first time Parents and Godparents.**

Marriage

**Contact Pastor at least eight (8) months before
making arrangements.**

Visitation of the Sick

**Please notify the parish office when a family member is ill
at home or in the hospital.**

Funeral Arrangements

**Please notify the parish office as soon as possible when someone in the
family passes away, preferably before contacting the funeral home.**

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 28, 2019



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, JULY 29

8:00 AM Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux, Judy Guhman (Living)

TUESDAY, JULY 30

8:00 AM Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

No Mass

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

6:00 PM Communion Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

8:00 AM Calvin Picou

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

5:00 PM

Albert & Dorothy Laque, Gerald Lorio, Jessie, Sr. & Keith Dunn, Janet Weber, Murphy Candies, Jr., Murphy & Mittie Cortez, Albert & Malvina Cortez

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

8:00 AM People of St. John

10:00 AM

Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux, Hector E. Hock, Sr., Becky Flanagan, P. J. Hock, Patricia Hock, Catherine Hock, Kerry & Huey Rivet, Janet Weber, Roy Landry, Judy Guhman (Living)



Sanctuary Lamp
Week of: July 28th—August 3rd
In memory of:
Warren Matherne

Pray for the Sick

Ian Alexander, Beverly Boudreaux, Carol Bourgeois, Anna Dufrene, Earl Dufrene, Jr., Janice Gourgues, Judy Guhman, Shannon Guidry, Sandra Guiedry, Chris Kirkpatrick, Ella Lirette, Garrett Lirette, Gerner Matherne, Merril Matherne, Albert Melancon, Brenda Naquin, Lisa Richoux, Nicole Veillon, Grant White



Weekly Offerings

July 21, 2019 \$1,955.00
Second Collection: \$264.00

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Be Careful What You Ask For

Jesus talks about praying for whatever we need with faith and confidence, but he ends by asking, "How much more with the Father . . . give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" (Luke 1:13). Is he saying there are limits to what we can ask for? "Be careful what you ask for," the saying warns. Just because we want something doesn't mean it will be good for us. But if we have enough faith to pray for something, we probably would not pray for anything evil. So what is Jesus really saying? He is giving us two lessons about prayer. First, he assures us that God does hear our prayers and answers them. Many people take "ask and you shall receive" so literally that they expect God to do their bidding no matter what they want. But God is free to do what is best for us, free to answer some prayers with a no when what we seek is against God's will. So maybe our first prayer should be to ask God to show us what we really need.

That leads us to the second lesson: prayer changes us, not God. If we truly pray as Jesus prayed, we would say, "Not as I will, but as you will" (Matthew 26:39). It's not easy to change our minds about what we want or need. To change our desires from selfish to holy takes a lot of power, the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus was raised from the dead by that power and we will be, too (Romans 8:11). So when Jesus promises that the Father will give the Spirit to us for asking, the Spirit is both the source of and the answer to our prayers. Let us ask the Spirit to empower us to desire and pray for what we really need. Tom Schmidt, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared from the loss of life and property during this hurricane season.



Scripture Readings
Summary for August 4, 2019

First Reading—ECCL 1:2, 2:21-23

Those who work slavishly to achieve a certain earthly status never live long enough to enjoy it. Qoheleth tells his readers this is vanity, nothing more.

Second Reading—COL 3:1-5, 9-11

Paul agrees with Qoheleth, telling the Colossians to keep their sights on the things of God. Their baptism has replaced their old way of thinking, with achievable new horizons.

Gospel—LK 12:13-21

Luke introduces the wealthy farmer who foolishly hides his earnings in life's fake, passing luxuries. Jesus' response is to man's senseless greed, which does not lead to heaven.

With humble hearts, St. John the Baptist joyfully proclaims the mercy of God.

First Friday Devotion

First Friday Devotion will be held on **August 2nd** in the **Chapel** with Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament, Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Divine Mercy.

Parish Council

The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, **August 6th** at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

Council of Catholic Women

The CW meeting is scheduled for **August 8, 2019** at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Ushers—Needed

Ushers are needed to help with the weekend masses. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Rachelle Johnson at 985-226-2817.

Teachers—Needed

The School of Religion is in need of teachers for the 2019-2020 school session for the **5th & 7th grades**. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Danielle Babin at 504-442-2717**.

Family Day September 22, 2019

Raffle Ticket—Prizes

The tickets will be in the church soon! We are asking everyone to participate in our **major fund raiser** by selling the raffle tickets. There are many wonderful prizes that can be won.

R. C. I. A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
The program is scheduled to begin in August with an inquiry meeting (Date & time TBA). The meeting will be held at St. Anthony of Padua, Luling. This program is for parishioners from the parishes of St. Anthony of Padua, St. Mark, St. John the Baptist, and Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. We will meet each week. At the end of the initiation, we will celebrate Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist for all of the new members on the vigil of Easter.

Please pickup a **RCIA** flyer on the table in the church for more information and you may also contact the Parish Office at 758-2668.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 28, 2019

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

-- Colossians 2:12

School of Religion

Mrs. Danielle Babin 504-442-2717
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Class Times

Elementary—5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
High School—6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.



2019-2020 CCD Registration

The School of Religion is accepting registrations for grades 1st through 11th.

Registration forms are located on the CCD sign in table at the entrance of the church. You may place your registration form and payment marked CCD into the collection basket, the box on the table or mail it to the parish office at P. O. Box 1498, Paradis, LA 70080.

If you have any questions, please call Danielle Babin 504-442-2717.

Upcoming CCD Dates

August 5th—Confirmation Class and Interviews at 6:30 p.m.
Teacher's Meeting Room 7 at 6:30 p.m.

August 11th—Opening Mass at 10:00 a.m. for religion students and registration.

August 12th—Class
August 19th—Class
August 26th—Class & Adoration & Confession 6:30-7:30 pm
September 2nd—No Class/
Labor Day Holiday

Ministry Schedule—August 3rd & 4th, 2019

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Brad Landeche	Betty Meacham, Mary Picou	Tammy Chiasson Volunteer	Laurie Falgoust
Sunday 10:00 AM	John Ford	ROBIN LEDET, Danny Ledet, Volunteer	Teresa Huerta David Huerta	Lucas & Wrenn Allred William Hogan

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