



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.



Twenty-Fourth Sunday
of Ordinary Time

September 15, 2019



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 AM Judy Guhman (Living)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:00 AM Frances Hunter

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

No Mass

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

6:00 PM Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:00 AM Judy Guhman (Living)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

5:00 PM People of St. John

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00 AM

Bobby Hogan, Beuvans Savoie, Audrey & Murry Uzee, Roy Estay, Janet Weber, Ray Montet

10:00 AM

Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux, Hector E. Hock, Sr., Becky Flanagan, P. J. Hock, Patricia Hock, Catherine Hock, Kerry & Huey, Janet Weber, Murphy Candies, Jr., Murphy & Mittie Cortez, Mindy Gordon, Roy Landry, Judy Guhman (Living)

Sanctuary Lamp

Week of: Sept. 15th—Sept. 21st



In memory of:

Bobby Hogan

Pray for the Sick—Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, may they be freed from danger, relieved of suffering, and embraced with compassion in the gentle arms of the Good Shepherd.



Ian Alexander, Lillian Breaux, 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

September 8, 2019:\$2,435.00

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Just Look at the Cross

The common theme of today's readings is forgiveness. The Gospel is one familiar to us all, and Paul in the second reading highlights his story of receiving God's mercy. But the first reading might cause us to wonder if God was always so forgiving. God and Moses come across like a couple of parents deciding whether they should punish their children. One, the Lord, points out how bad Israel has been. The other, Moses, points out how good God is, in the promise to make them a great nation. The important point is that God relented and forgave the people.

In each case, great sins are forgiven--not because the people deserved it, but because they were loved. My favorite line in the second reading is "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15)--not to find the wealthiest people to build his kingdom, or the nicest, or the holiest; he came to save sinners. The Pharisees and scribes did not get this. That was one of the reasons they wanted to kill Jesus. And yet, when they did just that, Jesus' death on the cross brought forgiveness for us all.

Remember the story in Genesis 18, of Abraham bargaining with God not to destroy Sodom if he could find a few good people? Maybe he should have "reminded" God of that divine mercy instead of hoping to find enough good people to spare the town. Sometimes we can't believe that God would love us so much as to forgive any sin. Just look at the cross if you need a reminder.

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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 September 22, 2019

First Reading—AM 8:4-7

Amos denounces the wealthy, who care only about personal gain and who do not hesitate to cheat the poor.

Second Reading—1 TM 2:1-8

Paul advises prayer for "all in authority", including pagans, because God "wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth".

Gospel—LK 16:1-13

The parable of the unjust steward urges would-be disciples to choose radical commitment to the coming reign of God while there is still time.

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

Second Collection-Sept. 15

Today, we are taking up the collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**. Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, in the United States and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds collected remain here in the Archdiocese of New Orleans to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Second Harvest Food Bank

The St. John's Ministry of Care in connection with Second Harvest will be distributing food for the needy at the St. John the Baptist Church on Hwy. 90 in Paradis on Wednesday, September 18th at 8:00 a.m. on a first come first serve basis.

Attention Parishioners

Due to our Family Day on September 22nd, we will not have the Senior Lunch/Bingo for the month of September.

Family Day Dinners

In the past a few parishioners have made monetary donations to cover the cost of the Family Day Dinners. However due to increased cost and lower donations we are in need of more monetary assistance.

The estimated cost is about \$2,000. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please place your donation in an envelope marked "**Family Day Dinners**". Donations can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the Parish Office. Please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist Church.



**Family Day
September 22, 2019**

Family Day is a great day to come together with family and friends for a meal and an enjoyable afternoon.

Your support in selling raffle tickets will be greatly appreciated, remember this is St. John's major fundraiser. Please be sure to pick up your Raffle Tickets in church. When you are finished selling the tickets you may place the tickets into the basket on the table or return them to the parish office.

All donated raffle prizes need to be brought in to the parish office by **Thursday, September 19th**.

Family Day Dinners will be served beginning at 11:00 a.m. You may dine in or take out.

MENU: Baked Chicken or Pork Loin with rice dressing, peas or corn, potato salad and bread for a donation of \$10.00 each. Desserts and drinks will be available for purchase.

Children Outside Activities

11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Inflatable Bounce House
DJ & TV for Saints Game
Hot Dogs, chili, cheese and nachos will be available for \$2.00 each.

RAFFLE PRIZES will be pulled between 1:30-2:00 p.m.

School of Religion

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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.

CCD Schedule

September 16th—Class/
Pizza & Paint Night 6:30 p.m.
September 23rd—Class
September 30th—Class



**4th Grade Teacher—
Needed**

The School of Religion is in need of a teacher for the **4th grade** for the 2019-2020 school session. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Danielle Babin at 504-442-2717**.

Pizza & Paint Night

Pizza & Paint Night will be held on Monday, September 16th at 6:30—7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. If you are interested in attending you must purchase a ticket for \$10 per person. Tickets will be sold on September 15th after the 10:00 a.m. mass. If you need more information, please contact Danielle Babin at 504-442-2717.

Ministry Schedule—September 21st & 22nd, 2019

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Julia DuRousseau	Kent Frickey, Debra Frickey	Tammy Chiasson Volunteer	Robin & Danny Ledet
Sunday 10:00 AM	John Ford	AUDREY MATHERNE, Arlene Taranto, Volunteer	Rachelle Johnson Volunteer	Noah & Madeline Blanchard

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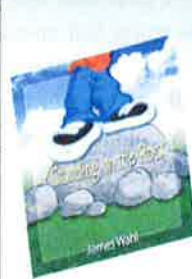
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