

## Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

Jon 1:1–2:1–2, 11

Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday

OCTOBER 8

Weekday

Jon 3:1–10

Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday

OCTOBER 9

Weekday

Jon 4:1–11

Lk 11:1–4

Thursday

OCTOBER 10

Weekday

Mal 3:13–20b

Lk 11:5–13

Friday

OCTOBER 11

Weekday

Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2

Lk 11:15–26

Saturday

OCTOBER 12

Weekday

Jl 4:12–21

Lk 11:27–28

Sunday

OCTOBER 13

Twenty-eighth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14–17

2 Tm 2:8–13

Lk 17:11–19

# Dear Padre,

## My parish has become so multicultural, I hardly recognize it anymore!

This is happening across the United States. Immigrant populations are joining parishes, bringing their culture and values with them.

Years ago, Catholics strongly identified with a particular culture: Irish, Polish, Italian, for example. They built churches and sometimes found their own priests. They supported their own schools, teaching and praying in their own language. These ethnic parishes gave security to people in a new land.

However, people died, went to war, or left the neighborhood, changing the

parish population. But the parish didn't die. Newcomers arrived, people who didn't share the same background or language. *Catholic* means "universal." It can never be identified exclusively with one particular parish church. A parish isn't a country club with an unspoken charter written by those who have been there the longest. One may have loyalty to a parish, but this should be rooted in love of the gospel.

When people experience change, they seek security. In parishes, however, security can lead to possessiveness. But the parish, as it exists, isn't meant to threaten newcomers with its norms and customs. A word of encouragement from

you, a long-standing parishioner, can help overcome these tensions. You're encouraged to welcome these people and let them know that we all practice a faith that's Catholic—in the fullest sense of the word.

—The Redemptorists  
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



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### A Word from Pope Francis

Perhaps you will be challenged by [our immigrants'] diversity. But know that they also possess resources meant to be shared. So do not be afraid to welcome them. Offer them the warmth of the love of Christ....I am certain that, as so often in the past,

these people will enrich America and its Church.

—Meeting with United States bishops, September 23, 2015

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 6, 2019

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Hab 1:2–3; 2:2–4

2 Tm 1:6–8, 13–14

Lk 17:5–10

## The Attitude and Faith of Humble Servants

What's the difference between a believer and an atheist? What separates one who is indifferent to religion from a fervently religious person? Faith! To believe is no small thing and a tremendous gift.

"Father, you are lucky you have faith!" an atheist friend once said to me.

"I have tried often, but I just can't bring myself to believe."

We are indeed lucky, because having faith in Jesus opens us to heaven, to life after death, to finding hope and sense in suffering. Faith allows us to trust something bigger than ourselves and to be at peace even when all around us is crazy. Faith and acceptance is the difference between deep, interior harmony and a radical frustration.

We have received everything from God, which is why Jesus invites us to have the attitude of humble servants. He uses an example that's clear to his listeners: a servant works hard all day, comes home, and prepares and serves dinner. In so doing, he is merely performing his job. Jesus isn't endorsing the insensitive nature of the master but offering a model in the humble service of the domestic helper

who faithfully fulfills his position. Since he receives everything from the master, he can only be grateful for the chance to work. Such is our position before God. We have no place being proud or demanding before God since all we have is from him: life, family, health, our talents.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Water of Life Discourse*, 1600s–1700s  
Artist: Angelika Kauffmann  
Source: Wikipedia

### For Reflection

Am I humble enough to recognize my position before God, as his beloved child, but also his servant?

How can I live with greater faith in him and charity toward those who offer me their service?

[Jesus said,] "Is [the master] grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you."

Luke 17:9–10



# Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church Saint Terence Mission

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## Parish Staff

**Deacon:** Michael Sullivan  
**Parish Secretary:** Sheila Royal  
**Office Assistant:** Shirley Rivers  
**DRE:** Jean Rains  
**Groundskeeper:** Michael Beasley  
**Housekeeper:** Pam Little  
**Music Director:** Justin Lincecum

### Masses

Anticipated Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM (@ St. Terence)  
11:00 AM (with Children's Liturgy)  
Tuesdays: 5:00 PM  
Wednesday—Friday: 8:00 AM  
First Saturdays: 8AM

### Las Lecturas de Hoy

6th Octubre  
Habacuc I: 2-3, 2: 2-4  
Salmo 94  
2 Timoteo I: 6-8, I3-I4  
San Lucas I7: 5-10  
*Misa en espanol el primer domingo de cada mes a las 5PM; Confesiones a las 4PM*

**Prayer List:** Pat & Elaine Martinez, Brenda DeVaney, Timothy D. Rivers, Bessie Mowad, Fr Ken Williams, Flavia Pratt, Madison Richards, Bill Andries, Vivian Halleck, Vicki Martin, Margie Remedies, Jackie Miller, Bobby Slaydon, Tammy Wallace, Brayson McLain, Eddie Richard, Janice Murphy, Clifford Shuff, Audrey & Richard Doggett, Daphne Moore, Mark Roberts, Adele Serio, Kathryn McCormick, Allison Brewer, Jerry Riser, Patti Dugan, Wayne Stephensen, Skyler Easterling, Curtis Fiset, Frances Sepulvado, Blanche Lewing, Angela Osborn, Alice Thibodeaux, Fr Richard Norsworthy, Shayna Tilley, Randy Richter, Janice A Sepulvado, Jimmy Gates, Robin Meshell, Cassidy Byles, Amelia Dougherty, Baby Jack Edward Duck, Juanita Ford, Bernadette Bitting, Diane Reaux, Joanna Presseau, Kristin Williams Sepulvado, Ron Rivers, Bailey McConnell, Nelda Laffitte, Megan Nichols, Tempy Nichols, Ricky Gates, Ronnie Salley, Charles Adams, Caleb Ezernack, Joan Sneed, Earl Anderson, Vicci Thibodeaux, Joanne Hansen, Evelyn Bouillion, Chris Moran, Tom Hambleton, Cambree Jewell Parrie, Selena Rodriguez, Landon Vickery, Edan Leone, Bennett King, Andrew Rains & Wanda J Rivers

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held at St. John's on Wednesdays from **8:30AM to 6PM**. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction begin at **5:30PM**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet are held at St. Terence each Friday at **3PM**

### The Sanctuary Candle

October 6th-12th, 2019

St John + Dr Robert Brocato

St Terence + Mike Breaux

Please call the church office to request the Sanctuary Candle in memory/honor of a loved one.

**Parish Support**  
(Thank you for your generosity!)  
Weekend of Sept. 28-29th, 2019

St John	\$ 3602.00	Attendance: 268
St Terence	\$ 1145.80	Attendance: 78

### ~This Week~

**Sun, Oct. 6th** Pumpkin Patch Set-up, 12:30PM  
Spanish Mass, 5PM  
**Mon, Oct. 7th** Ladies Altar Society Meets, 2PM  
SSVdP Meets, 6PM  
**Tues, Oct. 8th** RCIA, 6PM  
KC's Meet, 7PM; Dinner @ 6PM  
**Wed, Oct. 9th** Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30AM-6PM  
CCD Class, 5:30PM  
**Thurs, Oct. 10th** Choir Practice, 6PM

### Mission Statement

We, the people of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and St Terence Mission, in union with the Holy Father and our Bishop, being filled with the Holy Spirit, strive to promote and deepen the Catholic faith in the lives of all who share in our life together. As Disciples, we seek to worship God and find His kingdom among us and in the world around us. Our calling is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through the proclamation of the Word, the celebration of the Eucharist, the Sacramental life, community service, evangelization, and Christian education.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, 10/05/2019**

- 4:00PM 1. +Eunice & Chris Ebarb  
2. Tom Hambleton (SI)  
3. +Benny Rivers  
4. +Robert Brocato  
5. Lyndee, Aidan & Grace Foust

**Sunday, 10/06/2019**

- 8:00AM 1. The Parish Family  
2. +Dawson Lowe & Living & Deceased Family Members  
11:00AM 1. Eddie Richard (SI)  
2. Tom Hambleton (SI)  
3. +Robert Brocato  
4. +Gary Loftin  
5. +Henry & Elvie Parrie  
6. +Ernest & Shirley Rodrigues  
7. +Benny Rivers  
8. +Logan Brant  
9. +Maria Loan Nguyen  
10. +Maria Hoa Nguyen  
11. +Peter Anh Nguyen

**Tuesday, 10/08/2019**

- 5:00PM 1. +Robert Brocato

**Wednesday, 10/09/2019**

- 8:00AM 1. +Garthe Wright

**Thursday, 10/10/2019**

- 8:00AM 1. +Phillip Fritel

**Friday, 10/11/2019**

- 8:00AM 1. +Raymond Remedies

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers	Pastoral Council
<b>Saturday Vigil, Oct. 12th, 4PM (Saint John)</b>	Rose Gatti	Clauriste Byles James Murphy Shirley Veuleman	Juan Plascencia Illario Plascencia	Leo Springer Johnny Mowad Terry DeLatin Dakota Rivers	Clauriste Byles, Angelique Mitchell, Chrislee Moran, James Murphy, Jean Rains, Maggie Bautista, Leonilda Gonzalez, Shirley Rivers and Deacon Michael Sullivan
<b>Sunday, Oct. 13th, 8AM (Saint Terence)</b>	Jan Collins	Glenda Shuff Frank Little Pam Little		Rufus Shuff Paul Guidry	<b>Finance Council</b> Earl Anderson, Ron Busby, Matthew Couvillion, Dale Porche, Rufus Shuff, Brandy Soileau and Deacon Michael Sullivan
<b>Sunday, Oct. 13th, 11AM (Saint John)</b>	Shelley Fiset	Ashley Koss Rosie Sullivan	Jacob Ryan Marion Koss	George Koss Michael Beasley Thomas Rosales Jerry Mitchell	

### Volunteers Needed: Pumpkin Patch Work Schedule

**Sunday, October 6th, 12:30PM**

~Complete setup

**Saturday, October 12th, Time to be determined**

~Pumpkins arrive!

**October 14th—October 31st**

~Staff the Pumpkin Patch and help with field trips

**Saturday, November 9th, 8AM until**

~Pick up Pumpkin Patch. Tools: Trucks, trailers, drills, strong backs.

Please call the church office or contact Matthew Couvillion to let us know when you can help!



### Tombstone Clean-Up Day

There will be a tombstone clean-up day held at the St. John's Cemetery on **Oct. 12** at **9:00 a.m.** in preparation for the All Saints Day Activities that are to be held on November 2 and 3. The DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) and the C.A.R. (Children of the American Revolution) will be demonstrating the proper tools and techniques for cleaning tombstones. If you would like to attend the demonstration and clean your family's tombstones, please contact Katie Lombardino at 504-982-3292 or Mary Beth Tarver at 318-256-5724 for more details.

### October: Month of the Holy Rosary

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. Everyone is invited to join us in the recitation of the Rosary before weekend Masses: Saturdays, 3:30PM @ St. John; Sundays, 7:30AM @ St Terence and 10:30AM at St. John.

### Book of Remembrance

Several years ago, our church parish initiated a "Book of Life/ Remembrance" to remember the departed souls at Masses during the month of November. If you would like to add a loved one to the list, please contact the church office or Mary Beth Tarver at 332-9901 (email: dividingridge@classicnet.net) by Oct. 22. Those names previously submitted are already included.

### Rosary Planned to Pray for our Nation

Please join the 2018 Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 12, at 12:00 noon**. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in front of the rectory. For more information, please contact Jan Collins at 409-350-5437.

### Society of St Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples: "When you have done all you have been commanded, say: 'We are unprofitable servants; we have only done what we were obliged to do.'" **This week, please help the Society of St Vincent de Paul bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned. Indeed, we are only doing "what we are obliged to do".**

### Monthly Spanish Mass

The monthly Spanish Mass will be held this **Sunday, October 6th at 5PM**. Confessions will begin at **4:00PM**. Father Rigoberto Betancurt Cortes will be our celebrant. Everyone is invited to join us.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's is held each Wednesday **from 8:30AM to 6PM**. The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction begin at **5:30PM**. Everyone is encouraged to come by and spend time with our Lord.

