

Knights of Columbus



Council 15490

St. John's Golden Group

Est. 1987

"wisdom is aged men, with long life is understanding" Job 12:12

Come Join Us

1st Tuesday at 11:30: Blessing & Lunch



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Est. 1924

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October 25, 2020: 30th Sunday Ordinary Time

REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON

Pastor

Deacon Billy Graham, Secretary
Judy Poiroux, Bookkeeper
Tiffany Teofilo, CCD Director
Isabella Kotval, Youth Director

Parish Council

Bill Schaffer Jason Poiroux
Jim Jackson Autumn Bowden
Jack Wright Jay Graham

Finance Council

Paula Dyess Paullette Cauley
Carol Voss

MASSES

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M.
Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays by Appointment
Saturday 4:30 P.M.
Sunday 9:30 A.M.

BAPTISM: By Appointment

MATRIMONY: Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every

Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass

Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Exodus 22:20–26; Psalm 18:2–4, 47, 51; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c–10; Matthew 22:34–40

LOVE OF GOD

It's easy to tell when two people love each other. They like to be near each other and spend time together. They share intimate thoughts and feelings. They enjoy making each other happy. And knowing that they are loved allows them to reach out to other people and treat them with love and respect.

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells us that the greatest law is to love God with our whole heart and soul and mind. What does it mean to love God? Certainly it means spending time together by reading and reflecting on God's holy word. It also means sharing our thoughts and feelings with God in prayer and listening for God's voice. Where do we go to be close to God? We join God's people in worship in the church, rest in God's presence in the Blessed Sacrament, discover God in the wonder of creation and the miraculous moments of daily life. What can we do to make God happy? How do we, like the Thessalonians, "serve the living and true God" (1 Thessalonians 1:9)?

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THE CATHOLIC WEEK

OCTOBER 23, 2020



ENDOWING OUR FUTURE WITH HOPE

CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$30 MILLION
RAISED TO DATE: \$26.7 MILLION
89% OF GOAL

CAMPAIGN UPDATE
campaign.mobarch.org



"The parish of St. John the Baptist, Grand Bay is very thankful for the generosity of its parishioners. With the parish share of campaign funds, we were able to undertake projects such as repainting the whole church, a new ceiling, new lights and we procured TVs and laptops for our education building for the use of CRE.

We hope to be able also to repair recent damage from Hurricane Sally to the roof of the rectory and the covered walkway with our share of the funds." Fr. Sherwin Monteron, Pastor



Archbishop's Leadership Phase: 2019 - 2021

LEADERSHIP PHASE	PARISH GOAL	RAISED TO-DATE	% OF GOAL
LEADERSHIP TOTALS	\$3,000,000	\$3,365,357	110%

Approved Combined Campaign Phase: 2019 - 2021

PARISH**	PARISH GOAL GUARANTEED
St. Joseph, Prattville	\$500,000
Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Spanish Fort	\$230,000
St. Mary, Opelika	\$210,000
St. Ignatius, Mobile	\$2,445,000
COMBINED PHASE TOTALS	\$3,385,000

Pilot Parish Phase: August 2019 - January 2020

PARISH	PARISH GOAL	RAISED TO-DATE	% OF GOAL
St. John, Grand Bay	\$195,000	\$480,465	246%
St. John, Enterprise	\$415,000	\$957,193	231%
Our Lady of Bon Secour, Bon Secour	\$35,000	\$71,500	204%
St. Bede, Montgomery	\$1,115,000	\$2,151,828	193%
St. Mary, Geneva	\$25,000	\$40,614	162%
St. Vincent De Paul, Mobile	\$560,000	\$708,452	127%
St. Columba, Dothan	\$1,410,000	\$1,496,539	106%
Cathedral, Mobile	\$245,000	\$258,287	103%
St. John, Magnolia Springs	\$140,000	\$140,075	100%
PILOT PHASE TOTALS	\$4,140,000	\$6,235,021	151%

Bloc I Phase: February 2020 - Current

PARISH	GOAL	RAISED TO DATE	% OF GOAL
St. Philip Neri, Belle Fontaine	\$185,000	\$462,975	244%
Immaculate Conception, Osville	\$30,000	\$36,000	120%

Bloc II Phase: September 2020 - March 2021

PARISH	GOAL	RAISED TO DATE	% OF GOAL
St. Peter the Apostle, Chastang	\$75,000	\$153,600	205%



Maddie Blake Rivers, Jimmy Summerlin, Ethel Graham, Becky Thompson, Betty Cauley, Clara Davis, Wesley Dixon, Carey Olsen, Anita Wright, Lynda Jones, Doug Jones, Kathleen Borne, Aaron Poiroux, Michelle Waite, Jeff Waite, Callie Waite, Martha Delmas, Heather Cotton, Maribeth Thompson, Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, Robert Dixon, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Isabel Rel, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Mike Knowles, Steve Sevier, Penny Dupont, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloechnener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Glenn Boney, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders,, Patricia Davis, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Leyah White.

Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish: Bob Heurion, Ida Clark, Theresa Wakeman, Jack Forbes,

Pray for the Special Intentions of those serving in the Armed Forces: Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailev.

Known Birthdays for October 2020

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| 5 th : Steve Sema, Jr. | 23 rd : Michael Cook |
| 8 th : Maria Switzer | 24 th : Veronica Stewart |
| 12 th : Brandy Ramsay | 26 th : Kathie Sema |
| 13 th : Ali Stringfellow | 27 th : Anna Bowden |
| 14 th : Carey Olsen | 27 th : Lyon Graham |
| 15 th : David Delmas | 28 th : Peggy Delmas |
| 17 th : Ann Gable | 28 th : Chain Smith |
| 17 th : Mildred Smith | 28 th : Grabbrielle Sands |
| 20 th : Matthew Adams | 28 th : Jansyn Wiggins |
| 21 st : Trey Roberts | 28 th : Jayci Wiggins |
| 21 st : Bill Schaffer | 29 th : Doris Sema |
| | 30 th : Shirley Rasmussen |

Known Anniversaries for October 2020

- 5th: Kerry & Michael Ladnier
- 7th: Debra & Matt Johnson
- 9th: Linda & Deacon Graham
- 16th: Kris & Bill Schaffer
- 21st: Jennifer & Joey Schilling
- 23rd: Susie & Willie Smeriglio
- 27th: Amanda & Jonathan Oliver

Upcoming Parish Events

- Wednesday November 11th:** Veterans Day Mass
- Wednesday November 25th:** Thanksgiving Vigil Mass
- Thursday November 26th:** Thanksgiving Day Mass
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday December 1, 2 & 3:** Advent Retreat & Penance Service

Mass Intentions:

Saturday & Sunday Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm – For all the sick, infirmed, and homebound of the parish
 Sunday 10:00 am – For all deceased parishioners

Daily Mass intentions

Week of Oct. 27 thru 30

Oct. 27, 28, 29 & 30 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Carol and Terry Roberts

Week of Nov. 3 thru 6

Nov. 3, 4, 5 & 6 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of John Ramsay.

Week of Nov. 10 thru 13

Nov. 10, 11, 12 & 13 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Becky & Willie Thompson.

Week of Nov. 17 thru 20

Nov. 17, 1, 19 & 20 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Kris and Bill Schaffer.

Capital Campaign

Campaign Goal is \$195,000.00
 Pledged to date \$473,266.00
 Because of your support we are at 243% of our campaign goal.

Catholic Charities

Our Parish Catholic Charities Campaign pledge for 2020 was \$21,670.00 which is 124.5% of our goal of \$17,400.00

Lectors for next weekend, October 31 & Nov. 1:

5.00 pm on Saturday, Oct. 31, John McBride
 10:00 am on Sunday, Nov. 1, Ty Teofilo
 Please remember that if you cannot lector at the time assigned it is your responsibility to find a replacement.
 Anyone that is interested in lecturing during Mass at St. John's, please contact Carol Voss at cavoss99@gmail.ocm.

HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place at the Chapel of the Archbishop and will be filmed at 9:00 am. on Tuesday, November 3, 2020:

NURSING HOME OUTREACH:

Every First Friday of the Month there is a Mass celebrated at the Grand Bay Convalescent Home at 10:00 A.M. **Join US!**

HOUSE BLESSINGS

We highly encourage **House Blessings**. Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.



Cute One-Liners

- 1) **Be ye fishers of men. You catch 'em - He'll clean 'em.**
- 2) **Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.**
- 3) **Don't put a question mark where God put a period.**
- 4) **Don't wait for 6 strong men to take you to church.**
- 5) **Forbidden fruits create many jams.**
- 6) **God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.**

Announcements for Week of October 24, 2020

- 1) **The Catholic Maritime Ministry** is taking donations for the Christmas "Bag" program. Please see the box and information sheets in the church hall for details.
- 2) **Confirmation:** The Archbishop will be here at St. John's on November 1st to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10 am Sunday Mass. There will be a practice for confirmation on Thursday, October 29th at 6:00 pm. All are required to be present.
- 3) **Special Mass** for "All Souls Day" will be celebrated at 6:00 pm on Monday November 2nd.
- 4) **Father Sherwin** will be on vacation from November 14th through December 14th, 2020.
- 5) **Known Birthdays:** 24th: Veronica Stewart, 26th: Kathie Sema, 27th: Lyon Graham, 28th: Peggy Delmas, Chain Smith, Grabbrielle Sands, Jansyn Wiggins, Jayci Wiggins, 29th: Doris Sema, 30th: Shirley Rasmussen, **Known Anniversaries:** 27th: Amanda & Jonathan Oliver.

Stewardship and Capital Campaign

General Contributions

Week of October 18th: General Fund: \$3,122.00
Missions: \$204.00

Online Contributions – General Fund

October 2020: \$155.45

Capital Campaign to date:

Contributions to date: \$85,631.10 (43.9% of pledge)
Parish Distributions to date: \$17,126.22 (20%)

LOVE OF NEIGHBOR

The reading from Exodus makes it very clear that we serve God by serving those who are oppressed or in need. Jesus makes it more personal—we are to love our neighbors. That means those with whom we work and play and live.

When we spend time with God we can't help but experience God's great love for us. And knowing that we are loved by God should make it easy to reach out in charity and justice to our neighbors both near and far away.

Thus, love of neighbor flows naturally from those who love God. We cannot truly say that we love God unless it shows in loving relationships and compassion to those in need. At the same time, we cannot maintain our love of neighbor unless we take time to drink from the wellspring of God's refreshing love.