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

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The Answer to the following question comes from "The Catholicism Answer Book."

A book of the 300 most frequently asked questions by Rev. Father John Trigilio, Jr., PH.D., TH.D. and Rev. Father Kenneth Brighenti, PH.D. Authors of the best-selling book, "Catholicism for Dummies."

Question 21: What is revelation?

Answer – The word "revelation" comes from the Latin *revealer*, meaning "to unveil." Greek uses the word *apokalupto*, (where we get the word "apocalypse") and Hebrew uses the word *galah* which also means "to uncover" or "to unveil." Pulling back a veil to reveal what is behind it is the key to understanding biblical revelation. The Ark of the Covenant containing the ten words of God (Debarim) or, as they are more commonly known, the Ten Commandments, was kept in the Temple of Jerusalem. The room where it was located was called the Holy of Holies and was separated from the rest of the Temple by a veil. No one could go behind the veil into the Holy of Holies and stand before the Ark except the High Priest and he was only allowed to do so once a year on the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). Revelation was the "unveiling" of the Word of God.

Natural revelation is the process by which ordinary human beings can ascertain certain truths by their own power. Everyone knows fire is hot because everybody has at least felt the heat of a flame. That knowledge is natural revelation. Empirical truth is what can be observed by scientists through observation and experimentation. Philosophical truth is what can be deduced by reason. 2+2=4 is a self-evident truth. That 2+2=5 is logical and is philosophically true. The same applies to the reality that if A=B and B=C must be true. Likewise, the philosophical principle of noncontradiction means something cannot be its opposite at the same time, for example, you cannot be simultaneously alive and dead, since these terms are mutually exclusive. You're either dead or alive, but you cannot be both at the same time.

Theological truth, however, is not known by reason or observation, even though it is not necessarily in conflict with philosophy or science. Theological truth is known by divine revelation and is accepted on faith. Faith is believing what cannot be known by human reason alone. Faith is taking the word of someone else without having empirical evidence. The revealed truth that there is one God, but also Three Persons in one God, is a theological and divinely revealed truth. That Jesus Christ is human and divine, is also communicated through divine revelation. It is through faith that we believe in the truth of these divine revelations.

Theologians therefore define revelation as the disclosure by God of those super-natural truths necessary for our salvation. Divine revelation comes from God and can be transmitted through either Sacred Scripture or Sacred Tradition. (For more on Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition see Question #22.



St. John the Baptist Parish

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February 7, 2021: 5th Sunday Ordinary Time

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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.

Email: stjohngrandbay@gmail.com

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Job 7:1–4, 6–7; Psalm 147:1–6; 1 Corinthians 9:16–19, 22–23; Mark 1:29–39

Woe is Me

Often, we think about the troubles in our lives and cry out, "Woe is me!" Like Job we might look around in despair at the misery in the world. Like Job's friends we might look backward for something or someone on which to blame our suffering. We may decide that God—or we ourselves—must be to blame.

The Gospel today offers a different perspective from which to view earthly suffering. Jesus realized that there was nothing to be gained from looking around in despair or backward in blame. Instead, he looked forward in hope. He did not blame the sick and the possessed for their suffering, as many others did. And he did not give up hope, even though he knew he couldn't cure all the sickness in the world. Jesus tried neither to eliminate human suffering nor to explain it. He simply did what good he could do in the time that he had.



Dee Irwin, Kathie Sema, Ronnie Cauley, Ernest Pigorsch, Delaine Pigorsch, Gary Smith, Liz Walker, Ethel Graham, Willie Thompson, Tracie Moose, Maddie Blake Rivers, Jimmy Summerlin, Becky Thompson, Betty Cauley, Clara Davis, Anita Wright, Doug Jones, Kathleen Borne, Aaron Poiroux, Michelle Waite, Martha Delmas, Heather Cotton, Maribeth Thompson, Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, 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, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloecheener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, 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: Irene Stone, Bob Heurion, Ida Clark, Theresa Wakeman

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 Bailey.

Known Birthdays for February 2021

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| 1 st : Landon Teofilo | 9 th : Jay Graham |
| 1 st : Riza Jamero | 14 th : Michael Courtney |
| 2 nd : Chuck Pierce | 14 th : Jerry Davis |
| 2 nd : Jennifer Elliott | 14 th : Lyman Ramsay |
| 3 rd : Shirley Ray | 15 th : Andrea Graham |
| 4 th : Shirley Poiroux | 17 th : Mary Brannan |
| 4 th : Rebecca Murray | 19 th : Addy Stringfellow |
| 4 th : Barrett Medders | 21 st : Kevin Reed |
| 5 th : Mary Oliver | 23 rd : Mila Vaughn |
| 6 th : Ivey Scott | 25 th : Willie Smeriglio |
| 6 th : Dallas Baggett | 27 th : Thomas McPhillips |

Known Anniversaries for February 2021

- 7th: Ruth and Pau Pigorsch
- 15th: Lynn and Tony Cosentino
- 18th: Gloria and Charles Krause
- 21st: Isabel and Rudy Rel
- 26th: La Shea and Adolph Payne

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.

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 Feb 9 thru 12

Feb 9 & 10 – Deceased relatives/friends of Rita Sullivan

Feb 11 & 12 – Deceased relatives/friends of Colleen Gray

Week of Feb 16 thru 19

Feb 16, 17, 18 & 19 – Deceased members of the Davis, Marchand & Pigorsch families, by Ruth and Paul Pigorsch.

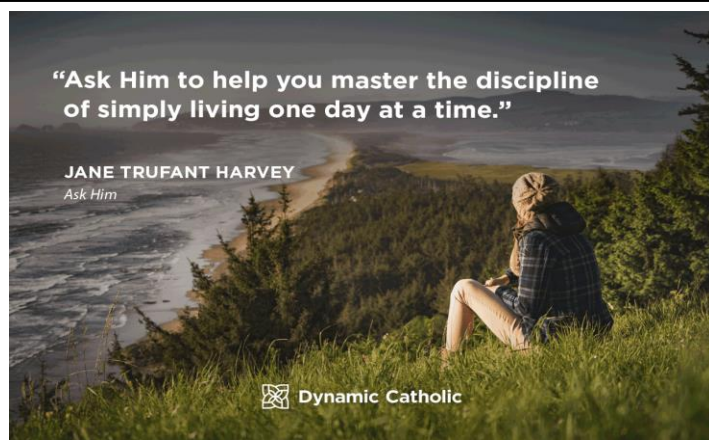
Week of Feb 23 thru 26

Feb 23, 24, 25 & 26 – Deceased relatives/friends of Ann and Jim Jackson.

Week of Mar 2 thru 5

Mar 2 – Deceased relatives/friends of Ann & Jim Jackson

Mar 3, 4 & 5 – for Wilhelmena Boswell, Vernon Sullivan & Clayton Williams by Rita Sullivan.



Lectors for next weekend, February 13 & 14, 2021

5.00 pm on Saturday, Feb 13th: Ann Jackson
 10:00 am on Sunday, Feb 14th: John McBride

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, Feb. 23, 2021. We will be filming the 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of Lent

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.

WOE TO ME IF I DO NOT PREACH IT!

Above all, Jesus kept preaching the good news of the reign of God, a spiritual reality that triumphs over every form of suffering. This was his purpose. When we believe in this good news we may not be healed of physical illness or understand the reason for human suffering, but we do receive something much more valuable. We are healed of the sickness of despair and freed from the demons of guilt and blame. The Spirit energizes us to do what good we can do in the time that we have. With Paul we will want everyone to know about the healing, liberating reign of God. We might even begin to say, "Woe to me if I do not preach" the gospel!

Today's Scriptures encourage us to look forward in hope, to do what we can, and to preach the good news of the reign of God.

Catholic Charities

Family Pledges to date total 20.
 Total amount pledged:
 \$7,646.00
 43.94% of out total goal of
 \$17,400.00

Announcements for week of January 30, 2021

- 1) **Catholic Charities** pledge to date for St. John the Baptist is \$7,646.00 with 20 families pledging. We are currently at 43.94% of our overall goal of \$17,400.00.
- 2) **Father Sherwin** will be out of town Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the 9th, 10th & 11th. Deacon Graham will hold a communion service on those days at the normal time.
- 3) **Financial Report for 2020:** Please see the statements for 2020.
- 4) **Men of St. Josephs** is sponsoring a retreat. Attached to this bulletin you will find their letter explaining the benefits and cost of attending that retreat.
- 5) **Known Birthdays:** 6th: Ivey Scott, Dallas Baggett, 9th: Jay Graham, **Known Anniversaries this week:** 7th: Ruth and Paul Pigorsch



Stewardship and Capital Campaign

General Contributions

January 31st, 2021

General Fund: \$3,768.00
 Maintenance Fund: \$400.00

Capital Campaign to date:

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