



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

“Holy, holy, holy!” Ancient languages, like the Hebrew used in the scriptures, did not always have a way to express superlatives in one word. Isaiah could not say God was “holiest,” so he used the threefold repetition of the same word. This bit of scriptural minutiae about these “three little words” that we sing at every Mass serves as a reminder

that answering God’s call has to be grounded in awareness of God’s holiness. In Isaiah and in the Gospel passage today, we hear accounts of the revelation of God’s power and might: the seraphim in the temple and the miraculous catch of fish. These are not wondrous revelations for their own sakes. They lead to a response in mission, Isaiah’s “Here I am, send me!” and the disciples’ leaving everything to follow Jesus. And so must our own “Holy, Holy, Holy!” lead us to Christ in the Eucharist every Sunday, and to a life following him day by day. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday:    | 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56                       |
| Tuesday:   | 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13                     |
| Wednesday: | Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 |
| Thursday:  | Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25                                  |
| Friday:    | Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15                            |
| Saturday:  | Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32                                    |
| Sunday:    | Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13                  |

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| Sunday:    | World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scout Sunday |
| Monday:    | St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita       |
| Wednesday: | Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving   |
| Thursday:  | Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick       |
| Friday:    | Lincoln’s Birthday; Abstinence                   |

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

**FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup> - FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>**

The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of **Luke Everett Fontenot**.  
The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of **Lula Mae Hock**.



### ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

St. John the Baptist

7:00 am Mass

12:00 noon Mass

6:30 pm Mass

Our Lady of the Assumption

6:30 pm Mass

(No Mass on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>.)



### LENTEN SCHEDULE at St. John the Baptist

Tuesday: 6:00 pm Mass

Wednesday: 7:00 am Mass

Thursday: 7:00 am Mass / Divine Mercy

Friday: 7:00 am Mass /

Stations of the Cross

5:45 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross/

Exposition /Talk / Meal

### LENTEN COMPANION by Magnificat

Please take your FREE copy of the Lenten Companion from the entrance of church to enrich your journey through Lent this year.

### Catholic Relief Services RICE BOWL

Join our parish community, and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s rice bowl from the entrance of church and don’t forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.

### SHROUD ENCOUNTER Presentation

Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

### IN SYMPATHY

Our Communities of Faith extend our sympathy and prayerful support for the families of:  
**Audry Faye Walker**, sister of Maxine Rupeter and **Msgr. George J. Brennan**, friend of Fr. Joe Carlo. May the Lord grant comfort and peace to these families and may he and all who sleep in Christ, find in His presence light, happiness, and peace.

## Pray for our Military and their families

|                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Marvin Ashford, Jr., Army   | James A. Benning, USMC     |
| Matthew Boyd, Army          | Cody Castello, USMC        |
| Eugene Cazedessus, USMC     | LeLand Crochet, III, USMC  |
| Matthew Charlet Dart, USN   | Chandler Derouen, Army     |
| Patrick Deslatte, USN       | Jacqueline Deslatte, USN   |
| Stephen DiLorenzo, Army     | Adam Foster, USN           |
| Brad Gautreaux, USMC        | J. Michael Head, USMC      |
| Joseph N. Jones, Jr., Army  | Sabrina Jones, LaNG        |
| Markus Kippers, USN         | Dustin Knight, USN         |
| Joseph L. LeBlanc Jr., Army | Stanley Mays, USAF         |
| Andrew Metcalf, Army        | Ben Gordon Morseth, USCG   |
| Gordon Newman, Army         | Robert Brett Parker, LaNG  |
| Brian Plauche, USAF         | Andrea Byrd Prosser, USCG  |
| Mike Prosser, USCG          | Jesse B. Richard, Army     |
| Nicholas Richards, USN      | Michael Roberts, USCG      |
| James Rouchon, USMC         | Jarrod Mason Sealey, USAF  |
| David Welch, LaNG           | Gordon M. White, USAF      |
| Tyler Wigger, USN           | Christopher Williston USAF |

## Message from Fr. Joe Carlo

Thank You

I am returning to Buffalo on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.  
I wish to thank everyone for their gracious hospitality.

## Raffle Winner

The winner of the Dinner for a Year raffle sponsored by  
Closer Walk Catholic Communications was  
Fred Hurst. Congratulations, Fred!

## Special Collections in February

February 10<sup>th</sup>: Church in Central & Eastern Europe  
February 14<sup>th</sup>: Black & Indian Missions

## WEEKLY COLLECTION 01/31/2016

### St. John the Baptist

|   |    |          |
|---|----|----------|
| Identified Contributions (158 Families) | \$ | 5,732.00 |
| Unidentified Contributions              | \$ | 705.89   |
| Building Maintenance (5)                | \$ | 345.00   |
| Latin America (2)                       | \$ | 175.00   |
| Legacy of Faith / Capital Camp (42)     | \$ | 4,167.00 |

### ONLINE GIVING

|                                    |    |              |
|------------------------------------|----|--------------|
| Regular Contributions (26)         | \$ | 955.00       |
| Building Maintenance Fund (2)      | \$ | 110.00       |
| Legacy of Faith Capital Camp. (26) | \$ | 2,160.00     |
| CAMPAIGN TOTAL                     | \$ | 5,708,784.21 |

### Our Lady of Assumption

|  |    |          |
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| Identified Contributions (37 Families) | \$ | 1,816.20 |
| Unidentified Contributions             | \$ | 360.22   |

### ONLINE GIVING

|                           |    |       |
|---------------------------|----|-------|
| Regular Contributions (3) | \$ | 95.00 |
| Building Maintenance (2)  | \$ | 35.00 |

## † ~ † NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE † ~ †

### Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-6:30 am: Knights of Columbus Rosary  
-7 am: Mass  
-8am: Qtr Breakfast by Knights of Columbus  
-10 am: Chaplet of Divine Mercy / Rosary  
-11 am: Mass

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-8:30 am: Choir  
-9 am: Mass  
-10am: First Sunday Social

### Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

Office Closed

### Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

#### Mardi Gras Holiday

Office Closed

### Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

#### Ash Wednesday

-7 am: Mass  
-12 Noon: Mass  
-6:30 pm: Mass

#### -OLA

-6:30 pm: Mass

### Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

-7 am: Mass / Divine Mercy  
-6 pm: Consoling the Heart of Jesus by Handmaids  
-6:30 pm: Men's Club  
-7 pm: R.C.I.A.

### Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

-7 am: Mass / Stations of the Cross / Coffee & Biscuits  
-5:45 pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
-6 pm: Stations of the Cross/ Exposition / Talk / Meal

### Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

-3 pm: Confessions  
-4 pm: Vigil Mass

### Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

#### First Sunday of Lent

-7 am: Mass / Coffee & Pastries  
-10 am: Chaplet of Divine Mercy / Rosary  
-11 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy  
-5:30 pm: 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> -Edge

#### -OLA

-8:30 am: Choir / Rosary  
-9 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy  
-10 am: K - 11<sup>th</sup> Religious Ed Class #13

## New Year's Resolution:

### The Pope Francis Top Ten List

6. STOP JUDGING OTHERS.

"Let us not forget that hatred, envy, and pride defile our lives!"

...Pope Francis



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## Next Classes:

K - 5 February 16, 23  
6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> February 14, 28  
9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> February 21

## Special Announcement:

NO CLASS: Sunday, February 7th  
Tuesday, February 9th

## Needs:

Subs and helpers in the Elementary class rooms.



## PARISHIONERS, Can you...

Donate water for Edge and Life Teen nights?

Sponsor a Pizza night for either Edge or Life Teen?

## Welcome and Congratulation

to our newest members

Baptized in the Lord

January 30, 2016



**Jacques Mathieu Baquet**

son of Brandon and Sylvie Baquet

**Karsyn Ann Love**

daughter of Austin and Alison Love

## Jubilee Year of Mercy

February 7, 2016

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

During this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, Pope Francis calls us to share with everyone the tender compassion of God that we ourselves have experienced. In today's Gospel, Luke uses a special Greek word conveying just such tenderness. In the other Gospels, Jesus calls the disciples to be "fishers," *haleis*, the same word that means catching fish with hooks or nets, to be killed and eaten. But Luke uses *zogron*, from *zoe* or "life," meaning "*catch or gather people alive*," as animal lovers capture without harming, rescue from "the wild" for a better life, and protect in aquarium or zoo, tenderly cared for by professionals committed to the creatures' well-being. So in Luke's vision—and Pope Francis' as well—we who have been "caught alive" by God's mercy ourselves are to become "missionaries of mercy" during this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, rescuing fellow sinners from danger and gathering them into Jesus' community to enjoy fullness of life.

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## Welcome to the Parish

Brandon & Sylvie Baquet and Jacques in Zachary

## 2016 - 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

*Deadline to register is next week.*

Bishop Robert Muench will celebrate a liturgy honoring couples on their 25th, 50th, and 65th or greater wedding anniversary on Sunday, February 21, 2016 at 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church.

The families of the honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and reception afterward in the Our Lady of Mercy Parish Activity Center. Deadline to submit your registration is February 10th. Register through the parish office of St. John the Baptist.



## Catholic Scouting

Duty to God is an important part of scouting. Several religious Emblems are available for girl scouts, cub scouts and boy scouts. We are looking for adults to become Religious Emblems Counselors to work with our scout units. Training is scheduled for Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Baton Rouge in the St. Jerome Room in the Activity Center located across the street from the church entrance. Additional information is available on the website: <http://info.ccosbr.net/>.

Call Kathy Gora at 225.753.7046 if you have questions.

# THE EUCHARIST by Catechism of the Catholic Church

*'Truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.' Jn 6:53*

1324. "The Eucharist is 'the source and summit of the Christian life.' [LG 11.] 'The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch.' [PO 5.]"

1329. "The Lord's Supper, because of its connection with the supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion and because it anticipates the wedding feast of the Lamb in the heavenly Jerusalem. [Cf. 1 Cor 11:20; Rev 19:9.] The Breaking of Bread, because Jesus used this rite, part of a Jewish meal when as master of the table he blessed and distributed the bread, [Gal 3:27 .] above all at the Last Supper. [Cf. Mt 26:26 ; 1 Cor 11:24 .] It is by this action that his disciples will recognize him after his Resurrection, [Cf. Lk 24:13-35.] and it is this expression that the first Christians will use to designate their Eucharistic assemblies; [Cf. Acts 2:42, 46 ; Acts 20:7, 11.] by doing so they signified that all who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him. [Cf. 1 Cor 10:16-17.] The Eucharistic assembly (synaxis), because the Eucharist is celebrated amid the assembly of the faithful, the visible expression of the Church. [Cf. 1 Cor 11:17-34 .]"

1355. "In the communion, preceded by the Lord's prayer and the breaking of the bread, the faithful receive 'the bread of heaven' and 'the cup of salvation,' the body and blood of Christ who offered himself 'for the life of the world': [Jn 6:51.] Because this bread and wine have been made Eucharist ('eucharisted,' according to an ancient expression), 'we call this food Eucharist, and no one may take part in it unless he believes that what we teach is true, has received baptism for the forgiveness of sins and new birth, and lives in keeping with what Christ taught.' [St. Justin, Apol. 1, 66,1-2: PG 6, 428.]"

1356. "If from the beginning Christians have celebrated the Eucharist and in a form whose substance has not changed despite the great diversity of times and liturgies, it is because we know ourselves to be bound by the command the Lord gave on the eve of his Passion: 'Do this in remembrance of me.' [1 Cor 11:24-25 .]"

1378. "Worship of the Eucharist. In the liturgy of the Mass we express our faith in the real presence of Christ under the species of bread and wine by, among other ways, genuflecting or bowing deeply as a sign of adoration of the Lord. 'The Catholic Church has always offered and still offers to the sacrament of the Eucharist the cult of adoration, not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated hosts with the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession.' [Paul VI, MF 56.]"

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·*Sacrilege* consists in profaning or treating unworthily the sacraments and other liturgical actions, as well as persons, things, or places consecrated to God. Sacrilege is a grave sin especially when committed against the Eucharist, for in this sacrament the true Body of Christ is made substantially present for us.