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ZACHARY, LA



Mass Schedule:

SATURDAY:

4PM CONFESSION
 5PM MASS

SUNDAY:

7AM MASS
 11AM MASS

WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7AM MASS
 THURS. 7:30 MASS
 FRI. 7:30 MASS,
 DIVINE MERCY TO FOLLOW

(CONFESSIONS ARE
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 BEFORE DAILY MASSES)

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*Our
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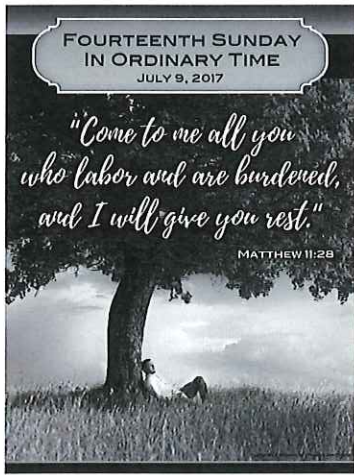
Mass Schedule for Our Lady of the Assumption:

SUNDAY: 9AM MASS

TUESDAY: 6:15 PM CONFESSION 6:30PM MASS

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A HUMBLE KING

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the

Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
 Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday: St. Benedict
 Thursday: St. Henry
 Friday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
 Saturday: St. Bonaventure

SANCTUARY LIGHT

JULY 8TH - JULY 14TH



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of **John Poole, Jr.**

The Adoration Light at St. John will burn in memory of **Michael McCants.**

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of **Anna Marie Monceau.**

Our Communities of Faith extend our sympathy and prayerful support for the family of: **Kenneth Myers**, parishioner of OLA and husband of Dolores.



May the Lord grant comfort and peace to this family and may he and all who sleep in Christ, find in His presence light, happiness and peace.

Our Lady of the Assumption News

Help Needed:

The OLA parish will be supplying the Metanoia Home with much needed items every month. Please contact Heidi Ligon at 683-4643 or at heidi@ligonlaw.com.

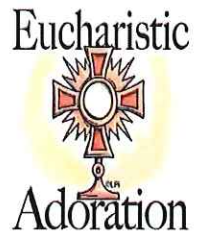
Mark your calendar:

The Feast Day Celebration for the whole family is Sunday, **August 13th** following Mass. If you can help, please contact Diane Rouchon at 683-5192.

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration

Our monthly 24 hour adoration begins Monday, July 17th at 8:00am.

Please call the Religious Ed Office or email: suzanpayne@gmail.com this week to schedule your hour.



Meek and Humble God



Jesus tells us in today's Gospel that he is "meek and humble of heart." Yet just a few lines before this, he says that he is equal to his Father, the almighty God. So how can the Son of God be both meek and mighty?

Jesus' meekness meant doing the will of God completely. The challenge for us comes in his words "learn from me." We must learn to do God's will as completely as Jesus did.

First, to be complete means that we do all that God wants from us. We cannot pick and choose what we want to do and what we want to ignore. For example, we may reserve the right to decide which teachings of the Church we will follow. But doing God's will completely means doing it without reservation.

Second, we may try to do all that God asks, but give up if something becomes too difficult. We may say we forgive someone, for example, but when they reject that forgiveness, we become even angrier. We can learn from Jesus how to do each part of God's will to completion, as Jesus did all the way to the cross.

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The Food Bank Barrel
has been moved to the Main Office
for your convenience.

The Main Office is opened

Monday-Thursday 8AM—5 PM and Friday 8AM—3PM

Please help feed the hungry in our Zachary area.

Quarterly Breakfast presented by
the Men's Club of SJB
is next Sunday, July 16
following 7:00am Mass.
Everyone is invited!



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 07/02/2017

St. John the Baptist

Identified Contributions (172 Families)	\$	9,574.00
Unidentified Contributions	\$	981.20
Regular / ONLINE Contributions (36)	\$	2,185.00
Building Maintenance (18)	\$	1,127.00
Building Maintenance / ONLINE (10)	\$	460.00
Youth Ministry (7)	\$	315.00
Youth Ministry / ONLINE (1)	\$	25.00
Legacy of Faith / Capital Camp (72)	\$	7,163.25
Legacy of Faith / ONLINE (34)	\$	3,520.00
CAMPAIGN TOTAL	\$	6,570,177.99

Our Lady of Assumption

Identified Contributions (44 Families)	\$	2,371.20
Unidentified Contributions	\$	239.00
Regular Contributions / ONLINE (4)	\$	355.00
Building Maintenance (4)	\$	135.00
Youth Ministry (1)	\$	20.00

SJB RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Saturday, July 15th

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Training

CCD Registration for 2017-2018 is now available online
or in the Religious Ed Office (Monday-Wednesday)

1 Child \$50

2 Children \$65

3 or more Children \$75

First Communion and Confirmation pictures are in the
Religious Ed Office for pick up.

NEXT WEEK at St. John the Baptist

Sunday, July 9

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-6:30 am: Knights of Columbus Rosary

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee & Pastries

-8:00 am: KofC Meeting

-11:00 am: Mass / Baptisms

Monday, July 10

-6:30 pm: Charismatic Prayer Group

-6:30 pm: Scouts

Tuesday, July 11

-4:00 pm: Homeless Shelter

-5:30 pm: Adult Choir

Wednesday, July 12

-7:00 am: Mass

-6:30 pm: Men's Club

Thursday, July 13

-7:30 am: Mass

Friday, July 14

-7:30 am: Mass / Divine Mercy / Coffee & Biscuits

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

Saturday, July 15

-8:30 am: Core Team Mass

-9:00 am: Core Team Training

-4:00 pm: Confession

-5:00 pm: Mass

Sunday, July 16

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass

-8:00 am: Quarterly Breakfast by the Men's Club

-11:00 am: Mass / Baptisms



NEXT WEEK at Our Lady

Sunday, July 9

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass

Tuesday, July 11

-6:15 pm: Confession

-6:30 pm: Mass

-7:00 pm: Altar Society

Sunday, July 16

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass



"How lack of reverence for the Eucharist puts people off Catholicism"

Patrick Madrid recalls the Mormon who told him:

'I've never seen Catholics show awe. So I guess they don't believe it'

Having referred to Patrick Madrid's *Life Lessons: Fifty Things I Learnt in My First Fifty Years* in my last blog, I have found it both so readable and so full of wise reflections based on his own experiences (which could easily be the reader's experiences too), that I will highlight another chapter here.

Madrid relates that, as a full-time Catholic apologist, he was once giving a lecture on the Catholic faith when a Mormon in the audience asked if he could speak to him later on. During their conversation, which happened to be on the Eucharist and the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle, the Mormon remarked, "I really don't get the impression that most Catholics believe what you have just said about 'the Eucharist'."

Madrid was taken aback, commenting: "As a Catholic I figured that I'd know a whole heck of a lot better than what he, a Mormon, could possibly know about what Catholics believe, especially on something as central ... as the Eucharist." Then the Mormon explained that he had been to several Catholic weddings and to other Catholic Masses "And the Catholics I've seen there sure didn't seem as though they believed in what you just said about Jesus being in the Eucharist."

He went on: "I've seen Catholics going forward [for] Communion chewing gum... Some Catholics look pretty bored. I've seen some waving to others as they go forward." Even after receiving Communion, "they look disinterested and indifferent".

Naturally enough, Madrid began to feel very uncomfortable, realizing that what the Mormon described was often the case and that "the generalized lack of respect for the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament that stems directly from the generalized lack of faith that he is truly present – was actually true."

The Mormon repeated his earlier remark, saying: "I'm not trying to be disrespectful or anything, but I just don't think Catholics believe what you believe on this issue." But what he said next was an even larger indictment: "If I believed what you believe... if I truly believed that it is really God himself and not just a symbol, I would fall flat on my face and be prostrate before it – him. I would be so overcome with awe and worship. And I've never seen any Catholic show that kind of respect. So... I guess they just don't believe it."

Madrid concludes that the Mormon "had spoken a terrible truth so clearly and with such devastating accuracy that it's all I could think about for the rest of our discussion". The "life lesson" he learned was that Catholics do not always edify and evangelize non-Catholics; indeed, "We can also dis-edify, discombobulate and de-evangelize them without ever trying... simply by dint of our sheer laziness and complacency and our lack of reverence for sacred things."



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