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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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*Our
Lady of the
Assumption*
CLINTON, LA

Mass Schedule for Our Lady of the Assumption:

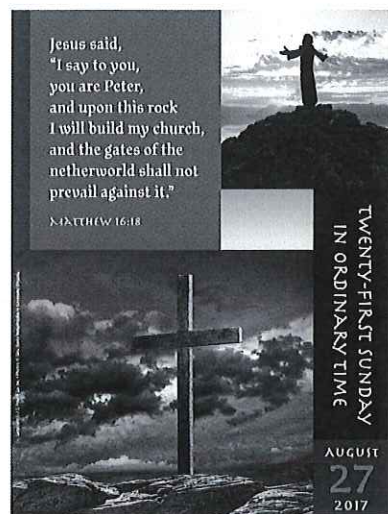
SUNDAY: 9AM MASS

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

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BE A ROCK



Peter's history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great

profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
 Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Augustine
 Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
 Friday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; First Friday
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

SANCTUARY LIGHT: AUGUST 26TH - SEPTMEBER 1ST



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of **Freda Landry**.
 The Adoration Chapel will burn in memory of **Shelby Fall**.
 The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of **Maude Williams**.



New to the Parish

Michael and Carol Baker in Clinton;
 Melissa Trelles and her children,
 Griffin & Molly Trelles in Zachary



September Meeting

SJB: Thursday, Sept. 7th at 10AM

OLA: Tuesday, Sept. 12th at 7PM

VERONESE FIGURINES

Three weeks remaining to place your order.



Order forms are available in the vestibule of the church. The orders will be available for pick up by Thanksgiving, just in time for Christmas.

The figurines are not available for viewing at this time Sorry.



Rocky

Jesus gave Simon a name based on the word for "rock." Peter had just acknowledged Jesus to be the Son of God and the Messiah (Christ). Jesus used that as an opportunity to teach us about the importance of faith as the foundation of the church.

There were many variations on what people thought the messiah would be. Some expected a political leader who would unite the Jews and maybe even overthrow their Roman masters. Others thought he would be a wonder-worker, a super-hero, who would use his power to make Israel a great and free nation. Some thought the messiah would provide food and riches in abundance. In faith we learn that Jesus has fulfilled all messianic hopes. He unites not just the Jews, but all people who believe in him. He sets us free from sin and death. He feeds our spiritual hunger with his own Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

By commending Peter's faith, he shows us that faith is the foundation (rock) of the church. For the church is a family of people who believe all that Jesus taught because we believe in the person of Jesus. That is, we don't just believe that Jesus was real. We affirm that he is alive and important to our lives. We have experienced him in his words, in the sacraments, and in each other. May our faith always be solid as a rock.

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Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, thousands are baptized into the Catholic Church in the United States. We welcome these new Catholics through the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**.

Classes for SJB and OLA begin **this Thursday, August 31st at 7pm in the hall at St. John the Baptist.**

Please visit our website or contact the office for more information; OR just attend the opening meeting.

For Catholics who have been Baptized, Confirmed and made First Communion but then drifted from the faith, the way they return is through the Sacrament of Penance but are welcome to join us to further their knowledge. Catholics who were baptized but never received Confirmation and/or Eucharist also participate in a period of formation. This process of formation is completed with the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil or during the Easter Season.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OUR LADY

September Schedule

6: 9th, 10th, 11th grade Parent Meeting at 6PM

10: Class #2

24: Class #3



ST. JOHN

September Schedule

6: 9th, 10th, 11th grade Parent Meeting at 6PM

10: Life Teen

17: K-5th Class and Edge

17: 1st Eucharist Parent Mtg @ 9:30am

24: Life Teen



40 Days for Life Baton Rouge

This fall, churches throughout our city will unite for the fall campaign of 40 Days for Life—an international, 40 day focused effort to pray and fast for an end to abortion starting on Sept. 27 and ending Nov. 5. In addition to 40 days of prayer and fasting, we will participate in peaceful prayer from 7am—7pm outside Delta abortion facility. For more information visit: www.40DaysforLifeBR.org.

HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

Mark your Calendar

Annual Morning of Reflection

Saturday, October 14th 8AM—12NOON

Guest Speaker: Fr. Michael B Semana

Fr. Semana, a noted musician and singer, travels worldwide leading pilgrimages and conducting retreats.

A PUBLIC ROSARY in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions will follow this event at the City of Zachary Gazebo.



The **St. Vincent dePaul Charity Golf Tournament** will be held on Monday, October 23rd at The Bluff's Country Club. We need teams of 4 to participate. The cost is \$500 per team (\$125 per individual players).

If you are interested in sponsoring a team, please call the parish office and leave your name and number. One of our members will contact you. Money received from this event will help fund the Diocesan SVDP Special Works Programs.

Entrance forms must be completed by September 15th so they can be turned in to the Diocesan Conference.



Welcome Back!

Today is the first day of the 2017-2018 Religious Education year.

K-5th meets from 9:15-10:45 and Edge (6-8th grades) meet this Sunday from 5-7pm in the gym.

High school Core members please arrive by 4:30 in the gym. Band members please arrive by 4pm for rehearsal.

Adult Core, please arrive by 4:30pm.

Road to Emmaus will meet in the Parish Hall during our K-5th class times. We encourage all parishioners to join in this dynamic program about our faith.



YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr High Retreat
(grades 6th-8th)



Join junior high youth from across the diocese for a weekend of games, discussion and prayer!

Our Jr. High Retreat will be on Friday, November 10, 2017 - Sunday, November 12, 2017 at Camp Abbey in Covington, LA. The cost will be \$150 per youth (adult chaperones attend free).

High School

Audrey Assad

August 28th ○ 7-9pm

@St. Aloysius



If anyone is interested in attending either event please contact Katie at 654-5885 or

kmyrick@sjb-ola.org

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



OUR FEAST DAY CELEBRATION WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Also, thanks to all parishioners from both parishes that attended.



Please share your
COMMENTS OR IDEAS

for next year with Diane Rouchon at 683-5192
or call the parish office.

May you always have a psalm on you lips and Christ in your heart.

Let US Pray

For Our Troops, Their Families, and Our Country

Marvin Ashford, Jr., Army	Aaron Barr, USAF
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	Thomas Foster, USN
Christian Fuller, USAF	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
Jarrold Mason Sealey, USAF	David Welch, LaNG
Gordon M. White, USAF	Christopher Williston, USAF

The Knights of Columbus is hosting a raffle for a chance to win a beautiful **Handmade Rosary** made of Austrian crystals and sterling silver. The tickets are **\$5.00 per chance**. The drawing will be October 14th following the Public Rosary to be held at the Zachary Gazebo celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Fatima. Tickets available from a Knights of Columbus member and in the parish office.



"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility." — St. Augustine

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 08/20/2017

St. John the Baptist

Identified Contributions (202 Families)	\$	8,458.16
Unidentified Contributions	\$	1,346.01
Assumption of Mary	\$	1,258.37
Building Maintenance (9)	\$	465.00
Youth Ministry (4)	\$	328.00
Religious Educations (1)	\$	10.00
Legacy of Faith / Capital Camp (37)	\$	3,550.88
CAMPAIGN TOTAL	\$	6,617,949.61

Our Lady of Assumption

Identified Contributions (50 Families)	\$	3,281.20
Unidentified Contributions	\$	439.00
Assumption of Mary	\$	479.00
Building Maintenance (3)	\$	62.00
Youth Ministry (4)	\$	90.00

Men's Club of SJB is hosting its annual **LSU Football Season Ticket Raffle**.



The raffle tickets are **\$5.00 per chance** to win two season tickets in the lower south endzone.



Drawing is September 6th.

Tickets available from any Men's Club member, after Masses and in the parish office.

Copies of **Everybody Needs to Forgive** by Allen R. Hunt are available in the church for a donation of \$2.00.

If you are not able to make a donation, please feel free to take one copy.

NEXT WEEK at St. John the Baptist
Sunday, August 27

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee & Pastries

-9:15 am: K—5th Religious Ed Class

-9:15 am: Road to Emmaus

-11:00 am: Mass / Opening Mass for Religious Ed

-5:00 pm: Edge

Monday, August 28

-6:30 pm: Charismatic Prayer Group

-6:30 pm: Scouts

Tuesday, August 29

-5:30 pm: Adult Choir

Wednesday, August 30

-7:00 am: Mass

-5:30 pm: High School Youth Night

Thursday, August 31

-7:30 am: Mass

-7:00 pm: R.C.I.A.

Friday, September 1

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

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

Saturday, September 2

-4:00 pm: Confession

-5:00 pm: Mass

Sunday, September 3

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee & Pastries

-11:00 am: Mass



NEXT WEEK at Our Lady

Sunday, August 27

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass

Tuesday, August 29

-6:15 pm: Confession

-6:30 pm: Mass

Sunday, September 3

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30 am: Rosary

-9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: First Sunday Social



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