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# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



### Mass Schedule:

#### SATURDAY:

3PM CONFESSION

4PM MASS

#### SUNDAY:

7AM MASS

10AM HOLY ROSARY &

DIVINE MERCY

11AM MASS

#### WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7AM MASS THRUS. 7:30 MASS

FRI. 7:30 MASS,

DIVINE MERCY TO FOLLOW

(CONFESSIONS ARE

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Our Lady of the

Assumption
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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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Third Sunday of Advent
December 16, 2018

I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.

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#### REJOICE!

Today has traditionally been called "Gaudete Sunday." The Latin tag is derived from Paul's appeal in the second reading to "rejoice always in the Lord," and the Latin Mass text based on that reading. The irony and paradox of this Christian joy is underlined by the fact that Paul wrote those words in prison. But from there he could see the progress of God's work.

Is it obvious to us? We feel that this is not the time for joy when there is so much suffering and moral evil. It is interesting, then, that the first reading is from the prophet Zephaniah, who is almost exclusively concerned with gloomy visions of Judgment Day. Today the Church selects the only optimistic text in Zephaniah, in which the prophet has been touched by the spirit of joy.

This, we are assured on all sides, is "the season of joy." Let us

recapture that feeling of joy in our lives and reflect it to those who are joyless.

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#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17;

Mt 1:1-17

Tuesday:

Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;

Mt 1:18-25

Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,

16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Thursday:

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38

Friday:

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;

Saturday:

Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Sunday:

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;

Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:

Las Posadas begins

Friday:

St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT: DECEMBER 15—DECEMBER 21



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of L. C. Riche & Renee Fontenot. The Adoration Chapel will burn in memory of Dr. Froilan Tolentino.

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn

in memory of Mary Ethel Granier.

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES During the Holiday Season

There are **NO** Masses on December 26 & 27 (Wed & Thurs) and January 2 & 3 (Wed & Thurs).

There will be Masses on Fridays, December 28 and January 4 at 7:30am.

#### **HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE**



CHRISTMAS: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

#### **Our Lady**

Monday, December 24th at 4:00pm

#### St. John the Baptist

Monday, December 24th at 6:00 pm Tuesday, December 25th at 9:00 am

The Adult Choir will have a concert on Christmas morning at 8:30-9:00 am.





SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER
OF GOD (Holy Day of Obligation)

#### **Our Lady**

Monday, December 31st at 4:00pm

#### St. John the Baptist

Monday, December 31st at 6:00 pm Tuesday, January 1st at 9:00 am

The parish offices will be closed: December 24, 25, 26 (Mon, Tues & Wed) and December 31, January 1 & 2 (Mon, Tues, & Wed).

Religious Ed is collecting lap blankets and slipper socks for residents of Zachary Manor Nursing Home.

Donations can be dropped off in the office or left in the church vestibule before Thursday, December 20th.



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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 12/02/2018

#### **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

The Giving Tree: DEADLINE is today.

Please turn in your donated gift.

Christmas Play at 5:30pm this evening-Followed by Parish Pot Luck



Religious Ed: Classes resume on January 6, 2019.

**24 Hour Adoration** begins Monday, December 17th at 8am in the Adoration Chapel. Please join us.

#### NEXT WEEK at St. John the Baptist

Sunday, December 16 Third Sunday of Advent

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee

-11:00 am: Mass -5:00 pm: Life Teen Monday, December 17

-8:00 am: 24 Hour Adoration begins

-10:00 am: Bible Study -6:00 pm: Prayer Group

-6:30 pm: Scouts

Tuesday, December 18

-5:00 pm: Adult Choir

-6:00 pm: Children and Youth Choirs

Wednesday, December 19

-7:00 am: Mass

-6:00 pm: Bible Study

#### Thursday, December 20

-7:30 am: Mass

-6:00 pm: Bible Study

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

#### Friday, December 21

-7:30 am: Mass

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

Saturday, December 22

3:00 pm: Reconciliation

-4:00 pm: Mass

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee

-11:00 am: Mass

#### NEXT WEEK at Our Lady

Sunday, December 16

Third Sunday of Advent

-9:00 am: Mass

-5:30 pm: Christmas Play & Parish Pot Luck

Tuesday, December 18

-6:15 pm: Reconciliation

-6:30 pm: Mass

-7:00 pm: St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

-9:00 am: Mass







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## Religious Education

Life Teen is this Sunday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>.

The next K-5, Emmaus Road & Edge will be Jan.6<sup>th</sup>.

Please join us for Caroling at Zachary Manor Nursing Home
Thursday, Dec. 20th @ 2pm - We will meet at Zachary Manor

Religious Ed is collecting donations of men's and women's slipper socks as well as lap blankets for Santa to hand out to the residents.

Donations can be dropped off in the church office, brought to Religious Ed classes or be left in the Vestibule. Thank You!

#### 24 Hour Adoration

Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

8am until Tuesday at 8am.

Please consider signing up for an hour with Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Contact either office for an available time.

654-5778 or 654-5885

Baton Rouge Youth Pilgrimage to the

### March 🔇 for 🧞 Life



We still have a few spots available for the Youth Ministry trip to Washington D.C.

January 14th-19th

Please contact Katie @ 654-5885 to sign up!

In addition to the Emmaus Road Bible study we offer on Sunday mornings during Religious Ed, Please check out these other opportunities to deepen your faith and expand your knowledge!

- \*Monday mornings at 10am in the Parish Hall, we are currently studying "Symbolon" that touches on all aspects of our lives for authentic spiritual growth and development.
- \*Thursday mornings from 10am-noon at the home of Eelin Golan the current study is Matthew. Please contact Eelin for details (985-951-0328).
- \*Thursday evenings at 6pm in the Religious Ed office, we are studying "Wild Goose" a study of the Holy Spirit.



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