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Mass Schedule:

SATURDAY:

3PM CONFESSION
 4PM MASS

SUNDAY:

7AM MASS
 10AM HOLY ROSARY &
 DIVINE MERCY
 11AM MASS

WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7AM MASS
 THURS. 7:30 MASS
 FRI. 7:30 MASS,
 DIVINE MERCY TO FOLLOW
 (CONFESSIONS ARE
 AVAILABLE 15 MINUTES
 BEFORE DAILY MASSES)

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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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FEBRUARY 10, 2019

**JESUS SAID TO SIMON,
"PUT OUT INTO
DEEP WATER AND
LOWER YOUR NETS
FOR A CATCH."**

Luke 5:4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOD'S SUMMONS

Confronted with God's power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips," he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus' instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" Isaiah answered, "Here I am, send me."

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won't lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God's messenger?

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day
Monday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Thursday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

SANCTUARY LIGHT: FEBRUARY 9—FEBRUARY 15



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of **Luke Everett Fontenot**.

The Adoration Chapel will burn in memory of **Jerry Siebold**.

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

In Sympathy

Our Communities of Faith extend our sympathy and prayerful support for the family of

Mary Fuller, parishioner of SJB.

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.

Do You Have the Courage?

For a humble guy, St. Paul really tells it like it is. Paul lists those witnesses who actually saw the risen Jesus, last and least of these being Paul himself. Now we are used to thinking of Paul as one of the greatest apostles, even though we know he once persecuted Christians. So you might think he is being overly humble, like someone fishing for a compliment. No, Paul is only interested in making sure the Corinthians understand just how much God has done.

Besides being "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), that is, coming to follow Christ in such an unusual way, he felt unworthy because of so many Christians he hurt before his conversion. Yet he turns that unworthiness into an example of how much God has done through him. So he can say that he worked harder than any other apostles because of God's grace, not Paul's strength.

In today's Gospel, Peter has a similar experience. He was a fisherman who knew his business and knew that some days, the fish just aren't there. So when they caught enough fish to fill both boats, he realized that his pride was sinful. He was unworthy to receive such bounty from the Lord. And yet Jesus tells him that "you will be catching men" (Luke 5:10).

How many of us are like Peter and Paul, thinking we know just what our place in the world is, relying on our own strengths to do our jobs? They found Jesus calling them to a much more challenging life. Do we have the courage to listen to God's call to serve?

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OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Clinton



RELIGIOUS Education

Sunday, February 17

Class #12 at 10am

News & Announcements

The Mass scheduled for Tuesday, February 26th has been rescheduled for Wednesday, February 27th.

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, February 10

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass

Tuesday, February 12

-6:15 pm: Reconciliation

-6:30 pm: Mass

-7:00 pm: Altar Society

Sunday, February 17

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: Religious Ed Class #12

TITHES & OFFERINGS

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

02/03/2018

Identified (Envelopes, checks, online)

\$ 4,120.00

Unidentified (Loose Cash)

\$ 426.00

Building Maintenance

\$ 135.00

Youth Ministry

\$ 5.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Feb. 17: Church in Eastern Europe

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

NOTICES TO ALL

Metanoia is asking for volunteers to help with the B.R. Inner Circle



"Attic Trash & Treasure Sale".

Metanoia

is one of

the non-profits that benefits from this annual sale.

If you can help, please call Linda Holley at 200-6227.

Learn How Your Tax Return CAN HELP OUR CHURCH!



For every new client who files their taxes with H&R Block or Block Advisors, **\$20.00 will be donated** to our church.

Just tell them when you have H&R Block prepare your tax return that you are a member of St. John the Baptist and give them the referral #40010001100932 or pick up a coupon in the entrance of church.

Good at any H&R Block location, however, one is conveniently located next to Sammy's.

Please call the office to request a letter of your 2018 donations to the church.

We do NOT submit the letters unless requested.

We can mail, email, or fax your letter to you!

To request your letter, call 225.654.5778.

Please note, for donations made to Metanoia, please call 225.615.7085 for a letter.

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"Walking Guide to St. John the Baptist Church"



Did you ever wonder the significance of all of the beautiful items in our new Church?

There are copies of our book, "Walking Guide to St. John the Baptist Church," in the Vestibule. These are available for \$5 each which covers the cost of

printing. There is a basket near the books in which to place your payment.

If you desire a guided tour of the Church, please schedule one by going to <http://www.sjb-ola.org/tours> and begin the registration process for groups of 4 or more. You can also call the church office to schedule a tour.



The Dusters

are meeting Tuesday, Feb. 12th
at 9:00am in the church.

Adult Choir Party

Saturday, February 16th at 5:00pm

Thank you members of the Adult Choir!



What's Happening This Week

St.
John
the
Baptist



Sunday, February 10

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee in Hall
-9:15 am: K—5 Religious Ed Class
-9:15 am: Emmaus Road Adult Formation
-11:00 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy
-5:00 pm: Edge

Monday, February 11

-10:00 am: Bible Study
-6:00 pm: Prayer Group
-6:30 pm: Boy / Cub Scouts

Tuesday, February 12

-9:00 am: Dusters
-4:00 pm: Homeless Shelter
-5:00 pm: Adult Choir
-6:00 pm: Children & Youth Choir

Wednesday, February 13

-7:00 am: Mass
-6:30 pm: Men's Club

Thursday, February 14

-7:30 am: Mass
-6:00 pm: Bible Study / Handmaids
-7:00 pm: R.C.I.A.

Friday, February 15

-7:30 am: Mass/Divine Mercy/Breakfast in the Parish Hall
-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

Saturday, February 16

-9:00 am: First Reconciliation Retreat
-1:00 am: Bowl-A-Thon by Youth Ministry
-3:00 pm: Reconciliation
-4:00 pm: Mass
-5:00 pm: Adult Choir Party

Sunday, February 17

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee in Hall
-11:00 am: Mass

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN FEBRUARY:

Feb. 16/17: Church in Central & Eastern Europe

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 02/03/2018

St. John the Baptist

Identified (Envelopes, checks, online)	\$	14,067.00
Unidentified (Loose cash)	\$	853.20
Building Maintenance	\$	1,445.00
Youth Ministry	\$	200.00
Religious Education Donation	\$	100.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	\$	20.00
Legacy of Faith (Debt Reduction)	\$	8,979.90

StJB Religious Education

- ⇒ K-5, Emmaus Road & Edge is this Sunday, Feb. 10th.
- ⇒ First Reconciliation Retreat is Feb. 16th @ SJB.
- ⇒ Bowl-a-thon is Feb. 16th, 1pm @ All Star Lanes
- ⇒ Confirmation Session #4 is Wed, Feb. 20 @ 5:30.
- ⇒ First Reconciliation is Feb. 23rd.
- ⇒ Next Life Teen is Feb. 24th.

"Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." Saint John Paul II



24 Hour Adoration

Monday, February, 18th

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

SAVE THE DATE

INFUSED

Saturday, Feb. 23rd

Join us for a Mardi Gras
Celebration



Bible Studies:

*Sunday mornings during K-5 classes, Emmaus Road, in the Parish Hall.
We are studying the Books of Wisdom.

*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 classroom 4, we are studying "Wild Goose"



February 16, 2019 1-3 pm @All Star Lanes

Join us for some family fun!!!

2 hours of Bowling:
Includes ball, shoes, popcorn and pitcher of drink!!!
Team of 6 for only \$100

Help support St. John's Youth Ministry,
while having loads of fun!:)

To sign your family up, contact Katie 225-654-5778

Men's Homeless Shelter

February 12, 2019

We meet in the Parish Hall at
4pm! Please let me know if you
are interested in joining us!

kmyrick@sjb-ola.org



Our Lady of Lourdes (February 11th) and St. Bernadette Soubirous

www.catholicnewsagency.com/resources/mary/popular-marian-devotions/our-lady-of-lourdes



In Lourdes, France, in 1844 a baby girl named Bernadette Soubirous was born. Bernadette's family was very poor, and Bernadette was responsible for looking after and caring for her brothers and sisters.

At the age of 13, Bernadette was preparing for her First Holy Communion. One of Bernadette's chores was to collect wood for the fire. On a cold day in February 1858, Bernadette and 2 companions headed off to the Gave River to collect pieces of wood. The 2 companions ran ahead and left Bernadette struggling to keep up. As Bernadette was taking off her shoes to make her way through the river, she was startled by a peculiar wind and rustling sound.

Bernadette looked up towards the grotto and the caves on the riverbank. Near the opening of the grotto, Bernadette glanced and noticed the cave was suddenly filled with golden light. Lifting up her eyes, she saw a lady of great beauty, dressed in a pure white robe with a blue sash, a veil over her head, a rosary clasped in her hands and yellow roses at her feet. Bernadette rubbed her eyes. What a beautiful lady! But where did she come from? And what was she doing here?

The beautiful lady smiled at Bernadette and asked her to say her rosary. Bernadette said her prayers and when she was finished she looked up, the lady had vanished. Bernadette caught up to her 2 friends and discovered that they were upset with her. What have you been doing? Playing in the river, while we are out here collecting wood? Bernadette told them about the vision she had just witnessed. The girls told Bernadette she was silly and probably just seeing things.

Bernadette felt drawn to the grotto and returned there on the next Sunday. Again Bernadette saw the beautiful lady. The third time Bernadette went to the grotto, the lady spoke to her. The beautiful lady asked Bernadette to come here every day for fifteen days. She said that she wanted Bernadette to tell the priests to build a chapel there. She told her to drink water from the stream. The lady also told Bernadette to pray for the conversion of sinners. Bernadette followed the requests.

On March 25, the Lady finally told Bernadette that she was Mary, the mother of Jesus, and that her purpose in appearing to Bernadette was to warn her to pray and make sacrifices for sinners. The miracles of body and soul performed at Lourdes are the proof that this message was a true warning from the queen of heaven to her children and that she was deeply interested in their welfare.

(Visit: <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/resources/mary/popular-marian-devotions/our-lady-of-lourdes> to read more on each apparition.)

At the age of 22, Bernadette became a nun and devoted her life to Mary, to praying for the conversion of sinners and to the service of God. She joined the order of the Sisters of Charity. Throughout her life she remained sickly, but attended patiently to her duties. She died a holy death on April 16, 1879 at the age of 34. Bernadette was buried on the convent grounds in Nevers, France. Her body was exhumed thirty years later on September 22, 1909, in the presence of two doctors, several appointed officials, and the nuns from the local convent. When Bernadette's coffin was opened, there was no odor, and her body was completely untouched by the laws of nature.

A second exhumation took place on April 3, 1919. The body of the then declared Venerable was found in the same state of preservation as ten years earlier, except that the face was slightly discolored, due to the washing it had undergone during the first exhumation. The sacred relic (Bernadette's body) was placed in a coffin of gold and glass and can be viewed to this day in the Chapel of St. Bernadette at the motherhouse in Nevers, France.

RESOLUTION: As our Lady requested, pray for the conversion of sinners. And per the example of St. Bernadette, attend to our duties (state of life) faithfully and patiently.

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