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3:30PM CONFESSION
4:30PM MASS YEAR ROUND

SUNDAY:

7AM MASS

10AM HOLY ROSARY &

DIVINE MERCY

11AM MASS

WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7AM MASS
THRUS. 7:30 MASS
FRI. 7:30 MASS,
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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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PALM SUNDAY

of the Passion of the Lord

April 14, 2019

"Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

> *** Luke 23:43



THE STORY OF OUR REDEMPTION

We begin the final week of Lent with these familiar readings. This year, we hear the Passion from the Gospel of Luke. These readings for Palm Sunday and the Passion used to be read on successive Sundays. Now they are combined into a single feast, so that we may see the whole sweep of the glory and the suffering played out. Jesus accepts the adulation of the crowd, the foreshadowing of his glory in the Resurrection. He bids farewell to his disciples in his last Passover, and forgives his tormentors as he dies on the cross. Later this week, we enter the Holy Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, when the whole story of our redemption will play out once again.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;

Mt 26:14-25

Thursday:

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;

Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;

Jn 13:1-15

Friday:

Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

Saturday:

a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,

12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or

Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Lk 24:1-12

Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:

Monday of Holy Week; Income Tax Day

Tuesday:

Tuesday of Holy Week

Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday:

Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Friday:

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence; Passover begins

Saturday:

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night;

Holy Saturday



SANCTUARY LIGHT: APRIL 13—APRIL 19

The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of Marionneaux Engels. The Adoration Chapel will burn in memory of Jacob Jones.

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of Caldwell and Cazedessus families.



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

Daniel "Skip" D'Amico, parishioner of SJB and husband of Shirley; and Elma Daigle, mother of Tommy Daigle. May the Lord grant comfort and peace to these families and may they and all who sleep in Christ, find in His presence light, happiness and peace.



New to the Parish:

Welcome Brennan Barrilleaux, Kelsey Dodane and Addalie Dodane in Zachary

Final Opportunities for Reconciliation during Lent:

at OLA on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:15pm at SJB on Wednesday, April 17 at 6:45am

Reconciliation will NOT be available on Holy Saturday.



Confession

"God creates every person for eternal union with Himself and continually invites us to embrace a loving relationship with Him. Every person is chosen."

USCCB Sec. of Pro Life / 2018-19 Respect Life Reflection



Monday: 24 Hour Adoration begins at 8:00am (SJB)

Tuesday: 6:00pm Way of the Cross (OLA)

6:15pm Reconciliation (OLA)

6:30pm Mass (OLA)

Wednesday: 7:00am Mass (SJB)

Holy Thursday: 6:30pm Mass followed by Exposition of

the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm (SJB)

Good Friday: 3:00pm Veneration of the Cross (OLA)

6:00pm Veneration of the Cross (SJB)

Holy Saturday: 7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (SJB)

Easter Sunday: 7:00am & 11:00am Mass (SJB)

9:00am Mass (OLA)

The offices will be closed Good Friday, and the Monday & Tuesday after Easter.

No Mass in Clinton on Tuesday, April 23rd. No Mass in Zachary on Wednesday, April 24th.



St. Vincent de Paul Pharmacy Fund Raiser

The SVDP Pharmacy, located in Baton Rouge, serves those throughout the diocese who cannot afford to

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We have been targeted as one of the many parishes throughout the U.S. being hit with a scam which involves the sending of a fake email or text from a priest asking a

parishioner to purchase electronic gift cards.

Please know that Father will NEVER email or text you to purchase something for him or the church.

Father, or the office staff, will do so with a phone call.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Later this week, the Chrism Mass is celebrated in every cathedral in the world in preparation for the Easter Triduum. Only a bishop can consecrate chrism, pure olive oil infused with rich fragrance, so this liturgy is a sign of the unity of the local Church and the bishop's ministry to all who will be baptized and confirmed in our parishes in the coming year. Chrism is also used in the ordination of priests and bishops and the consecration of new altars. Two other sacramental oils, the unscented olive oil for catechumens and for the sick, will be blessed in the same liturgy and transported carefully to every parish by the beginning of the Triduum.

Remember when Noah's dove returned with the sign of the world's rebirth? The dove carried an olive branch, a pledge that God was breathing the world to life again. Yet olives require human nurture. Olives are inedible unless they are cured by human labor. Olive trees grow on sunny slopes, away from the shade of city walls, so they can only be properly tended, cured, and laboriously pressed in peace time. The Chrism Mass with its olive oils expresses God's deepest desires for us, and our resolve to place our

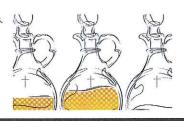
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Bless these Oils



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 10-13

We are looking for volunteers!

Please call the Religious Ed

Office if you can help.

Registrations coming soon in the office and on our website.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

From the proclamation of the Gospel at the beginning of the liturgy, we know that today is different, not only because we hear two Gospel passages, or because we hold palms and process. Today begins Holy Week, a time set apart, a week in which to listen, pray, reflect, and take to heart the truth of Christ's passion, crucifixion, death, and ultimately, resurrection. It takes a week, and a lifetime, to truly hear the message of Christ's love. It is difficult for us to comprehend that Jesus willingly sacrificed himself, so we must hear the story again and again. Let this week be for us a new moment of faith in which we, together with the criminal who was crucified with Christ, cry out, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

JESUS ANNOUNCES GOD'S KINGDOM OF LOVE

Jesus had walked, healed, forgiven sins, performed miracles, and eaten with the people. His message was simple yet profound: in Christ, the kingdom of God is at hand. Jesus announced God's kingdom of love, teaching all who would listen. In God's kingdom, the greatest is as the youngest; the leader is the servant. Those who follow Jesus are called to wash feet, attend to the last and the least, show mercy to the sinner, and love enemies. Even in the hour of his passion, Jesus did not turn away from his mission of love. He healed the ear of one who had come to arrest him, did not lash out at Pilate or Herod, consoled the women who wept, and forgave those who crucified him. He heard the cry of the criminal who called out to him from the cross, and promised him a place in Paradise. Jesus shows us that God's way is the way of love at all costs, even when it means giving more than we think appropriate or possible.

WE SHARE CHRIST'S MISSION

Let us not be mistaken. Jesus' mercy and forgiveness led him to the cross, and we who follow him will surely experience trial and be misunderstood in our determination to live as disciples. We will be called to make difficult decisions about the way we live our lives, serve others, give of our time and money, show patience, and favor those who are poor and vulnerable. Friends may turn away, family members may question our commitment to Christ above all else. Jesus remained singularly focused on God's will. And so must we. Jesus gave without counting the cost, and so must we. In Christ, we also have a mission of love. We, too, are called to stay focused on God's will. In this, we will announce God's kingdom and be assured of our place in it when Christ returns in glory. In this Holy Week, let us reflect deeply on the mystery of God's love for us in Christ and renew our commitment to live as Christian disciples in the world.

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OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



Saturday, April 27

9AM: First Eucharist Retreat

& Practice

Sunday, April 28

9AM: First Eucharist



Veneration of the Cross Good Friday 3:00 PM What's Happening
This Week

Sunday, April 14 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

-9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: Easter Egg Hunt, Jambalaya & Ice Cream Party

Tuesday, April 16

-6:00 pm: Way of the Cross

-6:15 pm: Reconciliation

-6:30 pm: Mass

-following Mass: Soup Supper

-7:00 pm: St. Vincent dePaul

Friday, April 19 Good Friday

-3:00 pm: Veneration of the Cross

Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

of the Lord

-9:00 am: Mass



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 04/07/2018

Identified (Envelopes, checks, online) \$2,962.32

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\$ 181.00

Building Maintenance \$ 75.00

Easter Flowers \$ 45.00

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BABY NURSERY at 11:00AM MASS

Ages: five months - three years Nursery opens at 10:30am.

FREE

Please bring your child to the T-Building prior to Mass with diapers and wipes.

Save the Date!

Tuesday, May 21st 5:30-8:30pm at St. John the Baptist.



Registration forms will be available soon.

Hosted by: Handmaids of the Lord

The Dusters will meet again on



Tuesday, April 23rd

to prepare the church for Confirmation and First Eucharist. Please join us in keeping our church beautiful!

-THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE-

Sunday, April 14

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

-7:00 am: Mass / Qtrly Breakfast / Bake Sale -11:00 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy / Bake Sale

Men's Club Barbeque Dinner Sale / Games for kids

Monday, April 15

-8:00 am: 24 Hour Adoration -10:00 am: Bible Study -6:00 pm: Prayer Group -6:30 pm: Boy / Cub Scouts

Tuesday, April 16
-5:00 pm: Adult Choir

-6:00 pm: Children & Youth Choir

-7:30 pm: A.A. Meeting Wednesday, April 17
-7:00 am: Mass

Thursday, April 18
Holy Thursday

-6:30 pm: Mass / Followed by Exposition till 10:00pm

Friday, April 19

Good Friday (Office Closed)
-6:00 pm: Veneration of the Cross

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting Saturday, April 20 Holy Saturday

-7:00 pm: Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee

-11:00 am: Mass

The parish offices will be closed Monday (April 22) and Tuesday (April 23) for Easter.

Regular weekday Mass schedule resumes:
Thursday, April 25th at 7:30am

Friday, April 26th at 7:30am followed by Divine Mercy and breakfast in the hall.

APRIL SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

19: Good Friday Holy Land

20/21: Retirement for Diocesan Priest

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 04/07/2018

St. John the Baptist	
Identified (Envelopes, checks, online)	\$ 13,972.00
Unidentified (Loose cash)	\$ 830.59
Building Maintenance	\$ 1,343.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 180.00
Religious Education Donation	\$ 121.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 90.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 200.00
Legacy of Faith (Debt Reduction)	\$ 8,193.17



Religious Education

- The LAST Confirmation session is Wed., April 17th @ 5:30pm.
- Confirmation practice is April 24th @6pm in the church.
- Confirmation is April 25th. Candidates and Sponsors arrive by 5:30pm, in the Gym. Mass is at 7pm.
- First Communion practice is April 27th from 9-11am in the church.
- First Communion is April 27th @ 4:30pm Mass. Children arrive dressed and ready by 3:45pm.

"Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism." *Pope Benedict XVI*

24 Hour Adoration is Monday, April 15th 8am until Tuesday at 8am.

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

Contact either office for an available time.

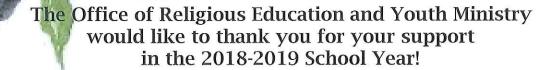
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Thank You

Bible Studies

- Sunday Mornings during K-5 classes in the Parish Hall
- Monday Mornings, 10am in the Parish Hall
- Thursday Mornings, 10am-Noon, home of Eelin Golan, contact at (985-951-0328)
- * *Thursday Night has been postponed during Lent in lieu of Friday Lent Services.*





Religious Education team would like to thank all the teachers for our K-5th program and all the Core Team Members for the Life Teen and Edge programs, Confirmation Team and the speakers and those that came to serve food, kept us safe, and helped us in anyway with our programs.

Thank you for all the monetary donations from our generous parishioners, please know how much your donations are appreciated and that we are conscientious stewards of your donations. Without these monies we would not be able to maintain our programs.

Thank you to the Men's Club and the Knights of Columbus for your generosity and hard work.

Thank you to the Ladies Altar Society for all your support and for all you do for our parish.

Thank you to all the staff of St John's for their support.

To Father Jeff and Father Chuck for all you have done for the faith formation of our parish.

Thank you to those who pray for our programs, bless you for your support.

The 2018-2019 school year was remarkable thanks to all of you!

"_ for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose." Philippians 2:13



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