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Mass Schedule:

SATURDAY:

3:30PM CONFESSION

4:30PM MASS YEAR ROUND

SUNDAY:

7AM MASS

10AM HOLY ROSARY &
DIVINE MERCY

11AM MASS

WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7:30AM MASS

THURS. 7:30 MASS

FRI. 7:30 MASS,
DIVINE MERCY TO FOLLOW

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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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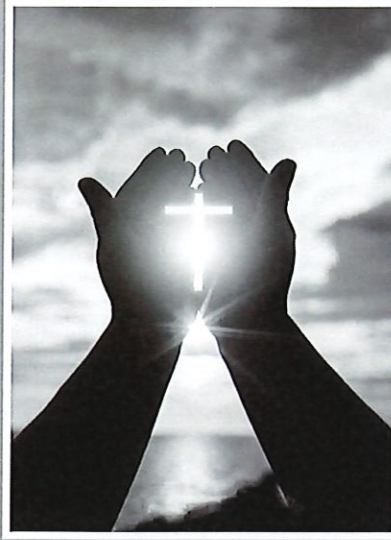
Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

From the cloud
came a voice that said,
"This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him."

Matthew 17:5

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CHANGE

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God's call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God's promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;
Daylight Saving Time begins
Monday: St. Frances of Rome

SANCTUARY LIGHT: MARCH 7—MARCH 13



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn
in memory of **Mamie Croxton**.
The Adoration Chapel will burn
in memory of **Eva & Lawrence Theils**.
The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn
in memory of **Ethel Little**.

We will temporarily discontinue
the distribution of the Precious Blood at all Masses
during this cold and flu season.
Eucharistic Ministers for the Precious Blood are not
needed until further notice.

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR March 22, 2020

St. John will once again have a St. Joseph Altar in the new Parish Activity Center (PAC) on March 22nd following the 11:00am Mass.

If you have been involved in our previous altars or would like to help this year, please call the parish office.



Turning Points

Our readings today describe turning points for those whom God has chosen. In Genesis, God calls Abram to leave his homeland, with the promise of forming a people in a new land. In the Gospel, the disciples see Jesus literally in a new light, the bright light of Jesus' transfiguration. They begin to see Jesus, and themselves, in a new way. These are times when God presents a new way forward, providing new purpose and energy. Our lives too have their own turning points, where God is working (usually in less spectacular fashion) to lead us into fuller maturity, and into deeper unity with God and others. The road ahead, as with Abram, Jesus, and the disciples, may be long and difficult. Lent can be a time when we reflect upon these turning points in our past, and consider how God may be stirring something new in us today.

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Easter Basket Project by St. Vincent de Paul on March 18th at 6:00pm. We need helpers and supplies: empty Easter baskets, small toys and books, individually wrapped small candy (NO nuts). Call parish office for more details.



PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- ♦ K-5, Edge and Emmaus Road are this Sunday, March 8th.
- ♦ The next LifeTeen is Sunday, March 15th.

"The Lord measures out perfection neither by the multitude nor the magnitude of our deeds, but by the manner in which we perform them." - St. John of the Cross

Coming up:

8th grade Chastity Prep- Wed., March 11th, 5-7pm in the Parish Hall

Senior Mass & Lunch- Sun., March 15th, 11am Mass & Lunch in the Parish Hall

8th grade Chastity Program- Wed., March 18th, 6pm in the Church

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Catechist Retreat
Saturday March 14
8-10 am

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24 hour Adoration

is Monday, March 16, 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

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Thank You

Bible Studies

- ⇒ Emmaus Road: Sundays, 9:30-10:30am
in the Parish Hall, during K-5 classes
- ⇒ Consoling the Heart of Jesus:
Mondays @ 10am in the Parish Hall
- ⇒ The Bible Timeline: Thurs., 10am-Noon
home of Eelin Golan (985-951-0328)
- ⇒ The Second Greatest Story Ever Told:
Thursdays at 6pm in Classroom 4

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Sundays

5:30pm

Parish Hall

6TH ANNUAL

Italian Dinner

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5:30 - 7 PM

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FRIDAY LENTEN SCHEDULE

Now - April 3

7:30am: Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

5:45pm: Divine Mercy

6:00pm: Stations of the Cross / Talk / Lenten Meal

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 8

Second Sunday of Lent

-6:30 am: Knights of Columbus Rosary

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee

-8:00 am: Knights of Columbus Meeting

-9:15 am: K—5th Religious Ed Class

-9:30 am: Emmaus Road Bible Study

-11:00 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy / RCIA

-5:00 pm: Edge

-5:30 pm: That Man is You

Monday, March 9

-10:00 am: Bible Study

-6:00 pm: Prayer Group

-6:30 pm: Boy and Cub Scouts

Tuesday, March 10

-9:00 am: Dusters

-4:00 pm: Homeless Shelter

-5:00 pm: Adult Choir Practice

-6:00 pm: Children's and Youth Choir Practice

-7:00 pm: AA Meeting

Wednesday, March 11

-7:30 am: Mass

-5:00 pm: Chastity Program Preparation

-6:30 pm: Men's Club

Thursday, March 12

-7:30 am: Mass / Divine Mercy

-6:00 pm: Handmaids/Second Greatest Story Ever Told

Friday, March 13

-7:30 pm: Mass / Stations of the Cross / Coffee

-5:45 pm: Divine Mercy

-6:00 pm: Lenten Program: Stations/ Talk/ Meal

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

Saturday, March 14

-9:00 am: Teacher's Retreat

-3:30 pm: Reconciliation

-4:30 pm: Mass

-5:30 pm: Infused

Sunday, March 15

Third Sunday of Lent

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee

-11:00 am: Mass / Children's Liturgy

-12 noon: High School Seniors Luncheon

-5:00 pm: Life Teen

-5:30 pm: That Man is You

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION



Next Classes on:

- March 15th with Penance Service for the children and Stations of the Cross at 11AM
- March 29th with Stations of the Cross at 11AM
- Abbey Youth Fest on March 21st
(One of the required retreats for 9th/10th)



Lenten Study in the parish hall

every Tuesday during Lent at 5:30pm.

We will use:

The Word Among Us: Come, Follow Me



Please join us for our annual Soup

Suppers following Mass every Tuesday during Lent. Please call Diane Rouchon at 683-5192 to volunteer to help!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST

Ladies Altar Society's **PLANT SWAP**
in the parish hall

Contact: Cathy Landry @ 683-9298.



FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD

Men's Club **CATFISH DINNERS**

in the parish hall

Pick up or dine in from 5pm-7pm. \$9.00 each plate



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 8

Second Sunday of Lent

-9:00am: Mass

-10:00am: Second Sunday Social

Tuesday, March 10

-5:30 pm: Lenten Bible Study

-6:00 pm: Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

-6:30 pm: Mass / Soup Supper

-7:00 pm: Altar Society / St. Vincent dePaul

Sunday, March 15

Third Sunday of Lent

-9:00am: Mass

-10:00am: Religious Ed Classes / Penance Service for the children / Stations of the Cross

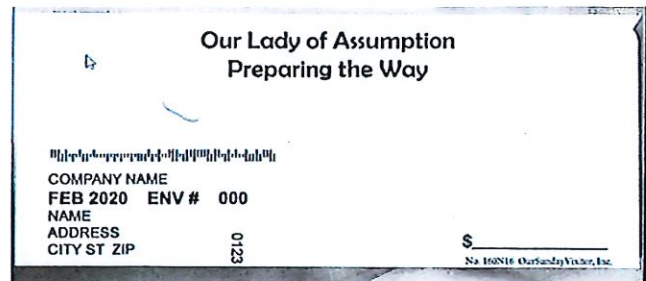
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

is beginning a Capital Campaign to raise funds
for the construction of a new Religious Ed / Activity Building.

If you are making contributions to this fund, please use

Option #1: this envelope (beginning in April)



Option #2:

Online Giving: Choose OLA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
(Our Lady Campaign for new Religious Ed / Activity Building)

Option #3:

Put memo on your check: OLA Capital Campaign

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Debt Reduction for the Loan from the Diocese for the **new church**.

We borrowed \$1,590,000.00 in February 2018.

We currently owe \$1,170,889.86.

Continued options: **#1** use **DEBT REDUCTION** envelope

#2 Online payment- choose Debt Reduction-Legacy Phase II

#3 Write in memo of check "Debt Reduction".

SUGGESTED POINTS to make with your Liturgical congregation:

- The risk for the coronavirus in Louisiana appears to be very low.
- In an abundance of caution and with the approval of our Bishop Michael Duca, some temporary changes have been suggested to be made within our liturgical practice during this time of heightened concern about public health.
- Please follow these precautions which are the same common-sense hygiene precaution recommended to prevent the flu including:
 - **Avoid contact with sick persons**
 - **Cover mouth/ nose with tissue/sleeve when coughing/ sneezing.**
 - **Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth after touching objects.**
 - **Practice good health habits at home.**
- Regarding the celebration of Mass, please pay attention to the following:
 - **If you are sick, DO NOT come to Mass. One does not sin if a person is ill and absent from the Eucharist. Come back to the celebration of the Eucharist after you recover.**
 - **We are temporarily withholding the Communion Chalice at daily and weekend Eucharistic liturgies. The Chalice will be restored once the threat of the communicable disease has passed.**
 - **You are temporarily encouraged to receive Holy Communion on the hand and not the tongue during this time.**
 - **Refrain from holding hands [unless you are family] during the Lord's Prayer and offer the ritual Sign of Peace with a simple bow or wave. Some may be uncomfortable with physical contact during some parts of Mass at this time.**
 - **All the liturgical ministers will wash their hands with soap and water before Mass begins and after Mass ends. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will also use an alcohol based anti-bacterial solution before and after distributing Holy Communion.**
- These are being asked of us all for the good order of our worship during this special time. Coming to Mass is never risk free as we are humans and live in a world that can be precarious. However, we can join in prayer for the many in the world who are suffering from all manner of diseases, for those who care for them and for the welfare and healing of all the sick. We can pray for the safety of our family, our friends and parishioners.
- I will keep you informed when these guides can be changed.
- Thank you for your cooperation and prayerful support.



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