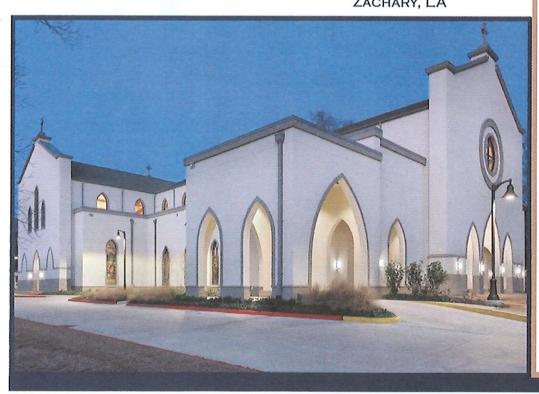


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# Mass Schedule:

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
(CONFESSIONS ARE
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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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### THE GIFT OF THE REIGN OF GOD

Matthew's Gospel today expands on Isaiah's ballad considerably. A comparison with the same story in Mark's Gospel clearly shows us that here the author is busy teaching this community of Jewish Christians: "This is a story about Israel a long time ago; this is also a story about Jesus and the skeptical leaders."

Jesus as much as told these Jewish leaders that they were the tenants who first stoned their own prophets. And he told the leaders they were the tenants who would soon even dispose of him—Jesus—and, in doing so, would forfeit their privileged place of presenting to the world the promised Messiah.

"And this," says Matthew's Gospel, "is a story about you, the inheritors of what was first offered to Israel." The reign of God was first opened to Israel and is

now given to the whole world, but it must be received as a gift. The first Christians are the new tenants in the vineyard. The deeper reality of the reign or kingdom of God is that it is available to everyone on the face of the earth—Israel included. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday:

Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday:

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday:

Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26 Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Saturday: Sunday:

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;

Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Respect Life Sunday

Monday:

**Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos** 

Tuesday:

St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

Wednesday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday:

St. Denis and Companions;

St. John Leonardi

Saturday:

**Blessed Virgin Mary** 

### SANCTUARY LIGHT: OCTOBER 3 —OCTOBER 9



The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn in memory of Mamie Croxton.

The Adoration Chapel at St. John will burn in memory of Kathleen Smith.

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn in memory of John Legleu.

In Sympathy

Our Communities of Faith extend our sympathy

and prayerful support for the family of: Timmy Haney, son of Barney Haney.

May the Lord grant comfort and peace to this family. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### New to the Parish

John Tyler and Claire Towles and their son, Jude Tyler in Clinton.

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion through prayer, fasting,

community outreach and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.

Our faith communities of St. John and Our Lady have been asked to support this mission today, Sunday, October 4th from 7:00am until 7:00pm. For more information,

contact Bridget Soileau at 225-773-4727.



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# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



For the first several months of the pandemic, we did temporarily suspend our activities. Currently we are assisting those with needs in our area, mostly with utility bills and rent. We handle the calls by phone since we have not resumed home visits. Most of the people we serve are those who have been hit hard by the pandemic-laid off from jobs and single parents who had to stay home with kids.

# Our regular quarterly collection will be October 10/11.

Please help those in need in our local community by placing your donation in the basket in the main aisle of church.

## This Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 4

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass

-9:30 am: K-5 Religious Ed Class

-11:00 am: Mass -4:00 pm: Life Teen

-4:30 pm: That Man is You

Monday, October 5

-10:00 am: Bible Study / Hall -6:00 pm: Prayer Group / Chapel

Wednesday, October 7

-8:00 am: Mass

-5:30 pm: Confirmation Session 1 -5:30pm: "Go Forth" for H. S. Srs.

-Thursday, October 8

-8:00 am: Mass

-5:30 pm: Ministry Meeting

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

Friday, October 9

-8:00 am: Mass / Divine Mercy

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

-Saturday, October 10

-3:30 pm: Reconciliation

-4:30 pm: Vigil Mass

-5:30 pm: Public Rosary

Sunday, October 11

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-6:30 am: Knights of Columbus Rosary

-7:00 am: Mass

-8:00 am: Knights of Columbus meeting

-11:00 am: Mass

-4:30 pm: That Man is You

"Mary's Mantle Consecration"
participants are reminded that
they are invited to the Consecration ceremony
with Fr. Bayhi
on Saturday, October 10, 2020
following the 4:30pm Mass.
We will recite the Consecration Prayer
immediately prior to the Public Rosary.



COLLECTIONS	09/27/2020		
Identified	\$	9,142.00	
Unidentified Cash	\$	227.00	
Building Maintenance	\$	588.00	
Youth Ministry	\$	140.00	
Religious Ed	\$	100.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	25.00	
Debt Reduction	\$	2,147.00	

# SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN OCTOBER

October 10/11: St. Vincent de Paul

October 17/18: Propagation of the Faith



by Knights of Columbus - Council 10080 - Zachary

October 31, 2020 at Copper Mill Golf Course
See flyer in this week's bulletin for information and registration.





# **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION**



# **TODAY**

Children's Liturgy Religious Education Class #2

# Wednesday, October 7th

5:00 pm: Confirmation Session

#1: Life is Choices and #2: What's Holding you back?

# Next Class and Children's Liturgy

October 18th: Class #3



The **Men's Club** of OLA will meet on Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00pm following 6:30pm Mass.



# All Saints / All Souls Candles

The 2020 Altar of the Faithfully Departed
will be on display beginning
Sunday, November 1st
at the All Saints Mass
through Saturday, November 7th.

Order forms are available following Masses now through October 25th for \$5.00 each candle. No forms will be accepted after Sunday, October 25th.

### **ALL SAINTS MASS**

Sunday, November 1st at 9:00am

### This Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 4

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30 am: Rosary -9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: Religious Ed Class #2

Tuesday, October 6

-6:15 pm: Reconciliation

-6:30 pm: Mass

-7:00 pm: Men's Club Wednesday, October 7

-5:00 pm: Confirmation Session 1 & 2

Sunday, October 11

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass

COLLECTIONS	0.9	9/27/2020
Identified	\$	3,001.00
Unidentified Cash	\$	421.00
Building Maintenance	\$	80.00
Religious Education	\$	75.00
Youth Ministry	\$	100.00
Capital Campaign Drive	\$	966.00
Total Capital Campaign To	Date	

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN OCTOBER

October 11: St. Vincent de Paul for Clinton October 18: Propagation of the Faith

† St. Vincent de Paul

The SVDP quarterly collection for the needy in our community is October 11th.

\$ 272,243.88

The Advent Giving Tree will be set up Sunday, November 29th -Tuesday, December 15th.



Our Lady of the Assumption will continue with its annual

### THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET DRIVE.

We ask that you bring items to donate for the poor and hungry beginning Sunday, October 18th through Sunday, November 22nd.

Watch for a flyer in next week's bulletin for a list of suggested items.





# PARISH FAITH FORMATION

"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle."

St. Francis of Assisi

Confirmation Session #1

Wed. Oct. 7th

5:30pm in the PAC (old church)

GO

FORTH

For High School Seniors
Coffee, Donuts & Discussion
Begins Wed. Oct. 7th, 5:30pm
PAC foyer

K-5 and Life Teen are this Sunday, Oct. 4th

\*Due to the move to Phase 3,

all K-5 students will attend both classes\*

K-5 Dates:

Oct. 4 & 18

Nov. 1 & 15

Dec. 6 & 13

Jan. 10 & 24

Feb. 7 & 21

March 7 & 14

April 11 & 25

**EDGE** 

Oct. 18

Nov. 1 & 15

Dec. 6

Jan. 3 & 24

Feb. 7 & 28

March 14 & 28

LIFE TEEN:

Oct. 4 & 25

Nov. 8 & 29

Dec. 13

Jan. 10 & 31

Feb. 21

March 7 & 21

April 11

+Please join us for one of our great Bible Studies+

Bible Timeline: Mondays @ 10am in the Parish Hall

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm in the Parish Hall

Mary's Mantle: Thursdays at 6pm in the PAC (old church).

Emmaus Road is postponed until we can find a volunteer to lead

Please let us know if you are interested.

Sundays, 9:30-10:30am, in the Parish Hall only during K-5 classes.

\* St. John the Baptist Office of Religious Education & Youth Ministry - 225-654-5885 - religioused@sjb-ola.org \*

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# ST. JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

October Events

October 7, 2020, 5:30pm

Go Forth! Youth Group for High School Seniors

WHEN: First Wednesday of Every Month

WHERE: Parish Activity Center (Front Entrance)

**Enjoy Coffee, Donuts and Discussion!** 

October 10, 2020, 5:30pm

Parish Rosary after 4:30pm Mass

October 11, 2020, 3-4pm

Youth Ministry will be praying outside of the Delta Abortion Clinic. Please let us know if you'd like to join us! I'll need a few parents to help chaperone.

October 21, 2020, 5-6pm

Wednesday at the Well- High School Youth Group

# VENTY-SEVENTH SUNDA IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 4, 2020

Vineyards were an essential part of the economy of Israel during the times of Isaiah and Jesus. Vineyard owners had the difficult challenge of producing a rich harvest. Our readings from Isaiah and Matthew describe God and God's creation in terms of the business of vineyards. The two stories are closely linked, as Jesus borrowed and adapted his parable from Isaiah. Using this rich imagery, we can see the vineyard as all the places of God's creation and ongoing work. The vineyard is our heart, mind, and body. The vineyard is our family, neighborhood, and parish. The vineyard is the larger Church and society, humanity and the earth itself. We are stewards in each of these vineyards, blessed to enjoy them, and held accountable for their continuing fruitfulness. We are called to join God in cultivating these vineyards, so that they may produce an abundant harvest.

## HIGHLY PASSIONATE

The tales of the vineyard in Isaiah and in Matthew point to the larger story of God and God's people. We see that God is intensely passionate about us. God is deeply committed, like the landowner who diligently prepares the vineyard. God has high expectations that the vineyard produce the fruit of a just and compassionate society. God is highly disappointed and angry that the vineyard has produced bad fruit (Isaiah), or has been treated as a prize to be seized (Matthew).

There are more chapters in the larger story that also need to be told. Later in Isaiah and in Matthew, we see that God is also deeply compassionate and forgiving. Isaiah speaks of God's tender care, as a mother loves her child (Isaiah 49). In Matthew, Jesus demonstrates God's forgiveness most dramatically on the cross. God is indeed most patient and resilient. God never gives up on us. God continues to pursue us, offering us love and grace, now and always.

### THE CORNERSTONE

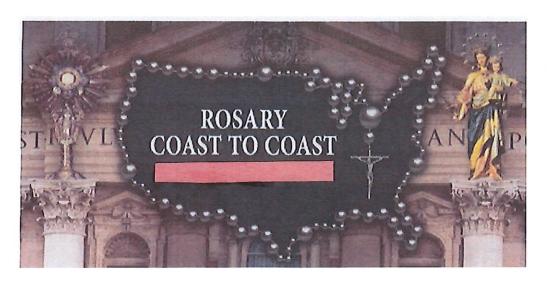
The powerful conclusions of the two vineyard tales are meant to linger in our memories. God indeed expects much of us, to live justly and mercifully. However, we know that God is not prickly and impatient, as we might be led to imagine if we read these stories out of context. The stories do invite us to ponder again who God really is. Especially during times of difficulty or of failure in our lives, we might wonder how we might best understand the mystery of God.

The witness of the New Testament is clear. If you want to know what God is like, look

at Jesus. Look at his patience and mercy. Look at his compassion for the suffering, his passion for justice. Look also at the joy and healing experienced by those in his presence. As today's Gospel passage indicates, Jesus is the cornerstone, the starting point of coming to know our God.

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Isaiah 5:1–7 Psalm 80:9, 12–16, 19–20 Philippians 4:6–9 Matthew 21:33–43



CALLING
our Church family
to gather as one,
joining voices
coast to coast,
to pray for our
nation.

# Please join us

# following the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, October 10th

as we process from the church to the site of our future adoration chapel.

The goal of America Needs Fatima is to win the heart and soul of America for Mary by spreading Our Lady's Fatima message and promoting devotion to Her Immaculate Heart.



"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

2nd Chronicles 7:14



The **Spiritual Battle** has intensified with extreme positions against **Life and the Sanctity of Marriage and Family**.

It is in this environment that a call to spiritual arms is being issued again and with even greater urgency to prayer warriors

across the country and the world.



# 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Scramble Knights of Columbus Council 10080 – Zachary Benefit Tournament



KC Council 10080 is hosting our annual golf tournament on October 31st at the Copper Mill Golf Course.

Previous tournament beneficiaries include: Zachary Food Pantry, Foundation Industries Special Adult Needs, Zachary High Bronco Buddies Program, St. John's Youth Ministry, Metanoia House human trafficking refuge, and more.

Cost is \$50 per player or \$200 per 4-person team. Individuals can be placed on teams.

Coffee and light breakfast before play starts at 8 AM. Lunch and awards at the conclusion of play.

Please consider sponsoring a hole for \$75 and/or donating prizes.

Submit the completed form(s) below to the Parish Office along with check payable to: KC Council #10080.

Hole sponsor information needed with \$75 sponsor fee:

**KofC Member Contacting Sponsor** 

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KofC Member Contacting Sponsor	
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Player 2 Name, Phone, Email Addr	
Player 3 Name, Phone, Email Addr	
Player 4 Name, Phone, Email Addr	

Contact the Knights at 225-270-1074 or kofc10080@gmail.com for more information.



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