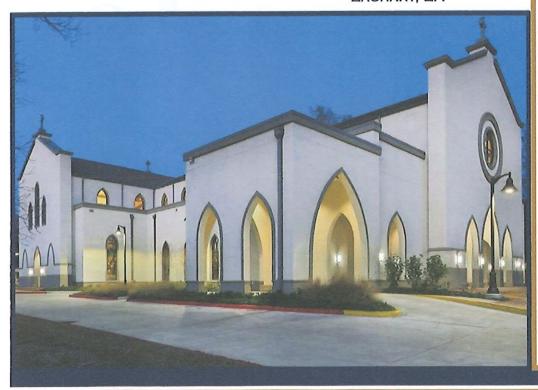


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## Mass Schedule:

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,
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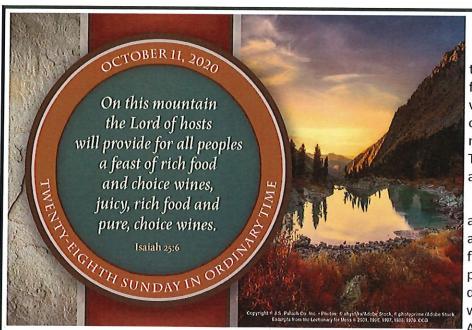
Mass Schedule for Our Lady of the Assumption:

**SUNDAY:** 9AM MASS

TUESDAY: 6:15 PM CONFESSION 6:30PM MASS

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#### **GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS**

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord's own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God's saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king's wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don't want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly

or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us.

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#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1;

Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday:

Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48;

Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday:

Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday:

Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54 Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;

Friday: Lk 12:1-7

Saturday:

Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday:

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;

1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:

Columbus Day

Wednesday: St. Callistus I Thursday:

Friday:

St. Teresa of Jesus St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;

Saturday:

St. Ignatius of Antioch

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT: OCTOBER 10-OCTOBER 16

The Sanctuary Light at SJB will burn in memory of

Austin Hollingsworth & Bernadette Lee.

The Adoration Chapel at SJB will burn in memory of Joseph & Eva Ballard and Glenn & Elizabeth Connor.

The Sanctuary Light at OLA will burn in memory of Hue, Huynh, and Nguyen Families.

#### IN SYMPATHY

Our Communities of Faith

extend our sympathy

and prayerful support for the family of

Mona Carbo, parishioner of SJB.

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.



#### Congratulations and Welcome

to our Newest Members

Baptized in the Lord

Saturday, October 3, 2020

Zaila Morgan "Zelie" Hamilton

daughter of Austin Hamilton

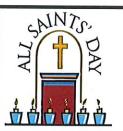
Cyrus Tate-Blalock "Gelasius" Maulder

son of J.J. and Van Maulden



#### New to the Parish:

Dennis and Mary White in Zachary



ALL SAINTS / ALL SOULS CANDLES are now available for purchase. Please find order forms after Mass. Deadline for ordering: October 25th.



There is a special collection this weekend for St. Vincent de Paul.

These donations will remain in each parish to serve the needs of its local community.

LY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines.

Isaiah 25:6



#### **GOD'S PROMISES**

Our readings this week speak of God's promises and their fulfillment, all in different ways. Isaiah presents a feast set in the future and hosted by God. Here the participants witness the astonishing generosity of God. At the feast, God gives the ultimate gift, the destruction of death itself. Saint Paul, confident in the fulfillment of God's abundant promises, urges the Philippians to live in gratitude and patience. Today's Gospel, however, is more challenging for us to hear. While announcing God's generous invitation, Jesus also describes, in dramatic imagery, how people may reject the invitation. Matthew reminded the early church of the need to recognize God's summons and be prepared to participate fully in God's banquet. This complex and unsettling parable invites our reflection on the nature of God's invitation and our response.

#### A STARK CONTRAST

The parable in today's Gospel is like a political cartoon or graphic novel. It uses exaggerations and odd plot twists to convey its message. There is little attempt to be "realistic." Jesus compares the rejection of him by the chief priests and elders to an outrageous imaginary scene. To its audience, it would be deeply offensive that anyone summoned to a royal wedding banquet would violently reject the invitation. This would indicate a full revolt against the king. The parable was a blunt accusation against the religious leaders.

In comparison, the people found on the streets who go to the banquet are like those who accepted Jesus during his ministry. They are the "unimportant" people who are surprisingly receptive to him. Matthew draws a stark contrast to accuse the priests and elders and to uplift ordinary people who recognize the presence of God in Jesus.

#### RECEIVING GOD'S JOY

The final scene introduces the unacceptably dressed banquet guest. Matthew is concerned here about the full readiness of those who accept God's invitation. A superficial assent or participation is not enough. God wants our whole selves invested here.

Jesus' followers are to be prepared for the banquet, as suggested by the wedding garment. The meaning of the garment is not clearly explained. It's helpful to recall that a wedding banquet, then and now, is a profoundly joyous event. Being dressed appropriately means being ready to celebrate. Our hearts must be ready to receive God's joy.

Indeed, it can be difficult to be receptive to joy when we have been hurt in many ways

during our lives. Our pain may cause us into close up, pulling away from others and away from God. It helps to remember that our God overflows with joy and is eager to share the fullness of joy with us. In our times of suffering, God actively invites us to receive this joy, and in turn to share it with others.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Isaiah 25:6–10a Psalm 23:1–6 Philippians 4:12–14, 19–20 Matthew 22:1–14 [1–10]

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The Lord is the shepherd who calls men and women to minister to His Church. As you pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life, also be open to God's call in your life.

Gordon M. White, USAF Christopher Williston, USAF

#### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



There is a special collection this weekend

for St. Vincent de Paul.

These donations will remain in the parish to serve the needs of our local community.



DUSTERS: Tuesday at 9:00am

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS:** 

Wednesday at 6:00pm

MEN'S CLUB:

Wednesday at 6:30pm

THAT MAN IS YOU:

Sunday at 4:30pm

#### This Week at a Glance

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

Monday, October 12

-10:00 am: Bible Study / Hall

-6:00 pm: Prayer Group / Chapel

Tuesday, October 13

-9:00 am: Dusters

-4:00 pm: Homeless Shelter

Wednesday, October 14

-8:00 am: Mass

-6:00 pm: Catholic Daughters

-6:30 pm: Men's Club

-Thursday, October 15

-8:00 am: Mass

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

Friday, October 16

-8:00 am: Mass / Divine Mercy

-7:30 pm: N.A. Meeting

-Saturday, October 17

-3:30 pm: Reconciliation

-4:30 pm: Vigil Mass

Sunday, October 18

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-7:00 am: Mass

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

-11:00 am: Mass / Baptisms

-4:00 pm: Edge

-4:30 pm: That Man is You

#### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS In October

October 10/11: St. Vincent de Paul October 17/18: Propagation of the

Faith

COLLECTIONS	10/04/2020	
Identified	\$	14,372.00
Unidentified Cash	\$	619.00
Building Maintenance	\$	1,140.00
Youth Ministry	\$	205.00
Religious Ed	\$	205.00
Debt Reduction	\$	8,035.00

### ZACHARY



#### 5th Annual Golf Scramble benefit

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**



Next Class and Children's Liturgy

October 18th: Class #3



The **Altar Society** of OLA will meet on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00pm following 6:30pm Mass.

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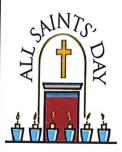
-6:30 pm: Mass

-7:00 pm: Altar Society

Sunday, October 18

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-9:00 am: Mass / Children's Ligurgy -10:00 am: Religious Ed Class #3



### **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

COLLECTIONS	10/04/2020		
Identified	\$	2,975.00	
Unidentified Cash	\$	323.00	
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	\$	25.00	
Religious Education	\$	25.00	
Capital Campaign Drive Total Capital Campaign Rea	\$	540.00	
Total Capital Campaign Rec		72,783.88	

#### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN OCTOBER

October 11: St. Vincent de Paul for Clinton

October 18: Propagation of the Faith



The SVDP quarterly collection for the needy in our community is TODAY.

Please drop your donation in the basket in church.

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.

See flyer in this week's bulletin for a list of suggested items.





# PARISH FAITH FORMATION

"Consult not your fears,
but your hopes and your dreams.
Think not about your frustrations,
but about your unfulfilled potential.
Concern yourself not with what
you tried and failed in,
but with what it is still possible for you to do."
— Pope Saint John XXIII

24 hour Adoration

Monday, October 19th

8am until Tuesday at 8am.
Please consider signing up for an hour with Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Contact the Religious Ed office for an available time.
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Thank You

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:

(6th-8th)

Oct. 18

Nov. 1 & 15

Dec. 6

Jan. 3 & 24

Feb. 7 & 28

March 14 & 28

LIFE TEEN:

(9th-11th)

Oct. 4 & 25

Nov. 8 & 29

Dec. 13

Jan. 10 & 31

Feb. 21

March 7 & 21

April 11

# SAVE THE DATE SJB MINISTRY FAIR

October 25th
8am-Ipm in the PAC
Come check it out!

+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

TBA: 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.

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