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JUNE 26, 2022



## 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:61-62

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Friday | 8:00am-3:00pm



### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### Mass Schedule

##### **Saturday**

4:30pm Mass

##### **Sunday**

7:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

##### **Weekdays**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

8:00am Mass

#### Confession Schedule

Saturday | 3:30pm

15 minutes before Daily Masses

#### Office of Religious Education & Youth Ministry

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### OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

#### Mass Schedule

##### **Sunday**

9:00am | Mass

##### **Tuesday**

5:30pm | Confession

6:00pm | Mass

# LITURGICAL AND PRAYER LIFE

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Monday:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps

50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:** Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps

5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Acts 12:1-11/ Ps

34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Thursday:** Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8,

9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

**Friday:** Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2,

10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:** Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab

and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

**Sunday:** Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3,

4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

## SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Wednesday:** Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

**Thursday:** The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

**Friday:** St. Junipero Serra, Priest

**Next Sunday:** 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Thomas, Apostle

## GOSPEL MEDITATIONS

And to another he said, "Follow me." In every moment of every day, in every circumstance and experience, God is calling us. We can easily get distracted and not hear it or simply ignore it, pretending it wasn't even heard. When we do hear it and favorably respond, there are some conditions that must be met. Jesus makes it clear that once we say yes to his invitation, we must stay focused and forge ahead. We cannot keep looking behind or worry about unfinished business. There are some tasks, and discipleship is one, that require our full devotion.

There are many "masters" vying for our attention. We need something or someone to give us direction. Human nature requires it. Our motives and actions reveal what has our allegiance. It is tempting to give ourselves to masters that lure us with intriguing promises. When given the choice between a "master" that promises worldly success, abundant wealth, status, privilege, and security versus a "master" that asks for self-sacrifice, hardship, suffering, ridicule, and death, to whom do we go? While the promise of immediate pleasure is enticing, there is always a catch. For all that secular masters can promise, they always keep us looking behind, checking on ourselves, second guessing choices, calculating options, and being slaves to excessive worry. Our guard can never come down. Only one master really promises life: Jesus Christ. Hearing his call, we either trust him or we don't.

Saying yes to following Christ does come with a risk. But it also comes with the brightness of future hopes and dreams. There is no need to keep looking behind. Sins are forgiven and regrets serve no effective purpose. God is not there. He's moved beyond all that stuff. God is in the today and the tomorrow and what he can continually do with our daily affirmation to follow Him. All we need to do is be obedient. St. Gianna Molla is credited with saying, "The stillness of prayer is the most essential condition for fruitful action. Before all else, the disciple kneels down." Begin with prayer. We will not only hear God's call but find the courage to trust that He will guide us where we need to be. God uses us in the most ordinary of ways through the simple daily expression of our lives. ©LPi



**"A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." Ezekiel 36:26**

These powerful words from the prophet of Ezekiel cut to the heart of what it means to experience a revival. To "revive" means "to return to life." For many, the initial Eucharistic amazement that is experienced when receiving the Blessed Sacrament for the first time has become dim. Joy-filled

expectation has been replaced with routine. For many a living and personal relationship with Jesus seems impossible. For others, such a relationship has become dulled or suffocated by other concerns.

Whether you're a Catholic with a Eucharistic devotion spanning 50 years, someone who has drifted away from the faith, or a person who has never stepped foot in a Catholic Church, you are welcome here. **This revival is a time to discover or renew a relationship with Jesus by encountering Him in the Blessed Sacrament, where He is always present and always seeking an encounter with you. We hope you join us on this journey.**



# LITURGICAL AND PRAYER LIFE



## SANCTUARY LIGHT: JUNE 25-JULY 1

The Sanctuary Light at SJB  
will burn in memory of  
**Alexander Neofotistos**

The Adoration Chapel  
will burn in memory of  
**Michael Lachney**

The Sanctuary Light at OLA  
will burn in memory of the  
**Caldwell & Cazedessus  
families**

## *In Sympathy*

Our  
Communities

of Faith extend our sympathy  
and prayerful support for the  
families of: **Olive Basha**,  
parishioner of SJB and wife of  
Peter; and **John Dickinson**,  
parishioner of SJB,  
husband of Dot and father of  
Gretchen and Greg.

May the Lord grant comfort  
and peace to these families.  
May their souls and the souls  
of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest  
in peace. Amen

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**Saturday: June 25:** Mark Rioux, Caleria Ranatza,  
Austin Hollingsworth, Bruce Pitre, Luke Everett  
Fontenot, Dennis Delatorre, Dana Baker Othmer, Louis  
Baker, Jr., Kay & Charles Pelletier, Joseph Ritter, Beryl  
Gordy, Wayne Rabalais, Carmel Wimberly, Henry  
Kliebert, Doris King, Patricia Millican, Chris Cosse, Judy  
Patriquin, Rodger Aucoin, Rusty Hagan, Jane Ewell,  
Randall Von Rosenberg

### **Sunday: June 26:**

**7:00 AM:** Luke Everett Fontenot, Caleria Ranatza,  
Engle-Rissler families, Brad Vince, Jane Ewell,  
the Johnson family, Mary Jane & Newman Matte, Lucy  
Maggio, Jimmie McKenzie, Gurcie Roberie, Ed Bridwell,  
Dana Parmelee, Phil Larsen

**9:00 AM:** Little & Davis families, Georgia Honore,  
Charles Weaver, Anthony Musso, Maria Vu, Daminh  
Vu, Maria & Peter Nguyen, Edgar Unay, Evelyn  
Beauchamp, Leslie Ligon, Jr., Maude Williams, Cely  
Bunch, Amanda Bullinger, Lucious Miller, Francis  
Branca, Johnny Rouchon, Charles Prestridge, Ida Smith,  
souls in the Huynh & Nguyen family, souls in most  
need

**11:00 AM:** Charles Rissler, Joe Anzalone family, Tyler  
Craig, Bernie & O.D. Nugent, Naquin & Parker families,  
the Steib family, Rodney Fruge', Donald Langley, Marie  
Simoneaux, Roland Gravois, Deborah Mannino, Hymel  
family, Kenneth Wilkewitz, Stephen Blackwell, Pat  
Free, Abby Soileau, Rodger Aucoin, Rupert Rodriguez,  
Ledoux & Mary Chastant, John Dickinson

**Tuesday: June 28:** Caleria Ranatza,  
Evelyn Beauchamp, Maria & Peter  
Nguyen, Maria Vu, Daminh Vu

**Wednesday: June 29:** Caleria Ranatza,  
Dana Parmelee, Gene Aucoin Mooney

**Thursday: June 30:** Caleria Ranatza,  
Luke Everett Fontenot, Dana Parmelee,  
Michael Morgan

**Friday: July 1:** Caleria Ranatza, Fr. Joseph Doyle, Susan  
Beyer, Roland Gravois, Karen Cooper, Dana Parmelee,  
Gene Aucoin Mooney



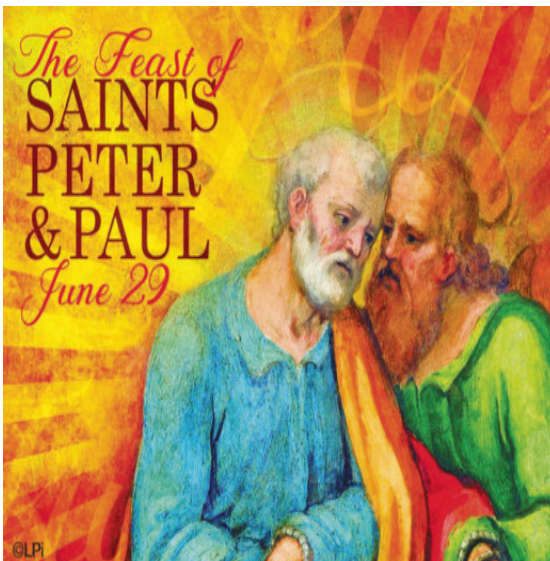
## PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS, THEIR FAMILIES & OUR COUNTRY

Dr. Marvin Ashford, Jr., Army  
Aaron Barr, USAF  
Jared Barr, USAF  
Nathaniel Barr, USN  
James A. Benning, USM  
Matthew Boyd, Army  
Cody Castello, USMC  
Eugene Cazedessus, USMC  
Allen Jude Charlet, Army  
Daniel Clesi, USAF  
LeLand Crochet, III, USMC  
Matthew Charlet Dart, USN  
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Neil Ahldwin Garcia, US Army  
Brad Gautreaux, USMC  
Nesta Gross, USAF  
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Markus Kippers, USN  
Dustin Knight, USN  
Joshua Knight, LaNG  
Laura Clesi Knight- LaNG  
Joseph L. LeBlanc Jr., Army  
Stanley Mays, USAF  
Andrew Metcalf, Army  
Gordon Newman, Army  
Robert Brett Parker, LaNG  
Brian Plauche, USAF  
Andrea Byrd Prosser, USCG  
Mike Prosser, USCG  
Jesse B. Richard, Army  
Nicholas Richards, USN  
James Rouchon, USMC  
David Welch, LaNG  
Gordon M. White, USAF  
Christopher Williston, USAF

## What we believe about Baptism

The next **Baptismal Seminar**  
is  
Saturday, July 9th at 8:30am.

The remaining seminars in  
2022 are scheduled for  
September 10th  
and  
November 5th.



**Parish Offices will be closed  
Monday, July 4th.**

# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

### This Week at a Glance

**Sunday, June 26**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

-7:00 am: Mass

-11:00 am: Mass

**Tuesday, June 28**

-9:00 am: Dusters

**Wednesday, June 29**

-8:00 am: Mass

**Thursday, June 30**

-8:00 am: Mass / P.H. Novena

**Friday, July 1**

-8:00 am: Mass / Divine Mercy

-8:30 am: Lite Breakfast & Coffee

**Saturday, July 2**

-3:30 pm: Reconciliation

-4:30 pm: Vigil Mass

**Sunday, July 3**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

-7:00 am: Mass / Coffee & Donuts

-8:00 am: First Sunday Coffee & Donuts

-11:00 am: Mass



**Monday, July 4**

Independence Day

Office Closed

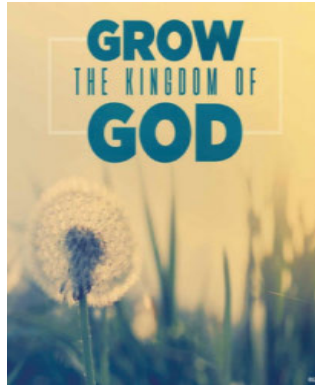


The family of **John Dickinson** extends heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of sympathy, love and prayers in reaction to his death due to his short battle with lymphoma.

Our church family is precious to us. Thank you!



**Join us next Sunday, July 3rd following 7:00am Mass for our monthly Coffee ~ Donuts ~ Fellowship**



### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN JULY

July 2/3: Debt Reduction

July 9/10: St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag

COLLECTIONS	06/19/2022
Identified	\$ 9,872.00
Unidentified Cash	\$ 844.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 480.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 105.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 30.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,738.00

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**Tuesday, June 28**

-5:30 pm: Reconciliation

-5:30 pm: P.H. Novena

-6:00 pm: Mass

**Sunday, July 3**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

-8:30 am: Rosary

-9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: First Sunday Social

**Monday, July 4**

Independence Day

Offices Closed



**Next Sunday, July 3rd**

Join us for the First Sunday of the Month  
8:30 am: Rosary and  
10:00 am: Social—  
Coffee & Pastries



### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN JULY

July 9/10: St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag

COLLECTIONS	06/19/2022
Identified	\$ 3,246.00
Unidentified Cash	\$ 327.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 748.00
Total C.C. Received	\$ 453,551.76

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## Guided by the spirit

There will always be something behind us and before us. Time moves on and the world continues to rotate. Will we miss that which exists right before our eyes because they are shut while we are consumed by the past or worried about the future?

When we go about whatever work God has set for us this day, large or small, we cannot get it done if we are looking behind us. Being mindful means to live for the present. It sounds like the simplest thing in the world, but we forget it (I forget it at least once every day). We must be guided by the Spirit.

What I'm talking about here is a radical abandonment of ourselves to God — over, and over, and over again. We cannot put our hand to the plough, while our eyes are looking backward at what is left behind. We cannot turn back if we are to move forward.

When we take up the yoke of stewardship, we will never be able to bear it if we rely on our own strength. When we put our hands to the plough, we will never get the job done if we look backwards at our own track record for inspiration. There is no inspiration there. Let the dead bury their dead.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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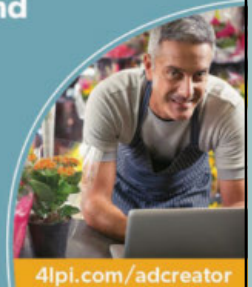
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