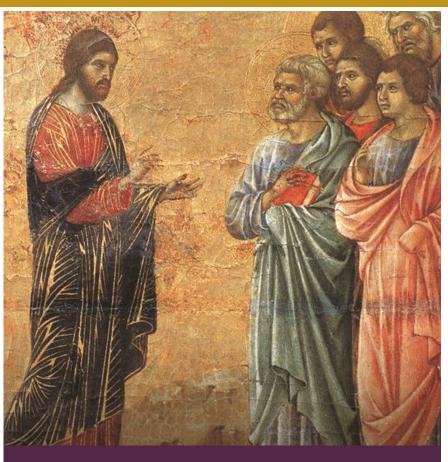


### **SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**



## 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

**PARISH INFORMATION** 

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1:00pm-5:00pm

Friday | 8:30am-1:00pm



## 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 | 3:00 pm

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



Flannery O'Connor, an American writer, once at a dinner party heard someone say that the Eucharist was a mere symbol, her reply was classic, 'Well, if it's a symbol, to hell with it.'

Oh, if we all had that faith and that courage. Unfortunately, not all do! The shocking result of the PEW study on Catholic's belief on the Eucharist left the leaders of the Church stunned, ONLY 30% OF CATHOLICS BELIEVE

THAT THE EUCHARIST IS THE BODY, BLOOD, SOUL, AND DIVINITY OF THE RISEN CHRIST!

A later study clarified this. For those who attend Mass on a regular basis 70% believe it is the Body and Blood of Christ, while only 30% believe it's merely a symbol.

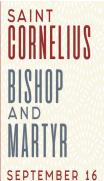
From the time of the breaking of the bread at Emmaus the Apostles believed what Jesus said and commanded them to do regarding the Breaking of the Bread - that it is his body, that it is his blood and he commanded us to do "this" in memory of him. Every Church founded by an Apostle has this central belief, only churches founded later have deviated from this belief.

In June of 2022 the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops rolled out the Eucharistic Revival. The first year challenged the church leaders to grow in their relationship with the Eucharistic Lord, and now this year all the people of God are being challenged to grow in their relationship with the Eucharistic Lord.

We here at SJB-OLA will be rolling out a program to call our attention to our Lord's Eucharistic presence. We will offer mornings of reflection, scripture study, encourage Adoration, displaying different Eucharistic Miracles in the church, together praying after Communion a prayer to remind us of what we have received and lastly reinstate a long-standing tradition in the Church - Benediction after the close of Mass one weekend a month.

~ Father Lamar





## Readings for the week of September 10, 2023

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24-2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19 Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17 Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

## Observances for the week of September 10, 2023

Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

Monday: Patriot Day

Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday



## LITURGICAL AND PRAYER LIFE

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT: September 9—15

The Sanctuary Light at SJB will burn in memory of Evelyn Naguin

The Adoration Chapel will burn in memory of Renee Fontenot

The Sanctuary Light at OLA will burn in memory of Cliff Muller

Our desire
for God
can only
grow when
we place
ourselves in
His presence.

-Pope Francis

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday: 09/09: Caleria Ranatza, Dana Baker Othmer, Louis Baker, Jr., Bruce Pitre, Luke Everett Fontenot, Austin Hollingsworth, Orin Hollingsworth, John Dickinson, Wayne Rabalais, Frank Millican, Herman & Mickey Ditcharo, David Litchliter, Todd Rioux, Makayla Moore, Donna Roach, Corliss Svoboda, Dan Wallis, Kenneth Wilkewitz, Don Metcalf, Margie Carter, Gwen Mitnik

#### Sunday: 09/10:

7:00 AM: Luke Everett Fontenot, Caleria Ranatza, Ed Bridwell, Brad Vince, Huey Tullier, Alicia Summers, Nancy Sunderman-Elert, Doris Tracy, Maxine Rupeter, Fr. Mark Beard

<u>9:00 AM:</u> Jacob Meek, Evelyn Beauchamp, Charles Weaver, Jr., Anthony Musso, Davis Family, Edgar Unay, Steve Jacob, George LeBourgeois, Terry Davis, Kathy & Kenny Raye, Sr., Leslie Ligon, Cliff Muller, Fr. Thomas Tri, Fr. Carney, Fr. Joe, Fr. Jerry, All souls in Nguyen & Huynh Family, Peter Nguyen, Peter Huynh, Maria Vu, Dominic Vu, Ida Smith, and all the souls in most need

11:00 AM: Charles Rissler, Joe Anzalone Family, Tyler Craig, Bernie & O. D. Nugent, Anna & Augustino Marchiafava, Marianne Lewis, Joyce Bello Bailey, Ron Parker, Laura Gremillion, Genevieve Angelette, Newman & Jane Mary Matte, Sandra Landry, Doris Tracy, John Chaney, Eric Gregoire, and deceased members of the Naquin and Parker families Tuesday: 09/12: Caleria Ranatza, Evelyn Beauchamp, George LeBourgeois, Fr. Thomas Tri, Fr. Carney, Fr. Joe, Fr. Jerry, All souls in Nguyen & Huynh Family, Peter Nguyen, Peter Huynh, Maria Vu, Dominic Vu, Ida Smith, and all the souls in most need Wednesday: 09/13: Caleria Ranatza, Fr. Mark Beard, Ruth & Erin Delahoussaye, the Johnson Family

<u>Friday: 09/15</u>: Caleria Ranatza, Marie Decker Betty & Fred Litchliter, Todd Rioux, David Litchliter

Jimmie McKenzie, Gwen Mitnik

Thursday: 09/14: Caleria Ranatza, Luke E Fontenot,

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

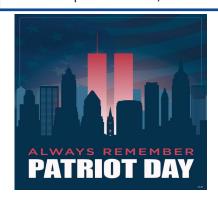
What are you supposed to do about the bad behavior of the people around you? You know who I'm talking about. That family member, friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything's fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?

Jesus' strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord's strategy, "If your *brother* sins against *you*..." Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against *you*? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren't our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others' sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

## 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 Manly Anthony Cazedessus, USAF Matthew Thomas Cazedessus, USAF Allen Jude Charlet, Army Daniel Clesi, USAF LeLand Crochet, III, USMC Matthew Charlet Dart, USN Jeffrey Oliver Davis, USN Stephen DiLorenzo, Army Thomas Foster, USN Neil Ahldwin Garcia, US Army Brad Gautreaux, USMC Nesta Gross, USAF Dvlan Gustafson, USMC Dr. Christopher Johnson, USN James Anthony Johnson, USAF Sabrina Jones, LaNG 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



# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ZACHARY



#### **Healing Rosary**

Join us on Monday, September 11th at 9:00am at the home of Devin and Linda Holley for our monthly Healing Rosary ~ prayed for the healing of our parishioners and their family members.

#### The DUSTERS will meet this Tuesday, September 12th at 9:00am.

Spaces often give us cues of how we are to act in them—a library or a museum inspire peace and quiet, while a music venue or a playground invites noise and celebration. In the same way, we should be careful that our places of worship are created to encourage space for reverence and reflection. The Dusters meet twice a month to create a beautiful place of worship. Please help them!

#### New Bible Studies—Not Too Late to Join

Wednesday: Proverbs 31—Modern Women's Bible Study

Sign up at: https://sjb-ola.org/proverbs31

**Thursday**: Handmaids of the Lord / When you Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God No sign up required...Just show up if you can.

#### COLLECTIONS

09/03/2023

To be announced next week

#### This Week at a Glance

Sunday, Sept 10

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

-6:30 am: KC Rosary -7:00 am: Mass

-9:15 am: K-5 Religious Ed -9:30 am: 1st Eucharist Parent Mtg

-11:00 am: Mass

-4:00 pm: Middle & High School CCD

Monday, Sept 11

-9:00 am: Healing Rosary

Tuesday, Sept 12 -9:00 am: Dusters

-4:00 pm: Homeless Shelter

-5:30 pm: Children's Choir Practice -6:00 pm: Adult Choir Practice

Wednesday, Sept 13

-8:00 am: Mass

-6:00 pm: Proverbs 31 Bible Study -6:00 pm: Catholic Daughters

-6:30 pm: Men's Club Thursday, Sept 14

-8:00 am: Mass / P.H. Novena -6:00 pm: Handmaids Bible Study

-7:00 pm: OCIA (RCIA)

Friday, Sept 15

-8:00 am: Mass /Divine Mercy / Benediction

-8:30 am: Lite Breakfast **Saturday, Sept 16** 

-3:00 pm: Reconciliation

-4:00 pm: Catholic Daughters Rosary

-4:30 pm: Mass

## **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION** ~CLINTON

#### This Week at a Glance

Sunday, Sept 10

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

-9:00 am: Mass

-10:00 am: Religious Ed Class #2

Tuesday, Sept 12

- 5:30 pm: Reconciliation / P.H. Novena /

Benediction

-6:00 pm: Mass

-6:30 pm: Altar Society Wednesday, Sept 13

-1:00 pm: Eucharistic Adoration -6:15 pm: Vespers with the Sisters

Sunday, Sept 17

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

-9:00 am: Mass



#### **September Classes**

10th: Class #2

24th: Class #3 with Circles of Grace



Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 12th



#### **COLLECTIONS**

09/03/2023

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## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

#### The Blessing of the Community

I have been blessed to be a member of my parish community for 28 years. For much of that time I was serving as a member of the parish staff, but it was still the community that I call home. I have been fortunate to be able to remain in that parish even as my life has encountered new chapters and callings. I am so grateful to God that I have been able to grow, be nourished, and find companionship in a parish for this long of a time.

It is a natural tendency for human beings to desire belonging to something bigger than themselves. Not everyone is fortunate enough to find the community, big or small, that fulfills that need. Unfortunately, that means that many communities suffer from not having the benefit of the gifts, skills, and talents that any member can offer. Communities are in many ways living organisms that move and breathe based upon the individuals who form that body. **A community is truly the sum of its parts**.

Your parish community reflects you and everyone else in that community. The more each member gives to the community, the stronger that community finds itself. If you hold back, your community suffers, and you gain little. I know firsthand what being a part of a community can mean to a person. I would be no one at all – and you would not be reading this – if it weren't for the life I have had in my parish community.

— Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi