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Masses: Sat., 5:00pm (English) & Sun., 10:00am (English)
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:00 noon
Confessions: First Saturday of the Month at 4:00 p.m.
Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 9:00am - 1:00pm
Rectory (Fr. David's Home):
3323 86th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423

June 24, 2018

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

MASS INTENTION:

Saturday, June 23

For the People of the Parish

Sunday, June 24

Ben Ybanez (ER)

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading:

Isaiah 49: 1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

"I praise you for I am
wonderfully made."
(Psalm 71)

Second Reading:

Acts 13: 22-26

Gospel Acclamation:

"John is his name."

Gospel:

Mark 4: 26-34

June 30 & July 1 Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

Sonya Diaz Juan Flores
Michelle McCallick Stan McCallick
Jose Valenciano

Sunday

Tony Bonner Freddy Chavez
Heather Marrs Kevin Moore
Mary Morris Andy Neuber
Sybille Neuber Dolores Robles
Ernest Robles Johnny Rodriguez
Lisa Soliz

Lectors

Saturday

Cathy Flores Carlos Diaz

Sunday

Susan Miller Myrna Porras
Andy Neuber

Altar Servers

Saturday

Zachary Tinkler
Elliot Kitten
Haley McCallick

Sunday

Luke Maloney
Justice Marrs
Macie Marrs

Greeters/Ushers

Saturday

Analisa Cardenas
RoseMary Cardenas
Michael Cowley
Juan Flores

Sunday

Rick Soliz
Rick Rodriguez
Kirk Rodriguez
Kyle Porras
Arnulfo Gonzalez

Grief:

Finding Hope in Sorrow

Loss comes to each of us, without fail. Scripture can serve as a companion to us in the grief we bear and ultimately in our surrender to our compassionate God. Come and share as you experience God's healing presence in our lives.

**July 12, 19, and 26
(Thursdays)**

Sign up at the entrance table or contact Sybille Neuber (806-392-3860)
Or Terri Contreras (806-786-1781)



**Body,
heart,
and soul**

All youth, elementary through high school, are invited to attend a Summer Youth Fest. **July 16-18, 6-8 p.m.** Join us for lively music, good food, dynamic speakers and fun activities!

Bring your friends!
Registration after Mass at entrance table or Register online: stjohnbaptistlbk.org

PRAYER INTENTION LIST

Week of June 24, 2018

Healing & Good Health

- Mike Gamboa
- Mirella Castillo
- Arturo Islas
- Andrea Garcia
- Mary Salazar
- Lydia Mecalco
- Jesse Guzman
- David Marquez
- Belinda Sheridan
- Sam Velasquez
- Yajayra Marin
- Josie Lara
- Christian Rivera
- Senora Licon
- Albert Hernandez
- Bob Buchanan
- Whitney Douglas
- Johnny Berumen
- Whitney Douglas
- Donna Walz
- Anita Garcia
- Sylvia Ortiz
- Reagan E. Moore
- Jason Mata
- Estes Mata
- Gus Herefor
- Joseph Henderson
- Donnie Brown
- Isacc Juarez
- Irene Reyna
- Paul Rosales
- Melissa Joe
- Rudy Rodriguez
- Adam Guzman
- Michelle Olivarez
- Sally Frausto
- Robert Nombrano
- Phillip Nombrano
- Bob Buchanan
- Jeannette Ruiz
- Nukool Bosley
- Johnny & Sally

-Kimberly Aguilar's baby

General

- Ariel Contreras
- Mary Vivial Hamersley
- Ryan & Trinity Villanueva
- Mark & Brian Asmussen

Eternal Rest

- Socorro Rosiles
- Rudy Reyna
- Tami Wagoner's Uncle
- All the faithful departed+
- Fr. Ken Keller
- Bob Ruiz

A Tipping Point



The birth of John the Baptist is, to the story of our salvation, what best-selling author Malcolm Gladwell might have called a "tipping point": "a dramatic moment . . . when everything can change all at once." Today's readings—all of them—practically shout, "Pay attention! A new thing is happening!"

"The Lord has spoken," Isaiah prophesies, that after many trials Israel may be "gathered to him" and its "salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." Paul, after recounting the "old" history of the Israelites, proclaims the new one: a savior, Jesus, has come, heralded by John. And the newborn John becomes a symbol for the moment when everything will change: his name—John, not Zechariah—represents a break with the past, and his father's acceptance unlocks the old man's lips that he may bless God. When John is grown, he will preach a baptism of repentance, urging those who hear him to turn away from the past, to start over.

John's destiny, and ours, is to be a light, to "go before the Lord to prepare his way." Because through us the "tender compassion of our God . . . shines on those who sit in darkness . . ."

Can I be like John, a servant through whom God's glory shows? To be a "light unto the nations" is probably more that I can do. But perhaps I do know someone who sits in darkness, who needs John's comforting message: "You can start over. Turn toward the light. A new thing is happening!"

- Richard Reece

- A writer and retired magazine editor.

He is former editor-in-chief of *Catholic Digest* magazine and of *NC Catholics*, the magazine for the Diocese of Raleigh.

Opportunity!



DOING THE MOST GOOD

St. John the Baptist has been given a wonderful opportunity to be of service to others. The Salvation Army is in need of volunteers to help serve the meals at their main building (1614 Ave. J) on weekends. Breakfast is served at 8 a.m., lunch is served at 12 p.m., and dinner is served at 5 p.m. We are not responsible for any of the food, just to help

set out the food, greet participants, serve the meal, and clean up. This service would take about 3 hours. For each meal a maximum of 6 servers are needed. The Social Ministry and Outreach Committee thought it would be a good idea to ask each of our groups, ministries or a family, to sign up for a shift. We have started with 3 dates and times, that would include the 3 hours of preparation, serving and cleaning:

Saturday, July 21, Lunch: 11 am– 2 pm Saturday, July 21, Dinner: 3-6 pm

Sunday, July 22, Dinner: 3-6 pm (Other dates and times are available)

If you are interested in volunteering, there will be a sign up sheet beginning July 7, or you may call the office (806-771-2673) for more information or to sign up.