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SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses:
8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 5:00 PM

Spanish Mass: 2:00 PM

Weekday Masses:
Mon, Wed, Thu and Fri: 7:00 AM
Tuesday: 6:00 PM

Holy Days:
Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM
Holy Day: 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM

Confession:
Before and after each Mass
and by appointment

XLT Adoration:
Tuesday: 7:00 - 8:00 PM
Confession is available

First Friday Adoration:
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Mass, Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament and Benediction

First Saturday Devotion:
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Confession, Mass, Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary,
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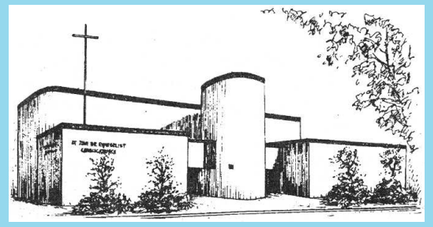
Whether you're just visiting for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we are happy you're here! To learn more about St. John, please visit ***stjohngulfport.org***.



If you are new to the parish, please complete a registration form on the back table or go to our website and click on the "New Parishioner" tab.

Upcoming Events

St. John the Evangelist Parish

cordially invites you to join us as we celebrate the retirement of

Sr. Mary Kealy, PBVM

Please come visit with her and wish her farewell as she returns to Ireland for her new assignment at Nano Nagle Place.

Friday, September 13, 2019

Mass at 5:30 PM

Dinner Reception to follow in Presentation Hall

Father Ryan and the staff of St. John the Evangelist Church wish you a happy and restful Labor Day!

Schedule Pickup

The September schedules for **Altar Servers**, **Lectors**, and **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** can be found on the table nearest the Memorial Room in the back of the church. If you serve in one or more of these ministries, please be sure and pick one up!

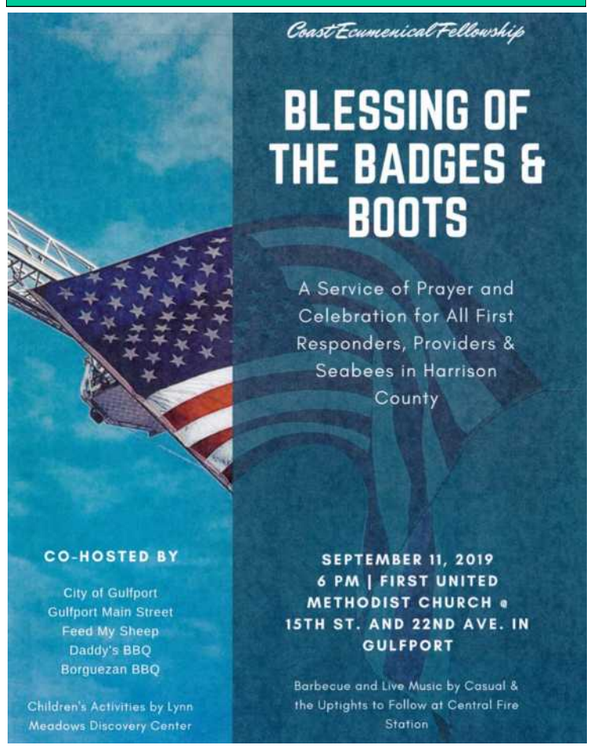
September 6 - First Friday
September 7 - First Saturday

Worship Schedule on the Front of the Bulletin
At least *two* people for each hour of adoration
Sign-up Sheet on the Center Table

Please come and spend some time with Our Lord!

A Family of Faith

Parent Catechetical Gathering
Sunday / September 8 / 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Fatima Room



Your prayers are asked for the following individuals who are facing illness or other life challenges.

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Kris Allen
Chris Arleth
John Atwood
David Belew
Regina Papania Bell
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Dean Bowles
Suzanne Bowles
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Shellie Ely
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Warren Galle
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Kay Waldrup
Mary Walker
Theresa Whiteside
Alexa Zupko Wier
Winkey Williams
Richard Wilson
Sullivan Wilson
Hamilton Woodard
Mandy Woods

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	**5:00 PM**	+ Lorraine Goad
Sunday:	**8:00 AM**	+ Mackie Fayard
	10:30 AM	+ People of the Parish
	5:00 PM	Diane Smith (Healing)
Monday:	**7:00 AM**	+ Parker Hewes
Tuesday:	**6:00 PM**	+ James Garrett
Wednesday:	**7:00 AM**	+ John McWaters
Thursday:	**7:00 AM**	+ Richard & Edna Garrett
Friday:	**7:00 AM**	+ Kaleel Salloum, Sr.

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection: $ 4221
2nd Collection: $ 606 for the Bereavement Committee
Children's Collection: $ 49

Thank you for your generosity!

This week's second collection is for the Catholic University of America. Next week's second collection will be for the Maintenance Fund.

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Parish Ministry Meetings

Knights of Columbus: 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 7:00 PM
K C Ladies Auxiliary: 3rd Tuesday - 6:30 PM
Young At Heart: 4th Thursday - 12 Noon
Prayer Group: Every Thursday - 5:15 PM
For information, call the Parish Office.
Legion of Mary: Every Thursday - 10:00 AM
For information, call Annette Seymour 228-326-0851.

- Prayer List Update -

Effective immediately, names on the Parish Prayer List will appear for six weeks. All of the names currently showing will be removed on September 22 unless the Parish Office has been contacted otherwise.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O Heavenly Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Protect us from hurricanes and disasters of nature. We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Second Collection Envelopes

Second collection envelopes for designated national and diocesan appeals will be available on the tables in the back of the church two weeks prior to the collection. Please pick one up and remember to print your name and envelope number on the back of the collection envelope.

Upcoming Events Continued

Please join us for a Farewell Mass and Reception Honoring

Sister Consilio Buckley

Saturday, September 14th

4:00 PM Vigil Mass

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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The following outreach programs listed below will begin new ten-week sessions on Thursday, **September 19**. These workshops have been offered to the community for the past 30 years and have a long history of helping individuals move through their loss and reclaim their lives.

The **Divorce Recovery Workshop** is a structured program helping people deal with divorce issues, as well as offering a caring support group for those going through a divorce or separation. Participants will hear a speaker for the first hour, with group discussion the second hour. For more information, call 228-547-5480.

The **Grief Recovery Workshop** is for anyone dealing with the emotional pain that follows the death of a loved one. In addition to hearing speakers, participants share their loss experiences and talk about grief issues with the goal of putting their lives back together. For information, call 228-341-0889.

Broken Rainbow is a program for children 6-11 who are having difficulty coping with a divorce or death in their family. For information, call 228-669-9868.

All workshops meet at 7:00 PM on Thursday nights in the Education Building of First United Methodist Church. The workshop fee is $30. Children of group participants may attend Broken Rainbow at no cost.

We appreciate those who donate altar flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed in the church for a week in honor of a birthday, anniversary or other celebration, or in memory of a deceased loved one, please contact the Parish Office.

COUPLES DATE NIGHT

Wednesday / September 25 / 6:00 PM

Presentation Hall

All married and engaged couples are welcome to come and join in fellowship and learning. A meal and baby sitting will be provided. There is no charge; but to plan properly, **please reserve your spot 48 hours in advance** by contacting Mara Russo at 228-265-7156 **or** *mrusso@stjohngulfport.org* **or** on GroupMe on the *Couples Date Night* Group.

ARISE

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Christ calls you to come and follow Him, ARISE!

Arise is sponsored by the Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi, a program within the Biloxi Diocese.

Whereas Cursillo is limited to Catholics, Arise is designed with the non-Catholic in mind and for those who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

For more info/application, contact 228-382-3215.

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St. John the Evangelist extends a very warm welcome to our new parishioners:

Richard Cefalú

Jack & Lynn Healy

Don & Sándra Schiffner

Congratulations to our young people who recently completed their altar server training and are now ready to serve the Lord at the altar during the celebration of Mass:

Peyton Bermond

Graham Mattina

John Paul Mattina

Rowan Symmes

Happy birthday wishes are extended to:

Deacon David Allen, Deacon Rick Conason & Tony Fayard on Sept 1; Rachel Ray on Sept 3; Aria Bui & Olen Hanberry on Sept 4; and Kim Bischof, Larry Dedeaux, Penny Dedeaux & Eleanor Mize on Sept 5.

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!

Children's Activity Guides

These guides go along with the Sunday readings. If you have children, please take one for each child on your way out of Mass. The guides are in the Bulletin Stands.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

We extend our deepest sympathy and prayers for peace and comfort to the family and friends of Carl Lizana. May Carl and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

If you or anyone in your family is ill at home or in the hospital and would like us to visit you - please call 228-864-2272.

Prayer Candles

5-Day Prayer Candles are available for a $5 donation and may be picked up in the Church Sacristy after Masses and in the Parish Office from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM throughout the work week.

Red Candles for St. Joseph
Blue Candles for the Blessed Mother

OUR CALL TO MAKE DISCIPLES

2019 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

Parish Update

Our parish goal for this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal is $27,610. Thus far, 126 families have responded and we have raised $41,791.60. Thank you for your response!

If you have not made a pledge or given a one-time gift to the CSA, pledge envelopes can be found in the back of the church, or you can give online at www.biloxidiocese.org.

Kick-off Dates for Faith Formation

Bible Study: "Presence - The Mystery of the Eucharist"

Monday Class

September 2 / 1:00 PM / Presentation Hall

Thursday Class

September 5 / 6:00 PM / Presentation Hall

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Thursday, September 5
7:00 PM
Parish Office Building Dining Room

A FAMILY OF Faith

Parent Catechetical Gathering

Sunday, September 8

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Fatima Room

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry & Confirmation Preparation

Sunday, September 8

3:30 - 4:45 PM

Youth Room

Sunday, September 15
9:15 - 10:15 AM
First Communion Classroom

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will resume in September.

Registration forms can be found on the tables in the back of the Church and on our website.

All questions can be directed to Linda Hebert at lhebert@stjohngulfport.org or (228) 864-2272.

A Family of Faith

All families are warmly welcomed to join "A Family of Faith," a program designed to encourage and equip parents/guardians to live and teach your children the Catholic Faith at home. With one adult meeting and one family meeting each month, this program replaces traditional CCD and will give you all the knowledge and tools you need to bring your children up in the Faith.

This year focuses on the moral life and what it means to live the way God wants us to live. From the Ten Commandments to the Beatitudes to the Great Commandment, throughout salvation history, God has provided us with models for living virtuously. Ultimately, He sent us Christ Himself, who gives us the perfect model of holiness and calls us to live like Him and in Him. Together, families will come to a deeper appreciation of Christianity, not just as a set of rules, but as a complete way of life, totally immersed in Christ and leading to life with Him in Heaven forever.

The first Parent Catechetical Gathering will be on Sunday, September 8, from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM in the Fatima Room.

RCIA

The Catholic Church, founded by Jesus Christ, continues to grow everywhere throughout the world. Through RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), we invite you to find out about Jesus, the Church He founded, and build a relationship with Him!

Our 2019-2020 Faith Journey will begin after Labor Day on September 5. Classes are held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Please join us if you are interested in learning more about the faith, even if you are already Catholic. Invite your non-Catholic or fallen away Catholic friends and relatives to join RCIA!

For information, please contact Mara Russo at mrusso@stjohngulfport.org or (228) 265-7156.

Youth Ministry

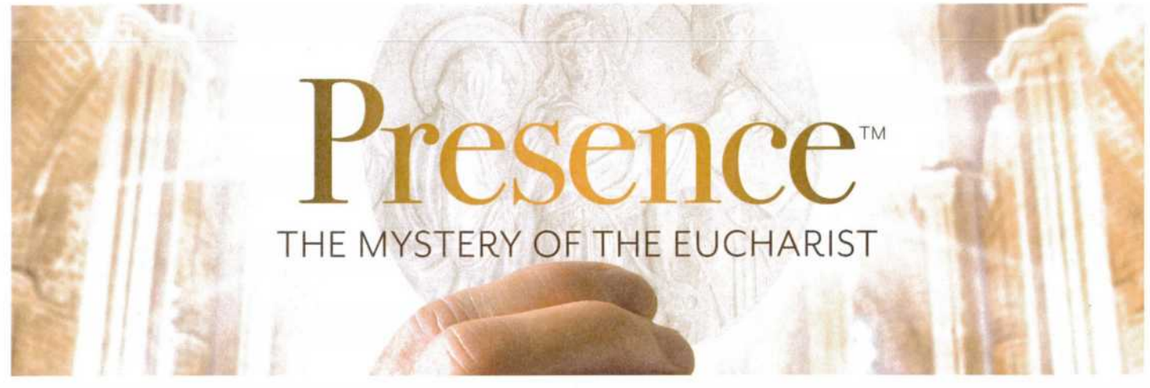
We have an exciting year full of opportunities planned for St. John youth, in grades 9-12, to experience. In the fall, we will attend the Diocesan Youth Kickoff Rally. Our youth, along with other youth from the Diocese, will travel to Washington D.C. in January to participate in the Annual March for Life. The Diocesan Youth Convention will be held in March, and we will end our year with a trip to a Steubenville conference next summer!

We would love for you to come enjoy refreshments, play games, and learn about our youth group on September 8 from 3:30 - 4:45 PM. We will meet in the Fatima Room. Please help spread the word and bring a friend!

For information, please contact Bridgett Bermond at stjohngptyouthministry@gmail.com or (228) 209-9281.

Volunteers Needed

If you would be willing to assist with ***A Family of Faith***, ***RCIA*** or ***Youth Ministry*** activities, please contact Linda Hebert in the Parish Office. Please note that in order to protect our youth, all individuals who work with minors are required to undergo an official background check by the Diocese of Biloxi, along with Safe Environment training.



Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist* explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. The Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

- Week One: Bible Study-September 2 & 5, Masses-September 7 & 8
  Episode 1: God is With Us
- Week Two: Bible Study-September 9 & 12, Masses-September 14 & 15
  Episode 2: The Story of the Eucharist
- Week Three: Bible Study-September 16 & 19, Masses-September 21 & 22
  Episode 3: Bread for the Journey

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