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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,
Meditation and Benediction

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**THIRTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

OCTOBER 27
2019

**The tax collector prayed,
"O God, be merciful
to me a sinner."**

Luke 18:13

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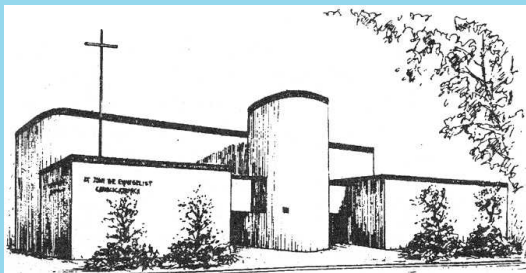
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Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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 stjohngulfsport.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.

Schedule Pickup

The November 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!

Upcoming Events

HISPANIC FOOD FESTIVAL

Sunday / October 27

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Parish Grounds

This is the annual fund raiser for our Hispanic Community. Please come out to enjoy music and authentic Hispanic cuisine & flavored waters.



Holy Day of Obligation - Mass Schedule

Thursday / October 31 / 6:00 PM

Friday / November 1 / 7:00 AM

Friday / November 1 / 12:00 Noon

Please Note - In observance of All Saints Day, the Parish Office will be closed on November 1.

November 1 - First Friday
November 2 - 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!

TIME CHANGE - *It's time to fall back as Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 3. Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday.*

A Family of Faith

Parent Catechetical Gathering
Sunday / November 3 / 11:30 AM
Fatima Room

ALL SOULS MASS

For Our Beloved Deceased

Tuesday / November 5 / 6:00 PM

This Memorial Mass held during the Novena for All Souls is for St. John the Evangelist parishioners, family and friends, who have died during this past year (Nov 1, 2018 to the present). We invite all who have lost a loved one to join in this celebration. A slide presentation featuring the deceased will be given at the conclusion of Mass, so please send a photo of your loved one for the presentation. The photograph will be returned. Please call the Parish Office by October 25 to let us know how many people will be attending. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

Bible Study

Monday / November 11 and 18 / 1:00 PM

Thursday / November 14 and 21 / 5:30 PM

Following our most recent Bible Study, many participants have asked for time solely devoted to open discussion. Therefore, our next Bible Study will be devoted to the discussion of Church-related topics, such as the inerrancy of Scripture, papal infallibility, salvation, the sacraments and many other things. Current events in the Church, which have been troubling to many, will also be discussed. **Please email any questions in advance to mrusso@stjohngulfsport.org or text them to 228-697-8553.**

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

Kris Allen	Etoile Jenkins	Erma Wilson
David Belew	Ann Landry	Richard Wilson
Mary Ann Bishop	JoAnn Liner	Mandy Woods
Macarolyn Brown	James Platt	
Garry Cooper	Colette Marissa	
Bronson & Megan	Quigley	
and Baby Cade	Alexander Rich	
Cuevas	Tracie Ryan	
Ed Croal	Skip Ryland	
Cindy Dickinson	Peggy Ryland	
Cindy Fore	Doug Thigpen, Jr.	
Ashley French	Mary Thigpen	
Dan Goad	Kay Waldrup	
Ronnie Guidry	Mary Walker	

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.

Sister Mary's Contact Information

marykealy7@gmail.com

Sr. Mary Kealy, PBVM
Nano Nagle Place
Douglas Street
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	5:00 PM	+ Lorraine Goad
Sunday:	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Ed Croal (Special Intention)
	5:00 PM	+ Richard & Edna Garrett
Monday:	7:00 AM	+ Cathy Miller
Tuesday:	6:00 PM	+ Cecil & Margaret Dubuisson
Wednesday:	7:00 AM	+ Mackie Fayard
Thursday:	7:00 AM	+ Holly Morton
	6:00 PM	+ Ken Saxon
Friday:	7:00 AM	+ Kaleel Salloum, Sr.
	12:00 PM	+ Edwina Marter

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection: \$5358

2nd Collection: \$669 for World Mission Sunday

Children's Collection: \$23

Thank you for your generosity!

This week's second collection is for the Altar Society. Next week's second collection is for the Maintenance Fund.

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.

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Tel #: 228-222-6000

St. Patrick High School
18300 St. Patrick Road, Biloxi, MS 39532
Principal: Dr. Matt Buckley
Tel #: 228-702-0500

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.



Our youth group meets every Sunday from 3:30 - 4:45 PM in the Youth Room. For more information, please contact Bridgett Bermond at 228-209-9281.

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.

All Souls' Day

This celebration, rooted in Christian tradition, was adopted in Rome during the 13th century. In the Catholic Church, the entire month of November is dedicated to praying for the holy souls in Purgatory. It is a time to offer prayers and sacrifices, and to visit the graves of our loved ones. *It is our custom every year to offer a Novena of Masses for our deceased loved ones from Nov. 2 - Nov. 10.* Please use your All Souls envelope to write down the names of your deceased loved ones. You may turn in the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Office. Extra envelopes are available on the tables in the back. Your envelopes bearing the names of your loved ones will be put on the Altar and prayed for during the month of November.

COUPLES DATE NIGHT

Wednesday / November 20 / 6:00 PM

Presentation Hall

Doors open at 5:45 PM

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@stjohnsgulfport.org or on GroupMe on the *Couples Date Night* Group.



Flowers on the altar have been donated by Carolyn Fayard and Bill Miller in memory of Cathy Miller on her October 28th birthday.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-6; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Saturday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Sunday: Wis 11:22 -- 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 -- 2:2; Lk 19:1-10



Registration is now occurring for this year's Nativity Pageant. All parish children in grades K-6 are invited to participate in the pageant, and all parish children/youth in grades K-12 are invited to participate in the mass as choir members, lectors, altar servers, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion (if properly confirmed and commissioned). Registration forms are on the tables in the back of the church and on the website. Please submit them by Nov 3. Contact Linda Hebert in the Parish Office with any questions.

Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary

Ben & Susie Mamaril - 46 years on Oct 29

George & Rosi Healy - 19 years on Oct 31

James & Mary Ann Smith - 50 years on Nov 2

*May God bless them with many more
happy years together!*

Happy birthday wishes are extended to:

Aida Peckinpugh on Oct 26; Cecelia Harvey & Billy Hewes on Oct 27; Preston Dedeaux, Lonnie Myer & Peg Saxon on Oct 28; Larry Dedeaux, Sr. & James Smith on Oct 30; Sandra Cooper on Oct 31; and Sarah North & Charles Smith on Nov 2.

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!



We happily welcome into our faith community:

Presley Jo Farr

Daughter of Jordan & Kristian Farr

Oscar Diego iBarra Vasquez

Son of Hermelo Ortiz and Bessy Erazo

Finley Charles Ward



We welcome Lee Anne Hoffman
into full communion with the
Church.

*May she be enriched with the gifts of
the Holy Spirit.*

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November 9
Presentation Hall

We are looking for items for the **on-line silent auction and white elephant sale**. Condo stays; artwork; concert, theater or sporting event tickets that you can't use; chairs; lamps; tables; household items; an old boat or car – we'll accept just about anything if it's in good condition. Please call the Parish Office for information on where and how to drop off your items.

We are also looking for individuals to **sell tickets**. Please call the Parish Office if you're willing to help.

Drawdown tickets can be purchased after each Mass in the back of the Church. Tickets cost \$100 and admit four adults; however, you can buy a portion of one ticket for only \$25.

On-line Silent Auction

The silent auction will be ON-LINE this year. The auction items are being photographed and participants will bid on-line with credit cards or debit cards. We are giving this method a try in an attempt to attract a wider audience – hopefully more bidders will raise more money. Unfortunately, we will be unable to take bids other than on-line.

However, on Saturday, November 2, and Sunday, November 3, parishioners will be able to view the auction items in person rather than on-line. The items will be on display in the south building of St. John Elementary School from 4 to 6:30 PM on Saturday, and from 9 AM to 12 PM on Sunday; and we will have volunteers to help those of us who are not tech savvy with the bidding.

We have some exciting donations thus far – restaurant gift certificates, casino package, holiday decorations, items for your home, a 4-day stay at a Destin Condo, and even an opportunity to have dinner with Bishop Kihneman at Stan and Vickie Tiner's home.

Plan on bringing your credit or debit card on November 2 or 3 and do a little on-line shopping with us. Each item will have a "buy it now" price. If you choose, you can purchase an item that day and we will help you take it to your car.

Job Openings



Opening in the Finance Department of the Biloxi Diocese for an accounts specialist. Requires minimum 2 year associates accounting degree and 3 years of bookkeeping experience. The position will be working with accounts receivable, accounts payable, payroll and general ledger. Full-time with benefits. Please respond via e-mail to tdilorenzo@biloxidiocese.org.



Catholic Charities of South Mississippi is hiring a Warehouse Assistant to work at the Catholic Charities Food Bank in Gulfport. All interested candidates are asked to submit a resume to Jennifer Keegan at 1450 North Street, Gulfport, MS 39507 or jkeegan@biloxidiocese.org by November 1, 2019. For additional information, please call 228-822-0836.





Since the 16th century, Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. As a reminder of our duty to pray for the suffering faithful in Purgatory, the Church has dedicated the month of November to the Holy Souls. The Holy Souls are those who have died in the state of grace, but who are not yet free from all punishment due to their unforgiven venial sins and all other sins already forgiven for which satisfaction is still to be made. They are certain of entering Heaven, but first they must suffer in Purgatory. The Holy Souls cannot help themselves, because for them the night has come, when no man can work (John 9:4). It is our great privilege of brotherhood that we can shorten their time of separation from God by our prayers, good works and, especially, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.



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


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OPEN HOUSE

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