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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

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

Spanish Mass: 2:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Friday 7:00 AM

Weekday Adoration:

Every Friday following Mass

7:30 AM-8:30 AM

Holy Days:

Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM

Holy Day: 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM

Confession:

30 minutes before Vigil Mass

And anytime by request

all the other Masses

First Friday Adoration

7 AM - 5 PM

Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

First Saturday Devotion:

8:00 AM—9:30 AM

Confession, Mass, Exposition

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Fourth Sunday of LENT

"I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.'"

Luke 15:18-19



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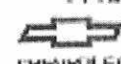
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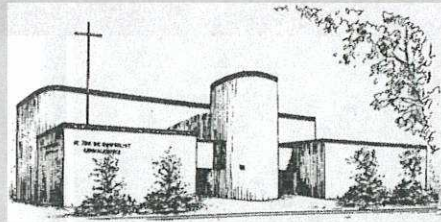
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Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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 stjohngulfport.org.



If you are new to the parish, please go to our website and click on the "New Parishioner" tab.

Parish Office Hours

Office hours are Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 3 pm. In the event of an emergency or if you need to reach Fr. Satish, you may call or text him at 228-297-7774.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 26 St J Youth St James cafeteria 6:30 pm

Mar 30 CREDO/RCIA "Mental Prayer"

Mar 31 Legion of Mary 10:30 am

Apr 1 Fish Fry 4:30 –7:00 pm Presentation Hall

Apr 1 Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm (English)
7:00 pm (Spanish)

Apr 5 Grief and Loss Support Group 4 pm

SEDER SUPPER

St John will once again host the Seder Supper in Presentation Hall on Wednesday, April 6th at 6:00 pm. We welcome you, your family, and friends to join us. There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of the church for you to write down what "covered dish" you plan to bring to help us complete the meal.

Jesus intentionally chose to establish the Lord's Supper during Passover. We continue to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the Eucharist until He comes again.

Please RSVP to Ann (228-864-2272) and let us know how many in your group will be joining us for this wonderful event.



1st Friday & 1st Saturday
DEVOTIONS

First Friday / April 1

First Friday Adoration is from 7:30am til 5:00pm

First Saturday Devotion will be held on April 2 from 8:00am—9:30am. Confession, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Meditation and Benediction.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Friday: First Friday; Abstinence; April Fool's Day

Saturday: St. Francis of Paola; First Saturday

Happy birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Dayton McDaniel, Mar 26

Rowan Symmes, Mar 27

Teresa Bryant, Greg Cooper, Mar 28

Callie Sauro, Anna DiRaimo, Mar 28

Sandra Erhard, Mar 29

Jennifer DiRaimo, Mar 31

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!

✠ Hear Us and Heal Us ✠

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

Ronnie Wade	Carolyn Fayard	Frank Fink
Billy Frommeyer	Ed Martin	Karen Fink
John Atwood	Telina Birch	Becky Thompson
Mary Ann Bishop	Jordan Hoang	Kendall Dedeaux
Melissa Holston	Kim Hoang	Amy Elizabeth Wheeler
Lottie Rogers	Joy Holley	
Nga Nguyen	Gayle Frings	
Melie Seymour	Sharon Dedeaux	
Matt Albritton	Joe Oustelet	Parishioners of St. John the Evangelist
Susie McManus	Charlie Underwood	
Kory Hudson	Tony King	
Donald Dedeaux	Regina Meadows	
Jeffery Smith	Loyce Hire	
Beverly Crawford	James Smith	
Paula Pickens	Rhonda Mires	
Mac Rouse		

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	4:00 PM	✠John Gargiulo
Sunday	8:00 AM	✠Mackie Fayard
		✠Tom Healy
		✠Barbara Walker
		✠Mary Borzik
		✠Esther Autin
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish (anyone with birthdays, anniversaries)
	5:00 PM	✠Maria Nguyen Ngoc Dien
Monday:	7:00 AM	✠Kaleel Salloum
	12:00 PM	✠Neil Young
Tuesday:	7:00 AM	✠Doris Ishee
	12:00 PM	✠Emily Webber
Wednesday:	7:00 AM	✠Guy & Elizabeth Casper
	12:00 PM	✠Irene Enger
Thursday:	7:00 AM	✠Kris Allen
	12:00PM	✠Mary McGough O'Grady
Friday:	7:00 AM	✠Kaleel Salloum
	12:00PM	✠Sally Blade

Grief and Loss Support Group

The Grief and Loss Support Group will be meeting every first Tuesday of the month beginning April 5.

HURDLING

God's grace within me and God's strength behind me can overcome any hurdle ahead of me.

—Anonymous

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Cash: \$874.00

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Egiving: \$835.00

Spanish Collection: \$664.00

Collection for Ukraine:: \$3063.00

TOTAL: \$11,282.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PRAY WITH THE HOLY FATHER IN 2022

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE
TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Ways to Contribute

Many parishioners like to give their church contribution at mass. Others like the convenience of sending it by mail, or dropping it off at the church office Monday through Friday (9am-3pm); or by utilizing automatic drafts (contact the Parish Office if you'd like to sign up); or by giving electronically at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohngulfport>.

A Reflection on Sunday's Readings

LOST AND FOUND

The parable of the father and his sons is one of the most familiar of all of Jesus' stories. The father in the parable is lavish in forgiveness and revels in the return of his young son, who was lost and now is found. The older son is also lost—lost in his refusal to forgive, lost in his failure to grasp his father's generous spirit. The Israelites spent many years lost in the desert, seeking the land of milk and honey, yet often failing to seek the God who delivered and fed them. We are sometimes lost as well. We lose sight of the Lord and the Lord's ways. God never loses sight of us, however. God waits, ready for us to come to our senses, ready to welcome us back with open arms.

Reflection question:

How am I preparing myself for the celebrations of Holy Week? Is there more that I can do?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Lent

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way,
grant, we pray,
that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.... If we say that we have not sinned, we make [God] a liar, and His word is not in us" (1 Jn 1:8-10).

Thus Sacred Scriptures declare our guilt to be universal; hence the universal obligation to that repentance which Peter, in his sermon on Pentecost, declared necessary for the forgiveness of sin (Acts 2:38). Hence, too, the Church's constant recognition that all the faithful are required by divine law to do penance. As from the fact of sin we Christians can claim no exception, so from the obligation to penance we can seek no exemption. USCCB.org

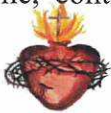
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14;
Jn 8:1-11;
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

"Welcome the presence of the Heart of Christ, entrusting your home to Him...Seek to draw from this open heart the saving and healing love that is so necessary for families today...in order to build a civilizations of love"—St. John Paul II

For more information about the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your home, contact the parish office at 228-864-2272.



Young at Heart

We invite our senior parishioners to join us for our monthly luncheon starting May 19. It will continue after that on the third Thursday of each month. A main dish will be provided and you are welcome to bring a side dish or desert. There will be bingo and fellowship in Presentation Hall. Call the office for more information. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us also!!



LENTEN SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday at 7:00 & 12:00 noon
Stations of the Cross- (English) Fridays at 6:00 pm
Stations of the Cross- (Spanish) Fridays at 7:00 pm
Seder Supper: April 6, 6:00 pm in Presentation Hall
Fish Fry-Fridays during Lent from 4:30-7:00 pm (Presentation Hall)

HOLY WEEK:

Holy Thursday: April 14 at 7:00 pm

Good Friday Stations of the Cross:
April 15, 2 pm in the church
Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion:
April 15 at 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil: Saturday April 16, 7:30 pm. Easter Vigil Mass (whole liturgy with 12 readings)

Easter Sunday: April 17, Masses at 8:00 am, 10:30 am and Spanish Mass at 2:00 pm

Early Morning Devotions

Mass is celebrated Monday - Friday at 7:00 am.
At 6:00 am the Anima Christi is prayed, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and the Rosary at 6:25 am.



Join us for these morning devotions as part of your Lenten penance in preparation for Easter.

Article 3

SACRED SCRIPTURE

Christ-The Unique Word of Sacred Scripture

In order to reveal himself to men, in the condescension of his goodness God speaks to them in human words: "Indeed the words of God, expressed in the words of men, are in every way like human language, just as the Word of the eternal Father, when he took on himself the flesh of human weakness, became like men." #101

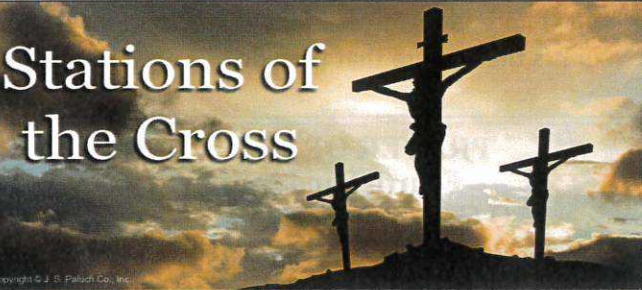
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March 26-27, 2022 4th Sunday of Lent

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Bishop Kihneman



The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make in spirit, as it were, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, and this has become one of the most popular of Catholic devotions. It is carried out by passing from Station to Station, with certain prayers at each and devout meditation on the various incidents in turn. It is very usual, when the devotion is performed publicly, to sing a stanza of the "Stabat Mater" while passing from one Station to the next.

Christ condemned to death ;
The cross is laid upon him;
His first fall;
He meets His Blessed Mother;
Simon of Cyrene is made to bear the cross;
Christ's face is wiped by Veronica;
His second fall;
He meets the women of Jerusalem;
His third fall;
He is stripped of His garments;
His crucifixion;
His death on the cross;
His body is taken down from the cross;
Jesus is laid in the tomb.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS DURING LENT:
6PM (ENGLISH) -7PM (SPANISH)