# St. John the Evangelist

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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

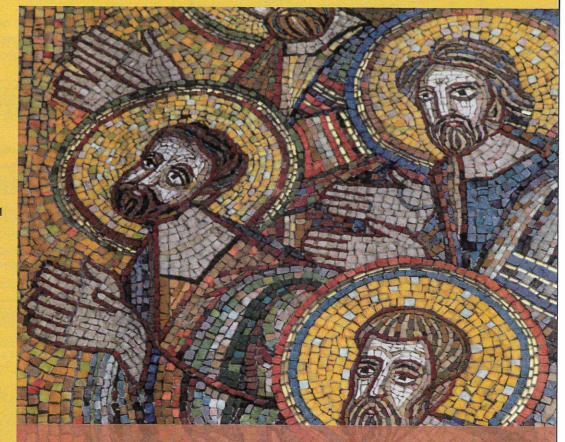
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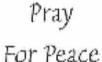
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JOHN 20:19

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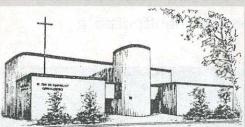
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# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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 Satish, you may call or text him at 228-297-7774.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Apr 27 CREDO/RCIA "Mary, the Saints, and Devotions" 6:00 pm

**Apr 27** Knights of Columbus 4th degree 7:30 pm

Apr 28 Legion of Mary 10:30 am

## 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 11

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

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

**Gospel** — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts

(John 20:19-31).

# SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter;

(or Sunday of Divine Mercy);

Julian Calendar Easter

St. Mark Monday:

Thursday: St. Peter Chanel:

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort;

Friday: St. Catherine of Siena; Arbor Day

St. Pius V Saturday:

# Happy Birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Karl Fasold, Michael Manuel, April 23 Cliff D'Angelo, Patricia Hall, April 24 Chandler Malley, April 25 Colette Quigley, April 26

Joseph Carson, Casey Hanberry, April 29

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!



# \* Congratulations

to Our Parishioners

**Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries** 

John & Sandra Erhard 53 yrs Apr 26

Len & Angela Papania 32 yrs Apr 28

May God bless them with many more

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Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

	EARL EXPLORES AND ASSESSMENT	
Nga Nguyen	Gayle Frings	Amy Elizabeth
Matt Albritton	Sharon Dedeaux	Wheeler
Kory Hudson	Joe Oustelet	Ronnie Wade
Donald Dedeaux	Charlie Under-	<b>Beverly Crawford</b>
Jeffery Smith	wood	Peggy Ryland
Beverly Crawford	Tony King	Craig Bounds
Paula Pickens	Regina Meadows	Michael Eckles
Mac Rouse	Loyce Hire	
Carolyn Fayard	James Smith	Parishioners of
Ed Martin	Rhonda Mires	St. John the
Telina Birch	Frank Fink	Evangelist
Jordan Hoang	Karen Fink	
Kim Hoang	Becky Thompson	
Joy Holley	Kendall Dedeaux	

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.

Joy Holley

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Sunday **‡Lorena** Hussey **†**Barbara Walker **†**Mary Borzik

> 10:30 AM People of the Parish (anyone with birthdays, anniversaries)

7:00 AM

<sup>†</sup>Mackie Fayard Monday: 7:00 AM Tuesday: Wednesday: 7:00 AM ⊕Emily Webber Thursday: 7:00 AM Friday: 7:00 AM **†**David Schiffner

# 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!!

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Spanish Collection: \$630

TOTAL: \$14,441.50

Thank you for your generosity!

# 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.

#### DIFFICULTY, SURVIVAL, AND GLORY

In Revelation, John the Evangelist tells us what we can expect as followers of the risen Jesus: distress, endurance, and a kingdom. Although we are only eight days into our fifty-day Easter feasting, we cannot ignore the distress weighing down our daily lives. Jesus' resurrection does not erase individual suffering, but his glorious triumph over death cultivates endurance in our hearts. We remember that Jesus did not spare himself, and we ask for the strength to endure as he did. Imitating Christ helps us grow as members of God's royal family. As beloved citizens of the Kingdom of God, we recognize our kinship with all people. Peter demonstrates his care for others as he heals multitudes of broken, suffering people. In the Gospel, Thomas accepts his own spiritual healing when Jesus helps him to believe. In times of difficulty, survival, and glory, we borrow Thomas' declaration of faith: "My Lord and my God!"

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#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

# Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

God of everlasting mercy,
who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast
kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,
increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,
that all may grasp and rightly understand
in what font they have been washed,
by whose Spirit they have been reborn,
by whose Blood they have been redeemed.
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.



Parents, be sure to pick up a copy of this week's 'MagnifiKid!'. This is a fun, valuable resource for your child to follow along and learn the mass.

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;

Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;

Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

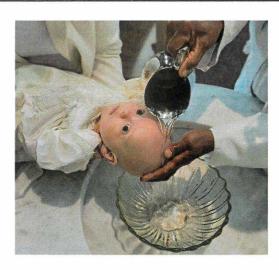
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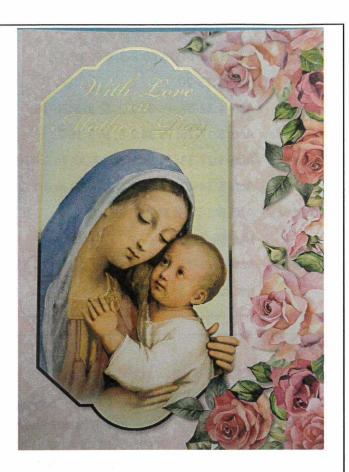
# SACRED SCRIPTURE

In Sacred Scripture, the Church constantly finds her nourishment and her strength, for she welcomes it not as a human word, "but as what it really is, the word of God." In the sacred books, the Father who is in heaven comes lovingly to meet his children, and talks with them."

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Johnnie Ray (Ford) Fayard IV, son of Johnnie Ray Fayard III and Blakeley Carra Roberts was baptized Sunday, April 17. Welcome to our Catholic Church Ford Fayard!!



Mother's Day Mass intention cards are available in the back of the church before and after all masses until Mother's Day. To honor your loved one (alive or deceased) be sure to pick up a card and leave your offering in the basket provided with the Mass Intention cards.

#### **CHURCH**

"Church" in Greek means convocation, or assembly in Latin, because all are called to be members of it.

-St. Isidore

# KITCHEN CREW



Thank you to the kitchen crew for the great Fish Frys this year!!

## St. Catherine of Siena

Catherine was born March 25, 1347 and died on April 29, 1380. Catherine was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and was from Siena, Italy. From an early age, she made a lot of time for prayer and meditation and at the age of 18, she became a lay Dominican or a Third Order Dominican. For three years, she spent a great deal of time alone, in prayer, and with very little in terms of the pleasures of life. She was well known for her holiness and people would gather around her to ask for her input on various matters.

#### The Great Schism

During her time, the Great Western Schism broke out. At this time, 1378, there were two, and at one point three, different popes claiming the papacy for themselves. This was not a cut and dry issue. In fact, there are canonized saints on all three sides of the divide. Catherine of Siena personally spent her last two years pleading for the cause of Pope Urban VI and unity within the Church. She offered herself in prayer and sacrifice for the good of the Church. She died in 1380 and was canonized in 1461.

# Vow of Celibacy

Though she was not a nun, Catherine devoted her entire life to the Church, taking a vow of virginity. She was completely dedicated to prayer, penance, and works charity.

#### Service to Others

She would spend much of her days caring for the poor, even for those dying of the Plague. There was one woman in particular who was nasty to Catherine. This woman could do very little for herself and Catherine served her diligently without complaint. How many of us could handle such verbal abuse and still selflessly serve?

## Avignon Papacy

From 1305 – 1314 with Pope Clement V and then from 1370 – 1378 with Pope Gregory XI, the Bishop of Rome lived in Avignon, France. This has come to be called the Avignon Papacy. St. Catherine of Siena is famously key to the Pope returning to Rome. Pope Benedict XVI, in a homily in 2010, says, "When the fame of her holiness spread, she became the protagonist of an intense activity of spiritual guidance for people from every walk of life: nobles and politicians, artists and ordinary people, consecrated men and women and religious, including Pope Gregory XI who was living at Avignon in that period and whom she energetically and effectively urged to return to Rome." catholic-link.org