

# 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:**

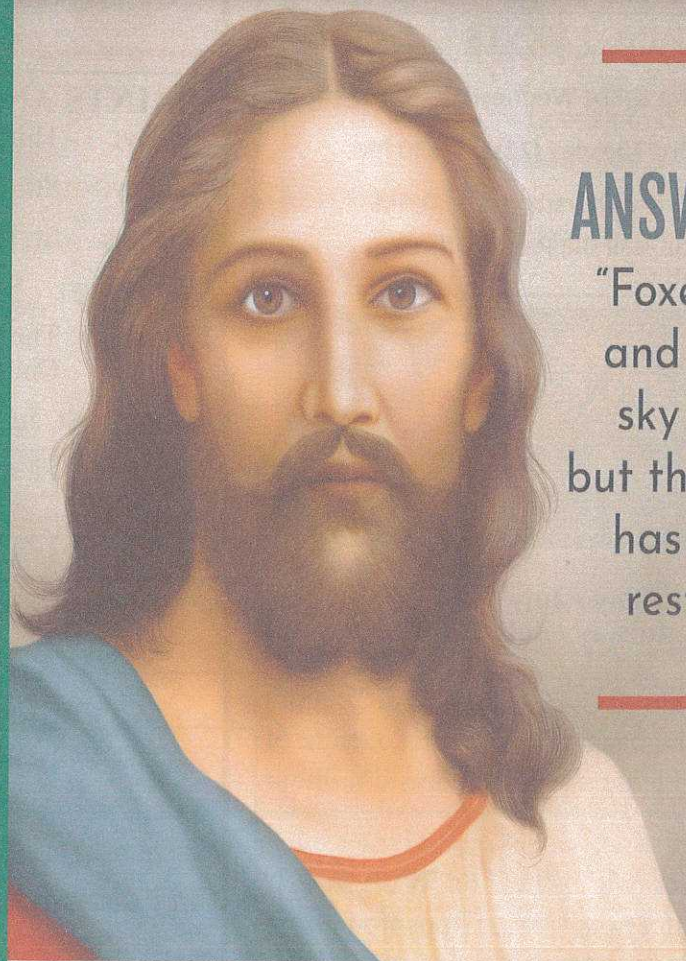
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Mass, Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament and Benediction

**First Saturday Devotion:**

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
Confession, Mass, Exposition  
of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary,  
Meditation and Benediction

June 26, 2022

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**JESUS  
ANSWERED HIM,**  
"Foxes have dens  
and birds of the  
sky have nests,  
but the Son of Man  
has nowhere to  
rest his head."

Luke 9:58

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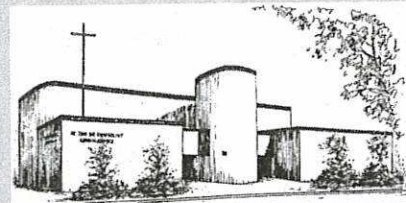
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## Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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](http://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

**Knights of Columbus:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 7:30 PM

**K C Ladies Auxiliary:** 3rd Tuesday (21st) - 6:30 PM

**Legion of Mary:** Every Thursday - 10:30 AM

For information, call the Parish Office.



First Friday / July 1  
First Saturday / July 2

**First Friday Adoration** is from 7:30am til 5:00pm. A sign up sheet is in the back of the church outside of the Memorial Room. Please sign up to spend an hour with Jesus!

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

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

**Psalm** — You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

**Second Reading** — Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

**Gospel** — While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).

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### Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries



Frank & Betty Hammack 60 yrs, June 26

Terry & Candace Hurst 51 yrs, June 29

SJ & Sylvia Marengo 65 yrs, June 30

Jim & Kathy Feldmeyer 50 yrs, July 1

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

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Cyril of Alexandria

Tuesday: St. Irenaeus

Wednesday: Ss. Peter and Paul

Thursday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Friday: St. Junípero Serra; Canada Day; First Friday

Saturday: First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

### Happy Birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Genna Smith, June 28

Sally Wilson, Avery Cooper, June 29

Betty Hammack, June 30

Theresa Mensi, Jacob North, July 1

*May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!*

### † Hear Us and Heal Us †

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

Nga Nguyen	Loyce Hire	Betty Martin
Kory Hudson	Rhonda Mires	Suzanne King
Mac Rouse	Frank Fink	Buddy Cospelich
Carolyn Fayard	Karen Fink	
Ed Martin	Becky Thompson	Parishioners of
Telina Birch	Kendall Dedeaux	St. John the
Jordan Hoang	Amy Elizabeth	Evangelist
Kim Hoang	Wheeler	
Joy Holley	Ronnie Wade	
Gayle Frings	Beverly Crawford	
Sharon Dedeaux	Peggy Ryland	
Joe Oustelet	Craig Bounds	
Charlie Underwood	Michael Eckles	
Tony King	Mary Ann Bishop	
Regina Meadows	Gloria Newman	
	Werner Huber	

*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	† Alex North
Sunday	8:00 AM	† Vincent & Helen Dauro
		† Thelma Ward
		† Barbara Walker
		† Mary Borzik
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish Anyone with birthdays, & anniversaries
	5:00 PM	(Special intention Gloria Newman)
Monday:	7:00 AM	† Kris Allen
Tuesday:	7:00 AM	† Kaleel Salloum
Wednesday:	7:00 AM	† Mackie Fayard
Thursday:	7:00 AM	† Kenneth O'Neal
Friday:	7:00 AM	† Alex North

If you would like to be recognized on your birthday or anniversary, please make sure we have these dates in our files! Contact the parish office to make sure we have your correct information.



The flowers were placed on the altar this weekend by Frank and Betty Hammack in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary.

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Spanish Collection: \$477.00

**TOTAL: \$8367.00**

2nd Collection Supplemental Priest Retirement:  
\$895.00

*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>.

**Your support is graciously appreciated!**



DISCIPLESHIP'S COSTS

In today's first reading, God tells the prophet Elijah to prepare Elisha to succeed him. Succeeding Elijah will be no easy task; he has spent his life facing threats from the kings he has confronted about their infidelity to the God of Israel. The psalm illustrates the emotional and spiritual distress that the prophets' steadfast faithfulness to God brought them. Paul's description of the Christian's freedom from the law as opposed to "the desire of the flesh" puts this struggle at the very heart of Christian identity. The reading from Luke's Gospel recounts Jesus' decision to journey toward Jerusalem, where he knows he will meet his earthly fate. Following Jesus—like succeeding Elijah as prophet—will now become more difficult. Unlike his calls to the first disciples, Jesus encounters those who are not ready or are not strong enough to journey with him.

Reflection question:

Am I someone whom others see as standing in the bright light of truth? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

Article 3

SACRED SCRIPTURE

III. THE HOLY SPIRIT, INTERPRETER OF SCRIPTURE

The Second Vatican Council indicates three criteria for interpreting Scripture in accordance with the Spirit who inspired it.#111

- 1. ( Be especially attentive "to the content and unity of the whole Scripture. ... " #112
- 2. Read the Scripture within "the living Tradition of the whole Church." According to a saying of the Fathers, Sacred Scripture is written principally in the Church's heart rather than in documents and records, for the Church carries in her Tradition the living memorial of God's Word, and it is the Holy Spirit who gives her the spiritual interpretation of the Scripture ("according to the spiritual meaning which the Spirit grants to the Church").#113
- 3. Be attentive to the analogy of faith. By "analogy of faith" we mean the coherence of the truths of faith among themselves and within the whole plan of Revelation. #114

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
- Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19  
Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
- Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. 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.

Father Mike Snyder, 25th Anniversary

St. Alphonsus Parish cordially invites you to join us in celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood of Father Mike Snyder on Thursday, June 30 at St. Alphonsus Church, 502 Jackson Ave in Ocean Springs. The evening will begin with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 6:30 pm. A reception will follow in the KC Hall. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles God's unlikely heroes!

June 29, as a church we are remembering and celebrating two of Gods' most unlikely heroes; Peter and Paul. Each in their own way carried on the mission and ministry of Jesus as they proclaimed the gospel through their words and actions as missionary disciples in the early church.

The gospels tell us that Peter knew Jesus for at least three years. He was one of his closest friends and followers. He heard Jesus speak and teach, he saw Jesus work miracles. Peter was at the Last Supper with Jesus; he was witness to all that happened to Jesus. And, as we know Peter not only witnesses these events, he was directly involved in them. Famously, he denied that he even knew Jesus as he was being arrested and beaten prior to his crucifixion and death. Peter lost faith in Jesus, but Jesus never lost his faith in Peter.

When Jesus appeared to his friends after the resurrection, he asked Peter not once, but three times whether he loved Jesus! When Peter says he did love him, Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep... feed my sheep.' So Peter, the very one who denied and disowned Jesus is now called, chosen and entrusted with responsibility of leading this new infant group called 'The Christians,' which will eventually become the Church, the People of God.

Given his history, no one in their right mind would have picked Peter to lead the new church. But God's ways are not our ways. God does not choose the powerful, the wealthy, the clever or the important. God chooses the least likely who have the most potential. As it says in the Old Testament; *God does not look at outer appearances, but at the heart of a person.*

Paul never actually met Jesus, but he did experience Jesus in a most profound way. He was a Jew of high standing. He was entrusted with the responsibility of hunting down, and if necessary killing these new Christians. He watched as Stephen, the first martyr was stoned to death. They were a threat to everything Paul (then called Saul) believed and held sacred; his Jewish faith and the Law.

But on the road to Damascus; he heard these words, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' By persecuting the followers of Jesus, Saul is persecuting Jesus himself. Saul becomes Paul, the greatest missionary of the early Church. Again, *God does not look at outer appearance, but at the heart of a person.*



— Luke 9:62

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 26, 2022

"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."



First Holy Martyrs

These "proto-martyrs" of Rome were the first Christians persecuted *en masse* by the Emperor Nero in the year 64, before the martyrdom of Saints Peter and Paul.

Nero was widely believed to have caused the fire that burned down much of Rome in the same year. He blamed the fire on the Christians and put them to death, many by crucifixion, being feeding to the wild animals in his circus, or by being tied to posts and lit up as human torches.

Today, the site of Nero's Circus, also the location of St. Peter's martyrdom, is marked by the Piazza dei Protomartiri Romani (Square of the Roman Protomartyrs) in the Vatican next to St. Peter's basilica.

These martyrs were called the "Disciples of the Apostles" and their firmness in the face of their gruesome deaths were a powerful testimony that led to many conversions in the early Roman Church.

David Ames, Grand Knight

Congratulation to David Ames, St John the Evangelist Council 1583 new Grand Knight!

