

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

Confession, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Meditation and Benediction

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"AND I TELL YOU,
ASK AND YOU WILL RECEIVE;
SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND;
KNOCK AND THE DOOR
WILL BE OPENED TO YOU."

LUKE 11:9



Seventeenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

JULY
24
2022

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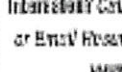
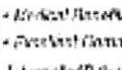
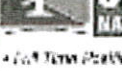
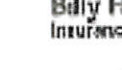
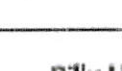
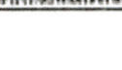
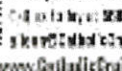
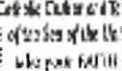
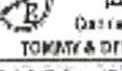
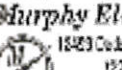
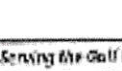
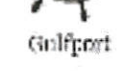
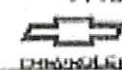
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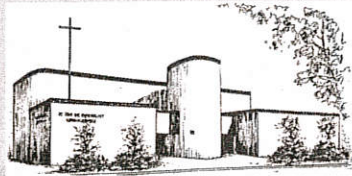
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Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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.

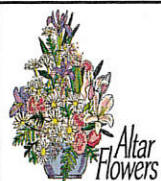
Parish Office Hours

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.

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST EVENTS

Knights of Columbus: 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 7:30 PM
Spaghetti Dinner: July 17th, following 1030AM Mass
In Presentation Hall
K C Ladies Auxiliary: 3rd Tuesday (19th) - 6:30 PM
Young at Heart 3rd Thursday (21st) in Presentation Hall
Legion of Mary: Every Thursday - 10:30 AM
For information, call the Parish Office.

Thank you to Donny Michelli and Ricky Dombrosky for replacing the lights above the altar!



The flowers were placed on the altar this weekend by Sharon Windham in honor of her husband John.

The 2nd collection next week will go to St. Vincent DePaul.



Happy Birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Mary Ann Bishop, July 23
Dana Wittman, July 25
Rachel Symmes, July 27
Cindy Serpa, July 29

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

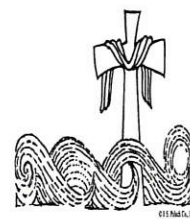
Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Monday: St. James
Tuesday: Ss. Joachim and Anne
Friday: Ss. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
Saturday: St. Peter Chrysologus; Blessed Virgin Mary

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, protector of those who hope in you,
without whom nothing has firm foundation,
nothing is holy,
bestow in abundance your mercy upon us
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may use the good things that pass
in such a way as to hold fast even now
to those that ever endure.
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.

July 24, 2022



You were buried with him in baptism,
in which you were also raised with him
through faith in the power of God,
who raised him from the dead.

— Colossians 2:12

✠ Hear Us and Heal Us ✠

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 4:00 PM ✠Genevieve Verin & Anthony Grandis
Sunday 8:00 AM ✠Edna & Marion Garrett
✠Mildred Lucco
✠Barbara Walker
✠Mary Borzik
✠Kris Allen
10:30 AM People of the Parish
Anyone with birthdays, & anniversaries
5:00 PM ✠ Maria Nguyen Ngoc Dien
Monday: 7:00 AM ✠Shawn Dubuisson
Tuesday: 7:00 AM ✠Kaleel Salloum
Wednesday: 7:00 AM ✠Iris Cooper
Thursday: 7:00 AM ✠Mackie Fayard
Friday: 7:00 AM ✠Margo Thomas



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.

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Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes checks: \$4045.00

Identified cash : \$256.00

Loose checks: \$2480.00

Unidentified Cash: \$810.00

ACH Direct Debit: \$1230.00

Egiving: \$540.75

Spanish Collection: \$597.00

TOTAL: \$9958.75

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>.

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:20-32
Psalm 138:1-3,6-8
Colossians 2:12-14
Luke 11:1-13

Monday July 25
St. James
2 Corinthians 4:7-15
Ps 126:1bc-6
Matthew 20:20-28

Tuesday July 26
Sts. Joachim and Anne
Jeremiah 14:17-22
Ps 79:8,9,11,13
Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday July 27
Jeremiah 15:10,16-21
Ps 59:2-4,10-11,17,18
Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday July 28
Jeremiah 18:1-6
Ps 146:1b-6ab
Matthew 13:47-53

Friday July 29
Sts. Martha, Mary, Lazarus
Jeremiah 26:1-9
Ps 69:5,8-10,14
John 11:19-27
or Luke 10:38-42

Saturday July 30
Jeremiah 26:11-16,24
Ps 69:15-16,30-31,33-34
Matthew 14:1-12

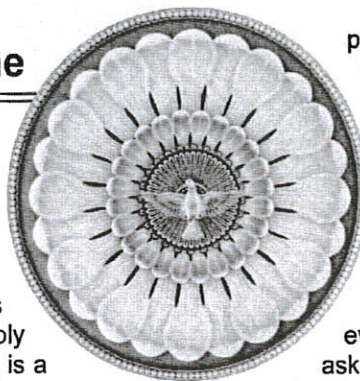
be persistent in our prayer lives. We must continually rely on God's Spirit in order to resist temptations and grow in faith.

No matter what we ask God to share with us, including the material things that we need or desire, God wants to use it to nourish our souls. This is what we ask for when we pray, "Give us this day our daily bread." Be

In Luke 11:1-13, Jesus teaches us how to pray with faith. The "bread" that runs as a theme in this scripture is the life of holiness. The "Bread of Life" is Jesus. The gift of the Holy Spirit, the Giver of Life, is a holy life.

Notice also that the visitor in the parable is a friend of God, not a stranger, who wants to share the bread with another friend. This represents a baptized Christian who wants to share the friendship of God ("three loaves" – the Trinity) with others, but he or she is inadequate for the task.

When we knock on the door to God's heart seeking help for our inadequacies, the Father gives us his fully adequate Holy Spirit. And that's not all we get! Whenever we pray, this Holy Spirit connects us to the Father and to Jesus. Therefore, every prayer increases our holiness, brings us closer to God and empowers us to be more like Jesus. But holiness does not come quickly nor easily. We must



persistent. Receiving God's bread takes time (we're slow learners).

It's the devil who says we can have everything we ask for as fast as

we want it. New Age and occult practices are fast-food spiritualities that are riddled with the dangerously unhealthy fat of false beliefs. They lack the growth in holiness that we can only receive from the Holy Spirit. Many people turn to the occult because they don't have the desire to do the hard work of holiness.

The supernatural adequacies of the Holy Spirit are ours for the asking, because we already received the Holy Spirit during baptism. However, to live in God's supernatural power, we have to pray persistently, identify our sins and repent, and humbly open ourselves to the holiness of the Holy Spirit.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. How much do you rely on the Holy Spirit's help in your daily life?
2. How often do you humble yourself before the Lord in prayer and ask for an increase of holiness?
3. Describe your prayer life. How does it help you become holier in your daily activities?
4. How has the Holy Spirit purified you?

Ladies Auxiliary and Knights of Columbus

Bishop Gunn Council 1583



Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for the delicious spaghetti dinner!!



Article 3

SACRED SCRIPTURE

III. THE HOLY SPIRIT, INTERPRETER OF SCRIPTURE

The Senses of Scripture

The two senses of Scripture (literal and spiritual; the latter being subdivided into the allegorical, moral, and anagogical senses.)

A medieval couplet summarizes the significance of the four senses:

The Letter speaks of deeds; Allegory to faith;

The Moral how to act; Anagogy our destiny.

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Saint Martha's Story

"Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus." This unique statement in John's gospel tells us of the special relationship Jesus had with Martha, her sister, and her brother. Apparently Jesus was a frequent guest at Martha's home in Bethany, a small village two miles from Jerusalem. We read of three visits in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-53, and John 12:1-9.

Many of us find it easy to identify with Martha in the story Luke tells. Martha welcomes Jesus and his disciples into her home and immediately goes to work to serve them.

Hospitality is paramount in the Middle East and Martha believed in its importance. Imagine her frustration when her sister Mary ignores the rule of hospitality and Martha's work in order to sit and listen to Jesus. Instead of speaking to her sister, she asks Jesus to intervene.

Jesus' response is not unkind, which gives us an idea of his affection for her. He observes that Martha is worried about many things that distract her from really being present to him. He reminds her that there is only one thing that is truly important -- listening to him. And that is what Mary has done.

In Martha we see ourselves -- worried and distracted by all we have to do in the world and forgetting to spend time with Jesus. It is, however, comforting to note that Jesus loved her just the same.

The next visit shows how well Martha learned this lesson. She is grieving the death of her brother with a house full of mourners when she hears that Jesus has just come to the area. She gets up immediately and leaves the guests, leaves her mourning, and goes to meet him.

Her conversation with Jesus shows her faith and courage. In this dialogue she states clearly without doubt that she believes in Jesus' power, in the resurrection, and most of all that Jesus is the Son of God.

Jesus tells her that he is the resurrection and the life and then goes on to raise her brother from the dead. Our final picture of Martha in Scripture is the one that sums up who she was.

Jesus has returned to Bethany some time later to share a meal with his good friends. In this home were three extraordinary people. We hear how brother Lazarus caused a stir when was brought back to life.

We hear how Mary causes a commotion at dinner by anointing Jesus with expensive perfume. But all we hear about Martha is the simple statement: "Martha served." She isn't in the spotlight, she doesn't do showy things, she doesn't receive spectacular miracles. She simply serves Jesus.

We know nothing more about Martha and what happened to her later. According to a totally untrustworthy legend Martha accompanied Mary to evangelize France after Pentecost.

But wouldn't it be wonderful if the most important thing that could be said about us is "They served"? Martha is the patron saint of servants and cooks.



PLEASE HELP OUR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL COUNCIL

We request that each family bring at least one of the following Non-perishable items to Mass each week and place in the "Food Drop Box" (Memorial room, back of church). Currently, we are serving many more families in need and our *St Vincent DePaul food pantry is very low on food and money.*

As we are shopping for our item to donate each week, let us please say a prayer for those less fortunate and give thanks to God for the ability to provide for our families.

ITEMS NEEDED

BOXED DINNERS: Hamburger Helpers, Chicken Helpers, Tuna Helpers,

Rice Dishes, Instant potatoes, Macaroni & cheese, etc.

CANNED FOODS: Ravioli, soups, tuna, Spam, fruit, vegetables,

spaghetti sauce, etc.

PEANUT BUTTER/JELLY/JUICE (any brand)

BOXED CEREAL: Instant oatmeal, grits, corn flakes, raisin brand, etc.

DRIED GOODS: crackers, spaghetti, rice, beans, etc.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS: Fruit juice, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter, cereal, Microwaveable (non-perishable) foods.

***Monetary Donations can be placed in the collection basket marked for St. Vincent DePaul.**

Thank you all so much for your kind generosity!

ST VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY

St. Vincent DePaul Society reflects the face of Jesus to those who do not know him and the helping hands of Jesus to those in need.

At this time there is an ever increasing number of people who have difficulty meeting their basic needs here on the Gulf Coast. Because of this, our St. Vincent dePaul is serving more people each month. Our monetary and food resources are running very low. In addition, the Government programs we rely on for a large portion of our food pantry are providing less than they have in the past.

The numbers for the last three months were:

April — 173 families received food (includes 98 children)

May - 205 families received food (includes 139 children)

June - 207 families received food (includes 133 children)

June - 67 families received monetary assistance for utilities.