# St. John the Evangelist

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Deacon David Allen Pastoral Associate

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David Ames Knights of Columbus

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 AM & 12 PM

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

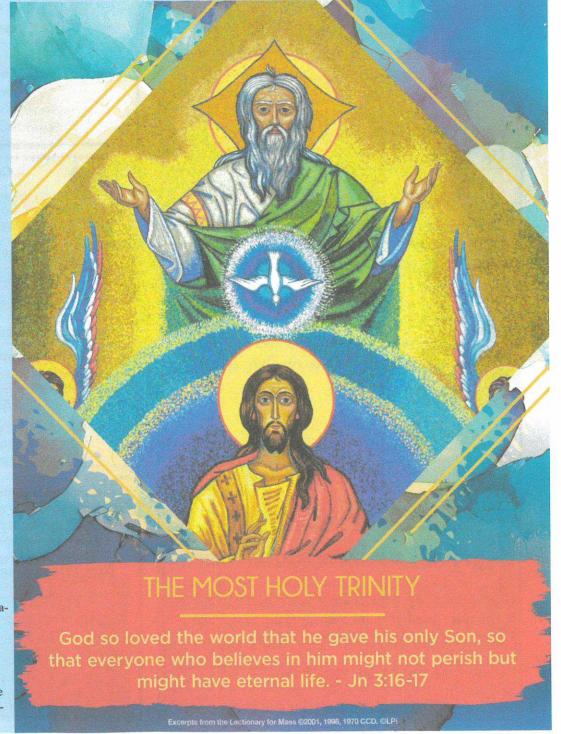
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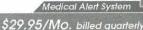
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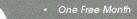
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# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

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: 9 am to 3 pm. Office phone number: 228-864-2272

# **Priest Reassignment**

It is with heavy hearts we will be saying goodbye to Fr. Satish on June 14th for his new assignment to St. Thomas Parish in Long Beach.



We are very happy to welcome Fr. Somers S.V.D. to St John the Evangelist Parish effective July 27th as our new pastor.

-Fr. Peter Varghese will be with us for the short interval from June 15th to July 26th.

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST EVENTS

Knights of Columbus: 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 6:30 PM

Grief & Loss Support Group1st Tuesday (June 6) 4 PM K C Ladies Auxiliary: 3rd Tuesday (June 20- 6:30 PM)

Legion of Mary: Every Thursday - 10:30 A

Couples Date Night: June 29th, 6-8 pm

### Cantor needed

We are seeking a cantor (song leader) for the 4pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.



# Happy Birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Candie Cospelich, Matthew Hall, June 5

May God grant them many blessings in the coming



# Congratulations

to Our Parishioners



Curtis & Cecile Arlith, 57 yrs on June 5

Cheryl & Drew Papania, 47 yrs on June 4

David & Ruth Ames, 26 yrs on June 7

May God bless them with many more happy years together!

## Marriage Tune-Up

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July 22 & 23

Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church Hall by Deacon Louis Romero and his wife, Leona

This is a two-day seminar on rekindling the joys of marriage and learning to relate to your spouse in a new way. Please see the flyer in the back of the church.

# New Wine Groups to Begin on August 2023

The Catholic Diocese of Biloxi will again offer a three (3) year program called "New Wine". The program provides education and formation for adults interested in being involved in lay ministry. For more information, please contact Deacon David Allen on or before July 21, 2023.

#### पे Hear Us and Heal Us पे

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

Ed Martin Shirley Caston Peggy Ryland Ernie Brown Werner Huber Dean Bowles **Beverly Crawford** Betty Martin Diane Riel Suzanne King Buddy Cospelich Jordan Hoang Brileigh Dunn Kim Hoang Camela Fant George Balhofs Amy Elizabeth Ronnie Wade Wheeler Roberta Hill Harvey Young Paul Fair Suzanne Bowles John Cuevas

David McGuffie Wendel Johnson Cathy Bond Meredith Kajdan Joann Hoda Wade Shoemaker Monica Manuel Naomi Patton

Parishioners of St. John the Evangelist

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

9:00 AM PAlex North Saturday:

Sunday

**†**Melissa Hernandez

10:30 AM People of the Parish

Anyone with birthdays. anniversaries

5:00 PM ⊕ Mary Ann Bishop

Monday: 7:00 AM ₱Mackie & Carolyn Fayard

Tuesday: 7:00 AM ♣Anna Schiffner Wednesday: 7:00 AM ♣ Kris Allen Thursday: 7:00 AM ⊕ Guy & Elizabeth Casper

Friday: **∜Kendall** Dedeaux 7:00 AM

Congratulations to Deacon David Allen on his 10 year anniversary on June 10th in the Deaconate. Thank you for all you do for us at St. John the Evangelist Parish!

# Thank you St John the Evangelist Parish

Bishop Gunn Council 1583 would like to extend our appreciation to all those who donated to our recent fund raiser to raise money and other items to Catholic

Pregnancy Center. We were able to give them a check for \$2800 as well as other items a new mother will need for her new born. Thank you all!!



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# Last Week's Collection:

Identified checks: \$1410.00 Identified cash: \$225.00

Loose Checks: \$1620.00 \$863.00 Loose Cash:

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Spanish Collection: \$714.00

Total: \$5546.80 Thank you for your generosity!

# Congratulations to our 2023 1st Communicants!



# 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.

# GOOD NEWS INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

# **Solemnity of the Holy Trinity**

Sunday June 4 Ex 34:4b-6,8-9 Daniel 3:52-56 (52b) 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18

> Monday June 5 St. Boniface Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8 Ps 112:1b-2,3b-6 Mark 12:1-12

Tuesday June 6 Tb 2:9-14 Ps 112:1-2,7-9 Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday June 7
Tb 3:1-11a,16-17a
Ps 25:2-5b,6,7b-9
Mark 12:18-27

Thursday June 8 Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde,9-17; 8:4-9a Ps 128:1-5 Mark 12:28-34

> Friday June 9 Tb 11:5-17 Ps 146:1b-2,6c-10 Mark 12:35-37

Saturday June 10 Tb 12:1,5-15,20 Tb 13:2,6efgh,7-8 Mark 12:38-44 On the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate and honor God's character as the Most Holy Trinity.

The first reading shows us the Father parenting the baby nation of Israel. We see that he is merciful and gracious, "slow to anger and rich in kindness and faithfulness" – the Perfect Father.

If we have difficulty seeing him this way, it's because we've never experienced a human father-figure who showed us what perfect

fatherhood looks like. Our spirits need healing. We've been projecting human imperfections onto our image of God. Even the best parents and teachers fall short of the wonderfulness of God's fatherhood. We need to consciously differentiate him from our human dads and other human authorities.

The second reading shows us the entire Trinity: the grace of Jesus, the love of the Father, and our friendly partnership with the Holy Spirit. In this and because of this, we are to rejoice, mend our ways, and live in

peace with one another.

In other words, because Jesus bore our sins as he died on the cross and then conquered death, he provides us with grace so that we can resist sin, and he provides us with the Father's love so that we can love one another no matter what, and he provides us with the Holy Spirit, who fellowships with us and empowers us so that we can continually live as holy Christians.

The Gospel reading shows us the depth of the Father's love. He doesn't condemn us for our sins; he gives us



his Son to rescue us from the destructive results of our sins.

Our sins condemn us and sentence us to eternal death, but Jesus saves us from this by taking us to eternal life — if we want him to!

#### Reflect & Discuss:

- † Which Person of the Trinity do you know the least? Or feel distant from? Or fear?
- † How have human relationships interfered with your ability to feel God's closeness?
- † Which Person of the Trinity do you know best? Why?
- How is the Trinity the perfect example of a good, loving, healthy relationship?

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# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

# June 4, 2023 The Most Holy Trinity

In my experience, one of the peculiarities of being a man is the somewhat unlikely ability to look into the mirror, no matter how out of shape he may be, and declare with full confidence: "Looking good, buddy!" Ask a man. He'll probably confirm it.

Therein lies a mystery. You might think I refer to man's ability to deceive himself or his propensity toward vainglory. But in this case, I refer to the mystery of a healthy and proper sense of self-love. We human beings (both men and women) have the utterly weird ability to look at ourselves as if we were another. Then we tend to love this "other." Then, somehow, that love becomes a bond between the two. We are three and yet one.

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We ponder anew that God in His unity is a play of multiplicity: Lover, Beloved, and shared Love. Or, as we also proclaim, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If we allow it, this mystery heals our temptation toward self-hatred and destruction. We all know how awful it is to look into the mirror and not know the person we see, or, equally bad, to know and hate who we see. Jesus, the Son of God, draws us into the dynamics of authentic self-knowledge and self-love. Perhaps we could ask the Holy Trinity this Sunday to teach us to truly look at ourselves and to properly love who we see looking back.

— Father John Muir

# **CHAPTER THREE**

# ARTICLE 1 I BELIEVE III. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH The Freedom of faith

"God calls men to serve him in spirit and in truth. Consequently they are bound to him in conscience, but not coerced....This fact received its fullest manifestation in Christ Jesus."

#160 CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Role of Catholics in Society

#### **Ouestion:**

We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

#### Answer:

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God! ©LPi

