

I, the Lord, bring low the high tree,
lift high the lowly tree,
wither up the green tree,
and make the withered tree bloom.
As I, the Lord, have spoken, so will I do.

Ezekiel 17:24

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.,
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8:00 a.m.
Thursdays 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

BAPTISM

All first time parents and godparents must attend a Baptismal seminar.

Only Confirmed practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church may be godparents.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

MARRIAGE

Contact Pastor at least eight (8) months before making arrangements.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish office when a family member is ill at home or in the hospital.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please notify the parish office as soon as possible when someone in the family passes away, preferably before contacting the funeral home.

Eleventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

June 13, 2021

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 13, 2021



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, JUNE 14

8:00 AM Emile & Vernice Orgeron,
Tracy & Alverta Frickey

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

8:00 AM Dorothy Laque

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

NO MASS

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

6:00 PM Roland & Leona Songy

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

8:00 AM Roy Landry

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

5:00 PM Janet Weber, Albert & Dorothy Laque,
Loretta & Noah Breau, Jessie Dunn, Sr., Keith Dunn,
Alvin & Carolyn Estay, Lillian Bergeron, Johnny Du-
frene, Addis Meacham, Jr., Doris, Roy & Dwayne Co-
mardelle

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

8:00 AM People of St. John

10:00 AM

Hector E. Hock, Sr., Becky Flanagan, Catherine
Hock, P. J. Hock, Patricia Hock, Eddy Chiasson Fam-
ily, Kerry & Huey Rivet, Judy Guhman, Murphy Can-
dies, Jr., Murphy & Mittie Cortez, Albert & Malvina
Cortez, Prudent & Ella Candies, Roy Landry, Curtis
Scott, Jr., Audrey Matherne

Sanctuary Lamp
Week of: June 13th—June 19th

In memory of:
Kerry & Huey Rivet
Roland Gros



Weekly Offerings

June 6, 2021:..... \$2,384.00

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time The Big Picture

We hear about the Kingdom of God in many of Jesus' parables. In today's passage, he uses parables to describe how the kingdom will spread. What is interesting is that they are not so much about our actions as they are about how God builds his kingdom.

Let's start with the second parable: Jesus exaggerates a little, with the mustard seed being the smallest seed and the bush being the largest plant. Like the birds on the branches, Jesus implies that the growing kingdom will attract outsiders to be members. His point is that the kingdom may look small at first, but it will keep growing. We need not be discouraged when it seems the kingdom is not growing: We might be limiting it to people who think and act just like ourselves. We might see attendance at church in our parish declining. So Jesus is reminding us to think of the bigger picture.

In the first parable about the man who scattered seeds, Jesus says that those seeds produce a harvest, even though the farmer doesn't know how or why those seeds can grow. We too can be doing things that help the Kingdom to grow, without knowing how we are helping. But God is making the kingdom grow in his own way and in his own time. Like the farmer, we can help it grow by loving each other, teaching our children about Jesus, caring for the poor and the sick.

But we can also hinder the kingdom by being stingy with our love, or hurting people with our anger. So let us ask God to trust him as we do our part to help the kingdom to grow.

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In Sympathy
Our sincere condolences to the
family and friends of:
Curtis Scott, Jr.

Pray for the Sick—Ian Alexander, Pauline Boatright, Lillian Breau, Beverly Boudreaux, Carol Bourgeois, Dolores Chiasson, Richard Chiasson, Edith Comardelle, Hailey Comardelle, Anita Dasch, Anna Dufrene, Helen Dunn, Shannon Guidry, Rachelle Johnson, Chris Kirkpatrick, Ella Lirette, Garrett Lirette, Merrill Matherne, Randy Matherne, Albert Melancon, Mary Picou, Lisa Richoux, Brenda Savoie, Patty Thibodeaux, Grant White

With humble hearts, St. John the Baptist joyfully proclaims the mercy of God.

Second Harvest

Food Bank

The St. John's Ministry of Care in connection with Second Harvest will be distributing food for the needy at the St. John the Baptist Church on Hwy. 90 in Paradis on **TUESDAY, June 15th at 9:00 a.m.** on a first come first serve basis for pickup only.

St. John the Baptist 50th Anniversary Celebration

We are extremely happy and grateful to have received over \$7,000 of our \$16,000 goal. The celebration will take place on Sunday, November 7, 2021 and will include a catered meal, music and fellowship. The money raised for the event will be used to cater the event, pay for invitations, and update the Parish Hall with fresh paint while also replacing all ceiling tiles and light fixtures. Additionally, landscaping improvements will also be made.

As a reminder, if you wish to further support these renovations there are envelopes marked for the 50th Anniversary located on the back tables. Thank you for your love and support.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

That through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, we will be spared the loss of life and property during this hurricane season.

GOD'S TIME

We either pay attention to or ignore "clock time" as we play in the summer sun and note the earth's tilt and the lengthening days. We live by time. We reckon time in seconds and minutes and hours, or we use broader chunks like supertime and summertime.

God keeps another sort of time. God speaks to us of "saving time," that is, the time of salvation. This sense of time is called kairos, and this time is always now, always present and available, always revealing, often surprising.

This Sunday's readings alert us to the reality and the import of God's time. Ezekiel and the Gospel of Mark remind us that our labor and our plotting and our planning rest in God. For God takes our smallest efforts and makes of them great works. Paul points us to the "harvest" time, urges us to be watchful for its coming, and calls us to recognize that we must spend our time pleasing God.

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Council of Catholic Women

Father's Day Bake Sale

June 19th & 20th after
all weekend masses.

School of Religion

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Class Times

Elementary— 1st—5th

5:30 p.m.—6:20 p.m.

High School— 6th—11th

6:30 p.m.— 7:30 p.m.

School of Religion Registration is Open

Now accepting students for
fall 2021!

Classes begin in August.

Held every Monday,
5:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Enroll your children now!
Sign up at: <https://neworleans.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>

Don't let them miss a
fundamental Christian
experience.

Email dbabin0807@gmail.com
for details.
Registration forms also available
of the CCD table in the church.

Ministry Schedule—June 19th & 20th, 2021

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Clarence Savoie	No Minister Needed	Volunteers	Donnie White
Sunday 10:00 AM	Brad Landeche	No Minister Needed	Volunteers	William & Wyatt Hogan Jolie Landeche

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