

*The 3rd Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*



**ST. JOHN BOSCO  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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# *A Few Words From Our Archbishop*

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To the Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Pope Francis has named the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as **Sunday of the Word of God**. This is an annual observance aimed at helping us grow in a deeper appreciation of the Sacred Scriptures.

When we gather on Sunday or for any Mass, God speaks his word to us through the Scriptures. Our desire is to open our ears and our hearts to listen attentively. May I suggest that we could more effectively do this by reading the Sunday Scriptures before Mass in order to prepare our hearts to receive his word.

As we reflect on the importance of the Word of God in our lives, it would be an opportunity to give some consideration to joining a Bible study group, reading a few verses of Scripture every day or reading a book explaining the Scriptures.

God speaks to us in many ways, but in a very unique way, through the Scriptures. By praying the Scriptures, we will know of God's personal love for us and his call to be disciples of Jesus.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

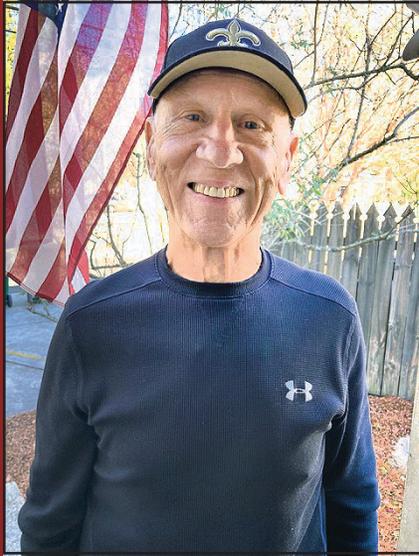
Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond  
Archbishop of New Orleans



## SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother's womb.  
I praise you, because I am wonderfully made;  
wonderful are your works!  
My very self you know...  
When I was being made in secret,  
fashioned in the depths of the earth.  
Your eyes saw me unformed;  
in your book all are written down;  
my days were shaped, before one came to be.

Psalm 139: 13-16 NAB



**Danny Abramowicz**

## **Saintly advice:**

*The 4 W's are  
God's winning formula*

There is a lot of talk these days, in all forms of media, about what other people should say and do. Also, there are all kinds of opinions on what's wrong with our country and the church, etc.

But I hardly ever hear someone mention how he or she personally can make a difference to help change things.

Several years ago, the Lord spoke to my heart and gave me "His Winning Formula" based on "4 W's." I used this formula to determine where I personally stood in my faith walk.

I had to read and meditate on these to determine where I stood, and I found out that I was not in a place where I needed to be or wanted to be. So, I changed over a period of time, through the help of the Holy Spirit, to commit to a deeper walk with the Lord in my Catholic faith. In other words, less talk and more action.

I recommend that all of us take inventory of our lives by answering these questions honestly to find out where we stand, and then ask the Lord to help us change our ways.

The Lord wants and is calling each one of us to be holy men and women of God.

### *The 4 W's*

#### **• Will of God = Conversion**

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven" (Mt 7:21; "Catechism of the Catholic Church," CCC 2822-2827).

Questions to consider: Do I follow the will of God in my life or my own will? Do I live according to my ways or God's ways? Do I have Jesus Christ as my highest priority? Do I have a personal relationship with him? Do I give God a fair share of my time? Do I communicate with God through prayer?

**Reflection:** What choices do you make?

## • **Word of God = Transformation**

“Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joint and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart” (Heb 4:12-13; CCC 101-133).

Questions to consider: Do I read and reflect on God’s word in holy Scriptures? Do I truly believe that the Holy Spirit is the principal author of Scripture, and that he guided and inspired the human authors? Do I read and have my family read the Scripture passages before Sunday Mass? Do I ever spend any time studying the “Catechism of the Catholic Church”?

*Reflection: What choices do you make?*

## • **Witness for Christ = Evangelization**

“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father” (Mt 10:32-33; CCC 2044-2046).

Questions to consider: Do I witness on behalf of Christ by my words and actions, especially to my family? Do I truly believe in the Real Presence in the Eucharist? Do I live a life based on faith and morals? Do I stand up for godly principles?

*Reflection: What choices do you make?*

## • **Winning Crown = Eternal Salvation**

“I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance” (2 Tim 4:7-8; CCC 1044-45, 1050).

Questions to consider: Do I concentrate more on earthly possessions and recognition than on the crown of eternal salvation? Do I look to Jesus as the way, the truth and the life? Do I realize that my salvation came through Christ or do I think that I can earn it or buy it? What role does the Blessed Mother play? Do I really believe that Christ died for me personally?

*Reflection: What choices do you make?*

Danny Abramowicz is a former wide receiver for the New Orleans Saints and the founder/director of the Monday Night Disciples.

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## In Our Parish

### PARISH VOUCHERS

Parish vouchers are issued to families with children attending elementary Catholic schools in the archdiocese. They are issued to any registered, active, and supporting family. The minimum donation for one child is \$500, and \$800 for two or more children. Vouchers are issued directly to the school and not to individuals. They will not be issued at the same time as the End of Year Statements. Parents are to notify the parish office of the school the child will be attending. If you have any further questions, please contact the church office at 504.340.0444 and leave a message or email – office@saintjohnboscochurch.org.

#### Children's Prayer:

*We Are All in God's Image*

*Loving Father,*

*Thank you for the many beautiful colors and languages of the world and for making all your children unique.*

*Thank you for creating me in your image.*

*Thank you for loving me and making me wonderful.*

*Help me to love like you.*

*Help me to share your love with all the children you have made, for they are*

*unique and wonderful. Amen.*

### THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC IS NOT OVER.



WEAR A MASK



PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING



AVOID CONGREGATING



### 2022 Mass Book

There are still several openings in the 2022 Mass Book. To reserve your Masses, please complete the form in the Vestibule of Church or online. Return the form, along with payment by putting in the collection basket or mail to the Church office. If you have any questions, please call the office, and leave a message, 504.340.0444 or email office@saintjohnboscochurch.org.



### Sách đại chúng năm 2022

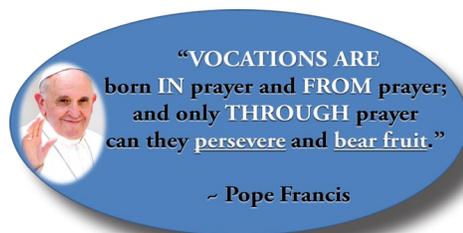
Vẫn còn một số phần mở trong Sách Lễ 2022. Để đặt trước Thánh lễ của bạn, vui lòng điền vào biểu mẫu trong Tiền đình của Nhà thờ hoặc trực tuyến. Gửi lại mẫu đơn, cùng với việc thanh toán bằng cách bỏ vào giỏ thu thập hoặc gửi thư đến văn phòng Nhà thờ. Nếu bạn có bất kỳ câu hỏi nào, vui lòng gọi văn phòng và để lại tin nhắn, 504.340.0444 hoặc gửi email tới office@saintjohnboscochurch.org.

### Vocation Prayer Intention

**January 21 - February 3**

*Please pray for all those discerning consecrated life and for all those who have already responded “yes” to the life.*

This prayer intention is in honor of **World Day for Consecrated Life** which is celebrated on **February 2** with parish celebrations on **February 5-6**.



## Announcements

### Womens Society Meeting -



Womens Society will meet

**January 24th at 6:30pm**

in the Conference Room

*All women in the parish are invited to attend.*

### Confirmation Classes

Upcoming Confirmation Classes for students enrolled in the program will be 6:00pm - 7:30pm at St. Rosalie School

**Monday, February 7th, Monday,**

**March 7th & Monday, March 28th.**



### Come Lord Jesus Bible Study

Every Wednesday & Thursday

Beginning at 6:30pm

In the Conference Room

*Contact the office for information.*

### Sanctuary Candle

*In Memory of*

**Brother Gerry Meegan**

### Bread & Wine

*In Memory of*

**Brother Gerry Meegan**

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**Kevin Steel, Deacon**

### Current Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 7:00am

Saturday: 8:00am

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 12:00 Noon & 8:00pm

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 22

8:00am Parishioners of St. John Bosco

5:30pm +Jacqueline Guillot

+Jim McKenna

+Leboria Burrell

+Duffy & Derek Dumas

+Andre A. Domino, AOD

### Sunday, January 23

9:00am +Derek & Billy, Jr. DiMarco

Happy 50th Anniversary

Billy & Evelyn DiMarco

+Marie-Katie Ducote

+Marilyn DeBlanc

Noon +Phong Vu

8:00pm Needs of Parish

### Monday, January 24

7:00am Conversion of Sinners

### Tuesday, January 25

7:00am +Brother Gerry Meegan

### Wednesday, January 26

7:00am +Derek & Billy, Jr. DiMarco

### Thursday, January 27

7:00am +Rose Catubig

### Friday, January 28

7:00am +Leo Meerman

### Saturday, January 29

8:00am Parishioners of St. John Bosco

5:30pm +John Schultheis, Sr., AOD 1/31

+Jacqueline Guillot

+Jim McKenna

+Leboria Burrell

+Duffy & Derek Dumas

### Sunday, January 30

9:00am +Derek & Billy, Jr. DiMarco

Noon +Maria Pham

+Kim Phe

+Phong Vu

Brasset & Brignac Families

8:00pm Needs of Parish

