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TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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St. John the Evangelist

Saturday Anticipated Mass	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	12:15 p.m.
1st Friday of every month	5:30 p.m.
Rosary every Monday a	fternoon
beginning at 5:30 pm led b	y St. John's
Ladies Altar Socie	

#### **HOLY HOUR**

1st Friday of every month ...... 4:30 p.m.

#### **CONFESSION**

30 minutes before weekday Masses, Saturdays 3:30-4:00 p.m., or by appointment.

#### ADORATION

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

St. Margaret of Scotland

Saturday Anticipated Mass 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday6:30 a.m.
Thursday6:30 a.m.
1st Saturday of every month8:00 a.m.
Rosary beginning at 6:30 a.m. led by
St. Margaret's Ladies Altar Society
before 1st Saturday Mass .

#### **HOLY HOUR**

Every Sunday		7:30 a.m.
1st Saturday o	f every month	7:00 a.m.

#### **CONFESSION**

30 minutes before weekday Masses and 1 hour before 1st Saturday Mass, Sundays 8:00-8:25 a.m., or by appointment.

#### **ADORATION**

Tuesdays 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

### **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time** March 2, 2025



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025

Sirach 27:4-7; Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Philippians 2:15d, 16a; Luke Sunday:

6:39-45

Monday: Sirach 17:20-24; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; 2 Corinthians

8:9; Mark 10:17-27

Sirach 35:1-12; Psalm 50:5-6, 7-8, 14, 23; Matthew Tuesday:

11:25; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday: Joel 2:12-18; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17;

2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Psalm 95:8; Matthew 6:1-6,

16-18

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Matthew 4:17; Luke 9:22-25 Thursday:

Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Amos

5:14: Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Ezekiel

33:11; Luke 5:27-32

#### **BAPTISM**

If you are expecting, please call the office as soon as possible after the baby is born to schedule the baptism.

#### SACRED HEART HOME **ENTHRONEMENTS**

Father has started Sacred Heart Home Enthronements. Please call the office to schedule your Home Enthronement.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the pastor 8-12 months prior to the wedding.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

When you request Masses, please provide a phone number so we can call if we have questions or need clarification.







### FRIDAYS OF LENT MASS SCHEDULE

pray, fast & give alms

Join us on Fridays during Lent for Mass, Holy Hour and the Stations of the Cross!

5:00 pm

Exposition & Adoration

5:30 pm Mass

6:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

March 7 St. John

March 14

St. Margaret

March 21

St. John

March 28

St. Margaret

April 4

St. John

April 11

St. Margaret

#### ROSARY GROUP

 St. John's Rosary Group will meet on Monday, March 3, 2025, at St. John's at 5:30 p.m.

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE — MAR 1-14

- The sanctuary candle at St. Margaret will be burning for PJ Miller Jr.
- The sanctuary candle at St. John will be burning for MJ & Yvonne (BD)
   Martin.

(The Sanctuary Candle can burn in memory/honor of someone for 14 days for \$10.00.)



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On Sundays after our monthly 4:00 pm Mass Small Meal Included



### **Emily Vincent**

Topic - Testimony / Pride is the Root of All Evil

March 16



## Small Group Spotlight

# Monthly Midweek Manna (MMM...it's good!)



Have you ever wondered who those you share peace with on a regular basis are? Have you ever wanted to know the journey that others have taken that led them to prioritizing daily Mass? Do you just like to eat and visit? Monthly Midweek Manna begins with 12:15 pm Mass at St. John's followed by lunch in the Parish Hall. Join us each month as we visit with those who we see regularly, but never have had the time to really get to know.

Just show up!

LEADER: Karen Wild

WHO: Anyone

WHERE: St. John Church + Parish Hall WHEN: First Wednesday of each month

**MOVED TO Wednesday, March 19!!** 

#### **Lenten Devotionals**

We have purchased sample copies of the Lenten devotional, Lean into Lent by Monica Walton. It is a weekly devotional that is written with today's busy lifestyles in mind. The material focuses on the Sunday Gospels, bringing them to light in a contemporary setting with Modern Day Parables opening a deeper experience of Scripture through almsgiving, fasting, and prayer. Readers are guided to unpack what we do and why we do it and to develop habits of richer prayer, meaningful sacrifice, and true generosity. The book has everything you need with the full Gospel texts, guided prayers, meditations, reflection questions, and space to record thoughts and inspirations. While it is fine as an individual study and reflection, it is even richer in a small group setting with weekly discussion. If you would like to order a book visit DogwoodPress.com. Discounts are available, so order copies for your family and friends, too! Enjoy more spiritual reflections on Monica's blog, SacredandSensible.com.

### **Praver Angels Needed**

Prayer angels are needed for our sacrament students from Confirmation and First Holy Communion. If you'd like to be an angel, please call the office and we will give you the name of a student over the phone. This is such a wonderful work of mercy that we can do for our children that only costs us a little bit of our time.



#### **BULLETIN SPONSORS**

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#### **COLLECTION SCHEDULE**

March 5—Catholic Charities of Acadiana

March 9-Black & Indian Mission

March 16—Project Evangelization

#### COLLECTIONS Weekend of February 23, 2025

St. John the Evangelist

Collection.....\$3,619.00

St. Margaret of Scotland

Collection.....\$2,324.00 Project Evangelization .......\$75.00

Weekly Total......\$6,018.00 Weekly Goal.....\$5,000.00

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

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#### St. John the Evangelist

12:15 pm Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Living: Brody Myers & Emma Bertrand; Ryder Vincent

#### 5:30 pm Friday, March 7, 2025

Eumia Thibodeaux & Joseph LeBlanc Family; Dorinne Dupont & Jennings **Smith Family** 

#### 4:00 pm Saturday, March 8, 2025

Choppy, Sylvia & Tim Smith; David Ardoin; Tyron Guidry; Dallas Blanchard Family; Wilson Breaux Family; Neville Crader Family; Wilson, Azemie & Wilbur Gautreaux; Lou Guidry; Mae Migues; Rufus Gautreaux; Lucille, Elzie & Annie Gautreaux Family; Loris & Alice Boullion Family; LeGros, Dupuis & LeBlanc families; Linhart, Kibodeaux, & Deshotel families; Hulin, Rodger Whitehouse, for the sick; August Benoit Family; Elie Benoit Family; Felix Leger Family; Charles R. Fruge Family; Living & Deceased: Mire & Leger family members; Living: Richard & Claire Rea & Family; Chance & Taylor Henry & Family

#### 10:00 am Sunday, March 9, 2025

Tammy Spell; MJ & Yvonne Martin; Tyron Guidry; Iris Myers (DA 3/9); Hubert Hulin; Mike & Ollie Breaux & Family; Dana LeBlanc (DA 3/16); Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow Smith; Living & Deceased: members of the Myers & Henry families; Living: Colston Gatte (BD 3/11); Brody Myers & **Emma Bertrand** 

#### St. Margaret of Scotland

6:30 am Tuesday, March 4, 2025

No Intentions

6:30 am Thursday, March 6, 2025

Lillian Istre (DA 3/6); Adam Leger (BD 3/21); Shirley Johnson (DA 3/29)

#### 5:30 pm Saturday, March 8, 2025

Kenneth D. Guidry; Warren Hoffpauir; Laryman & Audrey Guidry & Family; Paulite & Edmay Broussard; Keith, J.B. & Gertrude Broussard; Wilbur & Joyce Gautreaux; Al & Jeanette Caswell; Calvin LeBlanc; Leroy Myers; Troy Trahan; Living & Deceased: Samual Ray & Norma LeJeune & Family; Sharon & Cynthia Taylor & Family

8:30 am Sunday, March 9, 2025

Pro Populo

- •Allen Carlson •Allen Lopez
- Ali Hoof
- •Andrea "Chubby" Trahan
- •Barrett Scoper
- Bennett Harrington •Betty Breaux
- •Brandon Vincent
- •Brenda Guidry
- •Brenda Thibodeaux
- •Brian Broussard
- Brock Sonnier •Baby Buck Dugas
- Carroll Guidry
- •Chad Brown
- Charlotte Suire •Clayton McZeal
- Cynthia McZeal
- Dalin Davis
- Dalton Newman
- Dana Harrington
- Darlene Daigle
- Earl Breaux

**Prayer List** 

Pat Bratton

Phyliss Wiltz

• Red Campbell

• Sally Courville

•Stacy LeJeune

•Steve Newman

Tammy Erbelding

•Theresa Credeur

•Tonya Benoit

•Tonya Miller

• Wanda Linhart

• Wilma Sonnier

•Timothy Broussard

•Sandra LeBlanc

•Sharae Broussard

• Shirley Edmondson

• Pat Zaunbrecher

Poncho Fontenot

• Ridge Michael Benoit

• Pat Mire

- Eveline Leger
- Floy Smith
- •Floyd Primeaux
- Frank Gray •Hannah Miller
- Harold Lachaussee
- •Jeanette Landry
- Joe Bratton
- John Thomas Crouch
- •Joseph Leon LeJeune
- •Joshua Humble •Kaiden Rea
- •Kalyn Thibodeaux
- Kelly Conde Clark
- Kevin Matthews Linda Gautreaux
- •Leola Henry
- Loretta Grav
- •Lydia Thibodeaux
- Mark Woods
- Michelle Schexnayder
- •Mike Henry
- \*If you know of someone on the sick list that can be removed, please let us know by calling the office or putting a note in the collection.



"you did for me" Mt 25:35

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION** Wednesday, March 5

As a diocese, we will soon participate in an Ash Wednesday collection for Catholic Charities of Acadiana. This year's collection focuses on serving our neighbors experiencing hunger and homelessness.

Catholic Charities of Acadiana operates St. Joseph Emergency Shelter, St. Joseph Diner, and FoodNet Food Bank. Through these core programs, Catholic Charities of Acadiana responds compassionately to thousands who experience hunger and homelessness throughout the eight civil parishes of the Diocese of Lafavette.

Last year, Catholic Charities of Acadiana served 545 individuals through its homeless shelters. successfully transitioning 194 of our neighbors back to permanent housing. St. Joseph Diner prepared and distributed over 225,988 warm meals, while FoodNet Foodbank distributed over 32,227 supplemental food bags to our neighbors in need through partner pantries across the diocese.

Our emergency homeless shelters, St. Joseph Diner, and FoodNet Food Bank are largely donor-funded programs. Your generous support of the Ash Wednesday second collection will help us to provide immediate relief to a neighbor in our community who is in crisis and has nowhere else to turn.



WHY IS THERE SOMETHING RATHER THAN NOTHING

WHY IS EVERYTHING SO OBVIOUSLY MESSED UP?

WHAT, IF ANYTHING, HAS GOD DONE ABOUT IT?

HOW DO I RESPOND?

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#### What is Rescue Live?

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Join us for a day full of engaging preaching from Fr. John Riccardo with worship led by Damascus Worship, and beautiful hospitality.





SAVE THE DATE

## Women's Day of Discernment

**APRIL 26, 2025** DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE CHANCERY



Come pray with us for a

e give generously to the Ash Wednesday collection supporting Catholic Charities of

Acadiana's mission to provide for those experiencing hunger and homelessness in our community.

Make an impact today by visiting

give.classy.org/Lent2025 or by scanning the code.

ALL ARĚ WELCOME!

Wednesday, March 19 5:30-6:30 PM at St. John's in Mermentau

Small Meal, Games & Fellowship to follow.



### This Week on Formed

Week of March 02, 2025



#### How to Lent

Lent is right around the corner. In How To Lent, you will be quided by priests and religious in the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving so that you can make this your best Lent



#### Foretold

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you.



#### Whole 40

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith

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"It is such a folly to pass one's time fretting, instead of resting quie on the heart of Jesus."

Saint Therese of Lisieux



<u> Have you moved? Changed your status? Had more children?</u> In an effort to update our records, we are asking that you please complete a new census form with updated information. If you have not completed a form in the last year, please do so. Forms on our website at https://stjohnstmargaret.com/join-our-parish



### CATECHISM CLASS SCHEDULE

2024-2025

September 15 December 8 October 20 January 12

November 17 February 16

March 16 April 13

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLHOUSE REGISTRATION OPPORTUNITY**

Our Eunice La. Chapter of Catholic Schoolhouse, a local homeschool program, is currently registering students for the 2025-2026 academic year. Early bird registration is from February 1- March 29. More than an academic co-op, Catholic Schoolhouse is a structured program meeting weekly for homeschoolers that includes chorus, two hours of classroom instruction, science experiments, art projects, and opportunities for socializing after class. We are building a community of Catholic homeschool families. For more information and our open house, contact Jillane Bischoff at (337) 580-6061.

# Interested in becoming CATHOLIC?

### 2025-2026 OCIA CLASSES WILL BEGIN IN MAY!

The Catholic Church welcomes new members and tries to provide appropriate spiritual formation according to each person's needs. Some who come to us have had little or no affiliation with, or religious training in, the Christian faith. Others have been baptized and have been active members of other Christian denominations. The process of formation is called the Ordier of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).

If you are an adult, teen or have an older child (above seven years of age) who has never been baptized and would like to enter the OCIA process in order to begin the journey in preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist), please fill out the inquiry form on our website.





30 SJE Donuts - Dee & Danny Miller	23 SJE Donuts - Matt Guintard	16 SJE Donuts - Chris Bergeaux 4:00p Catechism & Speaker Series 5:00p Speaker Series - Kelly LeJeune   Topic: Testimony	9 SJE Donuts - Curtis Benoit	2 SJE Donuts - Don LeJeune		SUN
31	24	17	10	ω		MON
	25 7:00 Adoration at St. Margaret of Scotland (7 am - 11 am)	18 7:00 Adoration at St. Margaret of Scotland (7 am - 11 am)	11 7:00 Adoration at St. 7:00 Adoration at St. Margaret of Scotland (7 am - 11 am)	4 7:00 Adoration at St. Margaret of Scotland (7 am - 11 am)		TIE.
	26 5:00 Adoration at St. John the Evangelist (5 am - 11 pm) 6:00p Catholics Under Construction Men's Group	19 5:00 Adoration at St. John the Evangelist (5 am - 11 pm) 5:30p Family Holy Hour at SJE 6:00p Catholics Under Construction Men's Group	12 5:00 Adoration at St. John the Evangelist (5 am - 11 pm) 1:00p Golden Gathering 6:00p Catholics Under Construction Men's Group	5 5:00 Adoration at St. John the Evangelist (5 am - 11 pm) 1:00p Monthly Midweek Manna 6:00p Catholics Under Construction Men's Group		WED
	27	20	13	6 6:00p Patriotic Rosary - SJE		뒫
	28	21	14	7 5:30p First Friday Mass at St. John the Evangelist		FR
	29	22	15	8	1 8:00 First Saturday Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland	SAT

## Vocations Prayer Cross

Sign-up your family to host our parish's Vocations Prayer Cross for a week!

Our Vocation Prayer Cross kit comes with a prayer booklet to guide you and your family in praying for priests and for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



Sign-up sheets are currently located in the lobby of both churches.



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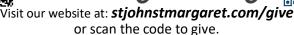


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St. John the Evangelist & St. Margaret of Scotland



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## MISSING SOMETHING?

We have items that were found in church or on the church grounds.

If you have lost an item at St. John's, simply call the parish office for verification and we can arrange to have such item(s) returned. If you lost an item at St. Margaret's, please speak to one of the sacristans to claim your item(s).



Below is a list of items currently in our possession:

#### St. John:

- 1 Veil
- 1 Woman's Ring
- 3 Pair of Women's Sunglasses
- 1 Men's Coat

• 1 Girl's Hair Bow

St. Margaret:
• 1 Navy Blue Boys Vest Size 7





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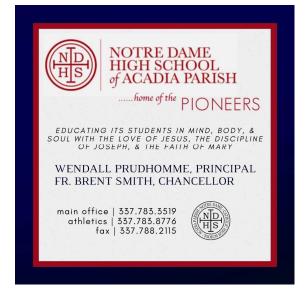
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