

Stewardship
Time, Talent and Treasure

Time, Talent and Treasure, the things that have ultimately been given to us by our God. We are blessed with time, talents and treasures. In a spirit of gratitude and gratefulness, we respond to God by personally sharing our time, our talent and our treasures with our Church and others. You see, giving is a sign of our commitment to love and serve the Lord with our whole hearts, with our whole mind and our whole being. We give because in our hearts we desire and need to give, because of the complete way God has given to us.

When we place God at the center of our life, we become more prayerful, more focused on loving and caring for our families and our neighbor in need and less preoccupied with material things. When planning our giving we demonstrate the great importance that God and the work of the Church has in our lives.

Reflecting on your giving back to God through Stewardship, ask yourself how you are sharing your time, talents and treasures. Can you give just one more hour to prayer in order to grow in your Faith? Can you give just one more hour of your God-given talents to further the work of the Church? Can you take another step in the percentage you give of your treasure?

Reflecting on the many blessings of treasure you have received, consider your current annual household income and figure the percentage of your current weekly gift to your parish and other charities including Catholic Charities. Consider Taking a step to the next percentage level.

And, don't forget your time as a gift to your parish and other organizations. The Parish or Finance Councils, the Golden Group, the Ladies Sodality, The Knights of Columbus, The K of C Ladies Auxiliary, the youth group, the grass cutting, be a CRC teacher or be on one of the four committees established by Father and the Parish Council. Be a minister of the church, EMHC, Lector, Usher, Altar Server.

Stockings of Joy

Please join the Golden Group in our "Fill the Stockings" campaign for the Missionaries of the Poor Orphanage in Haiti. Center des Enfants de Jesus(CEJ) was formed to alleviate the sufferings and undesirable conditions of the poor, particularly the mentally and physically challenged children and young adults. Father Sherwin served with the MOP in Haiti over a year and shared with us the great need of these beautiful souls. We have listed the items that are needed to fill 81 stockings. The Golden Group will ship the stockings by November 14th, if you like to donate to help support shipping costs please include with your stocking supplies.

All Souls Day is November 2, 2018

Be sure to pick up your "All Souls Day" envelope and turn it back in to the parish before November 2, 2018 so that the Masses on that day and the remaining days of the year can be offered for the repose of the souls of all your loved ones who have been called home to the Lord.

Parish Men's Recollection Night

There will be a men's parish recollection night on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 6 pm. The guest speaker for the evening will be Rev. R. V. Baylon, a Jesuit from Springhill College. All men of the parish should plan to attend this special event to help to build your faith and commitment to God.



St. John the Baptist Parish

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Oct. 21, 2018 -Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

REV. SHERWIN MONTERON

Pastor

Mr. Billy Graham, *Deacon*
Tiffany Teofilo, *CCD Director*
Karen Day, *Youth Director*

Parish Council

Bill Schaffer Jason Poiroux
Jim Jackson Autumn Bowden
Jack Wright Jay Graham

Finance Council

Paula Dyess Paulette Cauley
Carol Voss

MASSES

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M.
 Wednesday 7:30 A.M.
 Thursday 7:45 A.M.
 Friday 7:45 A.M.
Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays by Appointment
Saturday 4:30 P.M.
Sunday 9:30 A.M.

BAPTISM

By Appointment

MATRIMONY

Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY

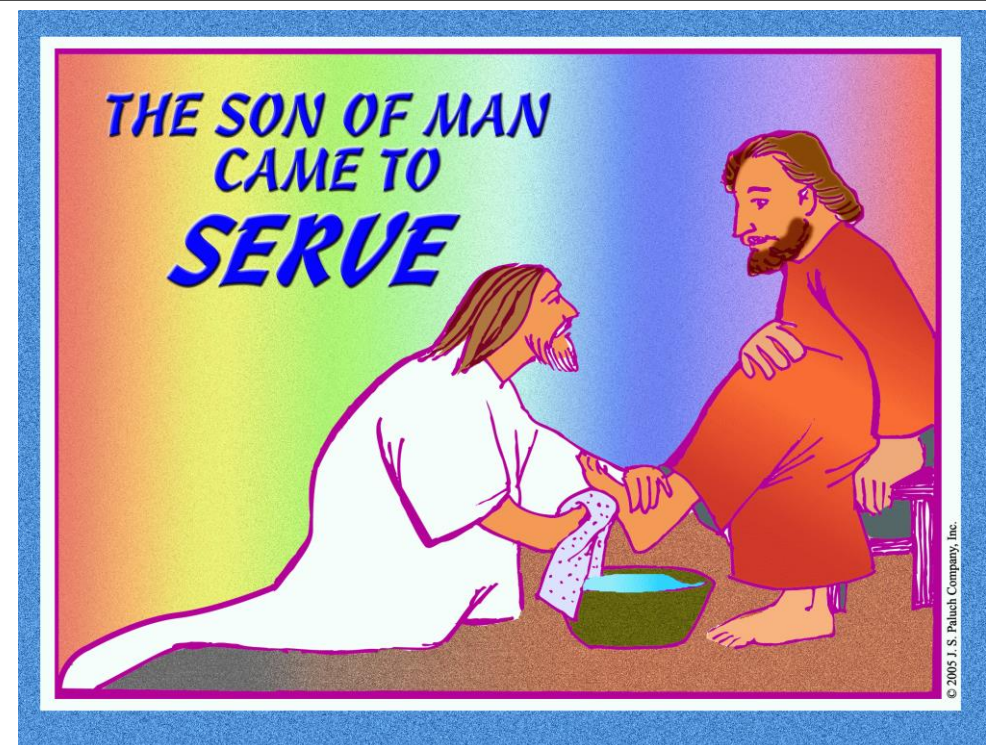
Every Wednesday before Mass

ADORATION

Every Wednesday before Mass

Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.



Twenty ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]

It is a common device of the evangelists to place the failings of the early Christians on the shoulders of their leaders to illustrate a point about discipleship, and perhaps to comfort them with the fact that Jesus chose common, flawed humans to spread the Good News.

In Matthew's Gospel, it is the mother of James and John who makes the request of Jesus (Mark omits this scene). It is "only natural" for mothers to want to see their sons "get ahead in the world," just as it is for us as individuals to seek those positions of honor and power. But again it is the lesson of Jesus, along with the lessons of Isaiah and Hebrews, that reminds us that we need to examine constantly our "only natural" ways of living to make sure that we are living as Christ, the head of the church. When Isaiah writes of the Suffering Servant, it can be seen as a prophecy of Jesus; but it is also a prophecy of the ongoing presence of Jesus, the church. When the author of Hebrews writes of the weakness known by Christ the great High Priest, it is also about the need for weakness on the part of the Body of Christ, the church. In this way the scriptures today show all of us, the baptized, the church, how we must continue to be the Servant Christ for the life of the world.

Stewardship for the Week of October 14, 2018

Regular Collection: \$ 3,465.00

The Second Collection this week, October 21st is for :

The Propagation of the Faith

All Souls Day Masses

St. Vincent de Paul Parish will have Mass at Mobile Memorial Gardens and Serenity Funeral Home on All Souls Day.

These Masses will assist them in attaining full sanctification and moral perfection.

The Mass at Mobile Memorial Gardens will be held on Friday, November 2 at 8:30 am in front of the beautiful Crucifixion Feature in the Catholic section of Mobile Memorial Gardens, near Nevius Road entrance. Weather permitting of course. We will have chairs available, but you might also want to bring a chair.

The Mass at Serenity Funeral Home will be Friday, November 2 at noon in the Mausoleum section. Please come out and join us.

Known birthdays this week: 21st: Terry Roberts, Bill Schaffer, 22nd: Matthew Adams, 23rd: Michael Cook, 24th: Veronica Stewart, 26th: Kathie Sema, **No Known Anniversaries:**

RCIA Instructions

RCIA Instructions are taught every Thursday at 6:00 pm. If you know anyone interested in learning the Catholic Faith invite them to come to class. It would be a good idea if you came along as we can never learn too much about the faith that we proclaim to practice.

Monthly Rosary & Benediction

The first Wednesday of each month we have a parish celebration of the rosary and benediction at 5:30 pm. in the Church. All are invited to participate.

Pray for the special intentions of those serving in the Armed Forces: Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Confirmation Mass & Practice

Remember that Confirmation is Tuesday, October 30th, at 6:30 pm and practice for the Mass is on Monday, October 29th, at 6:30 pm.

Mass intentions

Mass Intentions for the week of Oct 20th thru Oct 26th, 2018
20th: --- For the eternal repose of the souls of all deceased members of the parish

21st: --- For the intentions of all members of the parish

22nd: --- No Mass, Father's Day Off

23rd: -- For the eternal repose of the souls of Pat Borne, Russell & Georgia Gray by Colleen & Sylvia Gray

24th, 25th & 26th: -- For the Benefactors of the Catholic Extension Society

Pray for the eternal repose of the deceased members of the parish: Pat Borne, Pat Marchand, Addie Thompson, Chris Potter, Kenney Smith, , James Cauley, Werner Bidlingmaier, Joe Penton, Richard Boswell, Mickey Poirier, Louis Poiroux, Louise Marchand, Carolyn Bidlingmaer, Kenny Kirchoff, Voncille Hulcher, Mary Nicholas Rambo, Paul Delmas, Cody Driskell, Evelyn Robison, Jean Mitchell, Veretta Tulos, Jim Kimble, Lynn Poirier, Phillip Marchand, Sue Kirchoff, Mary Sanders, Margaret Jackson, Catherine Schnadelbach, Darlene Alexander, Rick Marchand, Steve Sema, Sr., Mary Marchand and Sis Marchand.



Dr. Allen Roberts, Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Doug Jones, Poullette Cauley, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Lynn Goodwin, Bill Dixon, Tom Thornton, Monica Ziemann Knight, Ron Cauley, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloeckner, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Bobby McManus, Vernon Lepre, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Andrea Graham, Oliver (Toby) Thompson, Reggie Stewart, Anna Weber, Linda Graham, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Joe Ecker, Glenn Boney, Aubreigh Nichols, Ann Vick, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders, Cora Grigsby, Patricia Davis, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Alice Skutack, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Rachel Vallas, Harrand Broussard, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Becky Thompson, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Roger Young, Leyah White.

Week of October 26 & 27, 2018

Mass Ministers:

5:00 pm Sat. 10:00 am Sun.
EMCH: Daryl Kirchoff Aimee Sprinkle
Linda Graham Jason Poiroux

Lectors: Andrea Graham Mark Voss
Jay Graham Peggy Delmas

Altar Servers: James Graham Ty Teofilo
Jay Graham Parker Bowden
Hayden Teofilo

Ushers: Steve Cauley Mike Marchand
Kevin Cauley Mike Courtney
Chuck Pierce Ruth Riddick
Wayne Jackson Daryl Kirchoff

Altar Care & Church Cleaning

Altar Care: **October 2018**
Ruth Pigorsch

Church Cleaning: **October 27th & 28th**
Poullette Cauley Karen Diamond

Religious Education:

CRC meets every Sunday morning at 8:45 in the education building. Parents or grandparents be sure to have your children present so they may grow in their faith.

Youth:

Wednesday Oct. 31st – Youth Party for day before “All Saints Day.”

Homebound Mass Filming:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place at St. Maurice Parish in Brewton, AL at 11:00 am on Tuesday, October 23, 2018. All who are free at that time are asked to come and join us to help make this Mass Celebration for all the homebound of our archdiocese a very special event.

Golden Group:

The next meeting for the Golden Group will be on Wednesday, November 7th. They will meet for lunch at 11:30 am in the Church Hall.

Mass Intention Cards are available at the office. Please call. The Mass Stipend is \$5.00 per Mass and if you write a check please make it out to Rev. Sherwin Monteron.

Events for Week beginning October 20, 2018

- 1) The Knights of Columbus Council 15490 is offering free influenza (flu) shots and blood pressure checks after each Mass this weekend.
- 2) Thursday, October 25th is the Men's Recollection Night at 6:30 pm being presented by Father R. V. Baylon, a Jesuit of Springhill College.

Holy Day of Obligation November 1, 2018

Start planning now for Thursday, November 1st, as it is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule for that day will be 7:45 am in the Rectory Chapel and 7:00 pm in the Church. Please remember that a Holy Day of Obligation is exactly what the name implies. You have the obligation to attend Mass that day.

Holy Day of Obligation December 8, 2018

Saturday, December 8th, 2018, is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holyday of Obligation. Masses held on that day are only for the Holyday of Obligation and not a vigil for Sunday Masses. The Catholic faithful are expected to attend Mass on both days.

Knights of Columbus:

The Knights of Columbus meet on the first Wednesday of each month. The evening starts at 5:30 pm by joining in the parish celebration of the Rosary and Benediction in the church for those who can attend. They join the Ladies Auxiliary for a pot luck dinner at 6:15 with the general business meeting starting at 7:00 pm in the large meeting room of the education building.

The Ladies Auxiliary:

The Ladies Auxiliary meets on the first Wednesday of each month. They start their evening at 5:30 by joining the parish in the Rosary and Benediction and that is followed by dinner with the Knights of Columbus and then their regular meeting at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall.

Nursing Home Outreach:

Every First Friday of the Month. There is a Mass at the Convalescent Homes in Grand Bay at 10:00 A.M.

Join Us!

House Blessings are encouraged. Please Call the office to schedule.