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The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist: Basic Questions and Answers

(Read this section for the next several weeks to learn and understand what the Eucharist is and why we partake of it)

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> **Monsignor William Fay General Secretary, USCCB**

Why does Jesus give himself to us as food and drink?

Jesus gives himself o us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment because he loves us. God's whole plan for our salvation is directed to our participation in the life of the Trinity, the communion of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Our sharing in this life begins with our Baptism, when by the power of the Holy Spirit we are joined to Christ, thus becoming adopted sons and daughters of the Father. It is strengthened and increased in Confirmation. It is nourished and deepened through our participation in the Eucharist. By eating the Body and drinking the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist we become united to the person of Christ through his humanity. "Whoever eats my flesh drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ we are at the same time united to his divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life. "Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father =, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me" (Jn 6:57). By being united to Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in us, we are drawn up into the eternal relationship of love among the Father=, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. As Jesus is the eternal Son of God by nature, so we become sons and daughters of God by adoption through the sacrament of Baptism. Through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation (Chrismation), we are temples of the Holy Spirit, who dwells in us, and by his indwelling we are made holy by the gift of sanctifying grace. The ultimate promise of the Gospel is tat we will share in the life of the Holy Trinity. The Fathers of the Church called this participation in the divine life "divinization" (theosis). In this we see that God does not merely send us good things from on high; instead, we are brought up into the inner life of God, the communion among the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In the celebration of the Eucharist (which means "thanksgiving") we give praise and glory to God for this sublime gift.



St. John the Baptist Parish

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March 8, 2020: 2nd Sunday Lent, 2020

REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON

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Parish Council

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

Finance Council

Paula Dyess Paullette Cauley Carol Voss

MASSES

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

BAPTISM: By Appointment

MATRIMONY: Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

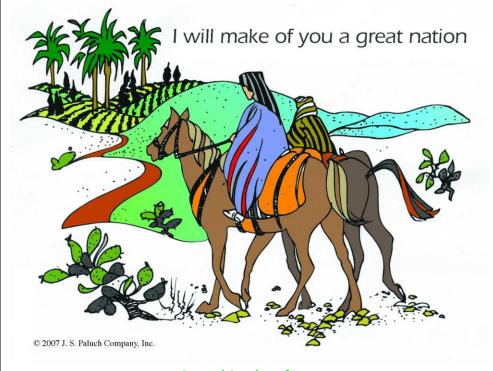
Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass

Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.

Email: stjohngrandbay@gmail.com



Second Sunday of Lent

Today's Readings: Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9

TEMPTED BY TRANSFIGURATION

Jesus faces a different sort of temptation in today's Gospel. Peter (whom Jesus would refer to as "Satan" in their encounter at Caesarea Philippi) tempts him to stay on the mountain of the Transfiguration, residing in a tent of glory with Moses and Elijah, as the Ark of the Covenant had dwelt in a tent of glory among the people of Israel. Jesus doesn't succumb but makes Peter and his other followers come down with him off their mountain of glory to continue their ministry of proclaiming the reign of God. Jesus turned down the glory and power offered to him in last week's temptation passage; he likewise turns it down again, even when it seems to portray him as the fulfillment of Israel's messianic expectations. Yet, in a way, Jesus did allow himself to be tempted by transfiguring moments in his public ministry when he faced illness, demons, disbelief, hypocrites. He allowed each of these moments to transfigure the world around him more and more into the image of God's reign. They also each transfigured him a bit more on his road to Jerusalem, Calvary, the tomb, and his everlasting transfiguration in resurrection.

REMEMBER IN YOUR Martha Delmas, Mary Kirchoff, Sara Thornton, Heather Cotton, David Stovall, Maribeth Thompson, Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, Andrea Graham, Robert Dixon, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Ida Clark, Isabel Rel, Clayton Williams, Becky Thompson, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Ed Thornton, Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Msg. Warren Wall, Tom Thornton, Mike Knowles, Steve Sevier, Penny Dupont, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Doug Jones, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloechener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Joe Ecker, Glenn Boney, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders,, Patricia Davis, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Leyah White.

Known Birthdays for March

01st: Aimee Sprinkle	15 th : Theresa Bridges
01 st : Jason Poiroux	15th: Destry Murray
02 nd : Jimmy Marchand	16 th : Ruth Delmas
03 rd : Nina Bohl	18th: Tony Smith
03 rd : Frances Reed	18 th : Katelynn Oliver
05 th : Tammy Fonteot	22 nd : Darrel Wright
06 th : John Murray	24 th : Paul Delmas
07 th : Ron Cauley	24 th : Johnnie Tate
09 th : Becky Thompson	25 th : Maribeth Thomps
11 th : Olivia Schmierer	25th: Tiffany Fonteot
11 th : David Spencer	25th: David Schmierer
15 th : Mike Stringfellow	29 th : Joe Smith
	30 th : Matt Cauley

Known Anniversaries for February

1st: Tiffany and Greg Teofilo 18th: Elsa and John McBride

Upcoming Parish Events

March 13th, 20th, 27th & April 3rd: Stations of the Cross at 5 pm

March 13th, 20th, 27th & April 3rd: K of C Fish Fry, 5-7 pm

March 23rd, 24th & 25th: Lenten Mission with Father Austin starting at 6pm each evening with a penance service to close the Mission on Wednesday evening.

April 1st: Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7 pm.

April 5th: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 5pm & 10 am.
Golden Group Bake Sale after each Mass

April 8th: Penance Service, time TBD

April 9th: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6:30 pm

April 10th: Good Friday Celebration, Stations of the Cross at 3 pm, the Lord's Passion, 6:30 pm.

April 11th: Easter Vigil for Holy Saturday at 7:30 pm (Sunset)

April 12th: Easter Sunday Mass during the day, 10 am

Golden Group News

There will be a "Road Trip" to the Museum of Mobile to see the "Ancient Roman Empire" exhibit on March 10, 2020

Daily Mass Intentions for the Feb./Mar. 2020

Week of Mar. 10 – 13

Wilhelmena Boswell, Naomi Williams & Vern Sullivan by Rita Sullivan. Also deceased relatives/friends offered by Tom Thornton.

Week of Mar. 17 – 20

17th: Hats'e Rohburger & J. R. Hatfield by Dana Baker and Deceased relatives/friends of Matt & Debra Johnson.

18th: Deceased relatives/friends of Peggy & David Delmas also deceased relatives/friends of Avis & Gennie Garrett.

19th & 20th: Father Patrick Hayes and deceased relatives/friends of the Spencer family also deceased relatives/friends of Mila Vaughn.

Week of Mar. 24 – 27

Deceased relatives/friends offered by Nina Bohl
Deceased relatives/friends offered by Tom DeAngelo

Week of Mar. 31 – April 3

31st: Deceased relatives/friends of Doris Sema **1st, 2nd & 3rd:** Ruth Miller Poplawski, John Poplawski, Alfred Miller & Helena Starr by Ruth Reddick and deceased relatives of Kathie & Steve Sema, Jr.

Capital Campaign

Campaign Goal is \$195,000.00
Pledged to date **\$473,266.00**Because of your support we are at 243% of our campaign goal.

<u>Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish:</u> Theresa Wakeman, Jack Forbes, Cathy Kirchoff, Frank Church,

Pray for the Special Intentions of those serving in the

<u>Armed Forces:</u> Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Weekend of Mar. 14 & 15, 2020

MASS MINISTERS:

5:00 pm Sat. 10:00 am Sun. EMHC:Jay Graham

Karen White

Kris Schaffer

Lectors: Ann Jackson Carol Voss

John McBride Dana Baker

Volunteers

Ushers: Steve Cauley Mike Marchand
Kevin Cauley Mike Courtney

Chuck Pierce Avis Garrett
Wayne Jackson Tom Thornton

Volunteers

Altar Care & Church Cleaning

Altar Care: March 2020
Ruth Pigorsch

Church Cleaning: Mar. 14 & 15, 2020
Paullette, Karen & Ambre Cauley

CRE Schedule for March & April 2020

Sunday, Mar. 08: Class

Altar Servers:

Sunday, Mar. 15: Class, Lenten Retreat

Sunday, Mar. 22: Class, Lenten Reconciliation (grades 2-8)

Children's Mass 10 am

Sunday, Mar. 29: No Class – Spring Break Week **Sunday, Apr. 05:** No Class, Spring Break Week

Sunday, Apr. 12: No Class, Easter Sunday

Sunday, Apr. 19: Class, First Holy Communion Family

Retreat (8:45 am till 12 PM).

Sunday, Apr. 26: Class/Practice for First Communion

Sunday, May 03: Last Day of Classes / First Communion

Sunday, May 10: No Classes, Mother's Day

End of Year Celebration to be announced at a later date.

HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place March 10, 2020 and will be filmed at St. Maurice in Brewton. Mass time will be 10:00 am and Father Pat will be the Celebrant.

NURSING HOME OUTREACH:

Every First Friday of the Month there is a Mass celebrated at the Grand Bay Convalescent Home at 10:00 A.M. **Join US!**

HOUSE BLESSINGS

We highly encourage **House Blessings.** Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.

Announcements for Week of March 7, 2020

- 1) Confirmation Classes for March are on, Wednesday, March 11th at 6:30 pm, and on Sunday, March 15th at 11 am.
- 2) Youth Lenten Retreat: All youth are invited to attend a lecture on the "Eucharist," Wednesday, March 18th at 7 pm in the church hall. The Reverend R. V. Baylon, S.J. from Springhill College will be the guest speaker. By profession Father Baylon is a Medical Doctor who joined the Jesuit Community in 1994 and is a Bioethics Instructor at Springhill College. Dinner will be served for those attending so please contact our Youth Director, Isabella Kotval to register.
- **3)** Adoration of the Holy Eucharist will be on Sunday, March 22nd, at 9 am in the church prior to Mass. This time of adoration is scheduled to expose all our children and youth to this special worship service in the Catholic Church, but we do welcome, with open arms, anyone wishing to attend the "Adoration" Service on this day.
- **4) CRS Rice Bowls** are on the table in the church hall. Take one home, fill it and return it by Easter.
- 5) Known Birthdays: 7th: Ron Cauley, 9th: Becky Thompson, 11th: Olivia Schmierer, David Spencer, No Known Anniversaries this week:

Stewardship For March 1st:

Regular: \$3,789.00 Building Fund: \$435.00 Mission: \$363.00 T-Shirt Sales: \$557.00

TRANSFIGURED BY TEMPTATION

The words "disciple" and "discipline" are very close relatives. People in various walks of life know that our personal transfigurations frequently happen only when we encounter times of trial. Those in recovery know that ongoing encounters with temptations are sources of growth and strength. And so it is for us as faithful disciples renewing our lives through Lenten disciplines. We need to turn aside from the allure of the temptations of selfcenteredness, greed, and unhealthy appetites as we increase the presence of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in our lives. Daily, most of us confront a "demon," an illness in body, mind, or spirit, whether in ourselves or in the world. With Christ, we are called upon to confront its presence in ourselves or others, and like Christ, find our true and lasting transfiguration by growing in obedience to the Father's will. By God's grace we will one day come to live in the everlasting glory of the Resurrection that we also share.