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**More Catholic Trivia**

**When the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, why do they still look and taste like bread and wine?** In

the celebration of the Eucharist, the glorified Christ becomes present under the appearances of bread and wine in a way that is unique, a way that is uniquely suited to the Eucharist. In the Church's traditional theological language, in the act of consecration during the Eucharist the "Substance" of bread and wine is changed by the power of the Holy Spirit into the "substance" of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. At the same time, the "accidents" or appearances of bread and wine remain. "Substance" and "accident" are here used as philosophical terms that have been adapted by great medieval theologians such as St. Thomas Aquinas in their efforts to understand and explain the faith. Such terms are used to convey the fact that what appears to be bread and wine in every way (at the level of "accidents" or physical attributes – that is, what can be seen, touched, tasted, or measured) in fact is now the Body and Blood of Christ (at the level of "substance" or deepest reality). This change at the level of substance from bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is called "transubstantiation." According to Catholic faith, we can speak of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist because this transubstantiation has occurred (cf. Catechism, no 1376). This is a great mystery of our faith – we can only know it from Christ's teaching given us in the Scriptures and in the Tradition of the Church. Every other change that occurs in the world involves a change in accidents or characteristics. Sometimes the accidents change while the substance remains the same. For example, when a child reaches adulthood, the characteristics of the human person change in many ways, but the adult remains the same person – the same substance. At other times, the substance and the accidents both change. For example, when a person eats an apple, the apple is incorporated into the body of that person – is changed into the body of that person. When this change of substance occurs, however, the accidents or characteristics of the apple do not remain. As the apple is changed into the body of the person, it takes on the accidents or characteristics of the body of that person. Christ's presence in the Eucharist is unique in that, even though the consecrated bread and wine truly are in substance the Body and Blood of Christ, they have none of the accidents or characteristics of a human body but on those of bread and wine.

**Does the bread cease to be bread and the wine cease to be wine?** Yes. In order for the whole Christ to be present – body, blood, soul, and divinity – the bread and wine cannot remain, but must give way so that his glorified Body and Blood may be present. Thus, in the Eucharist the bread ceases to be bread in substance, and becomes the Body of Christ, while the wine ceases to be wine in substance, and becomes the Blood of Christ. As St. Thomas Aquinas observed, Christ is not quoted as saying, "this bread is my body," "but" *This is my body*" (*Summa Theologiae*, III q. 78, a. 5)



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March 22, 2020: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent, 2020

**REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON**

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**Parish Council**

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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

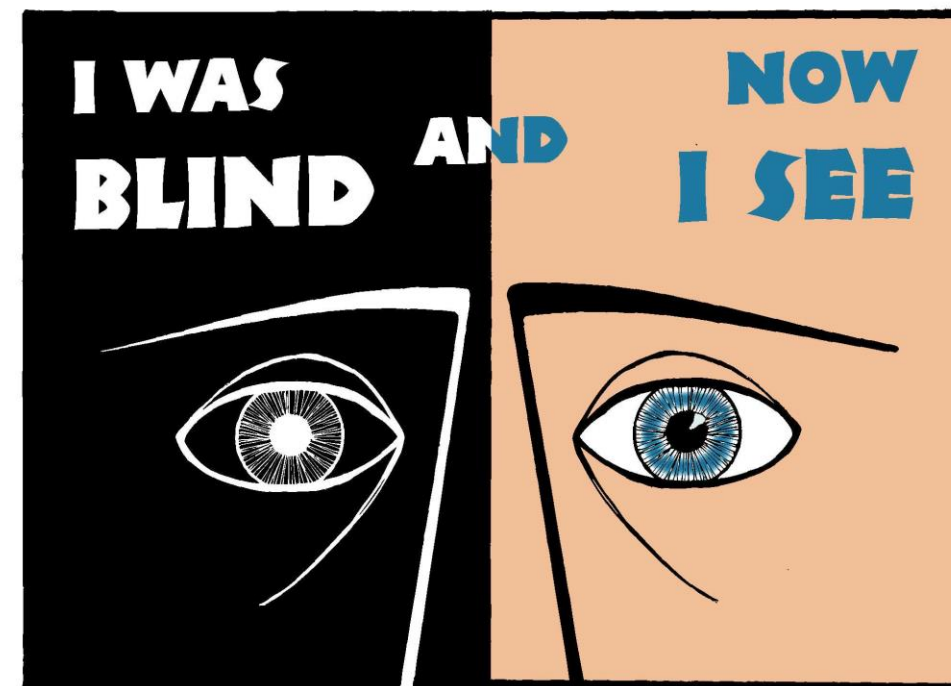
**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:** Anytime: Please call the Office

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

**Funerals**

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Today's Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6–7, 10–13a; Psalm 23:1–6; Ephesians 5:8–14; John 9:1–41 [1, 6–9, 13–17, 34–38]**

**OTHER CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT**

Some early Christians gave the woman at the well from last week's Gospel the name "Photina," which means "she who has received light." We hear another story from John's Gospel today about someone who receives light, is enlightened. The man blind from birth receives the light of Christ by having the barrier of his blindness removed. In Jesus' day, being blind from birth was an important distinction to make: if one were blinded by an accident, it was not necessarily viewed as God's displeasure with one's sinfulness. But birth blindness was thought of as a sign of sinfulness, even a sign of the sinfulness of the individual's parents. Jesus breached the religious code and teaching of his day twice: by removing the obstacle purportedly placed there by God as a sign of the presence of sin, and doing so by committing the "sin" of working on the Sabbath, making mud to heal the blind man.



*Martha Delmas, Mary Kirchoff, 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, 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 Kloechnener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, 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.*

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

**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.

**Known Birthdays for March**

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

**Known Anniversaries for February**  
 1st: Tiffany and Greg Teofilo  
 18<sup>th</sup>: Elsa and John McBride

**Private Mass will continue for intentions**

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

**Week of April 7 – 10**  
 No Masses as this is Holy Week

**Week of April 14 – 17**  
 Ruth Schaffer, Mary Todd Kirby, Tim Kerby, Matthew Barron & John F. Schaffer by Kris & Bill Schaffer

**Upcoming Parish Events**

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Mass broadcast live at 10 am via Facebook from St. John the Baptist.

**March 29<sup>th</sup>:** Mass broadcast live at 10 am via Facebook from St. John the Baptist.

**April 5<sup>th</sup>:** Mass broadcast live at 10 am via Facebook from St. John the Baptist.

**April 8<sup>th</sup>:** Penance Service, time TBD

**April 9<sup>th</sup>:** Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6:30 pm

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

**April 11<sup>th</sup>:** Easter Vigil for Holy Saturday at 7:30 pm (Sunset)

**April 12<sup>th</sup>:** Easter Sunday Mass during the day, 10 am

**May 20<sup>th</sup>:** Faith Formation Retreat

**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.

**Stewardship for March 15<sup>th</sup>:**  
 Regular: \$2,518.00

**Catholic Charities**

As of today, we are at \$21,670.00 in our Catholic Charities Campaign which is 124.5% of our goal of \$17,400.00

**Weekend of Mar. 28 & 29, 2020**

**MASS MINISTERS:**

<b>EMHC:</b>	<b>5:00 pm Sat.</b> Christy Brown Karen White	<b>10:00 am Sun.</b> Dana Baker Autumn Bowden
<b>Lectors:</b>	Kathie Sema Steve Sema, Jr.	Peggy Delmas Mark Voss
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Volunteers	Volunteers
<b>Ushers:</b>	Steve Cauley Kevin Cauley Chuck Pierce Wayne Jackson	Mike Marchand Mike Courtney Avis Garrett Tom Thornton

**Altar Care & Church Cleaning**

**Altar Care:** March 2020  
Ruth Pigorsch

**Church Cleaning:** **Mar. 28 & 29, 2020**  
Doris Sema & Kathy Scott

**CRE Schedule for March & April 2020**

**Sunday, Mar. 08:** Class  
**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 24, 2020 and will be filmed here at St. John the Baptist. Mass time will be 9:00 am and Father Sherwin 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 21, 2020**

1) **There is a sign-up sheet** in the church hall for all ministers of the alter to have the opportunity to serve during Holy Week including Easter Weekend. Please honor God by signing up to serve him. Since we are not having services at the church during this time, we ask that you check your emails and fill the times that you can serve on the copy of the sheet that Carol Voss emailed you and return it to Carol so that she may be able to put together a schedule for when we are able to start having Mass again. We really hope and pray that we will be back in the church celebrating the Holy Mass by Holy Week.

2) **Homebound Mass Schedule:** Broadcast are at 10:30 am on WJTC channel 44 in Mobile area. In Montgomery on Spectrum Cable channel 180 and in Dothan on Spectrum Cable channel 304 and WOW Cable channel 6. Archangel Radio Mass broadcast is at 7 pm daily. EWTN broadcast Mass daily at 7 am, 11 am, and 6 pm.

3) **Known Birthdays:** 22<sup>nd</sup>: Darrel Wright, 24<sup>th</sup>: Paul Delmas, Johnnie Take, 25<sup>th</sup>: Maribeth Thompson, Tiffany Fonteot, David Schmierer, **No Known Anniversaries this week:**

**Want to win a \$50.00 gift card?**

Join us in a challenge to be Quarantined with Jesus daily throughout Lent and in during this time of change! Submit a photo of your Family Prayer Circle to our Facebook or Instagram page to be entered to WIN a \$50.00 Gift Card of your choice!!! Take a picture of you and your family gathering in prayer. Get creative! Capture rosaries, creative ways you pray, or places you pray!! One Picture per family, per day can be submitted to either or both of our social media pages for an entry into the drawing. Make sure you tag us in post/picture so we will see it!! You do not have to be a member of or church to Submit a picture to win, but prayer is required. If you would like to pray the rosary and need instructions go to <http://www.newadvent.org/images/rosary.pdf>. Contest ends on April 13, 2020 at 12:00 pm. At that time a winner will be drawn live on our Facebook page. Be sure to follow our pages, and Like/Share this post for an extra entry to win. Be sure to follow us on Instagram @https://Instagram.com/sjb\_grand\_bay\_youth?igshid=mstfr05dfvnm or on Facebook @ Saint John the Baptist Parish, Grand Bay, Alabama