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"wisdom is aged men, with long life is understanding" Job 12:12

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### Adjust Your Sails

There was a blind girl who hated herself because she was blind. She hated everyone, except her loving boyfriend.

He was always there for her. She told her boyfriend, 'If I could only see the world, I will marry you.'

One day, someone donated a pair of eyes to her. When the bandages came off, she was able to see everything, including her boyfriend.

He asked her, 'Now that you can see the world, will you marry me?' The girl looked at her boyfriend and saw that he was blind. The sight of his closed eyelids shocked her. She had not expected that. The thought of looking at them the rest of her life led her to refuse to marry him.

Her boyfriend left in tears and days later wrote a note to her saying: 'Take good care of your eyes, my dear, for before they were yours, they were mine.'

This is how the human brain often works when our status changes. Only a very few remember what life was like before, and who was always by their side in the most painful situations.

Life Is a Gift

Today before you say an unkind word - Think of someone who cannot speak.

Before you complain about the taste of your food - Think of someone who has nothing to eat.

Before you complain about your husband or wife - Think of someone who is crying out for a companion.

Today before you complain about life - Think of someone who went too early to heaven.

Before whining about the distance, you drive - Think of someone who walks the same distance with their feet.

And when you are tired and complain about your job - Think of the unemployed, the disabled, and those who wish they had your job.

And when depressing thoughts seem to get you down - Put a smile on your face and think, you are alive and still around.

" We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust our sails"



# St. John the Baptist Parish

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## October 18, 2020: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON

Pastor

Deacon Billy Graham, Secretary

Judy Poiroux, Bookkeeper

Tiffany Teofilo, CCD Director

Isabella Kotval, Youth Director

### 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 8:00 A.M.

Thursday 8:00 A.M.

Friday 8:00 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:

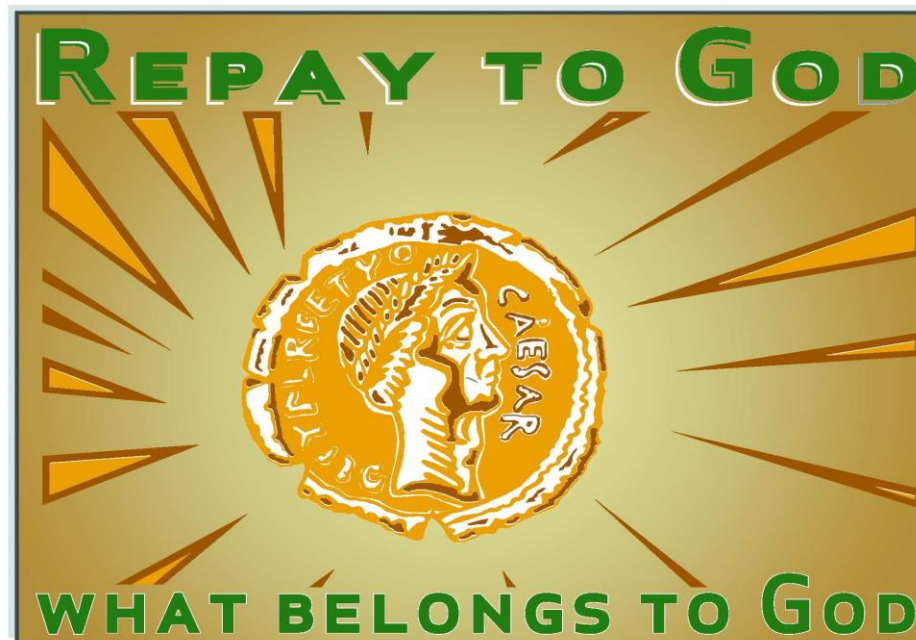
Every Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass

### Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.

**Email:** [stjohngrandbay@gmail.com](mailto:stjohngrandbay@gmail.com)

**Mailing Address:** P. O. Box 417, Grand Bay, AL 36541



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### Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Today's Readings:** Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; Psalm 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21

### POWER STRUGGLES

Do you resist paying taxes or obeying authorities? Do you always disagree with a particular person at work or in your household? Do you need people to do as you say? Are you afraid of making decisions? Of saying "no"? If so, you are engaged in struggles over your own and others' power in your life. This week's scriptures provide a way of resolving many of those struggles without taking sides.

The readings leave little doubt as to who holds the real power in the world. It is "the LORD, and there is no other" (Isaiah 45:6) who anoints Cyrus and grasps him by the right hand (the hand of power), making him victorious and giving the Israelites their freedom. The psalm tells us to give glory and honor to the Lord, who is "beyond all gods" and "governs the peoples with equity" (Psalm 96:4, 10). Paul gives thanks to God, whose power is at work in the gospel Paul preached and in the Thessalonians themselves. Finally, in Jesus' power struggle with the Pharisees, he says, "Repay . . . to God what belongs to God" (Matthew 22:21). God is the power above all human powers—in government, business, the Church, and our own families. We owe God all "glory and honor" (Psalm 96:7), thanks, loyalty, and our lives.



Maddie Blake Rivers, Jimmy Summerlin, Ethel Graham, Becky Thompson, Betty Cauley, Clara Davis, Wesley Dixon, Carey Olsen, Anita Wright, Lynda Jones, Doug Jones, Kathleen Borne, Aaron Poiroux, Michelle Waite, Jeff Waite, Callie Waite, Martha Delmas, Heather Cotton, Maribeth Thompson, Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, Robert Dixon, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Isabel Rel, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Mike Knowles, Steve Sevier, Penny Dupont, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, 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:** Bob Heurion, Ida Clark, Theresa Wakeman, Jack Forbes,

**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 Bailev.

**Known Birthdays for October 2020**

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| 5 <sup>th</sup> : Steve Sema, Jr.   | 23 <sup>rd</sup> : Michael Cook      |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> : Maria Switzer     | 24 <sup>th</sup> : Veronica Stewart  |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> : Brandy Ramsay    | 26 <sup>th</sup> : Kathie Sema       |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> : Ali Stringfellow | 27 <sup>th</sup> : Anna Bowden       |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> : Carey Olsen      | 27 <sup>th</sup> : Lyon Graham       |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> : David Delmas     | 28 <sup>th</sup> : Peggy Delmas      |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> : Ann Gable        | 28 <sup>th</sup> : Chain Smith       |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> : Mildred Smith    | 28 <sup>th</sup> : Grabbrielle Sands |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> : Matthew Adams    | 28 <sup>th</sup> : Jansyn Wiggins    |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> : Trey Roberts     | 28 <sup>th</sup> : Jayci Wiggins     |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> : Bill Schaffer    | 29 <sup>th</sup> : Doris Sema        |
|                                     | 30 <sup>th</sup> : Shirley Rasmussen |

**Known Anniversaries for October 2020**

- 5<sup>th</sup>: Kerry & Michael Ladnier
- 7<sup>th</sup>: Debra & Matt Johnson
- 9<sup>th</sup>: Linda & Deacon Graham
- 16<sup>th</sup>: Kris & Bill Schaffer
- 21<sup>st</sup>: Jennifer & Joey Schilling
- 23<sup>rd</sup>: Susie & Willie Smeriglio
- 27<sup>th</sup>: Amanda & Jonathan Oliver

**Upcoming Parish Events**

- Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>:** Faith Formation Retreat
- Wednesday November 11<sup>th</sup>:** Veterans Day Mass
- Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup>:** Thanksgiving Vigil Mass
- Thursday November 26<sup>th</sup>:** Thanksgiving Day Mass
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday December 1, 2 & 3:** Advent Retreat & Penance Service

**Mass Intentions:**

**Saturday & Sunday Mass Intentions**

Saturday 5:00 pm – For all the sick, infirmed, and homebound of the parish  
 Sunday 10:00 am – For all deceased parishioners

**Daily Mass intentions**

**Week of Oct. 20 thru 23**

Oct. 20, 21, 22 & 23 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Rita Sullivan

**Week of Oct. 27 thru 30**

Oct. 27, 28, 29 & 30 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Carol and Terry Roberts

**Week of Nov. 3 thru 6**

Nov. 3, 4, 5 & 6 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of John Ramsay.

**Week of Nov. 10 thru 13**

Nov. 10, 11, 12 & 13 – For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Becky & Willie Thompson.

**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.

**Catholic Charities**

Our Parish Catholic Charities Campaign pledge for 2020 was \$21,670.00 which is 124.5% of our goal of \$17,400.00

**Lectors for next weekend, October 24 & 25:**

5.00 pm on Saturday, Oct. 17, Ann Jackson  
 10:00 am on Sunday, Oct. 18, John McBride  
 Please remember that if you cannot lector at the time assigned it is your responsibility to find a replacement.  
 Anyone that is interested in lecturing during Mass at St. John's, please contact Carol Voss at cavoss99@gmail.ocm.

**HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:**

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place at the Chapel of the Archbishop and will be filmed at 9:00 am. on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:

**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.

**“We crowd God out of our lives by filling our lives with things that don't matter. Remove the things that don't matter to make space for God in your life—in your heart, mind, and soul.”**

MATTHEW KELLY  
 I Heard God Laugh



**Cute One-Liners**

- 1) We are called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.
- 2) God Himself does not propose to judge a man until he is dead. So why should you?
- 3) Some minds are like concrete
- 4) Thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.
- 5) Peace starts with a smile.
- 6) I don't know why some people change churches; What difference does it make which one you stay home from?

**Announcements for Week of October 17, 2020**

- 1) **Confirmation:** The Archbishop will be here at St. John's on November 1<sup>st</sup> to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10 am Sunday Mass. There will be a practice for confirmation on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. All are required to be present.
- 2) **Second Collection** this Sunday is for the Propagation of the Faith.
- 3) **Special Mass** for “All Souls Day” will be celebrated at 6:30 pm on Monday November 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 4) **Special Thanks** to all our parishioners who came out and supported the rosary for “America needs Fatima” on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had a good showing.
- 5) **For Sick Call or to receive communion at home** please call the office, 865-6902, or Father Sherwin, 334-560-4192, and he will bring the “Eucharist” to you.
- 6) **Known Birthdays:** 17<sup>th</sup>: Ann Gable, Mildred Smith, 20<sup>th</sup>: Matthew Adams, 21<sup>st</sup>: Trey Roberts, Bill Schaffer, 23<sup>rd</sup>: Michael Cook, **Known Anniversaries:** 21<sup>st</sup>: Jennifer and Joey Schilling, 23<sup>rd</sup>: Susie and Willie Smeriglio,

**Stewardship and Capital Campaign**

**General Contributions**

Week of October 11<sup>th</sup>: General Fund: \$1,492.00  
 Candle Fund: \$9.00

**Online Contributions – General Fund**

October 2020: \$155.45

**Capital Campaign to date:**

Contributions to date: \$85,631.10 (43.9% of pledge)  
 Parish Distributions to date: \$17,126.22 (20%)

**POWER WITHIN**

**We are to give praise and pay tribute to God as the one and only source of true power in our lives. When we do, our ordinary power struggles can more easily be resolved. Like the Thessalonians, we discover the power within ourselves. The Holy Spirit empowers us to live in faith, hope, and love. We no longer feel we must dominate others. We are compelled neither to resist those who have power over us nor always to give in to them. We stop fearing our own power. God's power within us and over all human powers gives us confidence, courage, and humility in every power struggle we may encounter.**