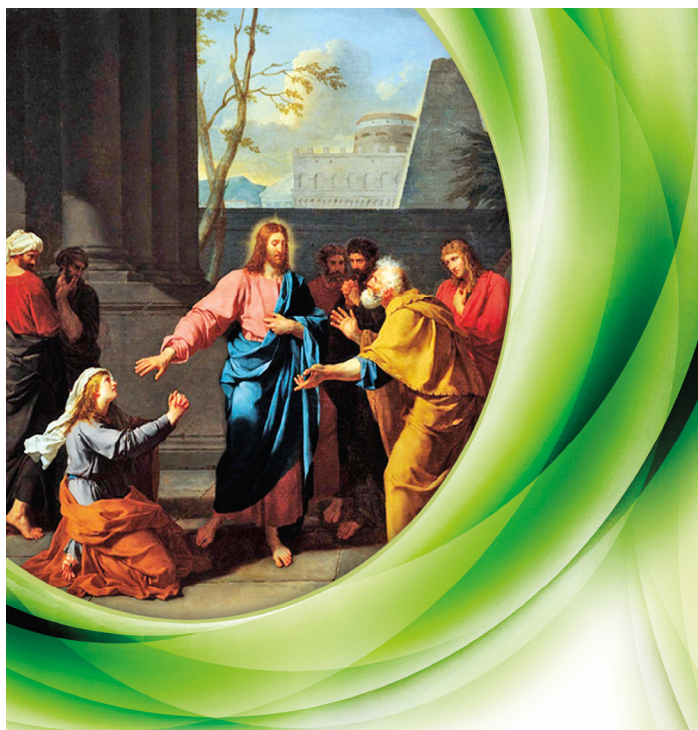




August 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."
And her daughter was healed from that hour.

Matthew 15:28

Christ and the Canaanite Woman by Jean Germain Drouais, 1784
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Weekend Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am Mass

Weekday Schedule

Monday 12:05 pm

Wednesday 12:05pm

Thursday 7:00 am

Friday (at Maison Teche) 9:30am

1st Friday(at Church) 12:05pm

1st Saturday 8:30am

Confessions

30 minutes before weekend Masses

15 minutes before weekday Masses

Or by appointment

Fr. Alexander Albert - Pastor

Ursula Gouner - Secretary

Becki Landry - Director of
Discipleship and Evangelization

Office Hours*

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 8:00 am-Noon

Wed: 8:00 am-Noon, 1:00-5:00 pm

*Fr. Albert takes appointments outside
office hours. Please call to schedule.

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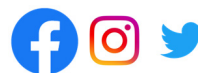
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Spiritual Life & Worship

Sanctuary Lights: August 20th

Church - Robert Landry

Chapel – Eric (Alison)/Loretta Mouret, M/M Charles Mouret, Sr., M/M Erwin Pirnie, Sr., Bub Pirnie



Please Pray For Our Beloved Dead

Wednesday Adoration & Benediction

We will have Exposition in the Church after the 12:05pm Mass until 6:30pm. Benediction will be at 6:20pm.



Men's Rosary

A group of men pray the rosary together in the chapel every Saturday at 6am. All men are encouraged to attend!

Calling for Lectors

We are looking to train more lectors for Mass. If you are able and willing, please contact the office or speak with Fr. Albert. Training will be provided.

Pray for our Military

Brett Amedee, Barry Clements, Matthew Gottschalk, Kenneth Lancon, Bernard LeBlanc, Jacob LeJeune, Lieutenant Colonel James S. Long, II, Ross Mata, Andrew Meyer, Alden Milar, Fernand Paul Muffoletto, Blake Prados, Michael Prados, Sherel Sinitiere, II, Travis Theriot; Jennifer Thibodeaux, Reece Vice

Sacraments

- **Baptisms** are celebrated as needed. Call the office to schedule a meeting with the pastor before selecting your godparents.
- **Weddings**, please contact us at least 7 months before your desired date. Visit the website www.stjohnjeanerette.org/getting-married-at-st-john to see the process.
- **Anointing of the Sick** is given by request to those who are "in danger of death." This can be from age, injury, or illness. Please don't wait until the last minute! Call as soon as you receive a serious diagnosis. For emergencies, call the office and press '1' when prompted.

Mass Intentions

Mon, August 21 12:05pm: Celestine Loston

Also remembered in prayer: Elodie Lege Bodin, Nelson Hebert, Sr.

Wed, August 23 12:05pm: Glen Pirnie

Also remembered in prayer: Robert Landry, Elsie Jumonville; Margaret Musso (BD); Castle Meyers (4th Ann), Mary Vincent; Judy Lapeyrouse

Thurs, August 24 7:00am: Johnnie LeBlanc

Also remembered in prayers: Robert Landry,

Fri, August 25 9:30am (Maison Teche): Linda Gonsoulin Babineaux

Also remembered in prayer: Steve/Chris Gauthier; Brooke Thibodeaux Moore

Sat, August 26 4:00 pm: Sr. Mary Magdalene & St. Mary Peter

Also remembered in prayer: Junius/Lauriel Legnon; Dianne/Kery Landry, Dean Derouen, Angeline "Jo" Simoneaux, M/M Bourque, Daniel Bourque, Curless Tabb, Nelson Guillotte, Richard/Laura Verret, Myrtle Prince; Rosalie Lejeune; Steven Blanchard, M/M Ted Moore, Cleveland, M/M Ulysse Landry, LJ, Netta Shirley, M/M John A Switzer; Joann Lejeune, Fred Russell, Craig Myers; Burke Larroque; Cynthia Schexnayder; Gerald/Jodie Landy; Nelson Hebert Jr, John/Henry Kipp; Kyleen Myers; Joe Harris, Eugenie/Antoine Migues, Freddie Migues, Mercedes M. Concienne.

Sun, August 27 9:00 am: Pro Populo (For the people of the parish)

Also remembered in prayer: Brent Breaux, Gordon/Titus Landry, Danny Bayard; Scott Lancon, Joyce May; Leona/Ben/Ory Savoie; Glen Pirnie; Neville/Mark/Keith Sonnier; Carol Gravois; Mark/Walter Robin; Lydia/Leroy Gary; John/Carolyn/Eddie Bacon, Leslie/Carol Dow, Frentz/Bacon/Dow Families; Judy Lapeyrouse; Eric (Allison)/Loretta Mouret, M/M Charles Mouret, Sr., M/M Erwin Pirnie, Sr., Bub Pirnie; Marvin "Ga"/Birtha/Perry Hebert, M/M Arthur Hebert, M/M Whitney Hebert; Marie/Warren Hebert; Dave/Irene/Richard Landry, Oden/Ester/Dora Warf; Robert Landry; Margie Lejeune; GWS (Baptism Ann); Calvin Bodin; Margaret Musso; Marie/Earl, Sr./Earl, Jr. Weber; Chance/Hunter/Bailey/Adolph, Jr. Thibodeaux, Brooke Thibodeaux Moore; Robert Landry.

Formation & Education

Pastor's Column

Thoughts and updates from Fr. Albert

Sacrosanctum Concilium III

Note: This is not the homily. That can be found on our website.



As we saw last week, the goal of the Vatican II's document on liturgy was to promote the "fully conscious, and active participation" of the laity in the liturgy. This is not a physical, external activity, but primarily an interior engagement with the mystery of the Mass. This participation does not require people to see and hear and understand everything that goes on, much less physically interact with everything. It starts with the choice to pay attention and is supported by greater education and training of the laity on just what the Mass is and how their prayerful attention is an important part of that Mass. Nonetheless, there are adjustments that can be made to the liturgy to assist with this goal. To accomplish this, the Church goes on to lay out its "general norms" for the reform of the Sacred Liturgy.

The first "norm" is a reminder that "the liturgy is made up of immutable elements divinely instituted." In other words, there are things that cannot and must not change because they come from God. There are also "elements subject to change," which not only *can* be changed but "ought to... if they have suffered from the intrusion of anything out of harmony with the inner nature of the liturgy." We all know that habits and traditions gradually change over time. People consciously or unconsciously add or change things when they do them for a long time. Sometimes we need to clear up the additions and correct the changes that shouldn't have happened. So, a major goal of this restoration is clarity so that texts and rituals "express more clearly the holy things which they signify."

This leads to the principle that only the Church - the Apostolic See (the pope) - has authority to regulate the liturgy. Some of this authority is also given to the local bishop, but no one can simply change the liturgy on their own. Sadly, this is routinely ignored by some priests and bishops around the world. When a priest or bishop does follow the guidance of the Church, they are often accused of being rigid or mean, but this is a misperception. The choice of some to change the liturgy on their own might make them more popular, but it does not make them a good minister. It's also unfair to their brother priests who do the correct thing because it makes them look mean by comparison and so makes it harder for them to do the right thing. Some priests are mean, but many more are simply being faithful and are unfairly compared to those who prefer to be popular than to be obedient.

Still, this document is coming from the Church and is legitimately calling for a reform. It is very clear, however, that any proposed changes should be carefully researched to make sure they are theologically, historically, and pastorally appropriate. Changes should not be made just for the sake of change but only if "the good of the Church genuinely and certainly requires them." Notice those two words: *genuinely* and *certainly*. Not guesses. Not theories. Not personal taste. There should be *certainly* about the benefit of a change. Before the changes, somewhere between 50 and 80% of all Catholics went to Mass each week. Now around 20% do. That makes many people wonder just how "genuine" and "certain" people were about the actual benefit of making some of the changes. As we'll see, some of the changes weren't actually made by the Church. People - including many priests and bishops - and made changes on their own. I'm not saying that reversing *everything* will make it. Truly, it's impossible to know all the exact causes involved, but it is fair to point out that disobedience and deception didn't help and that we still have significant room for improvement.

The next set of norms are based on this principle: "Liturgical services are not private functions, but are celebrations of the Church." This means that celebration of the liturgy ought to be public and involve the presence and appropriate participation of the laity whenever possible. It also means that each member of the Church should participate according to their proper role. The priest has his role and the laity have a *different* role. There are sub-categories, but the point is that these roles are not interchangeable. Each person who is performing some role should also be trained to do so in the way the Church asks. For example, priests should use the prayers as given and say them when and how they are supposed to be done. The laity should respond when and how the Church asks them to respond. As celebrations of the whole Church, the liturgy should reflect the complementarity and differences of the different roles we play in the Church, not confuse and mix them up in the name of "equality." We are equal in dignity as children of God, but that does not make us the same.



Weekly Bible Study
We have three options for bible study every week in the Parish Hall: 6pm Monday, 6pm Tuesday or 9:30am & 1:30pm Thursday. Feel free to drop in

Free Online Faith Formation

You can study the faith on your own at home using Formed.org. Just click "I belong to a parish or organization" and use our zip code to register for free.



National Eucharistic Revival!

Check out EucharisticRevival.org to learn more about the ongoing effort to renew devotion in our country.



There is an **app available for both iPhone and Android.**

Search "Eucharistic Revival" in the app store to find it.



Catechism Classes Begin Sept 10th!

Our first class will be after 9am Mass for the whole family and will include an orientation.

Please register on the parish website.

stjohnjeanerette.org/religious-education.html

All children entering 8th grade or higher should register for Confirmation.

Community Life



Join the Knights!

If you would like to join the KC's please call the office. Next Meeting Wed, Sept. 13



Catholic Daughters

If you would like to join the Catholic Daughters, please call the office. Next Meeting Mon, Sept 11

A new Called and Gifted small group begins Monday evenings at 6pm, September 11th through October 2nd in the Church Office Conference room. Please register by calling the Church Office or visit our Website



Pictures of Parish Life

If you have any pictures from parish events in the past few years, please send high quality versions of them to the office. We are looking to incorporate more images into our Pictorial Directory, which we began working on last year. You can send them to stjohnnev@stjohnjeanerette.org.

If you didn't get the chance to have your picture taken for the directory, please contact the office. We can either get copies of your personal pictures or set up a chance to take them.

Outreach & Evangelization

Food Pantry



This month, the pantry is accepting donations of Water

Poor Box

Poor box funds are used primarily to help elderly residents in the Jeanerette area. Thank you for your generosity!



Aftercare Program

Our aftercare program provides a safe, faith-filled, and fun place for children in Pre-K through 6th Grade to be after school. We provide tutoring, faith lessons, a snack, and games to the kids who attend.



Thank you to those who have helped make it possible!

We are seeking additional volunteers. **Even as little as 2 hours 1x/week is a big help.** Call the office if you're willing to help.

Stewardship: *Managing God's Gifts to Us*

If you give WEEKLY to the church

Income Level			Percentage of giving for each income level												
Weekly Income	Monthly Income	Annual Income	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	12%	15%	
\$200	\$867	\$10,400	\$2	\$4	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20	\$24	\$30	
\$300	\$1,300	\$15,600	\$3	\$6	\$9	\$12	\$15	\$18	\$21	\$24	\$27	\$30	\$36	\$45	
\$400	\$1,733	\$20,800	\$4	\$8	\$12	\$16	\$20	\$24	\$28	\$32	\$36	\$40	\$48	\$60	
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\$600	\$2,600	\$31,200	\$6	\$12	\$18	\$24	\$30	\$36	\$42	\$48	\$54	\$60	\$72	\$90	
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Collections: August 12/13

General Collection: \$ 3967.00

BSA: \$ 486.00

Tithe.ly: \$ 531.18

Second Collections

Aug. 6th Maintenance Fund

Aug. 13th Bishop Service Appeal

August 15th: Religious Ed

Aug. 20th Summer Utilities

Aug. 27th Insurance Fund

You can give online!

Visit stjohnjeanerette.org/online-giving to sign up. You can also find information on the website about using an app to give via your smart phone.

For Sale in Parish Office

Case of Candles—————42.00

Individual Candles—————4.00

Holy Water Bottles—————1.00



Job Openings:

Maintenance: part time care of grounds and facilities

