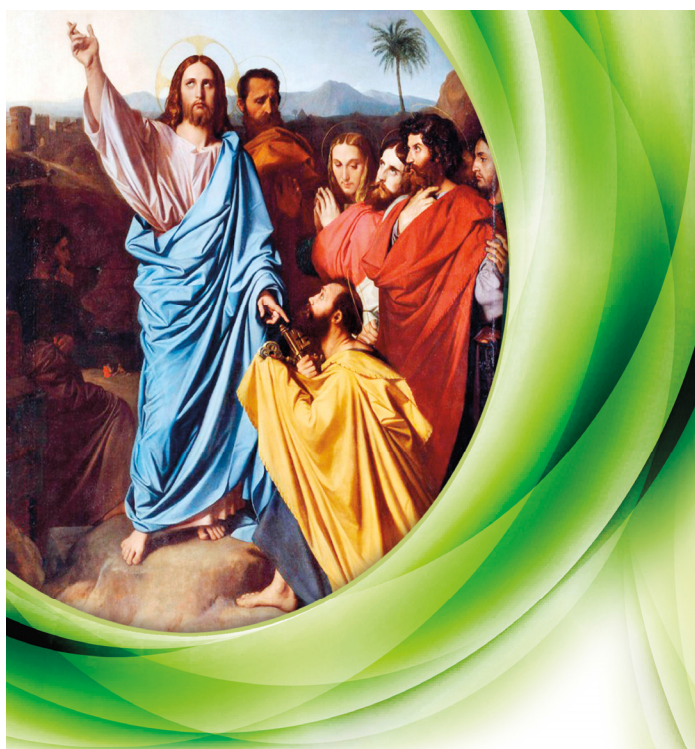




August 27, 2023

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church,  
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."

Matthew 16:18

Jesus Returning the Keys to St. Peter by Jean Auguste Dominique Ingres, 1820  
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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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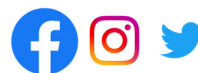
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# Spiritual Life & Worship

## Sanctuary Lights: August 27th

Church - Robert Landry (BD 8/28)

Chapel – Marvin “Ga”/Birtha/Perry Hebert, M/M Arthur Hebert, M/M Whitney



## Please Pray For Our Beloved Dead

Mr. Louis Broussard

## 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](http://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 28 12:05pm: Robert Landry (BD)

Also remembered in prayer:

### Wed, August 30 12:05pm: Adolph/Elizabeth Larroque (Her Ann)

Also remembered in prayer: Robert Landry, Judy Lapeyrouse; Glen Pirnie

### Thurs, August 31 7:00am: Johnnie LeBlanc

Also remembered in prayers: Robert Landry, Marie/Warren Hebert

### Fri, Sept. 1 9:30am (Maison Teche): Steve/Chris Gauthier

Also remembered in prayer: Brooke Thibodeaux Moore

### 1st Friday Sept. 1 12:05 (Church): Claire Garcia

Also remembered in prayer: Lawrence Arton (Ann), Charles Pitre, Jr. (BD)

### 1st Saturday Sept. 2 8:30am: Sr. Mary Magdalene & St. Mary Peter

Also remembered in prayer: James Oden Warf (BD)

### Sat, Sept 2 4:00 pm: Robert Landry

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; Joann Lejeune, Fred Russell, Craig Myers; Gerald/Jodie Landy; Dave/Irene/Richard Landry, Oden/Ester/Dora Warf; Bouy, Bodin, Chastant, King, Landry Pepper Families; Irvin Guillotte; Claude/Emerite Hebert; Winnie/Janet Landry; Eric (Allison)/Loretta Mouret, M/M Charles Mouret, Sr., M/M Erwin Pirnie, Sr., Bub Pirnie

### Sun, Sept. 3 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; ; Marvin “Ga”/Birtha/Perry Hebert, M/M Arthur Hebert, M/M Whitney Hebert; Marie/Warren Hebert; Robert Landry; Margie Lejeune; ACS (Baptism Ann); Calvin Bodin; Margaret Musso; Robert Landry; Elsie Jumonville; Evelyn/Taylor Lancon, Juliet/Joe Pugh, Sr.

# Formation & Education

## Pastor's Column

Thoughts and updates from Fr. Albert

## Sacrosanctum Concilium IV

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



Last week, we had just begun to look at the norms the council put forward for reforming the liturgy. We were reminded of the different roles priest, ministers, and people play in the liturgy. As part of the overriding concern for fostering “actual participation” by the laity, the document notes that “the people should be encouraged to take part by means of acclamations, responses, psalmody, antiphons, and songs, as well as by actions, gestures, and bodily attitudes. And at the proper times all should observe a reverent silence.” For the most part, this aspect was well-followed, though in many places there still isn’t enough emphasis on reverent silence. Remember that the “participation” we want is primarily an interior, prayerful attention so silence is essential to this. For our part, we should strive to resist the temptation to impatience or distraction whenever there is silence. The silence is on purpose and we are meant to make the mental effort of using that silence to reflect, meditate, contemplate, and pray.

As a public act of the *Church for the worship of God above all*. So, the bishops of Vatican II state that “no special honors are to be paid in the liturgy to any private persons or classes of persons, whether in the ceremonies or by external display.” There are specific rules in place for honoring civil officials and there are certain liturgies - like funerals and weddings - which do have a more personal emphasis, but outside of those cases, we shouldn’t turn the Mass into an awards show or a popularity contest. We are there to worship God and even weddings and funerals are not about those people directly, but about bringing those people *to God*.

The liturgy does also offer education and formation to the people of God. Because of this, the council asked for some revisions to help the people learn from and engage in the liturgy. This included simplifying overly complicated rituals and making the connection between certain words and gestures more obvious. They called for more scripture to be used in the liturgy. They emphasized the importance of the homily and called for priests and ministers to educate the laity on the liturgy. They also called for more widespread use of liturgies other than the Mass: word services, vigils, and things like that. I’ll note here that much of this instruction was followed. We do hear significantly more from the bible in our readings that before and many of the rituals are simpler, but still beautiful if done correctly.

Now we come to one of the more infamous changes: Latin. When you ask about Vatican II, most people will tell you that that’s when the Church decided to stop using Latin in Mass. That’s simply not true. This document says explicitly that “the use of the Latin language is to be preserved in the Latin rites.” It *does* say that “use of the mother tongue” (aka “vernacular”) may have “the limits of its use extended.” They explicitly mention the readings, chants, and *some* of the prayers as potential things to be translated into the local language. This is immediately followed by a reminder that any translations have to be made by legitimate authority (the Bishops of that country) and approved by the Holy See (The Pope). In many cases, this process was not followed and translations circulated without approval. This is one of the things that got out of hand very quickly. By the time authorities caught up, basically everyone was using vernacular (English for us) for *everything* and the Latin was completely gone. All of the translations were eventually approved and allowed in part because it wasn’t practical to back everything up. So, the current version of the Mass is legitimate, but the Church still wants some Latin to continue. This is why I and many other priests and bishops have made efforts to use at least some of the Latin versions of certain parts of the Mass. Latin is our heritage and the Church never intended for it to disappear entirely. Just as Cajun culture is closely tied to the French language, so Catholic culture is tied to the Latin language.

Speaking of culture, the Church *does* want to honor what is good in every culture. We are united but also diverse. “The Church has no wish to impose a rigid uniformity” in everything. So, the Council Fathers asked that “provisions be made... for legitimate variations and adaptations... *provided that the substantial unity of the Roman rite is preserved.*” Again, those adaptations are to be done by a legitimate authority. Again, there were and are still many who acted without that authority. In some cases, this has led to serious abuse and division which violate the “substantial unity” the Church is asking for. This unfortunately leads to all sorts of pain and division when faithful priests and bishops try to correct abuses. The work for a proper balance between unity and diversity is ongoing and we should pray for humility and faith for all involved.





### 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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			
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\$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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\$2,000	\$8,667	\$104,000	\$20	\$40	\$60	\$80	\$100	\$120	\$140	\$160	\$180	\$200	\$240	\$300			

## For Sale in Parish Office

Case of Candles—————42.00  
Individual Candles—————4.00  
Holy Water Bottles—————1.00

## Collections: August 14/15 & 19/20

14/15 General Collection: \$ 1396.12

14/15 Religious Ed: \$ 390.00

19/20 General: \$3998.37

19/20 Summer Utilities: \$1301.00

Tithe.ly: \$ 428.36

## Second Collections

Aug. 27th Insurance Fund

Sept. 3rd Maintenance

Sept. 10th Catholic University

Sept. 17th Religious Ed

Sept. 24th Ins. Fund

## You can give online!

Visit [stjohnjeanerette.org/online-giving](http://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.



## Job Openings:

Maintenance: part time care of grounds and facilities

