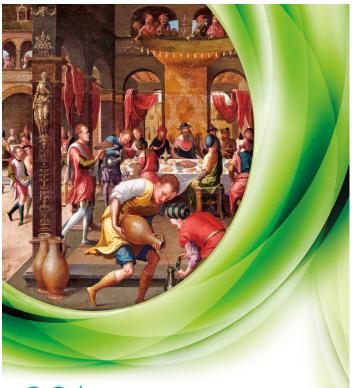


October 15, 2023 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



28th Sunday

"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

Matthew 22:14

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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Spiritual Life & Worship

Sanctuary Lights: October 8th

Church - Zack Freeman Chapel — Mrs. Gert Naquin



Please Pray For Our Beloved Dead Mary Gathier

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!

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, October 16 12:05pm: M/M Maurice Silverman

Also remembered in prayer: Craig Myers (BD), Zack Freeman

Wed, October 18: No Mass

Also remembered in prayer:

Thurs, October 19: No Mass

Also remembered in prayers:

Fri, October 20 9:30am (Maison Teche): Steve/ Chris Gauthier

Also remembered in prayer: Glen Pirnie; Johnnie LeBlanc; Special Intention (In honor of St. Joseph)

<u>Sat, October 21 4:00 pm:</u> Sr. Mary Magdalene & Sister 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; Gerald/Jodie Landy; Steven Blanchard, M/M Ted Moore, M/M TJ Moore & Cleveland, M/M Ulysse Landry, M/M Johny A Switzer; Joann Lejeune, Fred Russell, Craig Myers; Barbara Brignac; Rita Arton (Ann.); Joe Harris, Eugenie/Antoine Migues, Freddie Migues, Mercedes M. Concienne

Sun, October 22 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; Mark/Walter Robin; Judy
Lapeyrouse; Marvin "Ga"/Bertha/Perry Hebert, M/
M Arthur Hebert, M/M Whitney Hebert; Robert
Landry; Dave/Irene/Richard Landry, Oden/Ester/
Dora Warf; Eric (Allison)/Loretta Mouret, M/M
Charles Mouret, Sr., M/M Erwin Pirnie, Sr., Bub
Pirnie; Russell Derise; Ronald/Irene Hebert, Hebert,
Landry Mekash, & Allain Families; Marie/Earl Sr./
Earl, Jr. Weber; Calvin Bodin; Carol Gravois; Lester
Aucoin (Ann.)

Formation & Education

Pastor's Column

The Light of the World

Thoughts and updates from Fr. Albert

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



Up next in our journey through the **Second Vatican Council**, we have the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, **Lumen Gentium** ("Light of the Nations"), which was published on **November 21, 1964**. The first document we looked at was focused on the liturgy, but this document is focused on the Church itself, answering the question "What is the Church?" Of course, that answer does not change over time, but it is necessary to re-express or perhaps rephrase the meaning of the Church as the world around us changes and loses its understanding of it.

Right away, we get the title sentence: "Christ is the Light of nations." So, the Council - and the Church - strives to proclaim the Gospel to every creature and bring the light of Christ to all men. Then we get the first expression of a definition of the Church: "the Church is a sacrament... a sign and instrument both of a very closely knit union with God and of the unity of the whole human race." In other words, the Church both shows people what union with God is and causes that union to happen. That unity extends not just to God, but to other human beings.

After briefly rehearsing all of Salvation History - from Adam to Jesus Christ - we are given another definition of the Church: "the kingdom of Christ now present in mystery." This kingdom - the redemption and unity of humanity - is both expressed and brought about every time the Paschal Mystery is celebrated at the Altar: i.e. through the Mass and the Eucharist. The Church says very clearly "All men are called to this union with Christ." *All* are called to Eucharistic Communion. As we know, however, to *accept* that call requires faith and repentance. Simply receiving the Eucharist does not magically override the division caused by sin and unbelief, which is why we have always maintained certain requirements for receiving properly.

Accomplishing this authentic union is the work of the Church. Led by the Holy Spirit "in the way of all Truth," the Church receives "hierarchical and charismatic gifts." We are familiar with the hierarchical gifts - deacons, priests, bishops, the Pope, and all the practical structures and systems of the Church - but perhaps we are not so familiar with the charismatic gifts. Or, if we do know about the Charisms, we often associate them more with the individuals who have them than with the Church as a whole. But the truth is that every authentic Charism is an expression of the Holy Spirit's guidance of the Church. *Your charisms* are part of how God guides the Church in her mission of proclaiming the light of Christ to all nations. If you haven't already, I encourage you to take advantage of the Called and Gifted program to learn about your charisms and how to use them as part of the wider mission of the Church.

The document then goes through a bunch of metaphors that can help us understand what the Church is. The Church is the "sheepfold" and it is only through Jesus Christ, the true gate, that one can enter it. The Church is a vineyard or plot of land to be cultivated and God himself planted the vine of Israel. He then grafted on the Gentiles, making the Church the fulfillment of the Old Covenants which opens his plan of salvation to the whole world. The Church is the building of God, Jesus is the cornerstone, and God dwells within. This building is also built out of us as living stones which is then described also as "a bride made ready and adorned for her husband." The Church is a bride that is also called our mother and She is "nourished and cherished" by Christ who gave Himself up for Her. Finally, we are reminded that the Church is in exile on this earth and journeying toward our heavenly homeland.

Having listed those metaphors and more, the document zeros in especially on the image of the Church as the Body of Christ with each of us as parts of that body. This image in particular captures the diversity of the Church's members while at the same time stressing the greater unity just as different body parts all serve the same single living person. So, even though every person in the Church is unique, every single one of us is called to be "molded in the likeness" of Jesus Christ until "Christ be formed" in each of us. The council doesn't use this language, but you could say it's like DNA since our full DNA is in every cell despite the vast difference between different types of cells. Just as a healthy body is structured, so the structure of the Church is an essential part of what it is. Rather than being external add-ons, the role of Pope and Bishops as the ones who govern the Church is integral to the mission and function of the Church as the light of the world.

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

<u>Formed.org.</u> Just click "I belong to a parish or organization" and use our zip code to register for free.



National Eucharistic Revival!

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



There is an <u>app available for</u> both iPhone and Android.

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



Catechism Schedule

Meets after Sunday 9am Mass in the Parish Hall



Oct 18	(Wed @ 6) Family Night
Oct 22	1st Communion Confirmation - Formation
Oct 29	4-6pm Trunk or Treat!
<u>Nov 5</u>	Whole Family Class

stjohnjeanerette.org/religious-education.html

Community Life



Join the Knights!

If you would like to join the KC's please call the office. Next Meeting Wed, Oct 11



Catholic Daughters

If you would like to join the Catholic Daughters, please call the office. Next Meeting Mon, Oct 9th



Road to Purity

Men who want to have more self-control of their sexual behaviors are invited to join a confidential group called "Road to Purity." By learning about chastity, providing fraternal support, and offering accountability, road to purity has a proven track record of helping men to break bad sexual habits.

If you're interested, you can contact Josh St. Germain at 337-380-7222

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 <u>Pictorial Directory</u>, which we began working on last year. You can send them to <u>stjohnev@stjohnjeanerette.org</u>.



Outreach & Evangelization

Poor Box



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

Food Pantry

This month, the pantry is accepting donations of Water



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
\$500	\$2,167	\$26,000	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$45	\$50	\$60	\$75
\$600	\$2,600	\$31,200	\$6	\$12	\$18	\$24	\$30	\$36	\$42	\$48	\$54	\$60	\$72	\$90
\$700	\$3,033	\$36,400	\$7	\$14	\$21	\$28	\$35	\$42	\$49	\$56	\$63	\$70	\$84	\$105
\$800	\$3,467	\$41,600	\$8	\$16	\$24	\$32	\$40	\$48	\$56	\$64	\$72	\$80	\$96	\$120
\$1,000	\$4,333	\$52,000	\$10	\$20	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$120	\$150
\$1,200	\$5,200	\$62,400	\$12	\$24	\$36	\$48	\$60	\$72	\$84	\$96	\$108	\$120	\$144	\$180
\$1,400	\$6,067	\$72,800	\$14	\$28	\$42	\$56	\$70	\$84	\$98	\$112	\$126	\$140	\$168	\$210
\$1,600	\$6,933	\$83,200	\$16	\$32	\$48	\$64	\$80	\$96	\$112	\$128	\$144	\$160	\$192	\$240
\$1,800	\$7,800	\$93,600	\$18	\$36	\$54	\$72	\$90	\$108	\$126	\$144	\$162	\$180	\$216	\$270
\$2,000	\$8,667	\$104,000	\$20	\$40	\$60	\$80	\$100	\$120	\$140	\$160	\$180	\$200	\$240	\$300

Collections: Sept 30/Oct 1

General Collection: \$4425.98 Online: \$328.16 Religious Ed \$929.00

Second Collections

Oct. 15th BSA Oct. 22nd World Mission Sunday Oct. 29th Insurance Fund



For Sale in Parish Office

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

You can give online!

Visit <u>stjohnjeanerette.org/online-giving</u> 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