

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2017



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:00 AM Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 AM Frances Hunter

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

No Mass

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5:30 PM Rosary (Chapel)

6:00 PM Gerald Duplantis, Judy Guhman (Living)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:00 AM Shelby Harrell, Herman Kelone, Sr.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

5:00 PM

Eddy Chiasson Family, Jessie Dunn, Sr., Keith Dunn, Addis Meacham, Jr., Addis Meacham, Sr., Doris, Roy & Dwayne Comardelle, Kent J. Matherne, Dorothy Laque, Johnny Champagne, Sr., Roy Landry, Ivy, Dennis & Kevin Detillier, Daris Dasch, Ray Montet

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:30 AM People of St. John

10:30 AM

Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux, Hector E. Hock, Sr., Becky Flanagan, P. J. Hock, Patricia Hock, Catherine Hock, Ellis & Elma Griffin & Family, Wilfred & Lydia Lirette, Patricia Picard, Joseph Lochbaum, Kerry Rivet, Huey Rivet, Gerald Duplanits, Judy Guhman (Living)

Sanctuary Lamp

In memory of:



Kerry Rivet, Huey Rivet, Addis Meacham, Jr., Addis Meacham, Sr., Doris, Roy & Dwayne Comardelle, Hazel, Rudolph & David Melancon, Jaime, Jeannie & Dalmain Price, Alvin Dufrene, Sr.

Pray for the Sick

Ian Alexander, Lisa Barlow, Carol Bourgeois, Murphy Cortez, Elsie Danos, Mary Duhe, Priscilla Dufrene, Judy Guhman, Earline King, Deanie Landry, Albert Laque, Ella Lirette, Garrett Lirette, Merrill Matherne, Albert Melancon, Brenda Naquin, Carl Sampey, Grant White



Weekly Offerings

September 3, 2017:\$2,296.00

Sacrament of Penance September 13th

Confessions will be available in all Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of New Orleans on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to invite the healing of Christ into your heart with his promise of forgiveness and reconciliation.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Not My Problem

Ever notice how people today like to ignore the evil in the world? People will witness a mugging and not bother to call the police. We see television stories of children starving in poor countries and say, "Not my problem." The readings for this Sunday challenge this attitude.

In the Gospel, Jesus' words teach us something about our duty to the sinner. First, he tells us that sin is our problem, and when we see it we need to take the initiative to stop it. Second, he tells us we need not feel alone in this duty. When the sinner refuses to listen, we bring in help. In fact, this command is meant for the whole church.

Third, he tells us to be persistent; don't give up on someone too easily.

So what about that line about treating the sinner who refuses to listen as a Gentile or tax collector? On the one hand, the sinner would be excluded from the church, excommunicated, if he doesn't repent. On the other hand, Jesus never rejected tax collectors (like Matthew himself, who wrote this Gospel) or Gentiles. He said he came to call sinners, to save them. He loves sinners. And that is the reason we are to confront them--not to punish them, but to love them. For God never forces a person to repent. God invites with love, especially the love Jesus showed by dying on the cross. May we all learn to fight evil with love!

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PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared from the loss of life and property during this hurricane season.



Prayers for the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office if someone is in need of prayer. Names will remain on the list for six weeks unless the office is notified. A request must be made by calling the church office. This request must be made by the individual or an immediate family member.

With humble hearts, St. John the Baptist joyfully proclaims the mercy of God.

**September 17th
Baptismal Seminar**

A baptismal seminar will be held on Sunday, September 17th at St. Anthony of Padua, Luling at 2:00 p.m. in the C.A. Building. This seminar is for first time parents and godparents.

**September 17th
Second Collection**

Next week, our second collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Fifty percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Family Day Dinners

In the past a few parishioners have made monetary donations to cover the cost of the Family Day Dinners. However due to increased cost and lower donations we are in need of more monetary assistance. The estimated cost is about \$2,000. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Family Day Dinners". Donations can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the Parish Office. Please make checks payable to St. John the Baptist Church.



**Family Day
September 17, 2017**

Family Day is a great day to come together with family and friends for a meal and an enjoyable afternoon.

Your support in selling raffle tickets will be greatly appreciated, remember this is St. John's major fundraiser. Please be sure to pick up your Raffle Tickets in church. When you are finished selling the tickets you may place the tickets into the basket on the table, the collection basket or return them to the parish office.

All donated raffle prizes need to be brought in to the parish office by **September 14th**.

Family Day Dinners will be served beginning at 12:00 noon. You may dine in or take out. **MENU: Baked Chicken or Pork Loin** with rice dressing, green peas, potato salad and bread for \$10.00 each. Desserts and drinks will be available for purchase. **RAFFLE PRIZES** will be pulled between 1:30-2:00 p.m.

School of Religion

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Class Times

Elementary—5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
High School—6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

CCD Schedule

September 10th—Teacher
Commissioning 10:30 a.m. mass
September 11th—Class
September 18th—Class
September 25th—Class
October 2nd—Class
October 9th—**Holiday-Fall Break**
October 16th—Class—
Safe Environment Class
October 23rd—Class
October 30th—Class

**CCD Teachers & Helpers
Safe Environment Training**

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Luling will hold an Safe Environment Training on Thursday, **September 14th at 7:15 p.m.** in the Community Activities Building.

Every 3 years the Archdiocese requires everyone who is in contact with the youth of our parish attend a Safe Environment training class. You do not have to pre-register.

Ministry Schedule—September 16th & 17th, 2017

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Julia DuRousseau	BETTY MEACHAM, Mary Picou	Eric Matherne VOLUNTEER	Lysin Gourgues
Sunday 8:30 AM	Clarence Savoie	Janice Dufrene, Brad Landeche	Kerwin Matherne VOLUNTEER	Kirk Matherne
Sunday 10:30 AM	Jenelle Harrell	Audrey Matherne, Arlene Taranto, Jenelle Harrell	Seth & Nicole Veillon	Macy Oertling Avery Oertling