

*October 21, 2018*  
 TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

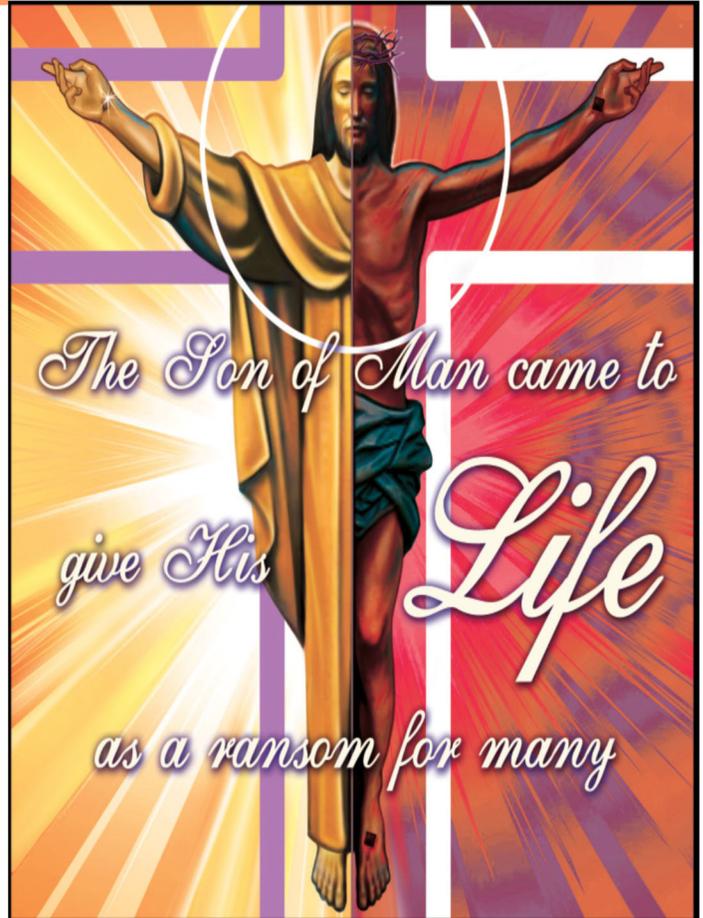
**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**  
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**Immaculate Conception , Morse**  
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**TOO MUCH INFORMATION!**

There is a common expression: “Too much information!” We usually use it when people tell us details about their lives that we don’t want or need to know. Today, when James and John ask Jesus a simple question, making their request for places of honor in the kingdom, a simple answer might have been in order. Instead, as he often does, Jesus answers a question with a question; today it’s about drinking the cup of suffering. Then, once the others are indignant over James and John’s outrageous request, he proceeds to give them what may have been “too much information” for followers who were simply interested in the pursuit of glory. But this information, though it can sometimes seem “too much” for us, is essential for our lives as disciples. In Isaiah, in Hebrews, and in Mark today, we learn this information. It is in suffering, in weakness, in self-giving service to others, that we come to understand the kingdom. It is the information we need to find our place and come to be honored in the reign of God.

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**Pastoral Staff**

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**Office Hours (Morse):**

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00 am – 2:00 pm  
 Friday: Closed

**Office Number:** 337-783-2968  
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In case of emergency, in need of a priest, please dial  
**Answering Service:** 337-572-4144

**Mass Schedule**

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass.

	<u>Midland</u>	<u>Lyons Point</u>
Tuesday:		5:30 p.m.
Wednesday:		6:30 a.m.
Thursday:		5:30 p.m.
Friday:		6:30 a.m.
Saturday:		4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.

**Safe Environment Training:** [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org)  
**Website:** [www.icc-sjtb.org](http://www.icc-sjtb.org)

***Mass Intentions***  
***Mass Schedule for***  
***October 22nd thru October 28th***

**Tuesday, October 23rd, Lyons Point: 5:30 p.m.:** For the conversion of fallen away Catholics

**Wednesday, October 24th, Lyons Point: 6:30 a.m.:** For the conversion of fallen away Catholics

**Thursday, October 25th, Lyons Point: 5:30 p.m.:** For the conversion of fallen away Catholics, Tina Terro

**Friday, October 26th, Lyons Point: 6:30 a.m.:** For the conversion of fallen away Catholics

**Saturday, October 27th, Lyons Point: 4:00 p.m.:** Donner Duhon, Lily Carlson, Alvin Breaux, Wanda Miller, Hilliard E. LeLeux, Lola LeBoeuf

**Sunday, October 28th, Lyons Point: 8:30 a.m.:** Sadie LeLeux (BD), Nelis & Domatile Richard, Darryl "Beasy" Doucet

**Sunday, October 29th, Midland: 10:30 a.m.:** Rhonda Woods, All Holy Souls in purgatory, Dominique & Betty Woods, John & Lisa Woods, Alex Broussard

**Sanctuary Candle:**

Midland:  
L.P.:

**The Woods Family**

The Sanctuary Candle is \$12.00 and burns for 2 weeks. Please contact the office (783-2968) for more information.

**FIRST TUESDAY YOUTH NIGHT**

**Sunday, November 6, 2018**

The 1st Tuesday of every month we will celebrate 5:30 pm Mass together at St. John the Baptist. Following Mass we will meet in the Lyons Point Church Hall to share a meal. Spaghetti, pizza, gumbo, and crawfish etouffe' are just a few examples of our menus. Bring a friend—all high school aged youth (9th –12th grade) are invited. For more information or to see how you can get involved, please call Mrs. Rechelle Broussard at 458-1551.



Intention Envelopes are at the back of Church and must be received in the church office **at least 2 weeks in advance of the date to be printed in the bulletin.** Each intention or name is \$5.00 and should be paid at the time of recording. You may include the money in the collection but please put it in a Mass Intention Envelope and include dates & times masses are to be said as well as your name and phone number in case we need to speak to you.

**Collection Totals**

	<u>Morse</u>	<u>Lyons Point</u>
10/07	\$1285.00	\$1892.00
Bldg. Fund	\$199.00	\$419.00

**Our Lady of Fatima Statue**

**To be picked up at Mass on October 27th & 28th**

Mrs. Douglas Stutes 10:30 am (**Midland**)  
Clayton & Geretta Domingue 5:30 pm (**Lyons Point**)

### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

As election campaigns move into high gear, sometimes the phrase “the Catholic vote” is heard. It’s an interesting concept, since Catholics started out in this country as a very fragile group: fewer than forty thousand of us at the time of the first census in 1790, and only about 2 percent of the population by 1830. It was a priestless church for all intents and purposes, lay-led clusters of Catholics waiting patiently for the occasional visit of a priest, sustained by gathering when they could on Sunday for devotional prayer like litanies and the rosary. They tried to hold on to their ancestral faith as best they could. Archbishop Jean-Louis Cheverus told one family in Maine to “every day say your prayers on your knees with affection, and every Sunday gather to hear the Gospel, to pray in common, and to quiz the children on the catechism.”

Inevitably, some became Protestant, but many more stayed Catholic from generation to generation, with very little encouragement or sacramental ministry from the clergy. Archbishop John Carroll, the first American bishop, tried to make Church law flexible: shortening the length of the fast before Communion, easing the Lenten fast, and even relaxing the rule of Sabbath rest at harvest time. Catholicism in England had been quietly sustained in this way for two centuries, and the first American Catholics carried on as had their ancestors, providing a fertile soil for the unprecedented success and phenomenal growth of the Church in our country.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

If you desire to receive Holy Communion and are unable to process to the communion stations, please sit in the pews marked reserved for handicapped. We aim to ensure that everyone desiring to receive the Eucharist is able to do so. We kindly ask all parishioners to respect these pews designated for this purpose and we apologize for any inconvenience.

### **Thanksgiving Food Baskets**

The church parishes will once again join in with Fire District 5 to collect canned goods and dry goods for food baskets to be donated to elderly families this Thanksgiving Holiday. Collection boxes are labeled and are located at the entrance of the churches.

### **Mass Schedule for All Saints’ Day Thursday, November 1, 2018**

St. Aloysius Chapel Midland	6:30 a.m.
St. John the Baptist Lyons Point	6:00 p.m.

### **St. John the Baptist Cemetery Dues**

Cemetery Dues are \$10.00 per year for each tomb or plot and are now being accepted. Please make checks payable to SJTB Cemetery and mail to P.O. Box 297, Morse, LA 70559. Include the plot name and plot number in the memo of the check. Call the office 337-783-2968 for more information.

### **St. John the Baptist Bazaar**

**Sunday, November 11, 2018**

**9:30 am to 4:00 pm.**

Anyone wishing to help with the Bazaar is invited. We are asking for volunteers and monetary donations. Please join us in praying for the success of our annual bazaar.

Please contact anyone on the list below if you are able to help:

Shelton LeLeux (info) 783-5477

Geretta Domingue (bingo) 783-1151

Rechelle Broussard (raffle) 785-8675

Shelley Istre (sweets) 783-8584

Johnny Simon (auction) 783-8454

Marcey Broussard (t-shirts) 581-4336

T-shirts are on sale now (\$15 adult/\$12 child)

### **CEMETERY BLESSING SCHEDULE**

Hanks Cemetery will be blessed on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

St. John the Baptist Cemetery will be blessed on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Abshire Cemetery will be blessed on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

LeBlanc Cemetery will be blessed on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.

Istre Cemetery will be blessed on Sunday, November 4, 2018 @ 12:00 p.m.

Quebodeaux Cemetery will be blessed on Sunday, November 4, 2018 @ 1:00 p.m.

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