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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Jules

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules Tuesday, 6:30 am - Sisters' Chapel Friday, 7:40 am - Sisters' Chapel Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - Sisters' Chapel **CONFESSIONS**:

Saturday, 3:00 to 3:50 pm - St Elizabeth Monday, 5:00-5:45 pm - St. Jules By Appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Couples must contact the parish office concerning pre-marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Expectant parents should contact the parish office for information and preparation requirements.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls are made immediately. Families are asked to notify the parish office concerning parishioners who are seriously ill.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Families should contact the parish office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

OFFICE HOURS:

8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri Closed Wed and 12:00-1:00 pm daily www.sesjchurch.com

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June 24, 2018

The Nativity of St John the Baptist

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

At least once or twice during the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, we have a special feast that replaces the Sunday Liturgy like this weekend. Every year on the June 24th, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist. One of the resources I have read notes that this one of the old festivals of the Christian Church with Church documents noting that it was being celebrated in 506 A.D. While in the homily this weekend I will share more on why this feast day is so important, I would like to provide a wonderful quote on the importance of this day from St. Augustine:

"Apart from the most holy solemnity commemorating our Savior's birth, the Church keeps the birthday of no other person except that of John the Baptist. [The feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin had not yet been introduced.] In the case of other saints or of God's chosen ones, the Church, as you know, solemnizes the day on which they were reborn to everlasting beatitude after ending the trials of this life and gloriously triumphing over the world.

"For all these the final day of their lives, the day on which they completed their earthly service is honored. But for John the day of his birth, the day on which he began this mortal life is likewise sacred. The reason for this is, of course, that the Lord willed to announce to men His own coming through the Baptist, lest if He appeared suddenly, they would fail to recognize Him. John represented the Old Covenant and the Law. Therefore he preceded the Redeemer, even as the Law preceded and heralded the new dispensation of grace."

This is one of the great feast days of the Church that help us to understand more fully scripture, the lives of the saints, their role in salvation history, and how our understanding of their significance continues of its importance continues to grow in the life of the Church. It also shows that feast days celebrate at a weekday Mass can be just as important as a Sunday Mass.

On a final note for this bulletin article, please offer a prayer for myself and Jesse for the coming week. I will be out this week helping to lead a retreat for our couples in the Houston area. I will be back in time for the weekend Masses. Jesse will be out for the next week and half for a retreat with the Vocations Director and few other seminarians. While we are gone, please know of our prayers for all of you as well.

Through the Alliance of the Two Hearts,

Fr. Matthew

STEWARDSHIP REPORT June 16/17, 2018

St. Elizabeth St. Jules

Offertory \$1,925.00 \$2,493.25

Special Collections \$195.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Paul Daigle, Jr., Dean Sciambra, Toni Sciambra Marchese, Joan "Pookie" Rome, Susan Landry, Angela Ragusa, Robert Brower, Philip Patureau, Michael Peairs, Branden Fitch, Tami Dozier, Allen Daigle, Harvey Giroir, Erica Charlet and Baby, Jeff LeBlanc

PRAYER INTENTIONS

A common feature of our weekly bulletin is our Prayer List. Please call the office or email office@sesjchurch.com with your request to add names to the list or to remove them in the future. We have begun a new policy to remove the names on the list for 2 months. Also, please let us know if you have had a prayer request answered.

PARISH WEBSITE

Don't forget to visit our parish website at **www.sesjchurch.com**. Updated regularly, it's a great way to keep up with parish schedules, programs & activities, daily scripture, articles from the National Catholic Register, videos from Fr. Robert Barron, and much, much more. Add us to your favorites!

ST. JULES CEMETERY

There are burial plots as well as mausoleum vaults available for purchase in the St. Jules Cemetery.

If you would like to purchase a plot, please call the parish office at (225) 473-8569.

If you would like to purchase a mausoleum vault, please contact Keith Melerine (985) 860-2001 or (877) 336-3132.



Community Meeting at St Jules Hall

There will be a Community Meeting on June 25th at the St Jules Hall behind the church. Meeting will start at 6:30 pm. Please join Sheriff Leland Falcon and staff to voice your opinion and help improve our community.

Homebound Ministry

Our Church parish is blessed to have a homebound ministry to visit our parishioners who are sick or who are unable to leave their homes. The prayers of our parishioners who are sick and homebound are so powerful and needed by our Church.

The Homebound Ministry is in need of rosary groups to visit our sick and homebound.

For more information or to arrange a homebound visit please contact Linda Aucoin at (985) 369-9762.



"People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them." Luke 18:15

We would like to recognize Blake and Elyse who was baptized on June 10, 2018, Patrick who was baptized on June 16, 2018 and Mia who was baptized on June 17, 2018.

"You are sealed by the holy spirit in baptism and marked as Christ's own forever."

Peter's Pence



Pope Francis has called each of us to be a witness of charity. He encourages us to "open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help!"

The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy See and its works of charity to those in need. Your generosity allows the Pope to respond to our suffering brothers and sisters.

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.

The USCCB National Collections Committee oversees the promotion of the Peter's Pence Collection.

The Peter's Pence Collection has raised nearly \$190 million to support our suffering brothers and sisters around the globe. **Thank you** for standing in solidarity with the Holy See through your generosity. Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are facing adversity.

SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY		
DATE	TIME	READERS	COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTANS
6/30/18		Mark Dubreuil	Stanley & Alice	Jacob & Megan	Marian Landry
St. Jules	4:00 PM	Vicky LeBlanc	Sternfels	LeBlanc	Elenora LeBlanc
				Aidan, Anderson &	
7/01/18		Robin Landry	Ivy Landry	Austin Paine	Robin Guillot, Peggy
St. Jules	8:30 AM	Tommy Joffrion	Marian Landry		& Samantha Frey
				Brennan	
				Simoneaux,	
			Janelle Simoneaux,	Braden Pujol,	
7/01/18	10:45	Erica Charlet	Chris Mattingly, Sister	Madison &	
St. Elizabeth	AM	Nick Charlet	Vandana	Isabella George	Sister Vandana

ADORATION

St. Elizabeth: Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Sisters'

Chape

St. Jules: Every Monday, 4:45 PM (followed by Mass)

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

St. Elizabeth: Alma and Paul Daigle, Sr.

St. Jules: For the People

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 24, 2018

Life can remind us of life-eternal; Death can remind us of death-eternal. Each day we must choose to live or die physically or spiritually. What we do daily either builds us up or tears us down. Priests and religious are unique proclaimers of eternal life. If you feel God is calling you to be one, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, framerrick@gmail.com, or visit, www.diobr.org/vocations.



Save the Date!

The St. Elizabeth Church Harvest Festival has been set for Sunday September 23, 2018. Committees are already organizing for all the favorite activities and booths at the fair. So please think about volunteering, making a donation of homemade items or even a monetary donation to help with the auctions or other activities.

Together we can make the Harvest Festival our best ever!

Also, we are asking for donations of old Christmas ornaments for a big surprise. If you have any to donate, please call *Mona Woods at* 985-513-2666.







MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 23

4:00 PM - *St Jules* - Rachel Margeret and Kent Morris, Beatrice and Luke Giroir, Albertine Giroir and Family, Herman and Nelia Cedotal, Alma and Paul Daigle, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Albert Aucoin, Catherine Berthelot, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Daigle, Philip and Eva Simoneaux and Family, George Waguespack, Felix Baker and Vivian Simoneaux and Family, Bill Caballero, Myrtle Callegan Guillot, Boomy and Phil LeBlanc

Sunday, June 24

8:30 AM - St Jules - For the People

10:45 AM - *St Elizabeth* - John S. Rogers, Edward and Edna Alleman, Pete and "Petey" Simoneaux, Michael Cire

Monday, June 25

6:00 PM - *St. Jules* - *No Mass* - Intention has been moved to the following Monday.

Tuesday, June 26

6:30 AM - St. Elizabeth - No Mass

Friday, June 29

7:40 AM - St. Elizabeth - No Mass

Saturday, June 30

4:00 PM - *St Jules* - Alma and Paul Daigle, Sr., Elwood Albarado, Jr., Bill Caballero, Paul Cancienne, Catherine Berthelot, Frances Hidalgo

Sunday, July 1

8:30 AM - *St Jules* - Raymond and Doris Blanchard, Rose M. Malarcher, Myrtle Callegan Guillot, Lorraine Talbot

10:45 AM - St Elizabeth - For the People

