

## O. T. V SUNDAY

# Sunday bulletin- February 5, 2017

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Sunday school classes (CRE) and Youth program begin at 8-45 am. Please be regular in sending your children for these programs.

Second Collection today will be for the "Building Maintenance Fund."

Financial Statements: Parishioners annual financial statements are completed and on the table in the church hall. Please take your statement for your taxes.

Parish and Finance Councils will meet on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 and 7:30 pm respectively.

Catholic Charities: Please continue to turn in your contribution to Catholic Charities with the envelopes received from the Archdiocese/Parish.

Special thanks to St. John's: Pat Marchand and family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and food during Louise's illness and death. We appreciate all the support and we are very grateful to the Ladies Sodality for generously preparing and providing the meal for the family after her funeral.

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is hosting an afternoon of fun and friendship for all ladies of the community. **This Sunday, February 5th, at 1 pm** in the Church Hall we will be playing Bunco. This is a non-gambling game played with dice. It is very easy to learn and we will teach you if you do not know how to play. The afternoon will begin with lunch and in addition to playing Bunco, it will include a silent auction and door prizes for only \$15. Reservations are required. Please call Carol at 262 902-4709 or email cavoss99@gmail.com for questions and to make reservations. If parish members have card tables we can borrow for this event, please bring to the church hall and be sure your name is on it. Or call Carol and we will pick it up. Thank you!

Valentine Sweetheart luncheon: The Golden Group will be hosting a Valentine Sweetheart luncheon, next Sunday, February 12th after the 10:00 Mass, for all the young at heart over 50. There is a reservation signup sheet located in the church hall, for all those who would like join in the food, fun and fellowship. We look forward to a "sweet time" together.

Golden Jubilee invitations: Parishioner invitations to the celebration of Father Tony's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a priest are on the glass table in the church hall. Please pickup your invitation so that you may come and help us to make this a very special, happy and holy day for Father Tony.

**Don't give up chocolate for Lent:** Join Dynamic Catholic for your "Best Lent" ever. A free email program designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. Sign up at [BestLentEver.com](http://BestLentEver.com) and experience something life changing.

**Prayer for speedy healing requested:** Your fervent prayers are requested for the healing of Joe Penton, Micky Porier, Tiffany Fonteot, Terry Roberts, Gennie Garrett, Bill Dixon, Tom Thornton, Ron Cauley, Mark Voss, Willie Thompson, Virginia Gable, Joe Gable, Louis Poiroux, Andrea Graham and Richard Boswell.



**Birthdays this week:** Feb 4<sup>th</sup>: Shirley Poiroux, Rebecca Murray, 5<sup>th</sup>: Mary Oliver, 6<sup>th</sup>: Ivey Scott, Dallas Baggett, 9<sup>th</sup>: Daniel Dezauche, Jay Graham, 10<sup>th</sup>: Nicholas Switzer **Known Wedding Anniversaries this week:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Ruth & Paul Pigorsch



**Feb 4-10**

4<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased members of the parish

5<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the intentions of all members of the parish

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of deceased relatives/friends of Mildred Smith & family

8<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of the soul of Louise Marchand by Nina Bohl & Frank Church

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of deceased relatives/friends of Ida & Charlie Clark

**Weekly Tithing: Jan 29: 3028-00**

**Volunteers**

**ALTAR CARE- FEBRUARY**

**Wesey Dixon & Maria Switzer**

**CHURCH CLEANING - FEBRUARY 11**

## Videos of the week:

**Bishop Barron's online videos:** <https://www.wordonfire.org/resources/video/>

**BISHOP BARRON ON SATELLITES AND PRAYING TO THE SAINTS:** <https://youtu.be/GWDJRnvnIBY>

**Fun videos:** Winter in Montreal, Canada: <https://youtu.be/jOcYhjIcxW4>

Einstein the famous talking African parrot: <https://youtu.be/7rfGEtALHYs>



Please take your responsibility seriously. If you are interested in serving as an Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister, and Lector or as an Usher, please let Fr. Tony or the Office know of your willingness to serve. We especially need Usher/Greeters for the Saturday Mass.

### Extraordinary Minister Schedule for February 11 & 12, 2017

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u> <u>(Green Cincture)</u>	<u>EMCH</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Saturday Feb. 11, 2017	James Graham Loren Price	Kathie Sema Steve Sema, Jr.	Colleen Gray Ann Jackson	Wayne Jackson, Paul Pigorsch Eugene Poiroux, AL Hurd

5:00 pm				
Sunday Feb. 12, 2017 10:00 am	Jonathan Oliver Ty Teofilo Landon Teofilo	Daryl Kirchoff John McBride	Michelle Cook Autumn Bowden	Mike Courtney, Avis Garrett Reggie Stewart, Mike Marchand



**Remember the sick brothers and sisters in**

**your prayers:**



Joe Whitson, Joe Penton, Tiffany Fontenot, Tom Thornton, Terry Roberts, Mary Thornton, Gennie Garret, Ida Clarke, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Terry Roberts, Bruce Dyess, Nancy Burden, Joe Gable, Vicenta Obsenares, Rachel Vallas, Amanda Young, Richard Boswell, Willie Thompson, Sister Stephanie Sema, Mark Voss, Rick Joseph, Ernest Johnson, Virginia Gable, Isabel Rel, Victoria Porter, Betty Cauley, Jonathan Cruz, Carol Sevier, Richard Boswell, Gennie Garret, Becky Thompson, Bob Echement, Pat Bourne, Deacon Jim Bullock, Lilly Breaux, John Stein, Billy Dixon, James Wink, Sarah Thornton, Mike Wilson, Johnnie Tate, Carol Tate, Roger Young, Mickey Poirier, Leyah White, Joe Smith, Brennan Griffin, , James Cauley, Susas Halliday, Peggy Hock, Coraif Brasell, Addie Thompson, Carolyn Willard, Wendi Guidry, Gabby DeGeer, Dana Ferrell, Nonie Crow Reed, Charlee May Knowles, Linda Graham, James Albritton, Gloria White, Kayla Perry, Victoria Fontenot, Tiffany Fontenot.

**Pray for the deceased dear ones of the parish:** Pray for the eternal  
**repose of the deceased members of the parish:** Carolyn Bidlingmaer,



Kenny Kirchoff, Voncille Hulcher, Mary Nicholas Rambo, Paul Delmas, Cody Driskell, Evelyn Robison, Jean Mitchell, Veretta Tulos, Jim Kimble, Lynn Poirier, Phillip Marchand, Sue Kirchoff, Mary Sanders, Margaret Jackson, Catherine Schnadelbach, Darlene Alexander, Patrick Marchand, Steve Sema, Sr., Mary Marchand and Sis Marchand. **Close relatives of our parishioners:** Judy Courtney, Regina La Force, Ronnie Moran. Russell Gray, Gerald John Brannan, Emilee Voss, **Former pastors:** Rev. Monsignor Hugh Maguire and Fr. Strejeski. **Other priests and deacons and Sisters:** Rev. Msg. Joseph Jennings, Rev. Andrew J. Stauter, Rev. Walter Menig, Rev. William Gorman, Deacon John Cretaro, Deacon Holscomb Pryor, Deacon Marvin Johns, Sr. Maria Bernarda Kadavil and other deceased relatives and friends. **Pray for our former parishioners serving in the Armed Forces:** Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey, Khaila Graham, and Athena Ladnier who undergoing training in the U. S. Navy.

**Pro-life Mass at St. Mary's Home:** Please join us for Mass at St. Mary's Home, 4350 Moffett Road, Mobile, AL 36618, at 10 am every Friday, beginning Friday, September 25th, to pray for our pro-life activities, to pray for our children at St. Mary's Home, and to pray in thanksgiving for St. Mary's Home in our Mobile Archdiocese. After Mass, approximately at 11am, at the abortion mill, Planned Parenthood, 717 Downtowner Loop West, the Holy Rosary will be prayed together for an end to abortion and for the increased awareness of the dignity of every human life. For more info: Mae and Chris Rehm, 251-554-2032. The Holy Rosary is also prayed together at Planned Parenthood on Saturdays at 9am for an end to abortion and for the increased awareness of the dignity of every human life. Please join us.



**To schedule a meeting or event using parish facilities** you must check the calendar or contact the office to be sure the date and room is available. You must have approval from the office for any scheduled events.

**Items for Soldiers' needs:** Please don't forget to bring items for soldiers' needs: Shaving cream, disposable razors, solid deodorant, bars of soap/body wash, anti-bacteria cleaner, shampoo, tooth paste, dental floss, personal handy-wipes, personal hygiene items for women, foot powder, insect repellent, flea collars (they put them around their ankles), chopstick, athlete's foot powder/spray, sun block lotion, sun shades, protective safety dust masks, socks, sweat headbands, batteries (AAA, AA, C), DVD movies, cards, writing tablets, paper, pens, envelopes, reading materials, snacks: cookies, gum, crest, life-savers, mints, pudding, crackers, sardines, chicken, tuna, salmon, jerky, peppermints, kool-aid, gatorade, tea/coffee. Put items in the designated box in the Parish Hall



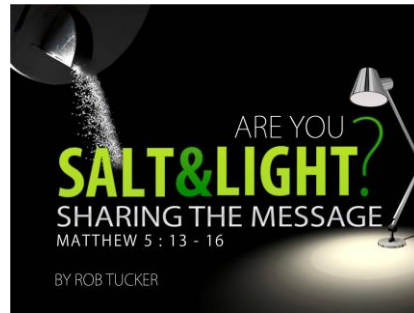
**Help us to keep flowers at the altar:** The slotted wooden box on the glass table in the Parish Hall will receive donations for flowers. If you wish to give flowers for a specific remembrance or thanksgiving, there is a sign-up flower chart on the wall to the left of the front doors.



**Bishop Barron's Sunday homily for O. T. V Sunday**

<https://www.wordonfire.org/resources/homily/the-responsibility-of-christians-during-troubled-times/1025/>

**Fr. William Grimm's homily:** <https://youtu.be/E529Nmv52ac>



**Synopsis: OT V [A] Sunday (Feb 5) Homily on Mt 5:13-16:**

**Introduction:** The common theme of today's three readings is our mission to the world as salt and light.

**Scripture lessons:** In our first reading, the Lord God through His prophet Isaiah gives us examples of how we are to allow the light of God to shine through us. "Share your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own. Then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday" (58:7, 10). St. Paul, in the second reading, tells us that our proclamation of Faith will carry the Spirit and His power when we rely on the power and wisdom of God. Using two simple metaphors of salt and light in today's Gospel, Jesus outlines the role of Christians in this

world. As a symbol of purity, salt was the common ingredient in sacrifices offered to God by Jews and pagans. In the ancient world, salt was the commonest of all preservatives, used to prevent the putrefaction of meat, fish and fruits in pickles. Salt lends flavor to food items and was used to season and preserve food. A light is something which is meant to be seen. A lamp or light is a guide to make clear the way. A light serves also as a warning (e.g., red traffic lights which tell us to halt when there is danger ahead. Finally, light, particularly the sun's, gives warmth and heat.

**Life messages:** 1) We need to be the salt of the earth: **a)** As the salt of the earth, the Christian must be an example of purity in speech, in conduct, and even in thought. **b)** As the salt of the earth, the Christian must have a certain antiseptic influence on life and society, defeating corruption, fighting against injustice and making it easier for others to avoid sin. **c)** As salt preserves foods, we have to preserve the religious Faith, Christian cultural values and moral principles, which Jesus has given us, and we need to work at reconciling the quarreling factions in families and communities. As the salt of the earth, we also have to add flavor to the lives of desperate people through outreach programs, to give meaning to the lives of people and boost their morale, to offer them occasions to help others, and finally to give hope where there is no hope.

2) We need to be the light of the world: The second role of Christians is to receive the light of Christ and radiate it to people all around us in the form of love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness and humble service. With a little bit of Christ's Light, we become a veritable lighthouse, illuminating the way for many and removing the darkness caused by

hatred, spite and jealousy. We radiate Christ, the Light of the world, by our kindness and respect for others with different ethnic backgrounds, different lifestyles, other faiths or no faith at all.

**Question of the week: Who are Mormons?** Mormonism is a Protestant sect started by Joseph Smith. Most Mormons are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church), while a minority is members of other independent churches. The center of Mormon cultural influence is in Utah. But the majority of Mormons live outside the United States. They dedicate large amounts of time and resources to serving in their church, and many young Mormons choose to serve a full time proselytizing mission. Mormons have a health code that bans alcoholic beverage, tobacco, coffee, tea, and other addictive substances. They tend to be very family-oriented, and have strong connections across generations and with extended family. Mormons have a strict law of chastity, requiring abstention from sexual relations outside of marriage and strict fidelity within marriage. Mormons believe in the Bible, in the Book of Mormon and a collection of revelations and writings by Joseph Smith known as the Doctrine and Covenants and Pearl of Great Price. They believe that all people are spirit-children of God. Mormons believe that returning to God requires following the example of Jesus Christ, as well as accepting his atonement through specific ordinances such as baptism. They believe that their church is guided by living prophets and apostles. Central to Mormon faith is the belief that God speaks to his children and answers their prayers. The Mormon Church has admitted for the first time that its founder, Joseph Smith, took multiple wives. In an essay published on its website, <https://www.lds.org/topics/plural-marriage-in-kirtland-and-nauvoo?lang=eng> the church said "careful estimates" put

the number at between 30 and 40, including a 14-year-old and others who were already married. The Mormon church banned polygamy in 1890, and now excommunicates anyone who practices it.

Pope Francis tweets: “Let us never forget to pray for each another. Prayer is our greatest strength. Consecrated life is a great gift of God: a gift of God to the Church, a gift of God to His People. God wants us all to see one another as brothers and to live as such, forming a great human family that is harmonious in its diversity. Let us imitate the attitude of Jesus toward the sick: he takes care of everyone, He shares their suffering and opens their hearts to hope. God wants us all to see one another as brothers and to live as such, forming a great human family that is harmonious in its diversity. Let us imitate the attitude of Jesus toward the sick: he takes care of everyone, He shares their suffering and opens their hearts to hope. Nothing is impossible if we turn to God in prayer. We can all be builders of peace. Today I want to remember in my heart all the victims of the Holocaust. May their sufferings and their tears never be forgotten. Hope lets new life blossom, like a plant that grows from the seed fallen on the earth. I love to repeat that Christian unity is achieved by walking together, by encounter, prayer and preaching the Gospel. Let us offer the men and women of our time stories marked by the logic of the “good news” “Be not afraid, for I am with you”. Let us communicate hope and trust in our time! The unity of love is realized when we announce together the wonders God has done for us. With St Dominic “we go forward with joy, thinking of our Savior”. Christian unity is not the fruit of our human efforts but a gift that comes from above. We invoke Christian unity because we invoke Christ. We want

to live unity: we want to follow Christ and to live in His love. As we end this year, let us remember the days, weeks and months we have lived in order to give thanks and offer everything to the Lord. Holy Family of Nazareth, help us all to recognize the sacred nature of the family and its beauty in God's plan for humanity. Let us be touched by the tenderness that saves. Let us draw close to God who draws close to us. Let us pause to gaze upon the crib. Christmas has above all a taste of hope because, for all the darkness in our lives, God's light shines forth.

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: <http://stjohngrandbay.org/> for [Sunday Homilies, 187](#) -

[Questions & Answers and 56 - Faith Formation Lessons](#), introduction to all Bible books.



As parishioners at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, we are committed to **know Christ better and make Him better known.**

To k-n-o-w, we are **committed to**

**Keep connected to our parish community**

**Nurture the development of faith and knowledge of Christ**

**Offer to share the Holy Spirit's gifts of time, talent and treasure**

**Worship through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments**

In carrying out this mission, we will demonstrate the love that we have for God, by the community we create with each other and our response to the needs of our neighbor.



**Parish prayer:** Almighty Father, the Body of Christ, the Church, is made up of people who believe in your Son, Jesus Christ, and saved through His suffering, death and resurrection. Enable us to grow in faith, hope, love and service that we may build a welcoming, friendly faith community. A community that witnesses your Son's life and mission after the life example of Mary, the Mother of God, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



**to St. John's with open hearts, open minds and open doors.**

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Grand Bay celebrates God's presence, grows in God's grace, welcomes all people and reaches out with God's love. We try to be to be a vibrant community of faith where all people feel they belong.

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your past or present religious situation, No matter your personal history, age, background, race, etc., No matter what your own self-image or esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Grand Bay!

We come together as a parish family to draw our life from the Eucharist and other sacraments.

As believers, we participate fully, consciously and actively in the liturgy of the Church and seek to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and action.



We commit ourselves to worship, education, stewardship and service as we extend our hand to others in need and to those who wish to join the church.

By the grace of God, after the example of Jesus Christ, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate ourselves to accomplish our mission within and beyond our community.



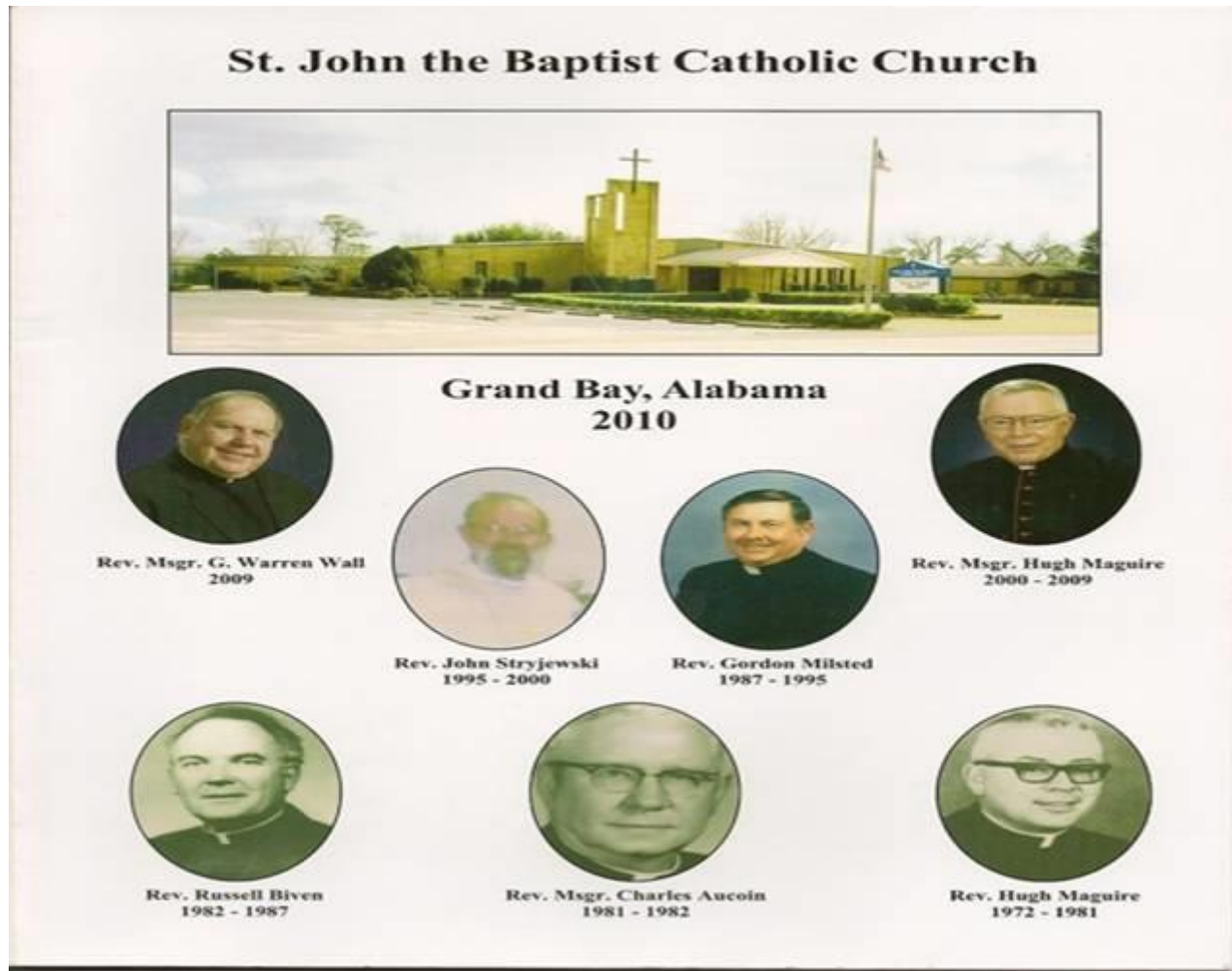
*The New Church blessed and consecrated by Bishop May on June 18, 1972*



Consecration of the first St. John the Baptist Catholic church in Grand Bay on November 16, 1924

By Bishop Allen

Photos of the great pastors who guided the destiny of our parish  
*are given below*



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Sunday homilies, Sunday bulletin, 56 Adult Faith Formation Lessons & introduction to all books of the Bible and 188 Question & Answer of the Week.