

# Sunday bulletin- June 12, 2016

## Ordinary Time XI Sunday

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Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 27 thru July 1, 2016. Registration for VBS begins today and runs through June 26<sup>th</sup>. The classes are from 9-12. Registration Forms are on the glass table. Please fill one out for your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, neighbor or just a friend and turn them in to Autumn Bowden or Tiffany Teofilo no later than June 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Tiffany Teofilo at 251-583-8381. Our parishioners are requested to save their paper towel cardboard rolls for a Vacation Bible School craft work.

Congratulations to our new high school graduates: Mary Catherine Ladnier, Christina Kirchoff, and Malary Rodi.



**Special thanks to Mr. John Brannan son of our parishioner Mrs. Mary Brannan, for fixing our flag post in front of the church and for safely transferring the statue of Blessed Mother to its new pedestal using his heavy equipment.**



**Special thanks** to Trey Roberts and his grandmother Carol Roberts for making the Memorial Day memorable by decorating the front of the church with flags. **Second Collection** next Sunday is for the Seminarians.

**Special prayers requested** for the speedy recovery of Virginia Gable, Joe Penton, Louise Poiroux, Terry Roberts, Genie Garret and Richard Boswell who had surgeries and are recovering. The brother of Msgr. Kenneth Klepac, Mr. James Klepac, died on Thursday morning, June 9. Please keep the Klepac Family in your prayers.

**Baby Shower** sponsored by the Golden group will continue through June 19<sup>th</sup> for the "2B" foundation. 2B provides items of need for expecting mothers which allows them to provide for that new life that God has placed in this world.



**The Knights of Columbus Council 15490** will meet on Monday night, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30.



**The Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C** will hold its' monthly meeting on Monday night, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30.

*K&C Food Drive to help "Christ-N-Us" ministry:* Knights of Columbus Council #15490 of St. John's has received a request and agreed to support the "Christ-N-Us" ministry, located at the corner Potter Tract and Sager Rd. They house and feed up to twelve souls each night and they are in need to any food donations we can provide. Please donate items which can be cooked and served and show appreciation for the blessings that God has given you by helping to feed the hungry.



### Birthdays this week:

**June: 11<sup>th</sup>:** Shawn Bourgeois, Lee Ann Taylor: **14<sup>th</sup>:** Isabella Meares:  
**15<sup>th</sup>:** Betty Pierce: **16<sup>th</sup>:** Bryce Baggett, John McBride, Paul Pigorsch:  
**17<sup>th</sup>:** Timothy Ray: **Wedding Anniversaries:** **15<sup>th</sup>:** Caroline & Tim Moser.

### Holy Mass intentions of the week: June 11-17

The 11<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased parish members

The 12<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the Parish Community

The 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15, 16 and 17<sup>th</sup>: ----- For the eternal repose of the soul of Steve Sema, Sr. by Deborah Sema

**Deacon Billy Graham will be out of the office from Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> returning on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.**



Special thanks to Jack Wright and Jimmy Holland for cutting the grass in the 13 acres of our church campus last week. More volunteers are needed for cutting grass and trimming the church garden.



**Stewardship for June 5, 2016: Regular: \$2100. 00, Building fund: 262-00**

### Volunteers

ALTAR CARE- JUNE

**Ruth Pigorsch**

**CHURCH CLEANING - JUNE 18**

**Shirley Rasmussen & Melissa Kerns**



### Extraordinary Minister Schedule for June 18 & 19, 2016

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>
<u>Saturday</u> Jun 18, 2016  5:00 pm	<u>Saturday</u> Jun 18, 2016  5:00 pm	<u>Saturday</u> Jun 18, 2016  5:00 pm	<u>Saturday</u> Jun 18, 2016  5:00 pm	<u>Saturday</u> Jun 18, 2016  5:00 pm
<u>Sunday</u> Jun 19, 2016  10:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Jun 19, 2016  10:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Jun 19, 2016  10:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Jun 19, 2016  10:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Jun 19, 2016  10:00 am

**Absentees:** If you are scheduled to serve at Mass and find that you cannot serve, it is NECESSARY that you arrange for a substitute. 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.



**Remember the sick brothers and sisters in**

**your prayers:**



Joe Penton, Terry Roberts, Louise Poiroux, Richard Boswell, Gennie Garret, Rick Joseph, Deacon Ernest Johnson, Ruth Riddick, Joe Gable, Virginia Gable, Betty Cauley, Jonathan Cruz, Maurice DuPont, Carol Sevier, Gwen Roderick, Becky Thompson, Bob Echement, Dumas McLaney, Pat Bourne, Deacon Jim Bullock, Lilly Breaux, John Stein, Billy Dixon, James Wink, Kyle Austin Ely, Sarah Thornton, Mike Wilson, Johnnie Tate, Carol Tate, Roger Young, Mickey Poirier, Leyah White, Karen White, Virginia Gable, Joby Smith, Brennan Griffin, Andrew Sprinkle, , Mary Helen Allen, Mike Middleton, James Cauley, Susas Halliday, Peggy Hock, Carla Felps Kyser, Tina Rascoe, Mary Thornton, Coraif Brasell, Addie Thompson; Carolyn Willard, Judy Courtney, Wendi Guidry, Gabby DeGeer, Dana Ferrell, Nonie Crow Reed, Charlee May Knowles, Nina Bohl, Fritz Porter, Linda Graham, Michelle Cook, James Albritton, Gloria White, Joe Smith, , Kayla Perry, Victoria Fontenot, Tiffany Fontenot, Frances Bosarge, Mary Lou Ledford, Gavin Middleton, Laurie Middleton, Jerry Wayne Davis, Amanda, Ida Clark, Joyce Rudberg, Jennifer Patronas, Connie Stringfellow, Josh Ellis, Beth Gibson, Father Russell Biven, Cheryl Humphrey Thompson, Jay Stallone, Emma Barber, Ali Ray, Caryn Sutoff, Gerald Brannan, Hanner Gassaway, Rylyn Kuntz, Joe Ecker, Clair Waite, Avery Collier, Julia Raleigh, Steven Butler, Sarah Butler, Chris Sassano, Tammy Asch, Delaine Pigorsch, Joel Rivera,



Alice Bedwell, Susan Taylor, Wayne Seymour, Miss Pink Pridgen, Kim Pridgen, Clyde Shores, Glen Haab, Haley Holder, Lakeshia Johnson, Gary Sherman, Elizabeth Schmidt, John Atchison, Johnny Hill, Jared Hoken, Diana Abrams, Hinleigh Hall, Ryan Keith Malone, Dave Matern, Andrew Taylor, Diane Watts, Daniel Dorriety, Harrand Broussard, Katie Nielsen, Richard Arnold, Louis Poiroux, Homer Campbell, Jimmy Marchand, Arlene Wissman, Sally Thompson, Peggie Huber, Dale Thompson, Jane Thompson, Andy Thompson, Callie Massey, Angela Heardon, Rita George, Edgar Broussard, Robert Broussard, Jerry Blair, Michael Stairs, Amanda Illingsworth, Ray Bribsey, Dorothy Barnes.

*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.

**Jubilee Year of Mercy:** Pope Francis chose to inaugurate the Jubilee Year of Mercy in December because December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 marked the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of Vatican II. That council, Pope Francis reminds us, inaugurated a new phase in the Church's history. Pope Francis quotes Saint John XXIII in declaring the Church's preference for "the medicine of mercy," and Blessed Paul VI in proposing the Good Samaritan as our model for discipleship. Pope Francis adds that God's mercy is "the beating heart of the Gospel," and that mercy "must penetrate the heart and mind" of every disciple (MV, 12).

**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 25<sup>th</sup>, 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



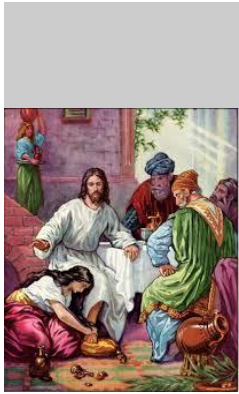
**Help us to keep flowers at the altar:** The slotted wooden box on the glass table in the Parish Hall will receive donations for flowers. If you wish to give flowers for a specific remembrance or thanksgiving, there is a sign-up flower chart on the wall to the left of the front doors.



**Video homily by Fr. Bill Grimm:**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=XaTv7Io77qU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=XaTv7Io77qU)

**O. T. XI Sunday (June 12) on (II Sm 12:7-10, 13; Gal 2:16, 19-21; Lk 7:36 -- 8: 3)**



**Synopsis of OT XI Sunday homily (June 12) on Luke 7: 36-8: 3 (L/16)**

Introduction: Today's readings give us an invitation to repent, do penance and renew our lives instead of carrying the heavy baggage of our sins. Our God is a God Who always tries, not to punish, but to rehabilitate sinners, so that we may be made whole, and experience inner peace and harmony. Today's liturgy celebrates the fact of God's forgiveness.

Scripture lessons: In the first reading, David's sincere repentance for his sins of adultery, murder, and deceit is met by God's gracious and loving pardon. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 51), has been regarded as David's prayer of repentance. It includes an acknowledgment that the injustice done against another is a sin against God Himself: "*having sinned against none other than You.*" St. Paul, in the second reading, reminds us that it is by Faith in Jesus that we are saved. He says that it is the realization that Christ died for us and lives in us that should bring us to true repentance, leading to renewed life in Christ. Paul suggests that the experience of forgiveness is made available to all sinners through the saving cross of Jesus. Presenting the true conversion and repentance of a public sinner, today's Gospel

invites us to real repentance. Jesus challenges us through this Gospel episode to have a forgiving attitude to our neighbor and a deep awareness of our own personal need for God's forgiveness.

Life messages: # 1: We need to accept the mercy of God: We are challenged to accept or reject the mercy of God. We often share Simon's mentality, displaying an attitude of lovelessness and harshness. Let us remember that Simon's self-sufficiency prevented him from acknowledging his need for the grace of God. Do we invite Jesus into our lives in the hope of gaining prestige? Or do we love him because he is the one and only Savior who has died for our sins?

# 2: We need to be grateful to our forgiving God: As the repentant sinner showed her gratitude to Jesus by anointing his feet with tears and precious ointment, we too should show gratitude to God for unconditionally and repeatedly pardoning our sins. This is possible only if we try our best to keep the promises we make in our act of contrition in confession "*to sin no more, and to avoid the near occasions of sin.*" Our sincere attempts to avoid the occasions of sin will be proof of our sincere repentance and the expression of our gratitude to the merciful God who has forgiven our sins.

# 3: We need to cultivate a forgiving attitude towards our neighbor: Although it is not easy, we must learn to forgive those who hurt us if we want to be able to receive the daily forgiveness we need from a merciful God. We start forgiving when we try our best to patch up quarrels, misunderstandings and disagreements and pray sincerely for the well-being of our offenders.

(Visit our parish website: <http://stjohngrandbay.org/> for the full text of the homily).

**What Christians should know about Islam and Muslims:** There are 1.5 billion Christians (1 billion Catholics) and 1.2 billion Muslims in the world who profess the religion Islam. The Fundamentalist Muslims do not represent the millions of God fearing and peace loving Muslims. Unlike Christians, who believe that Jesus was the Son of God who became man to save mankind, Muslims believe that Jesus was only one of the great prophets like Adam, Abraham, Moses, David, Solomon and Mohammed (570-632). For a Muslim, the Holy Book Quran is God's Word revealed by God to Mohammed through the angel Gabriel. Mohammed, born in Mecca of Saudi Arabia in 570 A.D. became a merchant, traveling as far as Yemen and Syria with his uncle. He had a lot of exposure to the faith of the Jews and Christians. When Mohammad was 40 years old, he experienced a profoundly life-changing mystical experience. The Muslims believe that Mohammad received a series of revelations during his mystic trance, over a period of 23 years. The Quran, as revealed to Mohammad and recited by him to his followers, was later copied and finally got printed. It is received by Muslims as the Word of God. It contains 114 chapters, or *suras*, which cover a range of topics from reverence for Allah to practical ways of living. Islam has only lay leadership and no priests. Such religious leaders who teach Islam and lead prayers are called imams. Mosques are centers of worship, as well as of learning and study of the Quran. Islam rests on five pillars. The first of Islam's five pillars is the ultimate profession of their faith: "*There is no god but Allah, and Mohammad is the prophet of Allah.*" This statement is repeated at least five times each day by the *muezzin* in the minaret of every mosque around the world as an invitation to prayer. The second pillar, prayer is carried out five times a day: at dawn, noon,

mid-afternoon, sunset, and after the fall of darkness or at bedtime. The third pillar of Islam, almsgiving involves a serious redistribution of wealth by giving 2.5 percent of their wealth to the poor. The fourth pillar of Islam is the fast that takes place during the holy month of Ramadan. All Muslims all over the world during Ramadan are called on to fast from sunrise to sunset for 30 days, unless they are sick or on a journey. The fifth pillar of Islam is a pilgrimage to Mecca by all who can afford. It bonds a community of believers. There are two fractions among the Muslims: those who followed Mohammad's son-in-law Ali (known as Shiites) and those who follow another leader (a branch of Islam that became known as Sunni).



**The Pope's Intentions for June, 2016: Universal: Human Solidarity:** That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find—even within the huge cities of the world—opportunities for encounter and solidarity. **Evangelization: Seminarians and Novices:** That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

### **Pope Francis' prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy:**

Pope Francis has composed a special prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy which will run from 8 December 2015 to 20 November 2016. In the prayer, the Holy Father entreats the Lord to make the Jubilee of Mercy a year of grace so that the Church, "with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind."

**Below, we publish the text of Pope Francis' prayer:** Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!" You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.





**Pope Francis tweets:** “The tenderness of God is present in the lives of all those who attend the sick and understand their needs, with eyes full of love. We need to recognize the fundamental values of our common humanity, values in the name of which we can and must cooperate. We need to discover the gifts of each person: may communities transmit their own values and be open to the experiences of others. Jesus gives himself to us in the Eucharist, offering himself as spiritual food that sustains our life. Mary is an icon of how the Church must offer forgiveness to those who seek it. With the weapons of love, God has defeated selfishness and death. His son Jesus is the door of mercy wide open to all. To communicate with mercy means to help create a healthy, free and fraternal closeness among the children of God. If our hearts and actions are inspired by charity, by divine love, then our communication will be touched by God’s own power. What we say and how we say it, our every word and gesture, ought to express God’s compassion, tenderness and forgiveness for all. Dear Religious: wake up the world! Be witnesses to a different way of thinking, acting and living! Love, by its nature, is communication; it leads to openness and sharing. Christ is our greatest joy; he is always at our side and will never let us down. The Lord consoles us. We are all called to comfort our brothers and sisters, to testify that God alone can eliminate the causes of tragedies May the challenges in the ecumenical journey encourage us to know each other better, pray together and unite in works of charity. Dear Young Friends, your names are written in heaven in the merciful heart of the Father. Be brave and go against the tide! A true ecological approach knows how to safeguard the environment and justice, hearing the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

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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.

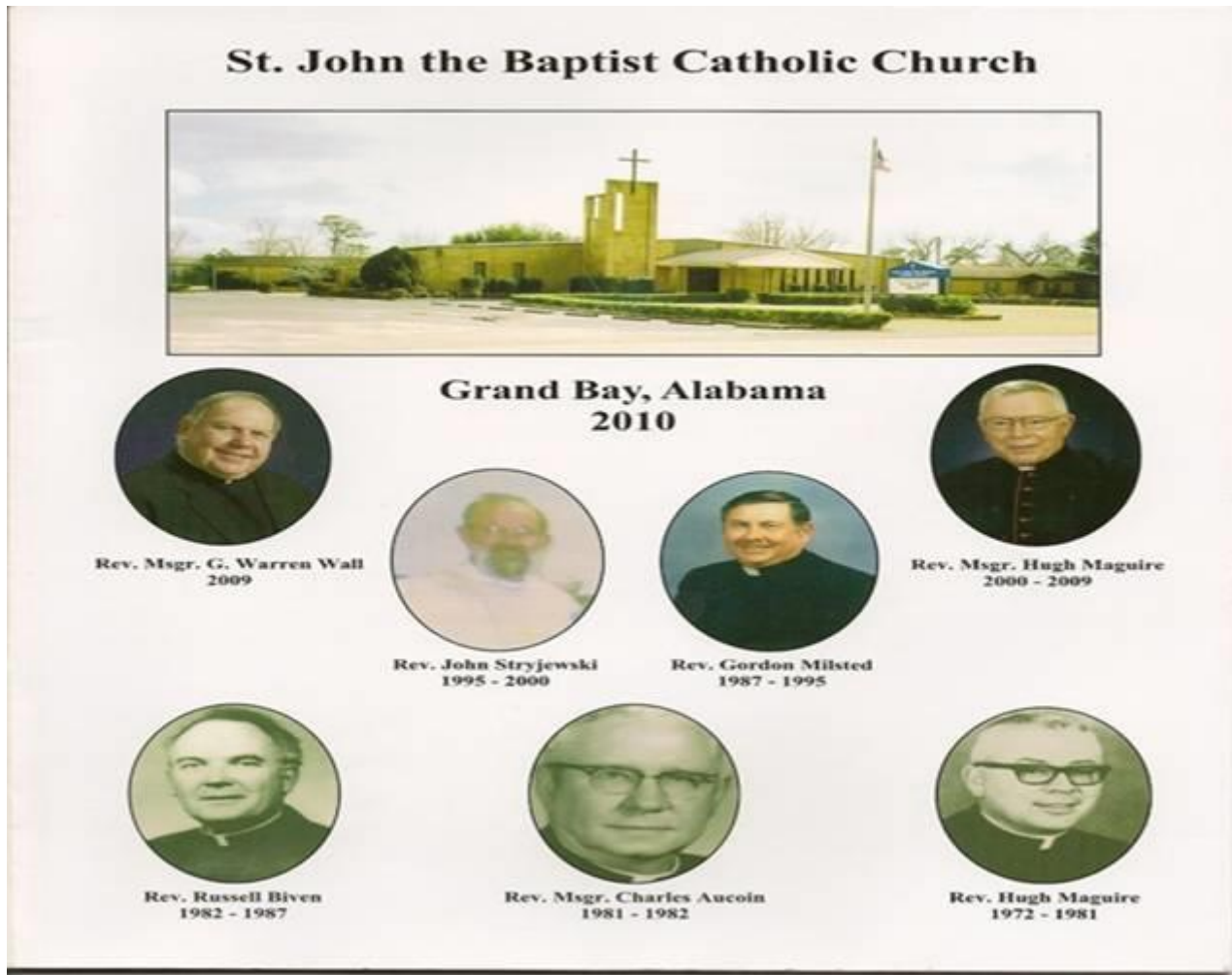
As believers we participate fully, consciously and actively in the liturgy of the Church and seek to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and action.

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.



*Photos of the great pastors who guided the destiny of our parish*



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