

Sunday bulletin- June 5, 2016

Ordinary Time X 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 26th. 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 26th. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Tiffany Teofilo at 251-583-8381



College graduates: Dylan Day, Lauren Schaffer, Drew Sprinkle

(Pictures of our three high school graduates are not available)

Congratulations to our new graduates: Drew Sprinkle, Dilan Day and Lauren Shaffer, graduated from college and Christina Kirchoff, Mary Catherine Ladnier and Malary Rodi graduated from high school. Hearty congratulations, and continued prayers. Special thanks to the Ladies Sodality for organizing a grand reception for our new graduates last Sunday.

Special prayers requested for the speedy recovery of Joe Penton, Louise Poiroux, Terry Roberts, Genie Garret and Richard Boswell who had surgeries and are recovering.

Baby Shower sponsored by the Goden group will continue through June 19th 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.

Our Savior Parish welcomes Jon Stemkoski's "Celebrant Singers", a fresh and dynamic Christian singing group from California, featuring ten singers with a twelve-piece orchestra, who will minister through music, song and testimony on Thursday, June 30th. All seats are free and all are encouraged to attend this service.

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:
 4th: Marie Murray: 5th: Heather Grubbs, Caitlyn Kirchoff: 7th: Logan Dezauche: 8th:
 Jack Wright: 10th: Betty Cauley, Karen Day **Wedding Anniversaries:** 5th:
 Jackie & James Price: 8th: Ramona & Howell Murray: 10th: Jackie & Jason Poiroux:
Ordination Anniversary: 8th: Deacon Billy Graham

Holy Mass intentions of the week: June 4-June 10

The 4th: ----- For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased parish members

The 5th: ----- For the Parish Community

The 6th: ----- For the eternal repose of the souls of deceased relatives/friends of Debra & Matt Johnson

The 7th & 8th: ----- For the eternal repose of the soul of Russell Gray by Colleen & Sylvia Gray

The 9th & 10th: ----- For our Church Family by Nina Bohl & Frank Church

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

Volunteers are needed for cutting grass and trimming the church garden.



Stewardship for the week of May 29, 2016: Regular: \$4419. 00

Volunteers

ALTAR CARE- JUNE

Ruth Pigorsch

CHURCH CLEANING - JUNE 11

Ruth Pigorsch



Extraordinary Minister Schedule for June 11 & 12, 2016

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Mass</u>
Saturday Jun 11, 2016 5:00 pm	Saturday Jun 11, 2016 5:00 pm	Saturday Jun 11, 2016 5:00 pm	Saturday Jun 11, 2016 5:00 pm	Saturday Jun 11, 2016 5:00 pm
Sunday Jun 12, 2016 10:00 am	Sunday Jun 12, 2016 10:00 am	Sunday Jun 12, 2016 10:00 am	Sunday Jun 12, 2016 10:00 am	Sunday Jun 12, 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, 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 and [Athena Ladnier](#) 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 8th, 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 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.



Video homily by Fr. Bill Grimm: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=of9dX1-HEe8&feature=player_embedded

O. T. X Sunday (June 5) on (I Kgs 17:17-24; Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7: 11-17)



Synopsis of OT X Sunday homily (June 5) on Luke 7: 11-17 (L/16)

Introduction: The central theme of today's readings is that, in a world of broken hearts, God sees and cares for us in our grief. He has compassion on our miseries and gives us His healing touch. Today's Scripture readings challenge us to become channels of God's compassionate and healing love and to place our hope in Jesus who gives us resurrection and eternal life.

Scripture lessons: The first reading, taken from I Kings 17, shows us how our merciful God uses His prophet Elijah to resuscitate the only the son of the poor widow of Zarephath who had given the prophet accommodation in her house during the famine. In the second reading, taken from the letter to the Galatians, St. Paul declares that the Good News of God's love, mercy and salvation which he preaches has been directly revealed to him by God, Who had chosen him for ministry from his mother's womb. Today's Gospel story reveals to us the compassionate heart of God in Jesus. Meeting a funeral procession coming out of the village of Nain, Jesus was visibly moved at the sight of the weeping widow, going out with the town to bury her only son. Perhaps he could foresee his own mother in the same position at the foot of his cross. So Jesus stopped the funeral procession, touched the

bier, consoled the mother and surprised everyone by resuscitating the boy, thus extending God's love and compassion to the grieving mother.

Life messages: 1) We need to become channels of God's compassionate and healing love as Jesus was: The Gospel reminds us to have the same love and compassion for those who suffer that Jesus had. Our deeds of love will transform the broken-hearted and help them to experience God as the Father who has come among His people. We need to ask God for the grace to become like Christ for the others in our daily lives. Our society needs saints, and we can each be one in our own environment. As our Lord comforted this woman, let us comfort others.

2) We need to be spiritually alive: This story should help us to look at our own situation and see, first of all, how alive we really are. When we live in mortal sin, we are physically alive and spiritually dead. We receive spiritual revival in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. St. Augustine comments, "Our Mother, the Church, rejoices every day when people are raised again in spirit sacramentally."

3) We need to offer our broken hearts to Jesus: We need to bring our deepest hurts and broken relationships to Jesus and experience how he reaches out to us and grants us his loving reconciliation. Let us **invite Jesus to transform even the most difficult situations in our life**. The Lord Jesus still raises the dead. We trust that promise each time we bring our shattered lives, our broken hearts, our anger, our depression, our deepest hurts to the table of the Lord and, in the priest, hear him say: "*This is my body; this is my blood given and shed for you!*"

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

"Question of the week: What does the new papal document say about homosexuals and Communion for the divorced and civilly remarried?" The document is called *Amoris Laetitia* (Latin, "the joy of love"), and it is what is known as a "post-synodal apostolic exhortation." What does the document say about homosexuality? It says very little. It notes that same-sex unions "may not simply be equated with marriage" (AL 52). It also says: We would like before all else to reaffirm that every person, regardless of sexual orientation, ought to be respected in his or her dignity and treated with consideration, while 'every sign of unjust discrimination' is to be carefully avoided, particularly any form of aggression and violence. Such families should be given respectful pastoral guidance, so that those who manifest a homosexual orientation can receive the assistance they need to understand and fully carry out God's will in their lives. The document says nothing about the proposal to give Holy Communion to some who are divorced and civilly remarried after a "penitential period." The document offers an invitation to mercy and the pastoral discernment of those situations that fall short of what the Lord demands of us, and conclude with a brief discussion of family spirituality. Visit this link for details. <http://www.ncregister.com/blog/jimmy-akin/the-popes-new-document-on-marriage-12-things-to-know-and-share/>

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: “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. Climate change represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity today, and the response requires the solidarity of all. The royal road to peace is to see others not as enemies to be opposed but as brothers and sisters to be embraced. Refugees are not numbers, they are people who have faces, names, stories, and need to be treated as such. In the darkest hours of a family’s life, union with Jesus can help avoid a breakup.

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Our Mission

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.

All are welcome 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.

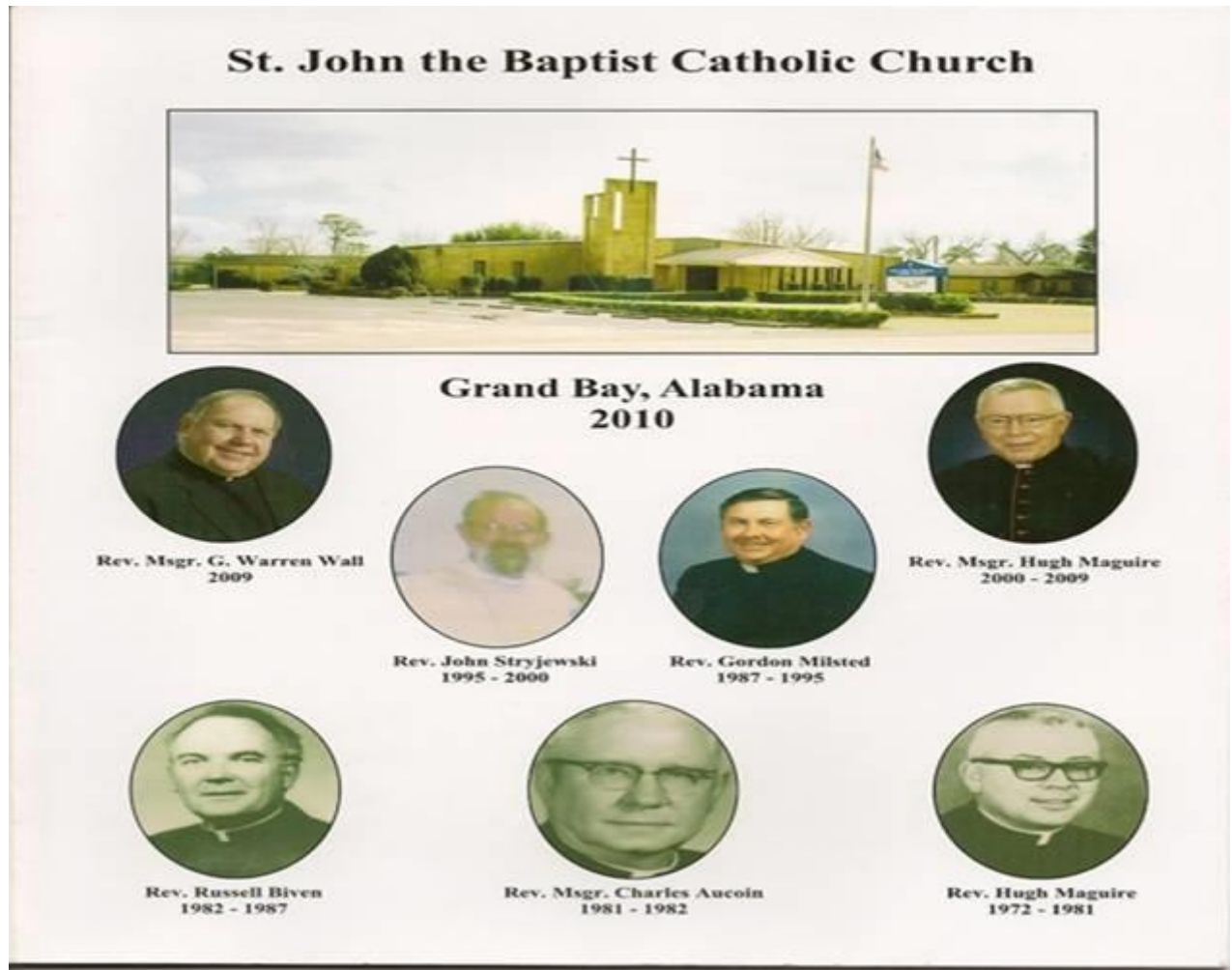
As believers we participate fully, consciously and actively in the liturgy of the Church and seek to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and action.

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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