Fourth Sunday of Easter April 22, 2018

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

— 1 John 3:1





Sat., April 21, 5:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Sidney Huval and Family, Lester Shackford, Dolores Reiser, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), B.J. Roy, Louis Perschall Sr., Karge Family, Barb Ayo, Damian Patrick Dormier, Katie McCloskey Gibert (L), Terry Saux (L), Andries Family (L)

Sun., April 22, 7:30 a.m. Loretta Stansbury, Carol Pieri, Nora Hauptmann, Paul and Kay Vieth, Richard Letsch, Sr. Gabriel Mule', D.C., Robbie and Beverly Keneken, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Meyer (L), John Craig (L), Sr. Muria Levy, D.C., Margaret Mary Mule', Gloria Fabre, David Tucker (L), The Whitman Family (L), Katelyn Marie Schiro, Schiro Family (L), Robert Howell (L), Laura Zimmer (L), William Zimmer (L)

Sun., April 22, 9:15 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., April 22, 11:00 a.m. Frank Boroughs

Mon., April 23, 8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule'

Tues., April 24, 7:00 p.m. Katelyn Marie Schiro

Wed., April 25, 8:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon

Thurs., April 26, 8:00 a.m. Arthur Bartel

Fri., April 27, 8:00 a.m. Isabella Margavio

Sat., April 28, 5:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Sidney Huval and Family, Lester Shackford, Dolores Reiser, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), B.J. Roy, Louis Perschall Sr., Karge Family, Barb Ayo, Katie McCloskey Gibert (L) Terry Saux (L), Hazel Guidry

Sun., April 29, 7:30 a.m. Carol Pieri

<u>Sun., April 29, 9:15 a.m.</u> John Stahel, Ann Babe, Dolores Reiser (L), Perry Armstrong (L), Wanda Yost, Jerry Hornosky (L), Katelyn Marie Schiro, Schiro Family (L), Andries Family (L), Terry Saux (L), Bill and Ann Clark (L)

Sun., April 29, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners

PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur
Tom Kelley
Martha Huval
Ashlie Cox
Ethel Istre
Steve Berger
Audrey Casey
Raymond Couvillion
Rhonda Taylor
Audrey Meagher

Louise Cashmere
Judge Salvadore Mule'
Emmett Guderian
Monique Stubbs
Chip Guillory
Dennis Wilson
Jess Patterson
David Tucker
Katie McCloskey Gibert

LECTOR-COMMENTATOR

April 21st & 22nd

5:30 p.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
L. Karen Tim Jerry Kristen
C. Judy Nancy David Lynette



Regular Collection \$4,806.25

2nd Coll. Bldg. and Pres. Fund \$ 275.00

Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowl \$ 182.07

This weekend will be a Second Collection for the <u>DIOCESAN PRIESTS'</u> <u>RETIREMENT FUND</u>. Your participation in this collection is a way to say "thank you" to our retired priests for their many years of service.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary: Lee Pierre

Blessed Mother Rhonda Taylor (L)

St. Joseph Jon and Kathy Craig (L)

St. Ann Corey Rainey

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

NEW WEBSITE!!!

We are happy to announce that our parish website has had a makeover! With the help of a company that is assisting the Archdiocese in this, we have improved the look, ease of use and features of the website. More links to other sites are now offered. It is still a bit of a work in progress but please check it out. We are hoping that the different groups and ministries will use it so that things won't depend so much on bulletin and church announcements. It's a digital age! Here is the new address: stjohnbaptistfolsom.org Enjoy!

RICE BOWL CAMPAIGN

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Lenten Rice Bowl Campaign. You have generously donated \$1,767.50. Because of your giving, you will have a huge impact on someone's life. GOD BLESS YOU!

SAFETY IMPROVEMENT

Recently a parishioner coming to Mass fell at the front steps and broke her hip. I have foreseen this unfortunate accident because of the many who struggle with the present steps. My original proposal for both ramp and new steps was shot down and improvements were made for handicap parking and the existing ramp. It is now past time that we address the danger of the front steps. So many have commented on the smaller steps at the vestry and the office as being much better, I have decided to go with that. A parishioner with years of experience with concrete and/or brick has come up with a design and plan to do this. We are currently looking for someone to do the work with the least amount of disruption to our weekend Masses. If you or someone you know does cement work with steps, please call the office to offer a bid or contact information. Every effort will be made to make the new look as much like the old as possible. Grace and peace,

Fr. Robert

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Most languages take the name for this fifty-day season from the Lord's Passover: *Pasqua* in Italian, *Pâques* in French, *Paach* in Dutch, *Pascha* in Greek and Russian. English has a much newer name, the name of a pagan goddess, Eoster. For centuries before Christianity took hold, in both Germany and Britain the spring equinox was dedicated to her and the concepts of fertility and rebirth. She was said to be a playful spirit, following the Sun King's chariot, and ending the reign of winter. She had a magical companion, a rabbit who hid eggs in the fields to coax plants and animals to rebirth. It was believed that Eoster once came across a bird with broken wings and saved it by turning it into a rabbit—an egg-laying rabbit at that! Although they were baptized, most people didn't take to the new Latin name (*Pascha Domini*) too easily, and kept calling the spring equinox by the old accustomed name. For good measure, they kept a pagan name for Christmas, too: Yule.



Joann Austin, who entered peacefully into eternal rest. Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. [John 11:26]

The Tuesday monthly Mass is this Tuesday at 7 p.m. All Liturgical Ministers are encouraged to attend but everyone is welcome to attend Mass. A special meeting will be held in Odilo Hall for all Altar Society, Lector and Commentators, Extraordinary Ministers, Mass Captains, Ushers, and Music and Choir Member.

Congratulations to Lance and Linda Babst who are being honored by receiving the ORDER OF ST. LOUIS IX medallion Sunday, May 6th at 3 p.m. during special ceremony at St. Joseph's Church in New Orleans. The Order of St. Louis is one of the highest and most cherished honors bestowed by the local Church on a member of the laity. It was established more than thirty years ago as a tangible expression of appreciation to Catholic lay men and women in good standing for their many unselfish contributions of time and talent to the life of the parish.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be celebrated on Sunday, April 22, 2018. The Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

2018 SYNOD ON YOUTH AND VOCATIONS

This fall, hundreds of Bishops will gather in Rome for a special synod on "Young People, Faith, and Vocational Discernment." Their purpose is to discuss the ways that young people encounter Jesus in today's world, and to ensure the Church is helping them to discover their vocations. The Synod begins in October.

FOOD DRIVE

Thank You to everyone who donated to the Lenten Food Drive. You donated 1,910 lbs. of food. Year to date, St. John has donated 2,808 lbs. of food for a very good cause. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus Council 10176 for organizing and transporting the food to the North Shore Food Bank. God Bless You!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Adult and youth (grades 6-12) volunteers needed ASAP for food, fun, games, crafts, skits & bible stories for June 4-8. Forms are on the church porch or in office. Some training required. Call Theresa Wilfert at 778-0548 for more information.



Casey Sprehe first experienced the power of the Holy Spirit at a teen retreat sponsored by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of New Orleans in 2000. She earned an undergraduate degree in theology education from Holy Cross College and a master's degree in Catechesis and Evangelization at The Augustine Institute. In 2013, she joined the National Service Committee for the Charismatic Renewal. She is the chairperson for the 2018 National Charismatic Conference and serves on the Southern Regional Conference Steering committee. Join us and listen to Casev's story.

Date: Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. – Noon; Coffee at 8:30 a.m.

Place: Benedict's Plantation - Mandeville, LA 70471

Tickets: \$ 15.00 on sale Mon., April 2nd – Thurs., April

26th

LIMITED SEATING NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

Tickets Available in the office now at: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 11345 St. John Church Road, Folsom, LA 70437-7155 Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

ADORATION IS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

CHOIR PRACTICE. EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND THURSDAY OF MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AT 8:00 A.M. EVERY MONTH

CATCH FIRE YOUTH GROUP MEETS THE FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 6 – 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL.

PSR CLASSES ON WEDNESDAYS FROM 6:15 - 7:30 P.M.

ACTS ADULT BIBLE STUDY, MONDAY, 7:30 P.M. IN LIBRARY

MEN'S GROUP, "DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE" THURS. 7:30 P.M. IN LIBRARY

ADULT BIBLE STUDY, CORINTHIANS EVERY THURSDAY OR FRIDAY AT 9:00 A.M.

FAITH SHARING GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS MEET 4^{TH} SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.

"SAVE THE DATE"
Pot Luck Lunch for the
Feast of St. John the Baptist,
Fr. Robert's Farewell and his Ordination.
June 24, 2018, noon in Jonathan Hall