

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Peace be with you. I hope that your Fall is going well...I am getting very excited about the Sausage Supper, and I think we are going to have a great day. Please continue to help support it, as you have done so faithfully in the past. God will do the rest!

Coming up on November 1<sup>st</sup> we have our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Gumbo Fest to celebrate the Feast of All Saints. New Orleans is big on the saints and they are big on food. This year the feast falls on a Sunday, and so the party will take place just after the 10:30 am Mass. Bring an appetite...and while you are eating some non-spicy gumbo you can take in the first ever St. John's Crawdad Races.

This might be a good time to bring up confession, because this is one of those things that has helped just about every canonized saint become so fruitful in the spirit and so happy. And Our Lord desires the closeness that comes about in us when we humble ourselves and get off of his throne (our own hearts) to ask his forgiveness for having focused on ourselves and sinned. That is the hard part. Unfortunately, sinning is the very easy part, but asking forgiveness is not so easy. Still it is not hard for me as a priest to absolve you if you are sorry and have at least some desire to do better.

One of the challenges to confession that is a struggle is often the thought, "What will the priest think of me?" Well, given the fact that the numbers are so low I would start by saying that my first thought is "Thank you," for loving Christ enough to want to apologize and therefore to console his heart. To be honest one of the biggest challenges for my spirituality since the coronavirus has been the lack of confessions. If you wonder why I always mention reconciliation in my homilies, it might be because to be a healthy priest requires that a priest hear confessions. Why? Because when you come and make a confession, you are trusting the priest and saying by your presence that they have something to offer you. Not hearing confessions implies the opposite. Ultimately that is not the main reason anyone should go. A person should go, because they realize that they need Christ and his mercy. They can't give themselves charity in a way that will be salvific....or in a way that they can share. Alright, there is so much more to say, but I'll save it for now. God bless you,

Father Foy

**29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY**  
IN ORDINARY TIME

“Repay to Caesar  
what belongs to  
Caesar and to God  
what belongs to God.”  
- Mt 22:21

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29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME--OCTOBER 18, 2020

# St. John the Baptist

**Updated version:** Due to the Covid Quarantine last week the bulletin was not able to be sent out for publication therefore we are handing out last week's bulletin with this updated insert.

**\*\* See Enclosed updated Meat order form with new pricing**

## Readings for the week of October 18, 2020

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5 [3b]/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9]/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [cf. 3]/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 [5b]/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 13:1-9

## Mass Intentions for Oct. 19-25

Mon. 8:00 a.m. Robert Hellmann

Tue. 7:00 p.m. Bob Ehlenbeck

Wed. 8:00 a.m. Hilda & Robert Helfrich

Thur. 8:00 a.m. Bob Chapie

Fri. 8:00 a.m. David Hardin

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Fred Williams

Sun. 7:00 a.m. For the People

Sun. 8:30 a.m. Marie Hake

Sun. 10:30 a.m. Eugene P. Schmittgens

## Parish Meetings

**SUN:** Men's & Women's Adoration, 7pm, Church

**MON:** 10/19 Parish Council, 7:30pm, Parish Center

**TUES:** Quilting all day by the ladies of the parish. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend and enjoy the day with them.

**WED:** PSR 6:30pm-7:45pm

**WED:** RCIA 6:30pm-7:45pm, School classroom

**THUR:**

## Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of October 24th & 25th

### Lectors:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Mona Aubuchon

Sun. 7:00 a.m. Gail Bader

Sun. 8:30 a.m. George Kaigh

Sun. 10:30 a.m. Sara Maune

### Ushers:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Jerry Leiweke, Tom Frick

Sun. 7:00 a.m. Dave Patke, Wayne Sahn

Sun. 8:30 a.m. Mickey Howell, John Busch

Sun. 10:30 a.m. Dave Brueggemann, Vernon Brinker

### Servers:

Sat. 6:00 p.m. Kendyl Straatmann, Ann Dinger, Zach Hoffman

Sun. 7:00 a.m. Don Wildt, Ken Jasper, Braden Weggemann

Sun. 8:30 a.m. Collin Schmelz, Isabella Tobben, Trenton Tobben

Sun. 10:30 a.m. Dani & Harry Benhardt, Liam Callahan