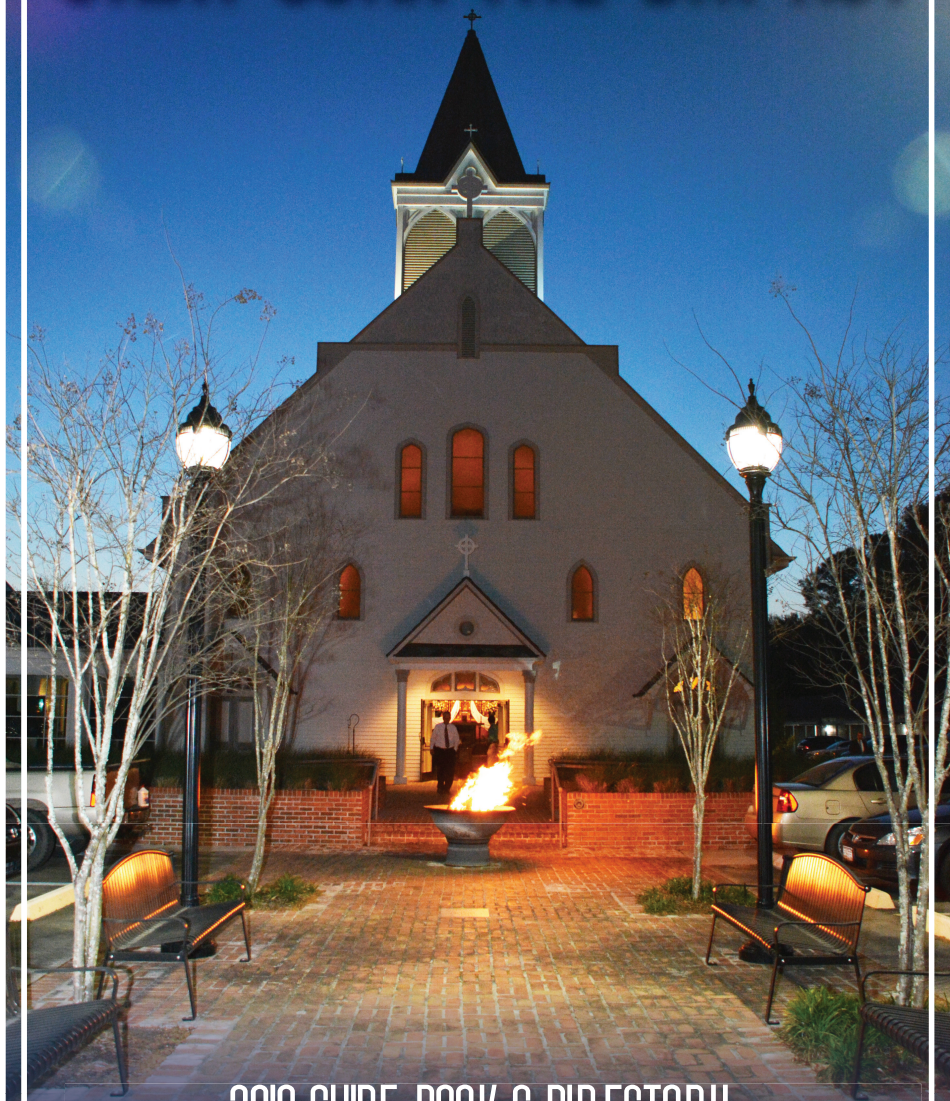


SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST



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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST OF WEST BATON ROUGE**, in the Diocese of Baton Rouge, accept our threefold mission:

- To **DEEPEN** the incarnation of the living Christ within us;
- To **CELEBRATE OUR CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP** as His church community;
- To **SHARE** His presence by the way we serve one another.

We shall pursue this mission faithfully through the **POWER** of the Holy Spirit and the **GIFTS** and **TALENTS** of our members.

PARISH INFORMATION

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
(Closed for lunch 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Matthew P. Lorrain.....	Pastor
Carolyn Dupuy	Bookkeeper
Pat Durbin	Parish Secretary
June Hebert	Christian Formation Director
Karen Lemoine	Christian Formation Secretary
Celeste Veillon	Music Director
Pedro Garcia	Maintenance Supervisor
Katie Roettger	Mother's Day Out

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS (2018-2019)

John Begue
Bob Bewick
Jamie Bourg
Chris Buckle
Christie Chapman
Jules Lefaux (Vice-Chairman)
Mark Loreno (Chairman)
Fr. Matt Lorrain
Mary Claire Meyer (Secretary)
Jason Murphey
Joey Normand
Derek Scott
Andrea Smicker

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 248, Brusly, LA 70719
Physical Address:	402 S. Kirkland Ave., Brusly, LA 70719
Parish Office Phone:	(225) 749-2189
Fax:	(225) 749-1921
Website:	sjb-brusly.com
Christian Formation:	(225) 749-3387
Email	(Diocese is working on one for every parish)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 pm
Sunday	7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday - Friday	8:00 am
First Saturday	8:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday - Friday	7:40 am or by appointment
Saturday	3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

BAPTISM

Celebrated monthly after the 11:00 am Mass. Also celebrated during Mass on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and Easter Sunday. Parents should call the office to enroll in our baptismal preparation program, preferably early in pregnancy. Parents are encouraged to register in the parish and actively practice their faith.

SCHEDULE FOR BAPTISM SEMINARS & BAPTISMS

*All Baptisms after 11:00 am Mass on Sundays unless otherwise noted. All seminars at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays in Classroom #5 of the Catechetical Bldg.

SEMINARS

May 8, 2019
July 10, 2019
September 11, 2019
November 13, 2019
January 8, 2020
March 11, 2020
May 13, 2020

BAPTISM

April 21, 2019
May 26, 2019
June 30, 2019
July 28, 2019
August 18, 2019
September 22, 2019
October 20, 2019
November 24, 2019
*January 11/12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord
February 16, 2020
*April 12, 2020 Easter Sunday
May 24, 2020
June 28, 2020

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Inquiries - Call the Parish Office

MARRIAGE

Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date.
Preparation program is required. Couples should be actively practicing their faith.

ANNULMENT

Call the Parish Office, 749-2189

CARE OF THE SICK

Emergency calls answered immediately if possible.
Communion calls to homebound and hospitals weekly by request.
Please notify the office if someone is homebound.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Family should contact the pastor to begin funeral arrangements.

PRAYER LINE

Call Parish Office

MINISTRIES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

ADMINISTRATION MINISTRIES

Council Members: Fr. Matt, Jules Lefeaux

Annual Parish Fair Committee (Held on the last Sunday of October every year)

CONTACT: Parish Office 749-2189

Building & Maintenance

CONTACT: Pedro Garcia 749-2189

Cemetery/Mausoleum

CONTACT: Jerry Deshotel 749-2927 (H); 281-0333 (C)

Communications/Publicity

CONTACT: Pat Durbin 749-2189

Finance Committee

CONTACT: Laurie Moreau 749-6869

Grounds Maintenance

CONTACT: Pedro Garcia 749-2189

Money Counters/St. Matthew Guild

CONTACT: Carolyn Dupuy 749-2189

Parish Council

CONTACT: Mark Loreno 614-5540

Parish Office Volunteer Helpers

CONTACT: Pat Durbin 749-2189 pat@sjbcc.brcoxmail.com

WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Council Members: Jason Murphey, John Begue, Derek Scott

Altar Servers

Any child who has completed the 4th grade can join this ministry, and it is a ministry whereby they assist the priest in the celebration of the Eucharist, and a means to learn and grow with God. It is also necessary to have adult servers available when time does not warrant for a child to be present, i.e. funerals, weekday Masses.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189 or John Dizor 385-3230

Altar Society

Make sure all linens are washed, and pressed. Cleaning Church infrastructure weekly. Preparing the altar table with the proper colored altar clothes for the seasons.

CONTACT:Cindi Breau 749-3842
.....or Carolyn Bourgeois 776-3325

Art & Environment

Members of this ministry decorate the church for weekend liturgies, special feast days and holidays.

CONTACT: John Toups 749-9221

Children's Church

This ministry is a means of proclaiming and explaining God's word to children on Sundays during 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses. Children are excused before the readings and then return to Mass after the Homily.

CONTACT: Christian Formation Office 749-3387

Eucharistic Ministers

These ministers serve the Church by administering the Eucharist during celebrations of the liturgy, and/or by taking communion to the sick, hospitals, and/or nursing homes.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

Lectors

Ministers in this ministry proclaim God's word during Sunday and weekday Masses. Ministers also read the Prayers of the Faithful.

Ministers may also be asked to proclaim God's word at funerals, weddings, and other special liturgical celebrations.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

Music Ministry - Adult

Choir members are needed to enhance the liturgy by singing at Sunday worship services, funerals and other liturgical services. This ministry includes instrumentalists, cantors and singers.

CONTACT: Celeste Veillon 978-9817; celesteveillon@yahoo.co



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Music Ministry - Youth

Members of this ministry sing and provide proper music at the monthly Sunday liturgy and may be called on to perform at other special events as needed.

CONTACT: Celeste Veillon 978-9817; celesteveillon@yahoo.com

Sacristans

Ministers in this ministry prepare the altar table for the celebration of the Eucharist, and arrange all necessary vessels to be used. Prepare and arrange for other necessary duties that may be needed for special liturgies, i.e., funerals, weddings, baptisms.

CONTACT: Bill Schneider 749-3508

Ushers

Men and women who volunteer their services to assist in celebration of Mass on Sundays, Holy Days, and special occasions. Ushers have the opportunity to welcome individuals attending Mass and aid in the seating of the congregation, collecting the offering and tidying the church after service in preparation for the next celebration.

CONTACT: Fr. Matt 749-2189

EDUCATION MINISTRIES

Council Members: Chris Buckle, Christie Chapman

Adult Education

A ministry that provides educational and spiritual growth opportunities for adults in the parish.

CONTACT: June Hebert 749-3387

Baptismal Preparation

A ministry that coordinates sacramental preparation for the celebration of Baptism.

CONTACT: Pat Durbin 749-2189

Christian Formation

An ongoing process of formation for children and youth to develop them spiritually and educationally in the Christian Life.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2019-2020

Catechetical Sunday – September 15, 2019

Classes begin Monday, August 19; Tuesday, August 20; and Wednesday, August 21

Confirmation Retreat – Thursday, June 27 – Saturday, June 29

First Reconciliation – Tuesday, December 17, 2019 w/Parish Penance Service

Confirmation – Thursday, January 30, 2020

First Eucharist – Sunday, April 19 (2:00 pm)

CONTACT: June Hebert

Mother's Day Out

This program aims to provide a safe, nurturing, Christ-centered environment focusing on Catholic-Christian values where each child can grow and develop physical, mentally, morally, spiritually, and socially. Serves 1, 2 and 3 year olds on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays (9:00 am – 1:00 pm.)

CONTACT:Katie Roettger 955-2748

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Process of conversion for those seeking baptism in the Catholic Church or for those belonging to another Church, but wishing to become members of the Catholic Church. The program begins in September with weekly gatherings until Easter. After meeting all requirements, candidates are usually accepted into the Church at the Easter Vigil.

CONTACT: Carolyn Dupuy 749-2189

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

A ministry to assist children who have not been through the regular Christian Formation process to catch up with students of their own age and to receive whatever sacraments are needed.

CONTACT: June Hebert 749-3387

Vacation Bible School

A ministry that organizes a one-week summer program for children entering grades K - 5.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, July 15 – 19, 2019

CONTACT: June Hebert 749-3387

SPIRITUAL GROWTH MINISTRIES

Council Members: Mary Claire Meyer, Bob Bewick

Adoration

Each Friday after 8:00 am Mass the Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist is made available until 11:30 am. During this time you may choose to sign up to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for 1 hour or more.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

Parish Mission Committee

LENTEN MISSION 2020 TBD

Contact person to preach mission. Prepare the needs for the Mission Program.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

Prayer Line

The Prayer Line is for all parishioners who have a special prayer need. In this ministry each person on the prayer line calls the next person until everyone of the Prayer Line has been called. Then each person says special prayers for the person's needs.

CONTACT: Parish Office 749-2189

Small Faith Groups/Scripture Study

Small Faith Groups meet during Lent and Advent, in preparation for Easter and Christmas. They meet regularly to share their faith with one another through the season.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

Vocations

The main work of this ministry is to pray for vocations and make available opportunities for exploring the possibility of joining the Religious Life. There is a program called the 31 Club where 31 people sign up for each day of the month to pray a half hour for vocations. Also, this ministry has videos with information about the religious life that is shown to Christian Formation students.

CONTACT: Father Matt 749-2189

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY MINISTRIES

Council Members: Jamie Bourq, Andrea Smicker

Advent Giving Tree

Provide Christmas gifts for children and the elderly. Also provide food baskets for the needy.

CONTACT: Sue Lockhart 749-2249/936-7143

Blood Drives

Provide safe and adequate blood supply for the community and also provide blood replacement coverage for members of the Church Parish.

CONTACT: David Gremillion 749-3831

Food Pantry

To help feed the poor in the church parish and community.

CONTACT: Sue Lockhart 749-2249/936-7143

Respect for Life

Inform and help all to be aware of the tragedy of abortion.

CONTACT: Gene Bertrand 687-6743

..... or Julie Millard 749-8260

St. Vincent de Paul

Provide financial assistance for the needy in the community.

CONTACT: Carolyn Dupuy 749-2189

Zippers

Provide clothing for the needy. Sell items to provide financial assistance for the needy of the community.

CONTACT: Rita Babin 749-2128



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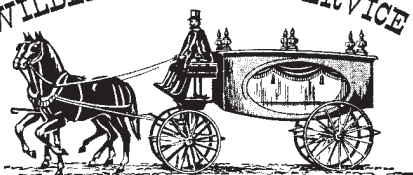
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COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES

Council Members, Mark Loreno, Joey Normand

Bereavement

Provides assistance to families or individuals with the preparation of the after-funeral gathering (including food preparation and clean-up).
CONTACT:Ruth Landry 749-3101

Catholic Daughters

A Catholic women organization which strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.
CONTACT:Mary Benoit 749-8156

Homebound Visitation

Parishioners who visit and pray and bring the Eucharist to homebound parishioners; also includes visits by the pastor for the sacrament of Reconciliation.
CONTACT: Pat Durbin 749-2189

Hospital Visitation

Visits members of our church community who are hospitalized and provides for them an opportunity for conversation, for prayer and assistance with any needs they may have.
CONTACT: Carolyn Dupuy 749-2189

Knights of Columbus

The largest Catholic Fraternal organization in the world dedicated to promoting the ideals of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. The purpose of the society is to develop a practical Catholicity among its members, to promote Catholic education and charity and through its insurance department, to furnish at least temporary financial aid to the families of deceased members.
CONTACT:Christian Benoit 620-8085

Prayer Blankets - Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, blankets are sent to people who are ill. They are made by Brenda Rills and Judy Cazes, Call the Parish Office (749-2189) if you want one delivered to someone you know.

Scouting

A year-round family organization designed for boys in the first thru the fifth grade. Parents, leaders and other organizations work together to promote character development, spiritual growth, good citizenship, sportsmanship, fun, adventure, and other virtuous characteristics.
CONTACT:Travis & Kendul Michel 749-8778

Social Events Committee

Assists with planning various parish receptions such as First Eucharist, Confirmation, Easter Vigil, etc. Duties may involve setting-up, decorating, ordering or preparing food, serving, hosting, and clean-up.
CONTACT: Evelyn and/or Mimi Clouatre 603-8782

Special Events Nursery

Provides a nursery for children so that parents may attend special events or meetings scheduled in the parish.
CONTACT: Lee Ann Murphey 936-3634

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