

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 17, 2019

*Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.
—Luke 6:20-21a*

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MASS TIMES
Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 8:00 AM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM
Thursday: 8:00 AM
Friday: 8:00 AM

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation
Saturday 10:00 AM
And by appointment

**Baptism, Eucharist,
Confirmation and Marriage**
Please call the office regarding preparation
for these Sacraments.

**Communion and
Anointing of the Sick**
After Sunday Mass, the Eucharist is taken to
the sick. Please call the office to have a
parishioner included.

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Sick Relatives & Friends

Justin McPherson
 Joshua Rickert
 Jimmy Hobson
 Charlotte Carr
 Lee Olson
 Robert Carr
 Bill Johnson Sr.
 Jerry Yeager
 Elizabeth Bides
 Richard Patey
 Frank Crowder
 Carl Krouch
 Nestor Gil
 Jennifer Kues
 Karen Pendleton
 Lynda Pendleton
 Helen Williamson

Marty Klein
 Eric Ebuon
 Ron Heckman
 Marguerite Schaffhauser
 Bernice Schaffhauser
 Edward Schaffhauser
 Irena Osinski
 Al Wagner
 Ben Franzuela
 Tony Barroso
 Bob Dietrich
 May Coons
 Robin Hanson
 Walter Hanson
 Faye Carr
 Elizabeth Boothe
 Elisa Alonzo
 Trish Caudill
 Ronald Ambrosio
 Mike Ambrosio
 Julianna Howe
 Karen Dwyer

Samantha Klein
 Elfrida Powell
 Rina Hopkins
 Bill Cox
 Cynthia Waggoner
 Delores Eck
 Glenn Sisler
 Suzanne Denemark
 Barbara Ann Johnson
 John Zesis
 Benito Lopez
 Noel de la Rosa
 Joan Kelley
 Ann Marie White
 Loretta Wagner
 Linda Sandmon
 Joan Bell
 Rosemarie Rickert
 Rizalina Paterno
 Cheryl Mark
 Jim Lammie
 Christine Lucas

Dan Benkert
 Harvey Little
 Jerry Carroll
 Wayne Tolbert
 Jim Burns
 Mary Uraco
 Dixie McCormack
 Paul Panicali
 Kaycee Smelser
 Karen Holden
 Carmel Villegas
 Ann Font
 Joan Richards
 Bobby Richards
 Patricia Seelhoefer
 Wilda Von Seggern
 Keith Rickerts
 Dolores Hazel
 Davd Bennedict
 Richard Boyle
 JoEllen Reoyo
 Patricia Clarke

Andrew Buttner
 Janet Saxon
 Faye Carr
 Adam Herbert
 Ernest Bundang
 Denise Jones
 Phil Dancel
 J.C. Kea
 Jane Valeroso
 Ginny Ragland
 Greg Isles
 Rudy Chandia
 Mike Stewart
 Jack Hurst
 Pat Mayhew
 Josephine Gaudio
 David Ritchie
 Kayran Carroll
 Joshua Rickert
 Armand Riendeau
 Jim Howell

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 18, in celebration of the Presidents' Day holiday



The altar flowers this week were donated by
Pat Griffiths
 in memory of
Christine Rodgers



**MEMORY CAFÉ
 February 18**

The Health and Wellness Ministry is sponsoring the next Memory Café on Monday, February 18, from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM in the parish hall. A Memory Café is a place where people with dementia AND their care-givers can come for coffee, tea, refreshments, games, and conversation in a social environment accepting of dementia. There is no structured program. For more information, call the parish office (246-6014).

Ladies' Guild

MARDI GRAS 2019

The Ladies' Guild's annual *Mardi Gras* celebration will take place on Tuesday, March 5, at 6:00 PM in the parish hall. This is an evening of good food, good music, and good fun. It is also an opportunity to meet other women in our parish and learn about the services the Ladies' Guild provides for St. John's. Ladies, circle March 5 on your calendar and come and be our guests as we celebrate *Mardi Gras*!



ASHES

Ash Wednesday is March 6. Please bring your blessed palms from last year and place them in the basket provided in the narthex. These palms will then be burned to provide the ashes that will be used on Ash Wednesday. Masses on Ash Wednesday will be at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>
CLASSES FOR FEBRUARY	
February 20	February 17
February 27	February 24

CLASSES FOR MARCH

March 3
March 6 (No Class)
March 10 (No Class)
March 13 (No Class)
March 17 (No Class)
March 20
March 24
March 27
March 31



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

This Lent, instead of choosing to "give up" something, come and join us as we study our Catholic Mass. Beginning on Monday, March 11, Bishop Rodi will discuss topics ranging from "Why We Attend Mass" to "Why Does the Mass Take the Form That It Does?" Then, Bishop Baron will provide us with his insights into parts of the Mass and what our role is in attending Mass. This **video series** will help you to understand how to participate fully, consciously and actively in **the source and summit of the Christian Life**. This program is free of charge. See next week's bulletin for dates and times.



TRAINED VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Health & Wellness Ministry is seeking professionally trained volunteers to do blood pressure checks after the Masses on Saturdays and Sundays. If you are available after one of the Masses on the first weekend of the month, please email floridadmb@gmail.com for more information.

Collections

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Offertory.....	\$9,589.80
Online Giving.....	\$1,238.00
Building Fund.....	\$215.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$44.00
Total.....	\$11,086.80
Emergency Assistance Ministry.....	\$347.30



PARKING SAFETY ALERT

For safety concerns (ambulances, fire trucks, police vehicles), please park **ONLY** in designated, lined parking spaces, or, if needed, in the large field across from the church. **DO NOT park in the fire lanes next to the buildings or in the driveway. DO NOT create your own parking space as this impedes rescue vehicle access and traffic flow.**

Dear Padre,

Why does the Church rightfully celebrate marriage, family, and religious life but neglect the equally important celibate single life? Perhaps if this vocation got the respect and attention it deserves, we'd have fewer people rushing into bad relationships and weak marriages.

Our vocation in life is a gift from God to become a living response to God's love. God invites people to holiness and service through marriage, the single life, the priesthood, the diaconate or the religious life. Lest the single life be overlooked, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states, "We must also remember the great number of *single persons* who...are especially close to Jesus' heart and therefore deserve the special affection and active solicitude of the Church, especially of pastors" (CCC 1658). It adds that the doors of homes "and of the great family which is the Church must be open to all of them."

Like the gift of one's vocation, celibacy also is a gift from God that's offered back to the Church. Jesus himself chose celibacy, not because he disapproved of marriage or family life, but for the sake of the kingdom. He was wedded to his mission in bringing about a universal family that follows God's will. To be celibate, then—whether as a single person or in consecrated life—isn't upheld in and of itself, but for the reign of God.

Whatever the vocation and however it's lived out, "all cooperate in the building up of the Body of Christ" in a spirit of equality and dignity according "to each one's own condition and function" (Canon 208). —Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The one who trusts in the Lord is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalm — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY	February 16
5:00 P.M.	†Raymond Brosky by Larry McKay
SUNDAY	February 17
9:00 A.M.	†Christina Rodgers by Pat Griffiths
11:00 A.M.	The Parishioners of St. John's
MONDAY	February 18
8:00 A.M.	NO MASS
TUESDAY	February 19
8:00 A.M.	†Jim Stewart by Tom and Kathy LaPointe
WEDNESDAY	February 20
8:00 A.M.	†Fred Feldman by Pat Croft
THURSDAY	February 21
8:00 A.M.	†Fran Croft by Harry and Dottie Drake
FRIDAY	February 22
8:00 A.M.	†Villamor Guzman by The Alonzo Family
SATURDAY	February 23
5:00 P.M.	†Kurt Speckman by Barbara and Frank Binghi
SUNDAY	February 17
9:00 A.M.	57th Wedding Anniversary of Pearl and Dommer Bayot by Gaspar and Victoria Quedado
11:00 A.M.	The Parishioners of St. John's

Ministers' Schedule

February 23 and 24

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

5:00 P.M. (F) Jim Hundley, Corinne Hundley
..... (I) Mary Ann Carroll, Joseph Cochrane
9:00 A.M. (F) John Previti, Hoa Ramirez
..... (I) Mike Crowder, Gwen Crowder
11:00 A.M. (F) Aletta Santos, Cristina Suyat
..... (I) Nenita Romero, Dina Walker

READERS

5:00 P.M. Joan Cornelison, Monica Trinidad
9:00 A.M. Pete Morgan, Carol Neville
11:00 A.M. Dennis Stone, Estela Geronimo

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 P.M. Miles Nogelo, Gerry Nogelo, Valerie Matta,
..... Andrea Spencer, Denny Foster,
..... Michael Marchetti, Martha Marchetti
9:00 A.M. Randal Trinidad-Ambar, Tessie Schell,
..... Gabriel Pastrana, Amy Crane,
..... Kelly Ayler, Scott Imray, Rose Imray
11:00 A.M. Josie Ezelle, James Ezelle, Stefanie Balanza,
..... Aida Masinsin, Rose Rickert
..... Vicky Mondares, Dottie Drake

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 P.M. Jaeden Abutin, Brynn Von Seggern
..... Bridgette Von Seggern
9:00 A.M. Amanda Bussey, Ivy Kidwell,
..... Caleb Pastrana
11:00 A.M. Christie Cabrera, Casey Solano,
..... Gian Suyat



ONLINE GIVING COMES TO ST. JOHN'S

Our parish is now offering Online Giving. Our parish Online Giving program will provide you with an opportunity to make secure, automatic contributions by using your debit card, credit card or bank account.

Online Giving Enrollment Instructions

Create an account using one of the methods below.

- Go to the St. John's parish website (<https://saintjohnsatlanticbeach.org>) and click on "Online Giving" at the top of the page (or in the pull-down menu). -OR-
- Go to "MyParish App (Text "APP" to 88202 and download our parish app.), select the "Giving" button, then "Online Giving."

Follow the instructions, and create your account. If you have questions, the friendly tech-support service at 1-800-348-2886 will gladly help you with the process. They are set up to deal with questions from parishioners.

RETOUVAILLE WEEKEND February 22-23

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples who are facing difficult challenges in their relationships. The retreat is held in Jacksonville. For details, and to register, call Shan and Jennifer Vendt at (904) 718-6109 or email s-jvendt@msn.com. To learn more about Retrouvaille, visit www.helpourmarriage.com.



AMUSING ANECDOTE

A man left Chicago for a vacation in Key West. His wife was on a business trip and planned to fly down to meet him the next day. When the man arrived in Florida, he e-mailed his wife to let her know he had arrived, but mistyped her address. Instead, his message went to the inbox of a woman whose husband had just passed away. When the grieving widow opened her e-mail, she read the message, screamed, and passed out cold. The woman's daughter rushed into the room and found this note on the computer screen. "My darling wife: Just checked in. Everything is prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to being with you again. Your loving husband. P.S. Sure is hot down here!"
(Do you know a great, clean church joke? Send your submissions to ewiley@outlook.com.)



BISHOP'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL



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The Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal (BASA) is now underway. You will be receiving a mailing from Bishop Estévez, asking for your support and participation. Please prayerfully consider a pledge to the Appeal using the response card mailed to you or by completing a Commitment Envelope at Mass the weekend of March 2-3.

Our annual theme, "One Faith, One Family," reminds us that we are members of something much greater than ourselves. This year, BASA invites each of us to *give thanks to the Lord* in response to all that has been given to us by God. It is our job to be good stewards of all that we have been gifted with. Please prayerfully respond to this year's Annual Appeal with a gift of any amount. *Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*



FREE CONCERT

Please join us for the next Rise Up event on March 2. This amazing night will include live music, food, fellowship, prayer, an after party, and so much more. The evening starts with food trucks and outdoor games at 4:30 PM. At 6:00 PM, doors open for the main event featuring International Catholic speaker Emily Wilson and worship with ALOB. All of this happens at the Parker Auditorium on The Bolles Middle School Campus. All are welcome and the event is free. For more information, go to our website at www.riseupyc.org or email onic@riseupyc.org.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS - MARCH 29-30

Save the Date – This year's *Eucharistic Congress* is March 29-30. The 2019 Eucharistic Congress will be here before you know it! Thousands of people throughout Florida and South Georgia will gather as *One Faith, One Family* at the Prime Osborn Convention Center in Jacksonville. This year's theme is "For I know the plans I have for you." Jeremiah 29:11

SHOOT FOR THE STARS GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual *Shoot for the Stars Golf Tournament* on February 11 will benefit Morning Star School in Jacksonville. Registration is at 10 AM on February 11, with a shotgun start at noon. The \$150 entry fee includes lunch, golf, and a memorable award dinner. To register and for more information, call (904) 721-2144 or email development@morningstar-jax.org.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Presidents' Day
Thursday:	St. Peter Damian
Friday:	Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday
Saturday:	St. Polycarp

THE PLAYERS' AND FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN

When you purchase tickets to THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP at www.ChipinforYouth.com and use code **CCBSJC**, \$30 will be donated to the Weekend Hunger Backpack Program to ensure students will not go hungry. The discounted \$55 Championship Stadium Pass is valid any day, March 12-17. Youth 18 and younger are admitted free of charge when accompanied by a ticketed adult. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities St. Augustine transform lives for hungry children in our community. Order today; discount ticket sales end March 1.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Put Spring into your marriage! The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a chance to look deeply into *your* relationship with each other and with God. It offers married couples an opportunity to learn a technique of loving communication that they can use for the rest of their lives. Sign up today to attend our next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on May 3rd through 5th in Orlando. For more information or to register, call Bob/Sheila Baker at 407-647-4289 or go to wwme.org. You will be glad you did!

AA MEETINGS AT ST. JOHN'S

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:00 AM in the library.

TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report abuse call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 262-3200 extension 129 or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-96ABUSE.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

If you would like to offer Altar Flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please call the office. Cost is \$40.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Kindergarten through High School

Religious Education Director: Samantha Matthews 246-6014

CHOIRS:**5:00 p.m. Mass Choir Practice**

Practice is after the 5:00 p.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Mass Choir Practice

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

11:00 a.m. Mass Choir Practice

Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Youth Choir Practice

Seasonally, on Wednesdays 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

INFANTS and CHILDREN:

Parents, please help us to worship with attention and prayer by responsibly caring for your young one during Mass. A crying infant could be beseeching God for a walk outside. Please take your child to the gathering area if your child becomes disruptive during Mass and needs calming.

HALL RENTAL:

The Parish Hall is available for rent to St. John's parishioners for their own use, such as wedding receptions, anniversaries or birthdays. It may not be rented by a parishioner for someone else. If strangers are found to be holding an event in the hall, they'll be asked to leave as they are not covered by our insurance, voiding the contract. Since the hall is used on Sunday mornings, our custodian must be hired to do the clean-up to the standard we require.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP:

Membership is open to high school-aged youth, and new members are always welcome. The St. John's Youth Group is dedicated to exploring their Christianity through service in their community. Contact Nina Francisco at (904) 487-8265, or ninagfrancisco@yahoo.com, or call the parish office at (904) 246-6014.

ST. JOHN'S EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE MINISTRY:

Members meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. They are dedicated to helping the poor of Atlantic Beach. New members are needed and welcome. Food is also distributed on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:00.

THE LADIES' GUILD:

Members meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. New members are always welcome.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

San Lorenzo Ruiz Council #14866 welcomes all Catholic men over 18 years of age to join our Brotherhood team. For further information about us, please call Grand Knight Francois Beuse at (904) 415-7725. Council Officers meet on the second Tuesday of each month. All members meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Both meetings are held at the Parish Hall Library at 7:00 PM.

ROSARY: A weekly rosary is held each Wednesday night at 7:00 in the Marian Chapel. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY:

Members meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. You do not need a medical background to participate.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bulletin announcements must be received prior to Friday, a week before the bulletin date, at 4:00 p.m. You may call Ellen at 246-6014 with your announcement, or email to ewiley@outlook.com or fax to 246-1219. Prayer list changes and/or sympathy announcements have reserved space and are accepted up to transmission time.

RESPECT LIFE:

Join us each First Friday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass for the recitation of the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please help us pray for the protection and safety of the unborn.