

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Jesus said,

*“Where two or three are gathered
together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.”*

Matthew 18:20



September 6, 2020

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Confession time is 30 Minutes prior to each Mass or by appointment.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday
5PM

Sunday
7AM 9AM
11AM

Communion Service
Sunday 12:30PM

Facebook Online Mass
Sunday: 10:00AM
Tuesday-Friday: 6:00PM

Parish Webpage
<https://saintjohnsatlanticbeach.org>

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Owe nothing to anyone, except to

Love one another.

Romans 13:8

If you would like to make a contribution to our Religious Education (RE), which offers scholarships to families in need. You can give online, in weekly offertory or in Parish office. Just make a note that contribution is for RE Scholarships.

If you need more Information please contact Samantha in the Parish office @ (904) 246-6014



Religious Education

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It's that time of year again!

Classes for Religious Education start
Wed. Sep 16th for grades K-5
& Sun. Sep 20th for 6th-Confirmation

Religious Education Program is for children who do not attend Catholic School full time, to register your child/children just go to our website saintjohnsatlanticbeach.org or email Samantha at SaMatthews.stjohn@outlook.com

You now have the option for online or in class learning.

Happy Birthday Josh!
Thank-you for all of the beautiful music that you create for our Parish, we pray that you (and your Brother) have a wonderful Year ahead!
God Bless you!
Love,
Your St. John's Family



Today's Readings

First Reading Warn the wicked and try to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

Psalm If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

Gospel If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).



We can never love our neighbor too much.

-St. Francis de Sales

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11,
or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:7; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Dear St. John's Family,

We continue to traverse this trying time with precautions, especially for our elderly. Please continue to follow the protocols in place for social distancing.

We are so blessed for the Bishop's visit last Wednesday for the Catholic Charities Jacksonville Annual Meeting. He assures us that we are always in his prayers. Preparation for our big monthly food distribution is underway; kindly consider volunteering. September 17 at 6:30 AM, volunteers are expected to be in the Parking Lot.

Don't forget to greet our Music Director, Joshua Encarnacion, a Happy Birthday. We thank God for his dedicated service to our church. Speaking of birthday, September 13, 2020, I will turn 44. Kindly bring your sweet tooth next Sunday. As a way of thanking all of you for bearing with me as your Pastor these past ten months, I will try to bake/buy some cupcakes for everyone.
Father Rafael Lavilla
Pastor

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

September 12 & 13

Ministers of Hospitality

5PM
Reggie & Cindy Dubai
Armand & Jan Riendeau
9AM
Terry & Sandra O'Brien
Jim & Bonnies Feazel
11AM
Celina Austin, Dee Fox,
Ramon & Suzie Reyes

Lectors

5PM
1
2 Monica Trinidad
9AM
1 Michelle Pastrana
2 Nina Francisco
11AM
1 Jon Masinsin
2 Isabel Masinsin



Eucharistic Minister

5PM
* David Costa,
James Johnson
Dorothy Schechterle
9AM
* Linda Trinidad
Valerie Matta
Jeff Marquardt
11AM
* Alicia Cartagena
Edna Silang

Altar Server

5PM
Elijah Trinidad
9AM
Amanda Bussey
11AM
Christie Cabrera
Gian Suyat



MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

<p>Sat Sep 5</p> <p>5PM † Margaret & Herman Eichel By Ben & Elizabeth Bato</p>	<p>Sun Sep 6</p> <p>7AM Parishioners of St John 9AM † Gary Fuchs By Carole Fuchs 11AM † Norma Rosete By Yolanda & Marcelo Ebuén</p>	<p>Tues Sep 8</p> <p>8AM † Patricio Javier By Suzie Reyes</p> 	<p>Wed Sep 9</p> <p>8AM † Renato Lavilla By 9AM Choir</p> 
<p>Thu Sep 10</p> <p>8AM † Phillip Revels By Minda Mamansag</p>	<p>Fri Sep 11</p> <p>8AM † RJ Correón By Maria Correón</p> 	<p>Sat Sep 12</p> <p>5PM † Roland Riendeau By Armand & Jan Riendeau</p>	<p>Sun Sep 13</p> <p>7AM Father Rafael Birthday 9AM † Don Wilburn By Maura Wilburn 11AM Parishioners of St John</p>

A truly American sentiment recognizes the dignity of labor and the fact that honor lies in honest toil. -Grover Cleveland


Weekly OFFERING
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Mon. September 7th
Labor Day



In Memoriam

Please keep † David Benedict and his family in your prayers. David went home to the Lord on Sunday August 23rd.

Offering: \$10,619.00 (includes building fund)
EAM: \$911.00
Total: \$11,530.00

Congratulations

We would like to Congratulate Jose Luis Brocato
Shannon Marie Powell
Who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony here at St John's, on August 27th. We are praying that God guides you in your new adventure. May God Pour out blessings on you two.

† Respect life †

The Respect life Committee is looking for donations of **diapers**, sizes newborn-size 5 as well as **baby wipes**. We will be passing them out to families in need of baby items that come on Tuesdays for the food distributions, sponsored by the EAM. Please put any donations in the Respect for Life basket located in the Narthex. Thank you for your Support, The Respect for Life Committee

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



**St John the Baptist
Knights of Columbus
#14866**



**KofC Meetings Tuesdays @7PM
September 8 & 22
October 13 & 27**



Mary, Queen of the Knights
Our Lady Queen of the Knights,
bless all the activities of our order
keep us true to the pledge, to extend
the Kingship of your Divine Son
on earth; through your intercession
win for us your grace eve to exemplify
in our public and private lives,
the virtues which should characterize
those, specially dedicated to the
service of the heavenly court. Make
us always aware, that as your
Knights we are constantly observed,
our faith judged, and our order
appreciated. Accept O Mary,
this renewed pledge of fealty and
devotion, of your servants the
Knights of Columbus

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 **Jimmy Hundley** at (904) 246-6014. 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.

THE LADIES' GUILD:

Members meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. New members are always welcome!
Ladies president, Barb Knauss, please call Parish office to pass for more info.

Ladies Guild meetings @ 6:30PM

Sep 1st

Oct 13th Ladies Guild

Installation in Chapel @ 6PM

THE MEN'S CLUB:

The Men's Club meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7PM in the Parish Hall. New members are always welcome!
Men's Club president, Jeff Marquardt, please call the Parish office for more info.

Men's Club meetings @ 7PM

Sep 17th

Oct 15th

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.



**St. John's Church & Office
Will be closed on Sept 7th
In observance**

St John's EAM is always collecting any **UNEXPIRED** non-perishables & canned goods for our food Pantry. Please bring any monetary or any items to the Parish, during office hours 9-4 Monday to Friday.

IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS

*T*his statement might sound like we are respecting the

independence of others. It is none of our business how they live their lives, how they behave in society, how they worship God. We mind our own business; they mind theirs. After all, are we our bother's or siter's keepers?

Today's readings challenge this attitude. Ezekial is told that he must proclaim God's will to the Israelites. If he renegades in his calling and someone dies in guilt, Ezekial will be held responsible for that death.

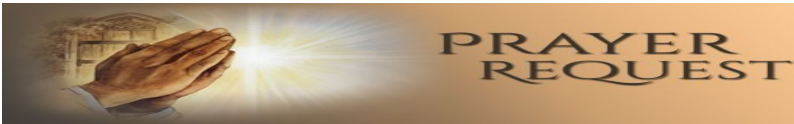
However if the wicked refuse to hear this message, their death in guilt will be their own doing, for one must freely accept God's word. In the Gospel, Jesus outlines a way for his disciples to lead sinners back to the community. Both Ezekial and the disciples have responsibilities to those who are not living faithfully. They both take steps to call them back. In this sense, they act as their brother's keeper. However, they do not meddle in the other's business. The sinner must freely decide to return. God does not force repentance.

This might be hard to message. Who wants to step up and point out another's error in leaving the Church? However, if we are really concerned, we will do what we can to bring them back. We might not proclaim like the prophet or the disciples did. But the way we live our lives should show them the true value in being a faithful follower of Jesus.

FOR Reflection ~†~

† *Is your life an example of the values of your faith?*

† *Pray for those whom you love, who have left the practice of the faith.*



Mary Uraco, Evelyn Weeks, Jerome Maron, Rina Hopkins, Faye Carr, Karen Holden, Kim Carr, Bill Pray

If you want to add someone to the Prayer request for the sick please contact

Monica @ mtrinidad.stjohn@outlook.com or call the Parish office. I update often so requested names will be posted for 5-6 weeks. If you want prayer request added again you will need to contact me.

Thank you Monica T.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Kindergarten through High School. If you want to sponsor a child or family donations always welcome.

Religious Education Director: **Samantha Matthews** 246-6014

CHOIRS: There is no practice as of now due to Covid restrictions

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 YOUNG CHURCH:

Membership is open to high school-aged youth, and new members are always welcome. The St. John's Young Church is dedicated to exploring their Christianity through service in their community. Contact **Paul Trinidad** (904) 923-8250 or call the parish office at (904) 246-6014.

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

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 at 3:00.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY:

New members always welcome, You don't have to be a medical professional to join. Meetings correspond to the monthly Memory Café dates. (See announcement in bulletin.)

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bulletin announcements must be received a week before the bulletin date, at 4:00 p.m. You may call **Monica** at 246-6014 with your announcement, or email to mtrinidad.stjohn@outlook.com

FIRST FRIDAY ROSARY—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.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:

Contact **Dennis Stone** (dennisjstone@comcast.net), certified by Our Lady of Divine Providence School of Spiritual Direction in Clearwater, Florida.

Camp Gladiator

Trainer Matt Bean Mathewbean@campgladiator.cpm

Location and Times @St John Catholic Church

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 5:15am, 6:30am, 9am and 5:30pm