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MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

WEEKDAY MASS: CHAPEL

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00AM
(ROSARY AFTER)

FIRST SATURDAY 8:00AM
ANNONING OF THE SICK &
NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45 PM

SUNDAY: 7:15 - 7:45AM
9:45-10:15 AM

OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT

ADORATION

TUESDAY: 8:00AM-6:00PM

FRIDAY: 8:30AM-9:30 AM
(DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

LAURA E. RHODE, SECRETARY

Second SUNDAY of Advent

December 6, 2020

John the Baptist
appeared in the
desert proclaiming
a baptism of
repentance for the
forgiveness of sins.

Mark 1:4

Gospel Reflection

St. Mark, with the first word “The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.”, wanted to draw his believers’ attention to the beginning of the book of Genesis: “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” But the earth, which came out good from the hand of God, was corrupted. The Israelites, for centuries, were waiting for God to fulfill his promise of a creation of new heavens and a new earth (Is 65:17). Here the evangelist declares that new kingdom.

After the first verse, St. John the Baptist an ascetic who lived in the wilderness of Judah was introduced. He was the son of a people who for centuries were slaves, in exile and in the wilderness. When they thought of being finally free, John the Baptist came to invite them back to wilderness. Many came from Judea to the river Jordan to be baptized. They understood that it was necessary to repeat the experience of the Exodus. They must get back on the path to reach the promised land.

A particular emphasis is given by the evangelist to clothing and the food habit of John. “John was clothed in camel’s hair and wore a leather garment around his waist. His food was locusts and honey”. His refusal to feed on the products of the cultivated fields shows his anger on a corrupt and frivolous society which had forgotten their God. Israel, the bride of God, had to return to the desert to regain the affection of her Lord who waited for her. “So I am going to allure her, lead her once more into the desert, where I can speak to her tenderly. There she will answer me as in her youth, as when she came out of the land of Egypt” (Hos 2:14-16).

St. John the Baptist’ mission was to prepare the way for this encounter of love and to announce the coming of one, who would baptize with the Holy Spirit. John baptized the people who came to him by immersing in the water of Jordan. It did not give life but washed the body; something external. They needed another water, water that would enter the person. The water that submerges kills; but the water that enters, that which is absorbed by human beings, plants, and animals is life. In these two functions of water two moments of our baptism are recalled. Death to the past is indicated by the immersion in water, the gift of the Spirit is represented by the living water offered by Christ: “Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.” (Jn 7:38).

Today’s Readings

First Reading *(Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 (5B))*

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the Lord double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

Responsorial Psalm *(Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14)*

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the Lord—for he proclaims peace to his people. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The Lord himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading *(2 Peter 3:8-14)*

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.

Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

Gospel *(Mark 1:1-8)*

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: *Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”*

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

**Benediction
after all
Weekend Masses**

Today's Special Collection

St. Vincent De Paul Pharmacy

December 12 & 13

Retired Religious

" Attention "

Please be sure to be added to the Catholic list when are admitted to the hospitals. The Priest Chaplains will not know if you are in the hospital unless you are on the list.



Michael & Toddy Arceneaux	Verna Mae Ladner
Ralph Baldwin	Patricia Lee
Nelsie & Johnny Banks	James Lovett
Emilee Battaglia	Janet Palmer
Gene Breazeale	Layla Mallett
Ida Brown	Woody Mauffray
Claud Burk	Barbara Moran
Linda Burke	Larry Lind
Don "Sarge" Carter	Mary Louise & Sonny Moran
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen, Tessa, JoAnn, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo	Warren Moran
Margaret Cuevas	Belinda & Kenny Morgan
Leticia J. Dedeaux	Shirley Morris
Peggy Glynn	Patrick Murphy
Christine Green - wood	Bernadine Necaïse
Annette Haas	Janet Necaïse
Jann Haas	Tyrone & Faye Necaïse
Merle Haas	Christopher Nugent
Phillip Haas	Joy Patin
Verna Haas	Carolyn Rhode
Jennie Hoda	Laura Rhode
Wayne Hoda	Brooke Rolison
Amanda Jones	Tina Roundtree
June Kenney	Carla Santiago
Shelly Koenenn	Karrie Schultz
Barbara Ladner	Jerry Shavers
Willard & Cecile Ladner	Mike Shubert
Patsy Ladner	Timothy Scott Steen
	Maura Strong
	Josie Thomas
	Denise Walker



The bishops of the Province of Mobile, together with our Presbyteral Councils, have declared the Church year beginning November 29, 2020, the First Sunday of Advent, and ending November 21, 2021, the Feast of Christ the King, to be **The Year of the Eucharist** and the Parish in all our dioceses.

Don't forget to bring in your

Claiborne Hill Receipts

As of November 29, 2020

Claiborne Hill has donated

\$456.35 YTD

& Total \$2,850.28

**Thank you all for saving
your receipts and Please keep up
the good work.**

Our Lady of the Rosary

Bookstore and Gift Shop

Pictures	Crucifixes	Holy Cards
Jewelry & Medals		Books
Children's Books & Gifts		DVDs
Rosaries		Cards
Prayer Cards		CDs
Missals		Advent Wreaths
Gift Certificates	Gifts for: Baptisms, 1st Communion, Confirmation, Birthdays, Weddings	Candles

**Sale Begins
November 7, 2020**

Next door to our Church

Financial News

Insurance	\$38,245.00
Diocesan Support	\$23,058.96
School Supplement	\$23,536.83
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$140,879.28
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$225,720.07
Amount needed each Week	\$4,340.77
Last Sunday Collection	\$2688.80
Shortfall	\$1651.97

**THE FEAST OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
DECEMBER 8, 2020**

1. It's a day of Obligation.
2. Vigil Mass at 6:00pm (Chapel)
(Monday 12/07/2020)
3. Morning Mass at 8:00am
Tuesday 12/08/2020 (Chapel)
4. Office is Closed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 5

4pm- Jean Bruneau †

Sunday, December 6

8:00am—Parishioners

10:30am - Miriam Cuevas †

Monday, December 7

8:00am - Kathleen Shirer †

Tuesday, December 8

8:00am - Hugh Prats Jr † &
Sister Maria Christi

Wednesday, December 9

8:00am - Charles Kornman †

Thursday, December 10

8:00am—Becky & Alison
Rousseaux

Friday, December 11

8:00am - Debra Powell

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS:

Amir Darwis _____ US Army National Guard

Drew Ladner _____ US Marine

Darrell Little _____ US Army

Devin Nelson _____ US Army

Brandan Witt _____ USAF

Evan Cameron _____ USAF

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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