



St. John

the Evangelist
Catholic Church

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



“YOU ARE MY
BELOVED SON;
WITH YOU I AM
WELL PLEASSED.” Mk 1:11

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHRISTMAS 2008



There are so many to thank for their help with this year's Christmas decorations. First a thank you to the Parish for your generosity during our Christmas flower collection. I would also like to recognize several whose "time, talent and treasure" created such beauty in our



church to honor our Lord during this Christmas season. Thank you to Jimmie Henson who made the advent wreath, Grace Collins who made the beautiful angel tapestries and to Rani Nicola, Georgia Fleming, Mary Hart Roberts and all the decorating volunteers. Thank you also to an anonymous donor who purchased the new and beautiful processional cross. Your time and financial sacrifice during this busy time of the year was a great gift to me and to all in our Parish. I hope everyone had a joyous Christmas season and I wish you a blessed 2009.



Bautismo de Cristo
Navarrete, El Mudo 1567

Father Jan

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH
NEW OFFICE HOURS**

Mon / Tue/ Wed 8 am - 4pm
Thursday & Friday 8 am-noon
Email: stjoh007@centurytel.net
Webpage: www.stjohnenterprise.org

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm
St. Mary in Geneva Saturday Mass 7 pm
Sunday Mass 9 am
Sunday Mass 1 pm in Spanish

NEW TIMES FOR WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9 am; Wed 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 pm or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00 am– 6:30 pm and
Benediction from 6:30-7:00 pm
Rosary in Spanish at 7pm in the Chapel
the 3rd Friday of the Month

GIFT SHOP

Open after Saturday 5:00 pm Mass and
Sunday 9:00 am Mass or by special
appointment

BAPTISM CLASS is held the last Tuesday of each month at 6 pm in the church. Call the office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION Please consult with the priest at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

HOMEBOUND & ILLNESSES If you, or someone you know, would like to be visited at home or in the hospital/nursing home, please contact the office.

IN NEED OF PRAYER? Please contact Rose Robke at 347-3630.

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome! Please fill out a Parishioner Registration Card (in the church foyer) and place in the collection basket or return to the office.

OFFERING ENVELOPES If you would like offering envelopes, please contact the office or fill out a Parishioner Registration Card (in the church foyer) and check the appropriate box on the back.

W E L C O M E

St. John Parish is a community of believers under the guidance of the Holy Spirit that proclaims the good news and serves others in the name of Jesus Christ. May your time at St. John be a blessed one.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW OFFICE HOURS AND NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULES

NEW OFFICE HOURS : Mon, Tues, Wed: 8 am – 4 pm and
Thurs & Friday 8 am – Noon The new office hours is a permanent change.

DAILY MASS for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday now **begins at 9:00 am.** The **WEDNESDAY ADORATION** has also changed to **9:00 a.m.** Benediction begins at 6:30 p.m. and Mass will follow at **7:00 p.m.**

Adding prayer in lieu of “giving something up” is also acceptable during Lent. Committing to attend Daily Mass or Adoration would be a wonderful Lent offertory. ***Note:** Father Jan will determine and announce on Ash Wednesday if this new **DAILY MASS** schedule will be permanently implemented or return to the old schedule.

UPCOMING 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, A CATERED DINNER, after the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass, will be held in the Parish Hall at **6:30 p.m.** Invited guest to share in our celebration include Archbishop Rodi in addition to Fort Rucker and Enterprise community leaders. **Tickets are** available after Mass and at the church office. Tickets are **\$15** per person.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2009, ANNIVERSARY MASS with ARCHBISHOP RODI at 9 a.m. A reception following Mass will be in the Parish Hall. **All attending the reception are asked to bring a finger food** to share, such as finger sandwiches, deviled eggs, pigs in a blanket, ham rolls, cheese straws, fruit tray, sausage balls, and sweets. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer to indicate how many are coming and what you will bring. **For more information contact Pat Schrand at 347-7216.**

LADIES GUILD JANUARY MEETING will be held Monday January 12th in the day chapel after the 9 a.m. mass.

CCD CLASS INFORMATION there will be **NO CCD** classes on JANUARY 18 AND JANUARY 21ST.

FORECLOSURE ? For legal advice due to foreclosure, regardless of income, call toll free 877-393-2333. Sponsor by the Alabama Bar Association.

ELIJAH CUP PROGRAM The Elijah Cup provides a focal point for praying for the priesthood and the religious. Please consider hosting the Elijah Cup in your home. A sign up sheet is in the vestibule. Contact **Linda DeOrian** at 393-6118 or email lfid101@roadrunner.com for more information.

CATHOLIC DIGEST America’s most widely read Catholic magazine, *Catholic Digest*, provides guidance, information, and encouragement for millions of Catholics. Please pick up a complimentary copy of the *Catholic Digest* in the church vestibule.

YOUTH GROUPS MEET SUNDAYS at 6pm till 7pm in the Hall. High School Youth meet the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Junior High Youth meet the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

OUR DEARLY DEPARTED
OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY
to the friends and family members of
JERRY ROBKE
SANDRA DUBE
CARLO FRENDA

If you embrace all things in this life as coming from the hands of God, and even embrace death to fulfill His holy will, assuredly you will die a saint.
- St. Alphonsus Liguori



John saw Jesus approaching him, and said:
 "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."
 Jn 1:29



CELEBRATE THE DAY OF YOUR BAPTISM!

Excerpted from **Pope John Paul II**

Angelus message given on January 12, 1997

Today's feast stresses how Jesus, at the beginning of his public life, wanted to receive the "baptism of conversion" (Lk 3:3), administered by John in the Jordan. This act, by which he, though innocent, showed his solidarity with sinners, became a moment of revelation. In fact, as he came out of the water, "immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove" (Mk 1:10). By this singular experience, Jesus is accredited as the Messiah awaited for centuries.

As the eternal Son, Jesus is consubstantial with the Father and the Holy Spirit and lives eternally-in the Trinitarian communion of the one God. In the Incarnation, the Spirit of God completely fills his humanity. At his Baptism in the Jordan, the Spirit rests upon him to initiate him into the messianic ministry and to inaugurate that great "hour" of grace which will be completed by his Death and Resurrection. Indeed, Jesus Christ is the inexhaustible source of God's Spirit for every man and woman who is open to his offer of salvation.

Dear brothers and sisters, today's feast sheds light on one of the spiritual priorities of our journey towards the Holy Year: the need to have an ever deeper awareness of Baptism as "the basis of Christian living" (Tertio millennio adveniente, n. 41). Those who receive this sacrament are baptized in the Spirit of God, to become members of Christ and with him and with our brothers and sisters, to form "one body" (1 Cor 12:13). An immense gift! We should celebrate the day of our Baptism as we do our birthday! But how many of the baptized are fully aware of what they have received? We must give a new impetus to catechesis, to rediscover this gift which also means taking on a great responsibility.

May the Mother of God, the Mother of Jesus, accompany us on this demanding journey of reinvigorating our faith.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Berry Beadles, Ann Bulik, Alexander Cardona, Ayssa Chamberlin, Mike Chase, Valerie Ann Cuthbert, Ida Dixon, Michael Jude Ehlers, Matthew Ford, Margaret Greenwood, Francis Guili, Andrew Kianka, Delores LaVoie, Robert Lund, Fr. Hugh Maguire, Philomena Muller, Morris Nelson, Harry Pendle, Diane Schoonover, Cathy Spillane, Jerry Stahl, Francis Robert Torres, Dick Turk, and Steton Yanik

*Please call or e-mail the office if you would like to remove or place someone on the sick list.



DAILY READINGS

Readings for the Week of

January 11 2009

Sunday Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

Monday Jan 12

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday Jan 13 Saint Hilary, bishop, doctor

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday Jan 14

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday Jan 15

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95; Mk 1:40-45

Friday Jan 16

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday Jan 17 Saint Anthony, abbot

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday Jan 18 Second

Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40;

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-

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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

08 Feb 09 Church Building Fund

OFFERINGS



DEC 25, 2008

Regular: \$ 6459.73

Bldg Fund: \$ 531.00

DEC 28, 2008

Regular: \$ 4369.61

Bldg Fund: \$66.00

JAN 04, 2009

Regular: 6055.48

Bldg fund: 4275.00

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Information for the

Jan 18 Bulletin is Due Jan 8

Jan 25 Bulletin is Due Jan 15

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, please sign



up on the new Flower Board located in the vestibule. There is a new year ahead and many empty weekends. Please consider paying tribute to a loved one by purchasing altar flowers in their name.