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JUNE 13, 2021 - ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
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Eva Green*Coordinator of 1st-11th Grade Religion*
Celeste Fortier.....*Safe Environment Coordinator*
John Buroker*Choir Director*

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 3:00–3:55 pm, 20 minutes before daily Mass and by appointment, (please call the office).

BAPTISM: Preparation for the sacrament is provided to parents held in the evenings. (See bulletin for time and place.) Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy, to avoid undue delays.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: For Anointing, death, or in case of an emergency please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage are asked to contact the pastor or deacon at least six months before.

CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST

Saturday:.....4:00 p.m.

Sunday:8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

****Weekday Mass Change due to COVID:**

Monday & Friday 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:.....8:30 a.m.

Holy Days:..... 6:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME, VISITORS.

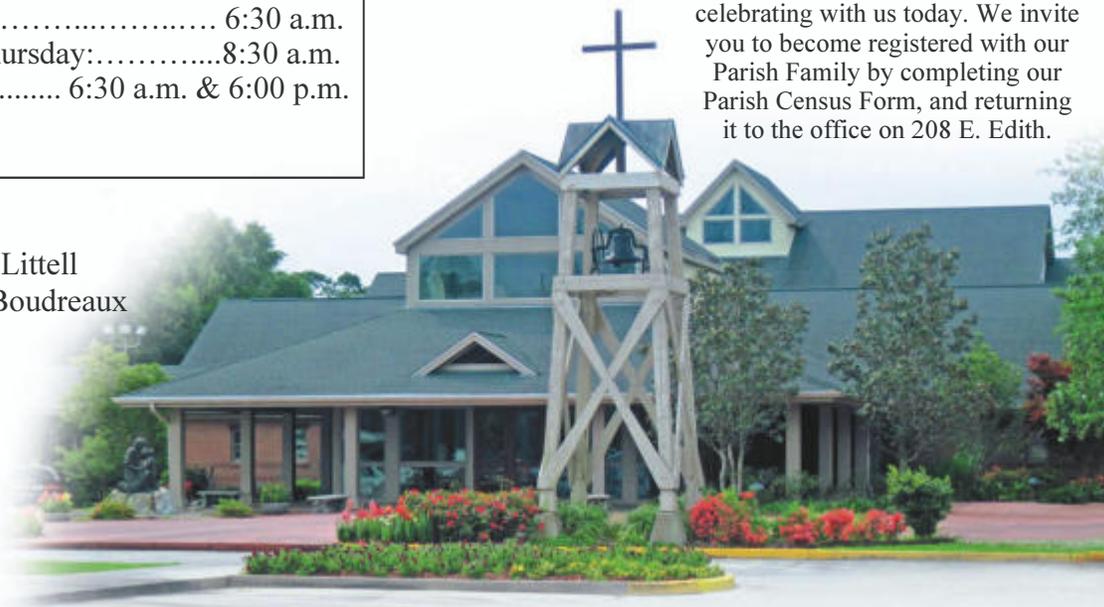
We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to become registered with our Parish Family by completing our Parish Census Form, and returning it to the office on 208 E. Edith.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pam Begnaud Trista Littell
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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A favorite motto of St. Teresa of Calcutta was, “do small things with great love.” This is how it works in the kingdom of God. God can do tremendous things with the smallest gesture, especially when it is done in love. We can clearly see that our world is suffering greatly. People are struggling to find peace, navigate through conflicts, earn a sustainable living, find security and enough food to eat, and work through political tensions and conflicts. In the light of the magnitude of the difficulties that exist around us and even within us, we can find ourselves floundering to discover practical, effective solutions. How can something so large be helped by someone as small and seemingly insignificant as me? While whole systems and structures may be out of the league of our personal influence, are we really that helpless in the midst of all of the turmoil, sadness, and suffering?

If we believe that God is with us and that God is still working to bring about the glory of God’s kingdom, then the answer is no. We are never helpless or without hope. Armed with a strong life of prayer, we can always flee to God and ask for inspiration, wisdom, and especially love. We are all blessed with unique gifts and talents and it often seems that considering all that the world lacks, love and charity remain at the top of the list. Life can easily become a battleground of hostility. Because life is challenging and difficult, anger is not far away. We see it on people’s faces and hear it in their voices. There is a measure of frustration that permeates all avenues of life. It is even felt in the air.

As people of faith, we know that what we see here is not the end but only a part of something far greater to come. We know that God’s kingdom is where we are ultimately meant to be, and the Gospel is the way to get there. If love and charity can prevail in us, then God will be able to do what God does best. God will use us to scatter the seeds of his kingdom. Through our small gestures, those seeds can receive the nurturing attention that is necessary for them to bear great fruit. We cannot fall victim to the strife that is around us. We have to keep ourselves refreshed and focused so that even in small ways, we can become part of the solution, not the problem. Love and charity, which come from God, can help to heal the ills of the world. May we bring these simple gifts to the everyday simple tasks of our lives! Watch how big the plant grows!

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Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$ 11,473.01
Mailed/Dropped in Office	\$ 1,670.00
Total (June 6th)	\$ 13,143.01
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus Our Goal	+\$1,143.01
May 31st Offering	\$ 11,139.97

Thank You!

Next Week’s Second Collection
Bishop’s Services Appeal

Like the sower in today’s Gospel, I scatter as seed my gifts of time, talent, and resources; and I trust that, by God’s grace and in God’s time, these small gifts of myself may grow and flourish and help to bring about the Kingdom of God.

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”- Mk 4:30-32b

Mass Intention

Weekend of June 12th & 13th, 2021
Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. for the intentions listed,
Sun. 10:30 a.m. for our parish (Pro Populo)

Jacquelyn Albert, Cody & Cyndi Miller (Living-Wedding Anniv.), Bob Schoeffler, M/M Wilmer Landry, Jude Stelly (Anniv.), Elodie Bodin, Wally Freeman, T. J. Sonnier, Mildred Baudoin, Warren Baudoin, Mena Courts Romero, John "Opa" Walther, Rhonda Pepples, Steven Gael Broussard

Weekday Masses

Monday 14	Vocations to the Priesthood
Tuesday 15	For First Responders and Those Serving in Our Armed Forces
Wednesday 16	Martha Stelly
Thursday 17	John J. Ladner
Friday 18	St. Joseph Community

Sanctuary Candle

Previous Bishops

Please Pray For The Sick

Susan Vincent Gunner Breaux Brennen Albert
Joyce Comeaux James Benoit Marla Francois
Dolores Benoit Kathryn Trahan Bobby Trahan
Charlie Harrington Kim Vincent Hunter Henry
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Bernice Blanchard Richard Vickie Dillenger
Jeff Harrell Mike Blanchard Lynn Broussard
John Dupont



Summer Office Hours
Beginning on June 1st through July 29th, the parish office will close at 3:00 p.m. Have a safe and blessed summer!

The Ladies Altar Society Rosary Group will meet on Tuesday, **June 15th**, at 9:30 a.m. in Church. There will be no hostess and no reception. All ladies of the community are invited.

The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Thursday, **July 8th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy in order to avoid any delays.

Opportunities for Adoration:
Wednesday 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with appropriate silence and musical accompaniment. Friday, 6:50 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Additionally, the Church is unlocked from dawn to dusk for personal prayer. Adorers may pray in our *Blessed Sacrament Chapel area* behind the altar. Seating is provided there.

St. Joseph Website Please visit our Parish Website at www.stjo-milton.org. You will find lots of great information from calendars of current and upcoming events, religious ed registration forms, census forms, bulletins, and much more. This is a great way to stay informed!

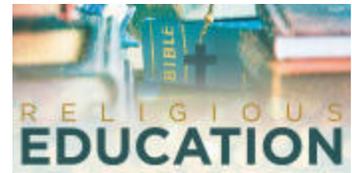


Events This Week

- Mon. (14th):** Mass 6:30 a.m.
- Tues. (15th):** Mass 8:30 a.m.
LAS Rosary Group
9:30 a.m. (Church)
- Wed: (16th)** Mass 8:30 a.m.
Adoration 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. (17th):** Mass 8:30 a.m.
- Fri. (18th):** Mass 6:30 a.m.
Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (19th):** No Events Scheduled
- Sun. (20th):** No Events Scheduled



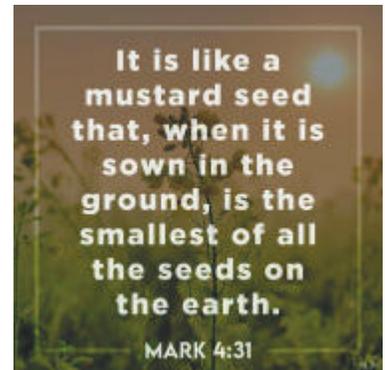
Word of Life “It is so hard to express in words what a unique experience adoption has been for us. It has been quite a journey facing infertility, as well as so many unknowns and acts of kindness and sacrifices—all with so many emotions—which led to the growth of our family. There were times when our faith was shaken and we weren’t sure if we could handle our cross. But adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God’s power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives.” *For all children in need of adoption and those families hoping to adopt: May the Lord bless them and provide for their every need.*



Religious Ed Registration for grades 1st-10th is closed. Deadline to register was **MAY 31ST**. Please call Eva Green at 856-0800 for any questions you may have.



Confirmation Registration has now begun. Please go to: www.stjo-milton.org to print out a Registration Form. Deadline to register is **September 17th**. Mail to P. O. Box 299, Milton 70558 or drop off at 208 E. Edith Road. Please call Eva Green at 856-0800 for any questions you may have.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mt 5:38-42
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
- Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Mt 6:7-15
- Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/Mt 6:19-23
- Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday’s Readings

- Job 38:1, 8-11
- Psalm 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31
- 2 Corinthians 5:14-17
- Mark 4:35-41



Church Collections

Question: Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

Answer: This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs.

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“A priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you.” - Cure’ of Ars

Please Pray for Our Priest:

Rev. James Callahan, SJ
 Rev. Christopher Cambre
 Rev. Corey Campeaux
 Rev. Joseph Campion, SSJ
 Rev. James Carter, SJ
 Rev. Michael Champagne, CJC, STD
 Rev. Gregory Chauvin

Young Adult Retreat (Ages 18-30) to be held on **July 9th-11th** at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House, in Grand Coteau. The retreat is for young men, young women and young couples. It will be directed by Fr. Joe Laramie, S.J. Deposit \$25.00. The total cost is \$200 (includes deposit). To register call 662-5410 x 200 or visit our website: ourladyoftheoaks.com.

STM Cheerleaders Cheer Clinic “Shake, Rattle and Cheer” entering pre K-5th/ Summer Intensive entering 6th-8th will be held **July 20th-July 23rd**. Register online at www.stmcougars.net under “SUMMER CAMPS”. Your child will learn cheers, jumps, dances, and chants! Camp fee includes camper t-shirt, daily snacks, pictures and fun! Online and mail-in registration (\$128) ends July 12th or walk in (\$135) 8:00-9:00 a.m. on July 20th. For more information, please contact kim.manuel@stmcougars.net.

Thought of the Week *Try not to become a man of success but a man of value.*



St. Anthony Can Find Anything — Even You

“Tony, Tony, come around! Something is lost and it must be found.”

Did you learn this one when you were a kid? In my experience there are even a lot of lapsed Catholics — or people who were never Catholic at all — who know that when you lose something, St. Anthony becomes your best friend. Missing keys? Pray to St. Anthony. Can’t find your favorite sweater? St. Anthony. Forget where you parked your car in the mall lot? St. Anth— okay, you get the idea. Whatever it is, large or small, important or trivial, Tony has a reputation for finding the lost things.

It’s a devotion that can seem a little like superstition — witchcraft, even? — if you don’t really understand it. Mumble an incantation to a dead guy and you’re guaranteed to find your sunglasses. But as with most traditions that are old, beloved and effective, looking a little closer reveals the truth of the matter.

When we lose something really important, what do we do? We make the whole household stop what they’re doing to join the search. Having St. Anthony as a friend means you ask him to stop what he’s doing to help, too. And how he helps is by taking the matter exactly where all matters need to go — straight to the feet of Christ.

Here’s the real genius of St. Anthony: he takes the most mundane, commonplace occurrence — misplacing socks — into an encounter with the divine and truly all things great and small are gifts from God. He grabs our hand and points to the cross. “That’s what you’re looking for,” he tells us.

In the end, Tony doesn’t really find the lost things. He finds the lost people.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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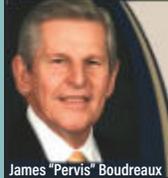
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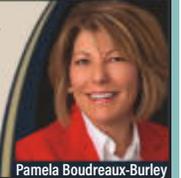


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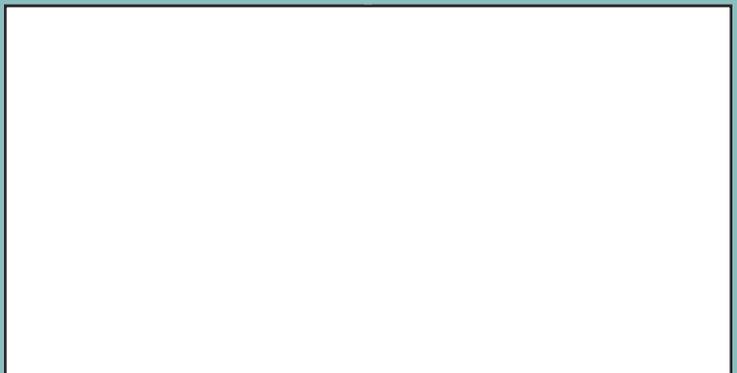
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