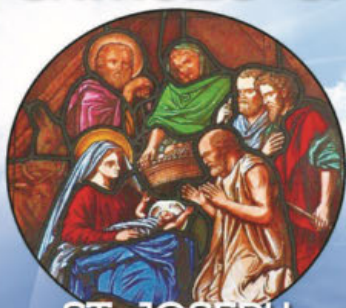


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BAPTISM



“There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!”

LUKE 12:50

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (*Jer 38:10*)

Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (*Ps 40*)

Second Reading:

Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. (*Heb 12:1-2*)

Gospel:

“Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.” (*Lk 12:51*)

PSR Teachers Needed

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Mass & Reconciliation Times

Sunday August 14th: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. (C); 10:00 A.M. (P); 5:00 P.M. (G)

Reconciliation: 7:00 A.M. (C) & 4:00 P.M. (G)

Monday, August 15th: Feast of The Assumption

(Pastoral Office Closed)

7:00 A.M. (L); 10:00 A.M. (Chateau St. James); 6:00 P.M. (P)

Tuesday, August 16th: 7:00 A.M. (L)

4:30 P.M. Novena & Communion Service (C) Deacon Alfred

Wednesday, August 17th: 8:00 A.M. (SPC); 5:30 P.M. (L)

Thursday, August 18th: 7:00 A.M. (L)

Friday, August 19th: 7:00 A.M. (L)

Saturday, August 20th: Vigils 4:00 P.M. (P); 6:00 P.M. (G)

Reconciliation: 3:00 P.M. (P)

~ WEEKLY PRAYER ~

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Monday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Friday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Saturday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope

Sacraments & Services

BAPTISM:

You must be registered parishioners to request baptism in one of the cluster churches. Parents & Godparents are required to attend baptismal prep seminar, or complete on-line course now offered. Seminars are held the 3rd Sunday of odd number months. REGISTER at least two weeks before the seminar by calling Missy Laurent (869-5751). Baptisms are scheduled once classes are complete and paperwork is turned in.

RCIA (Rite of Christian

Initiation of Adults & Children):

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, contact Ernie or Lisa Sieber @ 266-0569, or Fr. Vincent Dufresne for more information about the RCIA process.

MATRIMONY:

Couples planning a wedding are asked to contact Deacon Alfred Adams at 562-3255 at least six months prior to their planned wedding date.

No tentative wedding date can be confirmed before initial meeting with the priest.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

For emergency sick calls, please contact the Pastoral Center for a priest. If it is after hours follow the phone prompts to contact a priest.

RECONCILIATION:

Reconciliation available in churches before 7:00 A.M. daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and weekend Masses as scheduled.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

Please contact the Pastoral Center as soon as possible prior to making funeral arrangements.

Please Pray For Those In Need

Robert "Bean" Montelius

Braylee Lambert

Damien Powers

Betty Brignac

Cathy Nosacka

Nolan Guidry

Hubert Brignac

Russel Louque

Anniston Cancienne

Shery Rome

Janine Kosztolanyi

Woodie Pollet

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Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



Apostleship of Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention monthly. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

August Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

August is the month of The Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us pray this prayer in honor of Mary, placing our families, our sick, our lonely and our concerns in her care, trusting she will present them to Her Son, Our Lord Jesus.

Prayer to Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially those so deep in our heart. We are comforted in knowing your heart is ever open to those who ask for your prayer. We trust to your gentle care and intercession, those whom we love and who are sick or lonely or hurting. Help all of us, Holy Mother, to bear our burdens in this life until we may share eternal life and peace with God forever. Amen.

Sanctuary Candle In Memory of:

Zeke Roussel (SM)
Grady Poche (SJ)
Donald Blank (SH)
Jonathan P. Bourgeois (AC)
Arceneaux babies (LC)



In Loving Memory

Glenda Petit Accardo

January 27, 1941-July 27, 2022

A Mass of Christian burial was held in her honor on Saturday, August 6, 2022 at St. Michael the Archangel Church with burial following in St. Joseph Church mausoleum.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Following Jesus sometimes means being rejected by others. Speak an encouraging word this week to someone you know who is trying to follow Jesus.

Say a prayer for those who are discerning a call to Priesthood or Religious life. If God is calling you, call or email [Father Joshua Johnson](mailto:Father.Joshua.Johnson@diobr.org) at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.



Expectant Mothers Prayer Corner

Please pray for all expectant mothers especially those listed:

Courtney Mistretta
Erin M. Bourgeois
Caroline Melancon
Kristen Levron
Kara Poche

Lord Jesus, we thank you for your protection of these mothers-to-be and their babies. Thank you for keeping their babies safe and secure in their mother's womb and in your love. Thank you for strengthening these precious babies, keeping them healthy, and preparing them for the plans you have set before them. For as long as their pregnancy lasts, we pray that you will be doing the mighty and marvelous work that only you can do, creating life and bringing beauty into the world through your creations. Amen.



Traveling Chalices & Statue of Our Lady of Fatima: Host family: August 17th-24th David & Lynne Bourg. Interested in becoming a host family? Call: Cheryl Louque @ 206-2929.

Our Lady of Fatima Statue with Rosary: Host family August 14th-20th Peggy McCreary (St. Michael); Sonjie Haydel (St. Mary) Call Geraldine Hoover, 562-7129 if you are interested in hosting.

Prayer Line: Praying for parishioners needs: To join this ministry or add someone to the prayer list contact: Nancy Cashio, 225-869-8124; Geraldine Hoover, 562-7129; Etta Ruiz, 869-8425 or Marcy St. Pierre, 869-9820.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 14, 2022:

8:00 a.m. (C) Parishioners of St. Michael Parish
10:00 a.m. (P) Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish
5:00 p.m. (G) Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish

Monday, August 15, 2022:

7:00 a.m. (L)
Warren & Ken Laiche & Julie Carpenter, Alice & LJ Bourgeois, Louis Tramonte Sr. & Aydell Family, Souls in Purgatory

6:00 p.m. (P) Schexnaydre/Hymel Family

Tuesday, August 16, 2022:

7:00 a.m. (L)
Charlie & Lil Duhe

Wednesday, August 17, 2022:

5:30 p.m. (L)
In Thanksgiving, Pat, Eldess & Daryl Broussard, Ray-

mond Sr. & William Ledet, Sally Rodriguez, Doris L. Martin & Family, Derek Zimmer, Bradley & Jason Bourgeois, Ethel Zeringue & Norman Zeringue Jr., Jonathan P. Bourgeois, Joe & Ethel Martin, Ferrel Bourgeois, Sam & Kathleen Andermann, Wilmer "Joe" & Germaine Poche, Jay & Betty Richard, Grady Poche, Electa & George Copponex, April Marie Oubre, Wilfred Laiche Jr. Family, Moise Oubre Sr. Family, Charlene Folse Pollet, Morgan, Solange & MJ Roussel; Thursday, August 18, 2022:

Thursday, August 18, 2022:

7:00 a.m. (L)
Floyd & Eunice Berthelot

Friday, August 19, 2022:

7:00 a.m. (L)
Lawrence & Delia Lambert, Richard & Charmaine Zeringue, Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, August 20, 2022:

4:00 p.m. (P)

Pete & Florance Hughs, Randall Bourgeois Jr. & Hollie, Kenny Pham, Verlin Simon, Curtis Calderera Sr., Ralph Copponex, Ryan Bourgeois, Eusebe & Hilda Lambert, Dennis Louviere, Trudy Deslatte St. Pierre, Mabel & Oneal Cambre, Angele Gandy, Ronnie Fremin, Rose Rouillier, Helen Roussel, Donald Lambert, Thomas Keller Sr.; Audrey & Paul Vicknair Sr., Paul Vicknair Jr., Bernadette Lambert; Eldess, Pat & Daryl Broussard, Raymond Sr. & William Ledet, Sally Rodriguez, Audrey J. Roussel, Souls in Purgatory

6:00 p.m. (G)

M/M Winton Barbin & Family, Alvy & Rezette Jenkins, Stella & Harry Martin, Chester J. & Bernice P. Bourgeois, Roger Louque Sr., Sam Gondolfo, AJ Laiche, Frances Troxler, Gerald Laroze & Donna, Mrs. Walter Bourgeois & Family, Souls in Purgatory

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted



modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look

like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! ... Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." - Lk 12:49, 51

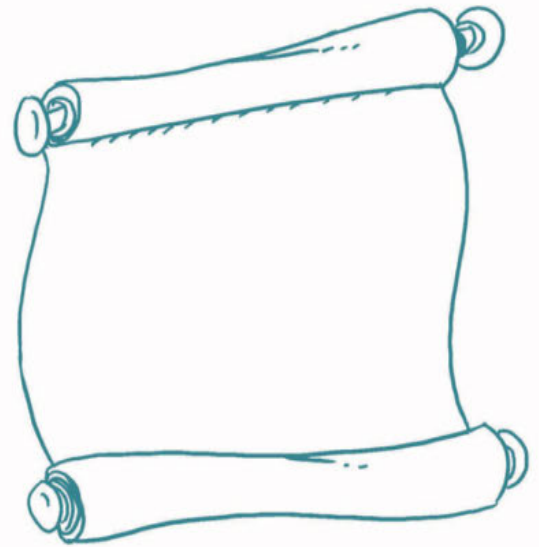
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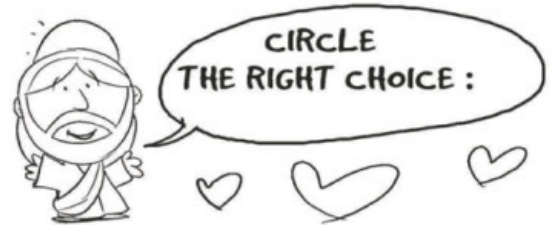
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- 2-FIGHT / TALK NICELY
- 3-LOVE / HATE
- 4-HIDE CANDY / SHARE CANDY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9th & 10th Grade PSR Parent Meeting: Sunday, August 14th, 6:15 P.M. @ Sacred Heart Church. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Pastoral Office Closed Monday, August 15th: The Pastoral Office will be closed in observance of the Feast of the Assumption. This is not a Holy Day of Obligation but there is a Mass of the Assumption at 6:00 P.M. at St. Joseph for those who wish to attend.

SPC School Mass: Wednesday, August 17th, 8:00 A.M. - Parents, Grandparents and friends of SPC are welcome to celebrate with us.

St. Joseph Parish Council Meeting: The monthly council meeting will be on Wednesday, August 17th @ 6:30 P.M. in the Pastoral Center.

Confirmation Class Begins: Sunday, August 21st – contact Missy Laurent for information.

Knights of Columbus Benefit Lunch: Chicken & dirty rice dinners will be sold on Sunday, August 21st for \$10 a plate. The dinner will benefit the ARC. Orders can be placed in advance by calling 869-8184.

Mark Your Calendar: PSR Elementary Parents Meeting Monday, August 29th, 6:00 P.M. in Sacred Heart Church. St. Joseph and Sacred Heart parents must attend.



The *Come, Lord Jesus!* program is a small group bible study centered around prayer, the holy Eucharist, Scripture, and Christian witness. The program

was developed by Father Conley Bertrand who resides in Lafayette, LA.

Charmaine Ordeneaux has started a local group in her home at 9 am on Wednesday's. Volume I, *Be My Witness, A Catholic Study of the Sunday Gospels* will be used. The hour meeting begins with prayers of thanksgiving and petitions followed by reading and discussion of the upcoming Sunday's gospel reading. Please bring your bibles. Materials will be provided. If you would like to join the group or ask questions, please call Charmaine at 225-869-8638.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

When you talk about Jesus, you will probably get a strong reaction from people. Some people love Jesus with their whole heart, and their lives really show it. Other people don't want to follow Jesus, and talking about him may even make them angry. Families and friends can be torn apart by that anger. No matter what, stay close to Jesus, and he will stay close to you.

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, help me to stay close to you always.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Be very loving when you tell others about Jesus.



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SCHOOL NEWS



August 18: Back to School Night for parents 6:00 P.M. Come meet your child's teacher and gain valuable information about your child's classes

August 25: CHASA information night 6:30 P.M. All are invited to learn more ways to become involved in CHASA, Chanel Home and School Association. A short presentation will be given at Back to School Night.

My neighbor is just beginning to explore the Catholic faith but was raised agnostic. I grew up believing in God, praying, and attending Mass. How does one start from scratch as an adult to develop a relationship with God?

Start on a personal level! How did you and your neighbor become friends? How did you begin to discuss such a personal topic as faith? Communication, spending time together, and getting to know each other are essential to forming the bonds of a relationship. Personal prayer is essential to our relationship with God. We can't be close to someone we don't know! Invite your friend to explore the stories of Jesus in the Bible. Introduce them to the lives of the saints, especially ones you think they might be interested in.

Your neighbor might also have questions about the Catholic faith that you don't know how to answer. If your friend hasn't yet enrolled in RCIA classes, invite them to Mass at your parish. Introduce your friend to the faith formation director to make a connection. Personal support can be helpful as well,

especially if few of your neighbor's current friends are practicing their faith. Connect your neighbor to other people in your parish living their faith well. The good examples of other faithful people could help your neighbor to feel welcomed and supported. Our Church is vibrant and alive!



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In today's second reading, St. Paul encourages us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus. Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our

TEACHERS NEEDED

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