SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS Saturday | 4:00pm Sunday | 7:00am & 9:30am WEEKDAYS Mondays 6:30pm Tuesday / Wednesday /Thursday | 7:30am 1st Thursdays | 6:30pm Holy Days & Anticipated Mass | TBA Tuesday Rosary I 9:00 am Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction 1st Thursdays | 5:30pm

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SACRAMENTS

Confession: 30 minutes before weekend mass or by appointment.

Matrimony: Contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

Baptism: A class will be given if you are expecting and have not attended a baptismal class.



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He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

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Saturday September 11

Lawrence Primeaux, Jan Primeaux, Alice Nucy Nunez, JD & Patsy LaBove Family, Asa & Mecile Broussard, Daniel LaBove, Alberta Rutherford, Michael & Delores LaBove; Lee Anna Dubrock, Dubrock & LaCombe Family; Leroy & Agnes Louviere, Floyd & Edna Harrington, Ronnie & Bonnie Harrington, Brett D LaBove, Kenny Semar, Coy Fruge;AD & Cheryl and Romero & Harrington Families, Bob Harvey, Patsy Holland, Zach Fairchild, Nunez & Holland Families

Sunday September 12

7:00 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Robert & Lucille Hartwell; Billy & Joyce Derouen, Derouen-Richard Families; Madeline Leonard, Leonard & Aucoin Families; Bella Hahn; Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville, Brenda & Patsy Courville, Nancy Donally, Spencer Bienvenue, Ivan, David, Leon, Terry Guidry, M/M Regile Derouen, Walter & Elia Verret, LJ Fruge **Monday September13** Alice Nucy Nunez, Special intention

Tuesday September 14 Special intention

Wednesday September15 Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville, Brenda & Patsy Courville

Thursday September 16 Special intention

Friday September 17 No Mass

Saturday September 18

Alice Nucy Nunez, Bella Hahn, Bob Harvey, Rose Moss, Patsy Holland Sunday September 19

7:00 a.m. Willie & Aline Hoffpauir, Femon & Eula Lognion, Zack & Diane Thibeaux, Walter& Elia Verret, LJ Fruge, Jena Hoffpauir 9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

If you would like to be added to either list or know of someone who needs to be added, please email Susie Miller to sjvcbk@gmail.com(e-mail is best because it is in writing and has a date and a time attached to it, but if that would cause a hardship, you can call Susie at 337-622-3218) Names received before noon on Tuesday will appear in the next week's bulletin, not the current week. Names will remain on the list for 2 weeks and then be removed. If after the 2 weeks, you still need prayer, by all means, please send another message and we'll keep praying!

OUR SICK

Patty Borne, Joyce Bourque, Bennie Breaux, Joshua Bull, James Castille, Pammy Derouen, Terry Dubard, Joyce Guidry, Ellen Harrington, Jamie Hoffpauir, Emerson Irvin, James LaBove, Judy Leonard, Linda Lognion, Alex Manning, Kennon Martin, Katie McLean, Wyatt Myers, Mark Pedersen, Donald Pugh, Henry Romero, Jeannie Taveney Smith, Bridgette Sonnier, Barbara Theriot, Ethan Trosclair; Craig Zaunbrecher, Crystal Leger, Roger Wright, Robert Lowe, Whitney Chapman

OUR HOMEBOUND

Joyce Conner, Fred Conner, Lillian Conner, James Keith Leger, Benny Lognion, Leslie Hartwell

Nursing Home, retirement home, & Assisted Living Residents

Urick Guidry, Ethel Racca, Barbara & Clarence Theriot, John & Kenora Theriot , Sidney Theriot, Sandra Fontenot

OUR MILITARY

Brennan Arabie, Hayden Broussard, Austin Brown, Wesley Dugas, Trent Jarrel, Trey Jarrel, Gavin Leger, Alex McCready, Terry N. Trawee

THE SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Pope Francis - An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Bishop Glen John Provost - For health care workers, that all in the medical profession see in their work of healing a share in the mission of Christ.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 12, 2021 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.

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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & EVENTS

PARISH NEWS

Catechism/PREP starts Wednesday September 15th at 6:00 pm in the church with parent or guardian. Father will hand out the books and give some directions as to what to do about catechizing your children and ongoing formation for parents and children.

Parents of students registering for Confirmation this year, please contact Melissa Fontenot at 337-764-7606.

AREA NEWS

The annual Veritas Conference will take place on **Saturday, September 25**, at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Family Life Center, 3939 Kingston Street, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The one-day faith formation conference will feature keynote speaker, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, along with breakout sessions on various topics.

The fourth annual Rosary Around the Lake, organized by the <u>Ruth Institute</u>, will take place Sunday, **October 3**, beginning at 2 p.m. at the Lake Charles Civic Center. The event is part of <u>Rosary Coast to</u> <u>Coast</u> taking place the following Sunday, Oct. 10, across the nation.

The 30th annual Pro-Life Banquet will be Tuesday **October 5** at 6:30 p.m. Call 337-474-7003 for more information.

"Save the Date" for the Diocese of Lake Charles Eucharistic Congress beginning on Saturday, November 13, and continuing through Friday, November 19. More information will be coming soon.

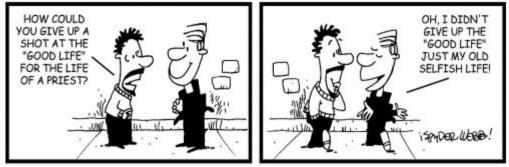
Question and Answer

MASS

Question: I've noticed that when I go to Mass at different parishes, sometimes people say and do different things. Why is that?

Answer: The Mass in its current form has taken shape over the course of 2,000 years. Over time, traditions, structures, and prayers have been put into place. There are certain rubrics for the Mass that are normative wherever you go. This means you could attend Mass in Malawi or Thailand or Italy and still watch the same basic liturgy unfold, even if you don't understand the language. There may be some cultural differences from place to place, things that aren't specifically listed. For example, in the United States most people go up for Communion in a nice neat line. In Europe, everyone gets up around the same time. It's a bit of a free-for-all! Some people might take it upon themselves to change things individually. People may not like something that feels too "liberal" or "conservative," and they may take a well-meaning stance in the opposite direction. When people (including the presiders) do things that are distracting or change the liturgy, it introduces an element that breaks the unity of the assembled community. The important thing to remember is that we gather as the Body of Christ to celebrate the Eucharist. If you are confused, ask! If you are frustrated, pray for the spirit of charity. ©I Pi

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MARK 8:34

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