

SUNDAY JANUARY 23, THIRD 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 | 9:00 am

### Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction

1st Thursdays | 5:30pm

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All bulletin announcements are due by Tuesday at noon. (Bulletins are prepared a week in advance and printed on Monday. These will go in the next week, not the current week.)

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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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# PRAYER & WORSHIP



**Saturday January 22**

**Julian, Michael, & Mark Arrant, Norma Breaux, Sharon Hoffpaur, Steve Racca, Poor Souls in Purgatory**

**Sunday, January 23**

**7:00 AM Willie & Aline Hoffpaur, Femon & Eula Lognion, Zack & Diane Thibeaux, Madeline Leonard**

**9:30 AM Mass for the Parishioners**

**Monday January 24: No Mass**

**Tuesday January 25: No Mass**

**Wednesday January 26: No Mass**

**Thursday January 27: No Mass**

**Friday January 28: No Mass**

**Saturday January 29 : Mass for Parishioners**

**Sunday January 30**

**7:00 a.m.**

**Mass for Souls in Purgatory**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Madeline Leonard**

## 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 Hoffpaur, 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 Troclair; Craig Zaunbrecher, Crystal Leger, Roger Wright, Robert Lowe, Don Racca, Margaret Arrant, Jace Fontenot, Jade Fontenot, Lynn Leger, Murphy Leger, Xandria Lenden, Ester Harrington, Freeman & Betty Leger

**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 JANUARY PRAYER INTENTIONS:

#### **Pope Francis - *For true human fraternity***

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

**Bishop Glen John Provost - For parents and families, that they will choose life and see in their children a share in the creative work of our Heavenly Father.**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**January 23, 2022**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus

stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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