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August 3, 2025

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Volume 59 Number 5

Mass Schedule: Saturday—4:00pm Sunday—8:00 am & 10:00 am

(Rosary prayed 30 minutes prior to all masses)



Prayer for Open Hands

Lord, I do not know what
any day holds,
I cannot take for
granted any of the gifts
You have given.
Help me to use them,
as You would have me.
Help me to live according
to Your invitations.
Amen. ©LPi

IF TODAY YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,
HARDEN NOT
YOUR HEARTS.



PSALM 95

18th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against
all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does
not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:15

Church Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday
8:00 AM —3:00 PM

Church Staff:

Rev. Carl Collins, Pastor
Gary Lapeyrouse, Deacon
Tracie Defelice, Secretary
Sharon Picou, Formation
Al Lyons, Maintenance

What We Store in the Barn

I once knew a godly woman who had truly tasted the bitterness of this earthly life. This woman knew pain. She knew sacrifice. She knew hard labor and loss, including the death of a cherished child. She worked each day at a low-paying job, waiting patiently for her 65th birthday, when she could retire and devote herself full-time to her grandchildren. She crossed off the dwindling days on her calendar like a first grader waiting for Christmas.

Ninety-eight days before she was set to retire, she died suddenly. Her name was erased from the schedule at work and penciled over with that of her replacement hire. All things are vanity.

I think we all know someone like this, don't we? If the details aren't exactly the same, the outline of the story is: someone labors "with wisdom and knowledge and skill," in the words of Ecclesiastes. And what profit comes to him? Sorrow and grief all his days. The proverbial barn filled with harvest and left to rot.

But I'll let you in on a secret: this isn't a sad story. I've only told you part of it.

This woman heard, daily, the voice of God, and against it she never hardened her heart, whatever news it brought her. This woman loved as hard as she worked. Every action was a form of evangelization. To talk to her was to feel the embrace of Christ.

As much as she waited for that retirement that never came, it was never the harvest in her barn. This is what it means to be a true steward: to seek what is above. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



St. Joseph's
Knights of Columbus
Council 5013

&

Fr. Patrick V. Curran
Assembly 2214

Installation of Officers

August 2nd, 2025

After 4 PM Mass, Banquet to follow
in Youth Center



SUNDAY READINGS -

First Reading:

For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? (Eccl 2:22)

Psalms:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90)

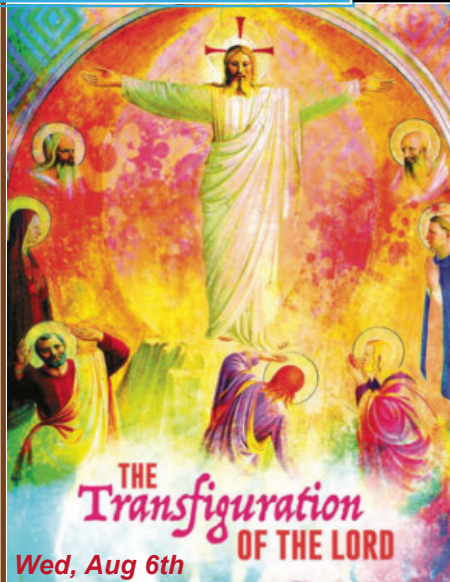
Second Reading:

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel:

Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." (Lk 12:21)

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Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church?

Have you been away and want to come back to the church but not sure how?

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OCIA—is more than just a program. It is a learning and loving process in conversion of the heart bringing one to Jesus Christ. Are you ready to learn more about the Catholic faith and enter into a relationship with Jesus Christ and His community of God's people? If so, **OCIA** is waiting for you. For more information or to sign-up, call the church office at 594-5859 or Sharon Picou at 790-2121.

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Weekly Schedule

Monday, Aug 4th

No Mass

3:00 Rosary & Adoration OLOPS

Tuesday, Aug 5th

8:30am—Mass

6:00—Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, Aug 6th

8:30am—Mass

6:30 Parish Council—Office

6:45pm—Chapel Night—OLOPS

1st day of School

Thursday, Aug 7th

8:30am—Mass

1:00pm—Praise be to You—OLOPS

Friday, Aug 8th

8:30am—Mass

Saturday, Aug 9th

4:00pm—Mass

Sunday, Aug 10th

8:00am—Mass

10:00am—Mass

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Cmtr/Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat, Aug 2, 4PM	Bernadine, Kent	Albert, Tony, Kate, Allen, Tina, Jude
Sun, Aug 3, 8AM	Craig, TracieD	Charles, TracieB
10 AM	James, Tiffani	Eric, Christie, AnnieL, Jacob, Joyce, Jenny
Sat, Aug 9, 4pm	Jude, Shanna	Kent, Kate, Donna, Tony, Tina, Allen
Sun, Aug 10, 8am	Bob, Annie G	Emily, Merita
10am	Tammy, Angel	Joyce, Monique, Jenny, Jacob, Sadie, Annie L



Wednesday
Nights of Renewal
6:45PM

Our Lady of Prompt Succor
4316 Hwy 56
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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF - JESUS

Speaker:
Father Glenn LeCompte

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

Collection Counters

Aug 4th: Sheila Pitre
Aug 11th: Mary Griffin
Aug 18th: Paige McGehee
Aug 25th: Evelyn Pellegrin

Collections July 26/27th

Envelopes: \$ 4494.00
Loose: \$ 411.00
Charity \$ 934.00
Online: \$230.00
Total: \$ 6,069.00

Mass Counts

4pm	8am	10am
95	69	84

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, August 2nd Dudley & Marie Eschete; Jonathon Theriot; Ural Neal; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Eugene 'Skip' Pellegrin; Fr Gustave & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Brandon Portier; Claudette Authement; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Neg Neg, Newell & Mildred Dumond & fly; Julius 'NuNu' & Julius Jr Robichaux; Mandy Denison; Della & Norma C Authement; Earl Pellegrin Jr & Sr; Nolan, Ora & Darryl Portier; Abraham & Brent Griffin; Allen & Mae Mae (Winnie) LeBlanc; Ruth, Wilbur & Kelly Lyons; Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Normand Smith Sr.; Michael Adams Sr; Lovelace Foret Sr & Jr; Larry Babin; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; All Deceased Knights of Columbus members, Council 5013 & Assembly 2214; Clarence & Louise Portier Neil & fly; Marlene & Ponoke Champagne; Racheal Molinere; Claude J Lirette (bday)

Sunday, August 3rd 8:00 am Jonathon Theriot; Paul, Irene & Dale Lyons; E.J., Doicy & Ed 'Nootsie' Blanchard; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis Sr; Mary Beth D Price; Paul & Philip Chauvin Sr; Sandra "Kay" Brunet; Houston 'Sou' & Helen Lirette & fly; Emilie, Leona & Junius Blanchard; Loney 'Peanut' & Richard Foret; Levest (anniv) & Leona Levron; All Deceased Knights of Columbus members, Council 5013 & Assembly 2214; Al Pierron; Kenneth LeCompte; LeCompte & Griffin flies; Ida & Roland Picou Sr & Jr

10:00 am St Joseph Parish fly; Jonathon Theriot; M/M Octave & Lillian Lapeyrouse; Jesse LeCompte Sr; Hugh & Caprise LeBlanc; Rosaline Martin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Nathan Guilfou & fly; Eugene Soudelier; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Glynn Hebert; Sylvia Trahan's Deceased Family members; Gregory Lopez; Ruth C Authement; Kevin Boudreaux; Una Arcement; All Deceased Knights of Columbus members, Council 5013 & Assembly 2214

Thursday, August 7th Kurt Cunningham (anniv); Jackson Sadler

Friday, August 8th Mary Louise Authement

Saturday, August 9th Dudley & Marie Eschete; Jonathon Theriot; Ural Neal; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Fr Gustave & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Claudette Authement; Frank Folse; Alex & Lydia Punch & fly; Julius 'NuNu' & Julius Jr Robichaux; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Emile Fanguy & fly; Delores Foret; Ricky, Jessica, Thelma, Chester & Laverne Rouse; Mandy Denison; Della & Norma C Authement; Earl Pellegrin Jr & Sr; Jeanetta & Jill Lyons; Harold Foret Sr; Michael Adams Sr; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; All Deceased Knights of Columbus members, Council 5013 & Assembly 2214; Clarence & Louise Portier Neil & fly; Marlene & Ponoke Champagne; Raymond "Kie" Martin (anniv); Delores, Charlie & Beulah Martin; Steven Charpentier

Sunday, August 10th 8:00am Jonathon Theriot; Paul, Irene & Dale Lyons; Earl Pellegrin Sr (37 yr anniv); Melvin "Micky" Duplantis Sr; Mary Beth D Price; Paul & Philip Chauvin Sr; Carroll (bday) & Janell Voisin; Sandra "Kay" Brunet; Houston 'Sou' & Helen Lirette & fly; Emily, Leona & Junius Blanchard; Loney 'Peanut' & Richard Foret; All Deceased Knights of Columbus members, Council 5013 & Assembly 2214; Kenneth LeCompte; LeCompte & Griffin flies;

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Readings for the week of August 3, 2025

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Observances for the week of August 3, 2025

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. John Vianney, Priest

Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Wednesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Thursday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

Friday: St. Dominic, Priest

Saturday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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