

NECROLOGY:

Please remember the souls of these departed Priest, Deacons, Bishops, and other religious who have served our Diocese: Tuesday, Aug. 19: Rev. Mr. John S. Guillet (+ 1986), Friday, Aug. 22: Rev. Msgr. William Benson (+1987), Saturday, Aug. 23: Rev. Fr. Augustine Blanc (+1945), Sunday, Rev. Mr. Harold Richard (+ 2009). *Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine et lux perpetua luceat eis.*



PRAYER FOR SAFETY DURING HURRICANE SEASON:

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude; you are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. The Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

LAWN CRYPTS FOR SALE

There are currently two (2) lawn crypts for sale at the Evangeline Memorial Park located on Chataignier Road in Ville Platte. If you are interest or would like more information, please contact David at 337-363-4006 or 337-831-2574.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE:

As the summer heat continues, please remember that there is proper attire for attending Holy Mass. Modesty and respect are key.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The first of the Sacraments of Initiation is Baptism. The Rite of Baptism is celebrated at Sacred Heart on the second and third Sundays of each respective month after the 10 a.m. Mass. For first time parents who wish to have their child baptized, they must attend a pre-baptism seminar. The seminars alternated between Sacred Heart and Queen of All Saints Parishes. Another important part of the Sacrament of Baptism is the selection of Godparents. These persons are charged with raising the child in the Holy Catholic faith if something happens to the parents. The Church has set forth standards for the selection of Godparents. These standards are: the prospective Godparent (s) must be at least 16 years of age, have made the Sacrament of Confirmation, be in good standings with the Church (i.e. not divorced, have no impediment that would keep him from receiving the Sacraments), attend Mass regularly-each weekend, and be willing to undertake the role of Godparent. Once a Godparent is selected and entered into the Baptismal register, they are the Godparent and cannot be removed from the register.

PRAYERS FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS:

Each day, please remember the following Priests in prayer:

Monday, Aug.18: Rev. Fr. Martin Leonards, Tuesday, Aug. 19: Rev. Fr. Roland Lesseps, SJ, Wednesday, Aug. 20: Rev. Fr. James Liprie, OSB, Thursday, Aug. 21: Rev. Fr. Albert Louapre, SJ, Friday, Aug. 22: Rev. Fr. Thomas Madden, SJ Saturday, Aug. 23: Rev. Msgr. Charles Mallett, Sunday, Aug. 24: Rev. Msgr. Curtis Mallett, JCL

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

We are blessed, here in Ville Platte, to have Perpetual (twenty-four hour) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available to us at the Mercy Regional Hospital Chapel. Parishioners are invited to stop by the chapel and spend some time, as often as they wish, in prayer before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. If you are interested in becoming a regularly scheduled adorer or a substitute adorer, please phone 337-363-4533 for more information. **There are currently openings for adorers, please phone the number above, if you are interested in taking one of these vacancies.**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING:

Sacred Heart School will have an initial Safe Environment training class on **Wednesday, August 20th at 5:30 p.m.** in the High School Commons. There is a \$7.00 diocesan processing fee.

CEMETERY POLICY:

What is the proper way to convey the right of interment, the right to bury the remains or cremains of an individual, of a crypt or plot to another person? This is a common concern that arises when one inherits a plot or crypt for burial and decided that they do not want to use that plot in the Sacred Heart Cemeteries. The proper way to conveying that right it to: first, gather the heirs and discuss the possible conveyance with them to make sure that there will not be any future reservations to that conveyance. Second, meet with a notary of public to draft the following: an affidavit of ownership: this document will state that ownership of the plot or crypt and to whom the right of interment originally belonged. Next, the legal heirs of the crypt or plot must sign either an act of sale or an act of donation in which the right of interment is conveyed to the new person. Finally, all of the signed and notarized documents must be submitted to the parish cemetery office for entry into parish record.

FROM THE PASTOR

"My heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved." Romans 10:1

Mes chers amis,

In today's first reading, we hear the Prophet Isaiah - speaking on behalf of the Lord - say this: "Thus says the Lord: Observe what is right, do what is just." (Is 56:1) As we know, this used to be common sense. But as the saying goes, common sense is not so common anymore. For us as Catholics, those words fulfilled in a very particular way...and describe very precisely what is at the heart of our lives: the Holy Mass! At the offertory of every Holy Mass, we prepare to offer the gifts. Then, as the offering begins, the dialogue we've inherited from ancient times happens: "The Lord be with you." "And with your spirit." "Lift up your hearts" "We lift them up to the Lord." "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." "It is right and just." So in light of these words today, we can ask: **How do we gain a deeper appreciation of Holy Mass? Because for a faithful Catholic, everything should begin and end with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.**

Attend Mass Each Sunday: The Holy Eucharist is what makes us Catholics - it is, indeed, our identity. In this sense, the one who calls himself Catholic and does not participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass every Sunday is being untruthful to one's commitment to Jesus - they are not living the truth. We are the Eucharistic People of God. The Catholic Church exists because of the Holy Eucharist. We will begin rebuilding our faith in the Eucharist by attending Holy Mass each Sunday, each day when possible, and thus be faithful to Christ's commandment to "do this in memory of Me."

Pray: The second way to come to a more intimate knowledge and love of the Holy Eucharist is through prayer. As St. Bernadine of Siena said over 500 years ago: "Prayer is the best preparation for Holy Communion. Prayer is the raising of the mind to God. When we pray we go to meet Christ Who is coming to us." Daily prayer, and preparatory prayer before Mass is the way that we prepare ourselves for what should be the highlight and the center of our week, reception of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. It is easy to miss what is happening at Mass if we don't take some time beforehand to get ourselves ready. In the Mass, we are nourished by God's Word in the readings, and by Jesus' own Body and Blood. So we need some time of silent prayer to get our ears attuned to listening to God speaking to us, and some time to reflect on our lives and our own spiritual hungers, which we need the Eucharist to satisfy.

Live What We Receive: Another way that we can begin to appreciate the Mass more is if we try to truly live that which we receive. The word "Mass" comes from the Latin dismissal, "Ite Missa est!" ("Go you are sent!") We have to recognize that the Holy Eucharist is meant to give us

the strength, the courage and the grace to live as faithful Christians in the world. So at the end of Mass we are all sent out, newly refreshed and refilled with grace, to do God's work in this world. Mother Teresa of Calcutta used to tell her sisters, that just as the Priest at Mass so carefully handles and cares for the Eucharist, so they must go out and handle and care for the poor. The Eucharist is not meant to be something separate from our daily lives and work, rather we are meant to bring our daily life to Mass with us, and to take the Mass and Jesus Christ back out into our daily lives.

Ask Yourself: The Eucharist is essentially about a deep and profound union with Jesus Christ. It is about allowing Him within our souls so that He can begin to transform us, and make us like Himself. As Pope St. Pius X said, "Remember, this side of heaven, there is no way to be closer to Jesus than by worthily receiving him in Holy Communion." So the question then remains for us, do we really believe what the Church teaches about the Eucharist? That it is truly Jesus Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, present under the form of bread and wine? Do we believe that it is the greatest way to encounter Our Lord? Do we believe that through it He can transform our lives? If not, then why not? And when? Dans le Sacré Cœur du Christ,
Fr. Vidrine

**INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST:**

- Universal: That refugee, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights.
- Evangelization: That Christians in Oceania may joyfully announce the faith to all the people of that region.

ON HOLY GROUND:

The Religious Ramblers are planning a pilgrimage with Fr. Sunoj Thomas to Israel, Rome, and Vatican City from February 10, 20 -2015. For more information contact Bonnie Wyble at bbwyble@bellsouth.net or 337-945-2267.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

Sacred Heart: \$5,756.00
BELAIRE COVE: \$ 534.00

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SUNDAY: 17 AUGUST 2014: THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 23 & 24 August

4 p.m. (BC)	Jace Marcantel
4 p.m. (SH)	Morgan Fontenot
7 a.m.	Cade Fontenot
10 a.m.	Tre & Dreu Fontenot, Seth Menard
5 p.m.	The Bellows

READERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 23 & 24 August

4 p.m. (BC)	Don Marcantel
4 p.m. (SH)	Jackie Vidrine
7 a.m.	Harold Stromer
10 a.m.	Chris Soileau
5 p.m.	Susan Saunders

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
FOR THE WEEKEND OF 23 & 24 August**

4 p.m. (BC)	Edna Soileau
4 p.m. (SH)	Barbara Vidrine, JoEl Guillory
7 a.m.	Steve & Sandra Vidrine
10 a.m.	Luke & Tanya Guillory, Pat Flynn
5 p.m.	Evelyn Fontenot, Ruth Fontenot

ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEK OF 18 AUGUST TO 22 AUGUST

Mon. August 18, 6:30 a.m.	Laura Manuel
Tues. August 19, 6:30 a.m.	
Wed. August 20, 6:30 a.m.	
Thur. August 21, 6:30 a.m.	The Bellows
Fri. August 22, 6:30 a.m.	Vic Parks

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SACRED HEART
PARISH
FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014
SACRED HEART CHURCH**

Total Receipts:	\$497,796.75
Less Disbursement:	(\$392,661.41)
Net Income:	\$105,135.34

Some items of note
(Included in above figure)

Major Disbursements

Prop/Liab Insurance:	\$16,355.00
Shared Religious Ed:	\$ 1,180.06

SACRED HEART CHAPEL BELAIRE COVE

Total Receipts:	\$62,260.52
Less Disbursements:	(\$30,266.62)
Net Income:	\$31,993.90

Some items of note
(Included in above figure)

Crawfish cook-off (updated)	\$13,846.16
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Major Disbursements:

Prop/Liab Insurance:	\$3,185.00
Terminix Termite Preventive	\$1,741.00
Repair to hall roof	\$1,425.00

BAPTISMAL SEMINAR:

The next baptismal seminars are scheduled for:
Sunday, September 7, 2014, 3:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Meeting Room.

MONTHLY HOLY HOUR:

Sacred Heart Parish will hold its monthly Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction on Thursday, 21 August 2014, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. All are invited to come and spend time before Our Lord in prayer.

**THE AQUINAS INSTITUTE
FALL COURSE OFFERINGS**

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CHRISTOLOGY: Instructor: Fr. Clinton Sensat; Class Time: Wednesday Nights, 6:30-8:45PM, beginning 9/3; Location: St. Thomas More in Eunice.

PENTATEUCH : Instructor: Ms. Katie Austin ; Class Time: Tuesday Nights, 6:30PM-8:45PM, beginning 9/9; Location: Our Lady of Wisdom.

FUNDAMENTAL THEOLOGY : Instructor: Fr. Andre Metrejean ; Class Time: Wednesday Nights, 6:30-8:45PM, beginning 10/15; Location: Sts. Peter and Paul in Scott.

INTRO TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS : Instructor: Fr. Patrick Broussard ; Class Time: Tuesday Nights, 6:30PM-8:45PM, beginning 10/28; Location: Our Lady of Wisdom.

Each course requires a \$45 registration fee. College students qualify for discounted fee of \$25 per course with a valid student ID.

To register visit: AquinasLafayette.org or contact KATIE AUSTIN, Aquinas Institute Coordinator, [337.232.8742](tel:337.232.8742) or via email: katie@ourladyofwisdom

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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SUNDAY readings for Holy Mass begin in the *Worship hymnal*, page 1166

SUNDAY: 17 AUGUST 2014: THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

INTENTIONS FOR HOLY MASS

SATURDAY, 16 AUGUST 2014

4 p.m. BC: ALEX REED, SAM MATTE, MARK KRASNOFF

Also remembered in prayer: Gabie Fontenot (13 Ann), Juanita Sonnier, Lee Fuselier, Levi Ardoin, Aline Ardoin, Nestor & Una Vidrine, Dale Sittig

4 p.m. SH: CLIFF & AMY WAGLEY

Also remembered in prayer: David & Pat Tate, M/M Leo Tate Sr., M/M George Stephenson, Lieutenant J.D. Ferris, Mrs. Odette Ferris, V.C. & Audrey McFarlain, Nelvin "Bruno" Fontenot, Percy David, James Burke Ortego, Farrell Ortego & family, Roderick J. Fontenot, Edna & Verby Pitre, Bonnie, John Fred Jr, & Fred Fontenot Sr., Floyd Dupre, Euford Bordelon (15th Ann), J.F. Vidrine

SUNDAY, 17 AUGUST 2014

7 a.m.: GERALD ORTEGO, M/M CURLEY C. ORTEGO SR., M/M FABUSE ORTEGO

Also remembered in prayer: : Joe & Marjorie Ardoin

10 a.m.: GLORIA ARDOIN

Also remembered in prayer: Sam Matte, Eloise Vidrine, Marie Ann LeBas (BD), Sally Duplechin, Octave & Hazel Bordelon, Richard & Beulah Lee, Sharon George, Rosa Lyn Holmes, Dr. Paul Pucheu, Dr. Susan LeJeune

5 p.m.: . RODNEY ACOSTA, SR.

Also remembered in prayer: James G. Lafleur, Keith Perrodin, M/M Ira L. Fontenot, M/M Leroy Lafleur, Don & Lena Franks, Eldridge & Christine Landreneau, Luis Cantu

MONDAY, 18 AUGUST 2014

6:30 a.m.: MATTIE B. SOILEAU (BD)

Also remembered in prayer: Nazel Vidrine (4th Ann), Helen Himel (BD), Jeanette Bordelon

TUESDAY, 19 AUGUST 2014

6:30 a.m.: MONA WEST (BD), CARRIE S. FONTENOT (48TH ANN)

Also remembered in prayer: Brady Paul Hudspeth, Frances Jumonville Clark

WEDNESDAY, 20 AUGUST 2014

6:30 a.m.: ZACK GUILLORY, CLOYNISE LACHNEY, PEARL MCDANIEL FORET

Also remembered in prayer: Vernon Ortego (BD), Percy David

THURSDAY, 21 AUGUST 2014

6:30 a.m.: VIRGIL FONTENOT

Also remembered in prayer: Elna F. Pitre (BD)

FRIDAY, 22 AUGUST 2014

6:30 a.m.: RUBY LAFLEUR (12TH ANN)

Also remembered in prayer: Seminarians, Priests, & Religious

SATURDAY, 23 AUGUST 2014

8 a.m.: ALL SOULS LIST

Also remembered in prayer: Emma Fontenot, Godwin Vidrine (18th Ann)



CATHOLIC READING:

We have several resources available for you to take advantage of concerning our Catholic Faith. One literature rack contains pamphlets on some of the key doctrines, dogmas, and views of the Church on issues. The other is through Light House Publications and contains materials for reading as well as audio CD. Please take time to look over these items. They are located at the south exit of the church beneath the organ/choir gallery.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Geraldine Collard, Phoebe Deshotel, Robert Dupre, Randy Harwell, Craig Nicholas, Katie Santangelo, Sophia Santangelo, Romero Cedillo, Dot C. Fontenot and Joyce Soileau.

MUSIC NOTE:

Often times we may drawn to think, is music a necessity at Holy Mass? The fact of the matter is that it plays, in the words of the Church Fathers at Vatican II council, "a necessary and integral part of the liturgy." It is the gift of music that God has bestowed on man aside from his intellect that separates him from the animals. When we stop to think about music, it is

present in our life: it sets the tone for weddings and makes it a memorable occasion, it helps us as we grieve the loss of a loved one, it sets the mood for the season of Christmas or other seasons. Why then, would it not be an important part of the Mass? After all, the Mass is the greatest form of worship of God, and it is the place at which we can really show our adoration and praise of God. When we look at the musical structure of the Mass, there are parts that are reserved for the choir, parts reserved for the priest celebrant, and parts reserved for the congregation. The parts of the congregation are namely: the dialogue responses and the ordinary: the Kyrie, the Gloria, the Psalm Response, the Alleluia, the Holy, the Memorial Acclamation, the Great Amen, the Lord's Prayer, and the Lamb of God. Many times, too, we wonder why I must sing if there is a choir? The purpose of the choir is to simply provide assistance to the congregation in its singing of its respective parts, not to take the place of the congregation. In the words of St. Augustine, "He who sings, prays twice." The Lord doesn't care about how your voice sounds, sing forth His praise.