

NECROLOGY:

Please remember the souls of these departed Priests, Deacons, Bishops, and other religious who have served our Diocese: Monday, Sept. 22: Msgr. Avegno Louis Soulier (+1989), Deacon Jonas Mason (2005), Tuesday, Sept. 23: Msgr. Charles Burton Mouton (+2004), Saturday, Sept. 27: Rev. Daniel Habetz (+1977) *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.

PRAYERS FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS:

Each day, please remember the following Priests in prayer:

Monday, Sept. 22: Rev. Gayle Nunez, Tuesday, Sept. 23: Rev. Anselm Ofodum, Wednesday, Sept. 24: Rev. John O'Hallaran, SSJ, Thursday, Sept. 25: Rev. Paul Onuegbe, Friday, Sept. 26: Rev. Paul Osterie, SJ, Saturday, Sept. 27: Rev. Anthony Ostini, SJ, Sunday, Sept. 28: Rev. Jose Padinjarepeedika, CMI

CHILDREN'S CHORISTER PROGRAM

Holy Mother Church has placed a great emphasis on music especially at her solemn liturgies. In the document from Vatican II *Sacrosanctum Concilium* it states, "Music is an integral part of the liturgy and the Church's musical tradition is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than any other art. Great care should be attached to teaching music especially in our schools and parishes." With this in mind, Sacred Heart Parish is in the process of developing a chorister program. The program will be open and seek to involve the younger members of our parish. Children from grades four through twelve will have the opportunity to join the program. A chorister program is different from a children's choir in that the choristers are placed with adult choir members and are taught the fundamentals of music following the model of the Royal School of Church Music. Students from Sacred Heart School may also use this as a means of fulfilling their service hour requirements given that all of the necessary requisites have been met. We plan to begin the program in October. Interested persons should contact the Director of Sacred Music, Mr. Benoit LeBleu at 337-363-2989.

**LA SUGAR CANE FESTIVAL FARMERS' MASS
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2014 @ 10 A.M.**



Sugar Cane Festival Bldg., 300 Parkview Drive, New Iberia City Park, New Iberia, LA
Everyone is welcome to celebrate Mass to honor all sugar farmers of Louisiana.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR LOVED ONES LOST TO SUICIDE

Recent national headlines have brought about a renewed focus on the causes and tragedy of suicide. Many local families have been directly affected by personal guilt and concerns associated with a loved one taking their own life. Since Vatican II, the Church recognizes that it bears responsibility to comfort those who mourn, and offer hope for the eternal state of those lost to suicide

**St. Joseph Church
401 South Adams Ave., Rayne
Mass of Remembrance
Monday, October 13th at 7:00 PM**

It is our hope that this Mass will instill a sense of peace and inner healing to all who attend, as well as offer a powerful prayer for God's mercy and forgiveness for the special Mass intentions offered that evening. Please make plans to attend.

INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:

- That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.
- That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering.



BAPTISMAL SEMINAR:

The next baptismal seminar is scheduled for: **Monday, October 6th at 6 p.m.** at *Our Lady Queen of All Saints Family Life Center.*

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,

On this Sunday we hear the first reading tell us: *“Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving”* (Is 55:7). As we hear these words, it’s important for us to think about the mercy of the Lord. Many people have avoided celebrating the Sacrament, which gives us God’s mercy - some for many years - because they “don’t know what to do.” The following is intended for a person who has not been to confession in some time. Let’s look at how confession is usually celebrated.

Preparation Before going to confession, the penitent compares his or her life with the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, and the example of Christ and then prays to God for forgiveness.

Going to Confession The Priest welcomes the penitent and then both make the sign of the cross, saying, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.” Next the Priest briefly urges the penitent to have confidence in God. It is proper for the penitent to indicate his or her state of life, the time of the last confession, difficulties in leading the Christian life, and anything else that may help the confessor in exercising his ministry.

Confession of Sins and the Act of Penance The penitent then confesses his or her sins. If necessary, the Priest should help the penitent to make a complete confession and to have sincere sorrow for sins against God. The sorrow a penitent feels for his or her sins is known as contrition and must include a resolve to sin no more and to avoid all future occasions of sin. The Priest then offers suitable advice to help the penitent begin a new life and, when appropriate, leads him or her to resolve to make appropriate restitution for the harm he or she has caused others. He then imposes an act of penance on the penitent. The penance corresponds to the seriousness and nature of the sins and may suitably take the form of prayer, self-denial, and especially service to one’s neighbor and works of mercy. Such a “penance” serves not only to make up for the past but also to help the penitent to begin a new life and provides the penitent with an antidote to weakness.

The Prayer of the Penitent After this, the penitent prays a prayer expressing sorrow for his or her sins and resolving not to sin again. Several examples of the Act of Contrition are usually provided in the confessional.

Absolution by the Priest

Following this prayer, the Priest extends his hands, or at least his right hand, over the head of the penitent and pronounces the formula of absolution. As he says the final words he makes the sign of the cross over the head of the penitent.

Dismissal of the Penitent

Then the Priest tells the penitent to go in peace. The penitent continues his or her conversion and expresses it by a life renewed according to the Gospel and more and more steeped in the love of God, for “love covers over a multitude of sins” (1 Pt 4:8).

As the Sacred Scriptures exhort us, let us receive the mercy so that we may enjoy the eternal life of Heaven.

Dans le Sacré Cœur du Christ,
Fr. Vidrine

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 is currently an opening for an adorer on Saturday mornings from 11-12, please phone the number above, if you are interested in taking one of these vacancies.**

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Ava Bonnette, Huey Daire, Mary Lou Doyle, Raymond Dupre, Lou C. Fontenot, Claudette Johnson, Sarah Hamlin Lafleur, James Moran, Susan Odom, Thomas Mac Smith, Eva Soileau, Joyce Soileau, and Ray Thibodeaux.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES

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SUNDAY: 21 SEPTEMBER: THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 27 & 28 September

4 p.m. (BC) Evan Miller
4 p.m. (SH) Ben Manuel
7 a.m. Laura Manuel
10 a.m. Tre & Dreu Fontenot,
Seth Menard
5 p.m. The Bellows

READERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 27 & 28 September

4 p.m. (BC) Paul Roy Fontenot
4 p.m. (SH) Jackie Vidrine
7 a.m. Chris Stromer
10 a.m. Mitch Fontenot
5 p.m. Susan Saunders

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

FOR THE WEEKEND OF 27 & 28 September

4 p.m. (BC) Margaret Fontenot
4 p.m. (SH) Theresa Attales, Gail Fontenot
7 a.m. Barbara Fontenot, Woodrow Vidrine
10 a.m. Shelia Miller, Pierre & Shirlene
Vidrine
5 p.m. Evelyn Fontenot, Ruth Fontenot

ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEK OF 22-26 September

Mon. Sept. 22, 6:30 a.m. Tre & Dreu Fontenot
Tues. Sept. 23, 6:30 a.m.
Wed. Sept. 24, 6:30 a.m.
Thur. Sept. 25, 6:30 a.m. Megan Donovan
Fri. Sept. 26, 6:30 a.m. Rivers Lanclos

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***NAVIGATING THE SPIRITUAL LIFE BY
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Fridays -- 7-8:30 p.m

Sept. 26 Living the Theological Virtues
Oct. 3 Practicing the Moral Virtues
Oct. 10 Growing in Prayer
Oct. 24 Seeking Spiritual Direction
Nov. 7 Spiritual Reading and Spiritual
Grouping
Nov. 14 Living the Sacrament of the
Moment and Cultivating a Desire
for God
Nov. 21 Examination of Conscience and
Living by a Holy Rule

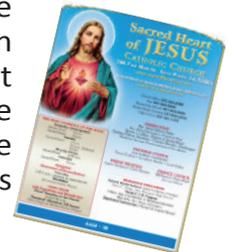
There is no cost and no registration required.
For more information call Fr. Champagne, CJC at
337-394-6550

CEMETERY NOTE:

As fall approaches, many will begin the venerable
tradition of visiting and cleaning the graves of their
loved ones in our cemeteries. This time-honored
tradition is one that has been passed from generation
to generation and is a worthy gesture in honoring
the memory of those who have gone before. Please
remember, while cleaning graves and mausoleum
crypts to collect all used flowers and materials and
discard them as you leave the cemetery. By doing
so, we will ensure that our cemeteries remain tidy.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE:

In an attempt not to disrupt the
sacred liturgy, please exit the church
through the north or south exits not
through the sacristy. Also, please
remember to bring a copy of the
church bulletin home with you as
you leave church.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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MONDAY, Sept 22: Prv 3:27-34, Lk 8:16-18 **TUESDAY,**
Sept 23: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13, Lk 8:19-21 **WEDNESDAY,**
Sept 24: Prv 30:5-9, Lk 9:1-6 **THURSDAY, Sept 25:** Eccl
1:2-11, Lk 9:7-9 **FRIDAY, Sept 26:** Eccl 3:1-11, Lk 9:18-
22 **SATURDAY, Sept 27:** Eccl 11:9 - 12:8, Lk 9:43b-45

**SUNDAY, Sept. 28, readings for Holy Mass: *Worship*
hymnal begins on page 1184.**



**WELCOME INTO OUR CATHOLIC FAMILY BY THE
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

**OWEN MICHAEL, SON OF DUSTIN & KATIE
PRUDHOMME**

SUNDAY: 21 SEPTEMBER: THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTENTIONS FOR HOLY MASS

SATURDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2014

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

Also remembered in prayer: Janet Deville, Juanita Sonnier, Shawn Sonnier, Mr. & Mrs. Cieus Fontenot, Melba Sonnier, Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Sonnier, Armide Soileau, Nestor & Una Vidrine, Dale Sittig, Lionel Briley, Carl Brent Fontenot, Harris Fontenot, Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Briley & Family, and Mr. & Mrs. Murry B. Fontenot

4 p.m. SH: CLIFF & AMY WAGLEY

Also remembered in prayer: Sam Vidrine, Ethel & Roger Lafleur, Lillian & Hubert Vidrine, Nellie & Delta Doucet, Elvin Lafleur, Icie Lafleur, Stacey Lafleur, Hattie & Arville Lafleur, Roderick J. Fontenot, James Burke Ortego, Farrell Ortego & Family, Clarence & Bernice Ardoin, Jennings Tate, Shanen Hull, John Aaron Fusilier, Floyd Dupre, Percy David, Audrey Guillory, Calvin & Essie Fontenot Richard, Irving M. Soileau, Auguste Doucet Family, and Burkley Soileau

SUNDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2014

7 a.m.: RODNEY ACOSTA, SR.

Also remembered in prayer: Anita P. Marks, Mr. & Mrs. Necaisse Marks, Sr. & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Pitre & Family, Jessie & Rogers Brown, Adam Corona, David Sebastien, and Mr. & Mrs. George Catoire

10 a.m.: HARVEY LEBAS FAMILY

Also remembered in prayer: Gloria Ardoin, Gussie & Helen Ortego, Hubert & Kate Lemoine, Sally Duplechin, Harry Prejean Family, Joseph M. Fontenot, John David Fontenot, Herman & Neut Fontenot, Max Smith, and Special Intention

5 p.m.: FOR PARISHIONERS

Also remembered in prayer: Don & Lena Franks, Eldridge & Christine Landreneau, and Luis Cantu

MONDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:30 a.m.: JOHN E. FONTENOT (26TH ANNIVERSARY)

TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:30 a.m.: DEAN SOILEAU (1ST ANNIVERSARY)

Also remembered in prayer: Brady Paul Hudspeth, Edith & Nolan Vidrine, Adrienne Dupre (Birthday), and Hyden Stelly (Birthday)

WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:30 a.m.: BOB LAFLEUR (BIRTHDAY)

Also remembered in prayer: J.H. Vidrine & Family, Rosie Holmes, Lee Anna Olcsvary, and Percy David

8:10 a.m.:

THURSDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:30 a.m.:

FRIDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2014

6:30 a.m.:

8:10 a.m.:

SATURDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2014

8 a.m.: ALL SOULS LIST

Also remembered in prayer: Carma Andrus (Birthday)



Little Flowers, a Catholic girls' club, will hold registration and our first meeting for the 2014-2015 year on Sunday, September 28st from 3:00 - 5:00PM at the Queen of All Saints Family Life Center. Little Flowers is an organization that is open to girls in grades Kindergarten through 4th grade who wish to learn about the Saints and Christian virtues through lessons, music, crafts, and games. It is named in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux, the "Little Flower". We will be meeting once a month, usually on Sundays, from 3:00-5:00PM.

The registration fee for the year is \$20 for previous members and \$30 for new members (this includes sash, patches, member book, and first craft). Payment will be collected at registration/first meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting or if you would like more information, please contact Rainee Deshotel at 831-6171 or Laurie Blanchard at 831-8821.

ANNUAL RED MASS

Sacred Heart School cordially invites you to worship with our children at our annual Red Mass on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 8:10 A.M.

The Red Mass is celebrated to honor judges, attorneys, law school professors, students, and government officials.

We invite you to join us for coffee and pastries immediately following Mass in the Sacred Heart Meeting Room.

If there are any questions, please call Kimberly Lejeune, Development Director at 337-363-8050.