



Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
The Patient Farmer

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUL 24 – 30

- Monday** - Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday** - 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
- Wednesday** - Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday** - Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17
- Friday** - Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday** - Ex 24:3-8; Jn 11:19-27
- Sunday** - **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52



PRAY FOR: Harold Haydel, Rev. Patrick O'Brien, Lucy Michel, Dale Hebert, Mike Duplantis, Robert Brescher, Garland and Judy P. Vincent, Maysen Smith, Gayle Breffell, Mary Blum, Russ Todd, Penny Bergeron, Mae Saia, Barbara Touns Miller, Kathy Folse, Rhea Barker, Florence Trahan, Melinda Fabre, Sylvia Chauvin, Keri Niette, Sandra Ellender, Steven Vowell, Pinky Boudreaux, Janice & Mark Windham, Stanley Cantrelle, Craig Louviere, Janet Tabor, Ralph Deroche, Tracy Scott, Mary Rachel Touns, Mark Boudreaux, Carolyn Garrett, Clem Huerstel, Therese Oubre, Laura Champagne, Lucille Himel, Shirley Guidroz and for all prayer shawl recipients.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS
Church

In Loving Memory of Joel P., David & Hedy Bergeron
 donated by Rev. C. Paul, Carroll & Carol Bergeron.

In Loving Memory of C. G. Keplinger
 donated by his wife Jean.

Chapel

In Loving Memory of Deceased members of the Emile M. Lapeyre Family
 donated by Family.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT
Sunday – July 16

Envelopes (280).....	\$10,889.00
Loose	2,902.42
	\$13,791.42

BAPTISMS

The Cathedral of St. Francis Parish welcomes our newest members, **LUCA VINCENT FAZZIO** and **YVETTE KATE STARK** who were baptized in Christ.



PARISH NEWS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Next weekend, July 29-30, the St. Vincent de Paul Conference for St. Francis de Sales will have donation buckets by the doors of the church. The money collected helps the needy in our area. These buckets will be out every month with a fifth weekend. Donations can still be left in the poor boxes located on the wall near the doors of the cathedral. Thank you for your generosity.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales is gearing up to begin RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) sessions will begin on Tuesday, August 1, 2017. If you - or someone you know - is interested in becoming Catholic - or would like to know more about the Catholic faith before making that decision, these sessions are for you!

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process, a journey of faith, designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely are initiated into the Catholic Christian community. This faith journey is for adults who

1. have been Baptized in another faith tradition,
2. have been Baptized Catholic but have not celebrated First Communion or Confirmation, and have never received religious instruction in the Catholic faith,
3. or have never been Baptized in any faith.

These sessions are round table and begin with a period of Inquiry – a time where you are free to inquire about the Catholic Faith and have your questions answered. For more information or to register, contact Cathy in the Cathedral office – 876-6904

OPEN INVITATION!!

You are invited to further your knowledge of Catholicism and increase your faith! The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation)



sessions will be open to anyone who would like to attend! The sessions begin with an introduction to the bible and cover all the aspects of the Catholic faith! Maybe CCD ended a long time ago for you - or it wasn't as important to you then; maybe you have forgotten many of the aspects of what and why we believe what we do as Catholics. Whatever your reason - please join us on Tuesday evenings, beginning August 8th, at 6:30 PM in the main hall of the Youth Center. Bring your bible and a Catechism of the Catholic Church! For more information contact Cathy in the Cathedral office – 876-6904.

MANY THANKS!!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our Hospitality Ministry for the numerous receptions held over the past few weeks. So many people in our parish stepped up by providing food, sweets, service, décor and flowers! Fr. Josh was given a grand send-off while Fr. Brice Higginbotham and Fr. Mark Touns encountered a warm welcome - and a chance to taste some of our best delicacies while giving our parishioners the opportunity to meet and greet our new Associate Pastor and Administrator! Again, thank you - for continuing to make our community a great one!

HELP NEEDED!

We are looking to update our Cathedral parish website. Please contact Cathy at the cathedral office if you can help 876-6904.

YOUTH NEWS

CCD

Forms for NEW STUDENTS for the 2017-2018 CCD school year can be found at the doors of the church or on the parish website www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org. Registration fee is \$20.00. Forms should be turned in by Tuesday, August 1st. After this date there will be a \$10 late fee. Registration information can also be found on the parish website www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org. Forms will be mailed to all returning CCD students. **The opening class will begin with a Mass at 5:30 on Monday, August 14th.** If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Jane Lirette at 856-5488.

CONFIRMATION

SECOND YEAR Confirmation registration packet and schedules have been mailed out and registration information for FIRST YEAR candidates can be found at the doors of the church. There will be a mandatory meeting for ALL Confirmation Candidates and Parents on SUNDAY, AUGUST 20th, at 4 PM in the cathedral. We would like both parents and the candidates to attend this meeting. We ask that you mail in your completed registration forms and a COPY of your child's baptism certificate and payment no later than Tuesday, August 1st to: St. Francis de Sales Sacramental Prep, P. O. Box 4014, Houma, LA 70361. Confirmation volunteers are needed! Direct any questions or concerns to Mrs. Jane Lirette at 985-856-5488.



COMMUNITY NEWS

LA SAFE

Tuesday, August 1st
6:00 – 8:00 pm

Terrebonne Parish Civic Center

Please join us in Houma for our next Terrebonne Parish meeting in which you and your neighbors will turn the vision for your community into real plans for your parish. These plans will be funded through LA SAFE and help build a stronger future for your community. Your participation and ideas will fuel our momentum. Be involved as we sharpen our focus to continue planning for coastal adaptation. We will begin at 6 p.m., and we want to hear your thoughts and ideas! Dinner will be served. To arrange for child care or transportation, please call 504.517.5292 five business days in advance. For more information go to www.LASAFE.LA.GOV

CURSILLO

DIocese of HOUMA-THIBODAUX

You are invited to attend a Cursillo Weekend at Lumen Christi Retreat Center. The Cursillo movement is a personal encounter with Jesus Christ and takes an approach to evangelization-it seeks to evangelize environment by evangelizing individuals.

Women's Weekend August 24-27

Men's Weekend Sept. 28-Oct. 1

The cost of the weekend is \$120.00, and includes your stay, three meals daily with snacks. No one will be denied due to financial situations. If you have any questions, or to register visit www.htcursillo.weebly.com or email htcursillo@yahoo.com

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Weekend of July 29 - 30

Commentators

4:00 PM Becky Boudloch
7:00 AM Jerry Dover
9:00 AM Ernie Perry
11:00 AM Wendy LeBouef
5:30 PM Charles Sevin

Lectors

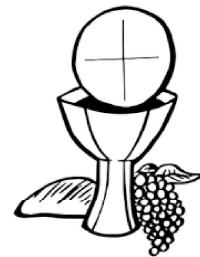
4:00 PM Lawrence Robinson
7:00 AM Denise Dover
9:00 AM Tommy Chauvin
11:00 AM Jenni McNabb
5:30 PM Bubba Watkins

Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM Melva Fournier, Carl & Deborah Soudelier, Jude & Yvonne Fanguy, Volunteer
7:00 AM John Breau, Gail LeCompte, Dolly Duplantis, Mark Spence
9:00 AM Nellie Chemin, Dale Norred, Mary Ellender, Tammy Blanchard, Volunteer, Volunteer
11:00 AM Kelli Cazayoux, Jude Laperouse, Dianna Olivier, Abigail Lirette, Volunteer, Volunteer
5:30 PM Curtis & Jenny Briggs, Bill Curth, Randy Bethancourt, Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Evan Besson, Kenny Bowen, Elise Ledet
7:00 AM Richard Guidry, John Breau
9:00 AM Delsin Blanchard, Ian Juneaux, Zachary Miller
11:00 AM Remy LeBouef, Lily Gros, Emily Cazayoux
5:30 PM Madeline Sonnier, Lauren Eaton, Amy Martin



Prayer for Safety in 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.

**By the Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981)
Former Pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church
Second Bishop of Lafayette, Louisiana**