

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 12, 2018

Jesus continues to draw those who believe. Our world is hungry and thirsty for the Bread of Life. Will you share your faith? Consider being a sister, brother, priest or deacon. Please call Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8778 or send an email to: amerrick@diobr.org.

Fr. Seelos Blessing

To have a loved one in the hospital blessed with a Seelos Crucifix, call Gasper Corpora at 225-294-5938 for a patient in the Hammond area, or call Dr. Ann Logarbo at 985-886-0218, or April Mayo at 985-892-1828 for a patient in the Covington area.

Homebound Parishioners

If you know of anyone who is homebound (temporarily or permanently) and cannot come to Mass, but would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the Church Office. A Homebound Minister will be called to bring the Eucharist to their home.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are in need of a priest for anointing, please contact the Our Lady of Pompeii Parish Church Office, and the necessary arrangements will be made.

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Married Couples

Is your marriage going down the right road...or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. **Retrouvaille can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal.** Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information on the next Weekend program for couples in **Baton Rouge on**

September 7-9, contact Randall and Robin Bellard @225-271-4092 or you can visit the website: HelpOurMarriage.com

Marriage



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Cemetery Dues for 2018

Letters have been mailed. If you have not received a notice, please call Bob Wegmann in your Parish Office at 985-345-8957.

Stewardship of Finance



August 4-5: \$2633.00
Building Fund: \$1024.00

\$3500.00 is required each week in the First Collection contributions in order to meet budgetary needs.



Please continue to pray for our parishioners who are ill. Their names will be presented during the Offertory during every Sunday Mass.

“When praying for someone who is sick, you can use the words of Lazarus’ sisters, who said to Jesus: Lord the one you love is ill.”

—Fr. Declan Creighton

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58



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The Diocese of Baton Rouge invites you to Evening Prayer for The Most Rev. Michael G. Duca on the eve of his installation as the sixth bishop of Baton Rouge. This prayer service will take place on Thursday, August 23 at 7:00 P.M. at St. George Church, 7808 St. George Drive, Baton Rouge. A reception will immediately follow the service.

Also, we share the good news that Bishop-elect Michael G. Duca will be installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Baton Rouge on August 24 at the St. Joseph Cathedral. May we serve with Bishop Duca in the name and memory of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Week at a Glance

There are no scheduled meetings.



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**Weekday Mass:
Thursday @ 6:00 PM.**

Mausoleum Crypts and Niches

If you are interested in purchasing one of these burial options at pre-construction prices, please call Bob Wegmann at 985-345-8957. We now have (1) single (\$3495) and 7 doubles (\$6650-\$6750) available for sale in our OLOP cemetery. We also have 17 niches for sale (\$950-\$1250). Please note that there are no maintenance fees or yearly cemetery dues for mausoleum crypts or niches. Your purchase price includes perpetual care.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, August 15
Holy Day of Obligation
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Also known as ("Marymass" or "St. Mary's Day")
Fr. Michael will celebrate Mass At 7:00 P.M.

On this day, we recall Our Lady's being assumed into Heaven and crowned Queen. Though the Church has always believed in the Assumption of Mary, the dogma was only formally defined by Pope Pius XII in 1950. Note that Mary was assumed into Heaven—taken up by the power of God, like Elias and Enoch—while Christ ascended into Heaven under His own power. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, the date of Mary's Assumption is placed from anywhere between 3 and 15 years after Our Lord's Ascension, and the place from which she was assumed is listed as Jerusalem, where her tomb has been placed since around the 6th century, though some claim Ephesus as the proper place. According to tradition, Our Lady's tomb was not exactly found empty; lilies and roses were found where her body "should" have been.

Saturday, August 25, 2018


Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 26: People of the Parish

Note: Masses may be offered for the living and the deceased.

Requested By:

Parish School of Religion (PSR)



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Registration will take place on Saturdays and Sundays after each Mass.

General Parent Meeting:
September 9 at 9:30 A.M.
Pompeii Hall

Classes Begin: Sunday, September 16

Teachers are needed. If you can help with the ministry, please call Deacon Al at 985-345-8957.



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Our readings during August from the 6th chapter of John's Gospel focus on Jesus giving us a food infinitely more potent than any food the world can offer us. Our belief in the Holy Eucharist tests our faith in Jesus—to believe something we cannot understand because Jesus tells us it is so. Our Lord tells us we need God's help to accept this, for as He says, "no one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him."

Mission Statement

We, the members of Our Lady of Pompeii Parish, through the intercession of our patron, the Blessed Mother, are committed to the teachings and the traditions of the Roman Catholic Church. Empowered by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Holy Eucharist, our faith life extends to the larger community and to us, and we enthusiastically commit ourselves to serve our neighbors and each other through witness and evangelization.