

How does the Church gathered on the Sabbath act as the People of God scattered and active every day of the week? How do we love our neighbor, pursue peace and seek justice in everyday choices and commitments? September is Parish Social Ministry Outreach month. Pope Francis calls us to the journey of missionary discipleship, encountering our neighbors and strangers along the way. He tells us to "...never allow ourselves to be tarnished by pessimism or sin, let us seek and look upon the glory of God, which shines forth in men and women who are fully alive." The September issue of the Bayou Catholic, available here at church, gives us a set of ideas to help us reach out to people in need who we encounter in our community.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 1 - 7

- Monday** - Jb 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
- Tuesday** - Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Wednesday** - Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62
- Thursday** - Jb 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12
- Friday** - Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday** - Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24
- Sunday** - **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

PRAY FOR: Patty Haydel, Jenny Fanguy, David Porter, Taylor Riché, Sue Barker, Susan Laperouse, Holden Sawyer, Jason Chiasson, Edrith Boudreaux, J.A. Foret, Penny Simmons, Linda Lee, Alaina Maiorana, Cassandra Rios, Charles Spence, Isabella Cole, Kathy Savoie, Ken Pitre, Christina Sparks, Peter Cantrelle, Betty Olivier, Ursula M. Breaux, Pam Jarveaux Ford, Beryl Touns Odom, Wilbert Duplantis, Ira Bergeron, Harold Lapeyre, Cynthia King, Larry King, Jr., Michelle King, Russ Todd, Donald Picou, Kathie Folsie, Keri Niette, Ethan LeBoeuf, Ralph Deroche, Dianne Deroche, Barbara Touns Miller, Reggie Redmond, Edward Ougel Sr. and for all prayer shawl recipients.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

“Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, will surely not lose his reward.”

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 and James 5:1:6

Jesus did not come to form an exclusive club. He did not come to form a social organization that would be very selective about the people allowed to join. Jesus came to call all who would listen and observe what he did; to join him by doing the same and telling others about him. A group of disciples believed in him and followed him. They knew Jesus and they knew one another. He sent them out to preach and heal people in need. They returned with reports of the great things they accomplished in his name. When they saw people who were not in their group doing other great things in the name of Jesus, they tried to stop them. We can imagine them thinking, “Who do they think they are? They are not members of the club. We should stop them.” Jesus is teaching us that attitudes of exclusivity, elitism, superiority and authoritarianism cause us to sin. He cautions us that if parts of our bodies or self-centered attitudes cause us to sin, CUT THEM OFF of our bodies or CUT THEM OUT of our life. Do we need to do any cutting?

Sunday – September 23

Envelopes (248).....	\$ 9,732.00
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PARISH NEWS

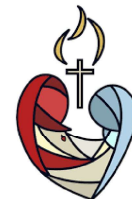
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1317 RAFFLE



K.C. Council 1317 will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses next weekend, September 29-30. Tickets are \$5. The drawing will be Sunday, October 7th. Winner need not be present.

ALTAR SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Altar Society will be on **Wednesday, October 3rd at 1:00 p.m.** in the meeting room of the Parish Center. All members, active and inactive, as well as anyone interested in joining the group, are invited to attend the meeting.



ADULT CONFIRMATION SESSIONS

The Adult Confirmation Course is set to begin on Thursday, November 8, 2018, at 6:30 pm in the Convent. This course is offered to those who are at least 20 years of age and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and Holy Communion, but have not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation. There will be seven sessions, with breaks for Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, with the final session on January 10, 2019. Confirmation is scheduled for the parish on Saturday, January 12, 2019. For more information, or to register, please contact the Cathedral office at 876-6904.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



The **FALL FAMILY PICNIC** has been scheduled for Sunday, October 14th at Southdown Plantation Pavilion. A Mass will kick off the festivities at 11 a.m. There will be food and activities for all ages.

YOUTH NEWS

**Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux
Youth Pilgrimage to the March for Life
Washington, DC
January 14 – January 19, 2019**



Join us for a life-changing educational experience that takes you from Louisiana to the White House and from the Holocaust Museum to the steps of the Supreme Court. We join hundreds of thousands from across America who have come to take a stand for life! Pilgrimage is for youth in grades 10th - 12th. Registration forms and deposit is due soon. If you are interested in this pilgrimage, please contact Gina Danos at (985)688-9696 or StFrancisHoumaYouthMinistry@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Fr. Simon Peter will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy this coming February 15-26, 2019. The highlights of this journey of faith will include visits to the following places: Assisi (St Francis & St Claire), Orvieto (Eucharistic Miracle), Rome (including St Bridget Church), San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio) and Montecassino (St Benedict). Brochures for the pilgrimage are available at the main entrances to Church. The deadline for the discounted price is fast approaching! For further information, please call St Bridget Church (985-446-6801) or Ms. Dana Roundtree 256-431-2336



HOUMA LIFE CHAIN

The annual Houma Life Chain will be held on Respect Life Sunday, October 7, 2018 from 2-3 P.M. (rain or shine). Those participating will line up along the median of Tunnel Boulevard in Houma and stand prayerfully, silently holding Life Chain signs. Pick up signs at Mr. Ronnie's Donuts. Join with other pro-life Christians to make a statement to our community that **"ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN"**!

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

America is at historic crossroads. Secularist are trying to put God from the public square. We must stop the secularist advance and pray to God for help. St. Louis de Montfort said "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy." Join the 2018 Public Square Rosary at Town Hall, 805 Barrow St. Houma, at 12:00 noon, October 13th coordinated by America Needs Fatima Campaign. For more information call Joann Williams 985-804-3390

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



MINISTERS SCHEDULE Weekend of October 6 & 7

Commentators

4:00 PM	Mike Trahan
7:00 AM	Ida Robichaux
9:00 AM	Melanie Shipp
11:00 AM	Ernie Perry
5:30 PM	Charles Sevin

Lectors

4:00 PM	Lawrence Robinson
7:00 AM	Evelyn Ruckstuhl
9:00 AM	Lawrence Breaux
11:00 AM	Tommy Tabor
5:30 PM	Bubba Watkins

Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM	Judith Archila, Anita Pearson, Mary Ann Rodrigue, Bernita Guidry, Volunteer, Volunteer
7:00 AM	John Breaux, C.J. & Kay Stoufflet, Carla Exnicious
9:00 AM	Kelli Cazayoux, Nellie Chemin, Murke Trahan, Colleen Lewis, Volunteer, Volunteer
11:00 AM	Rene & Julie Rhodes, Michael D'Angelo, Gail Guillot, Norman Simon, Volunteer
5:30 PM	Adam Saal, Sallie Preston, Curtis & Jenny Briggs, Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

4:00 PM	Abigail Gremillion, Lily Gros, Zachary Curtis
7:00 AM	John Breaux, C.J. Stoufflet
9:00 AM	Emily Cazayoux, Claire Cazayoux, Sophia Distefano
11:00 AM	Aubree Seely, Luryn Trosclair, Presley Theriot
5:30 PM	Sadie Viator, Madeline Sonnier, Amy Martin

DIOCESAN OUTREACH LINE

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse.

In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, to call our outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line telephone numbers are (985) 873-0026.

