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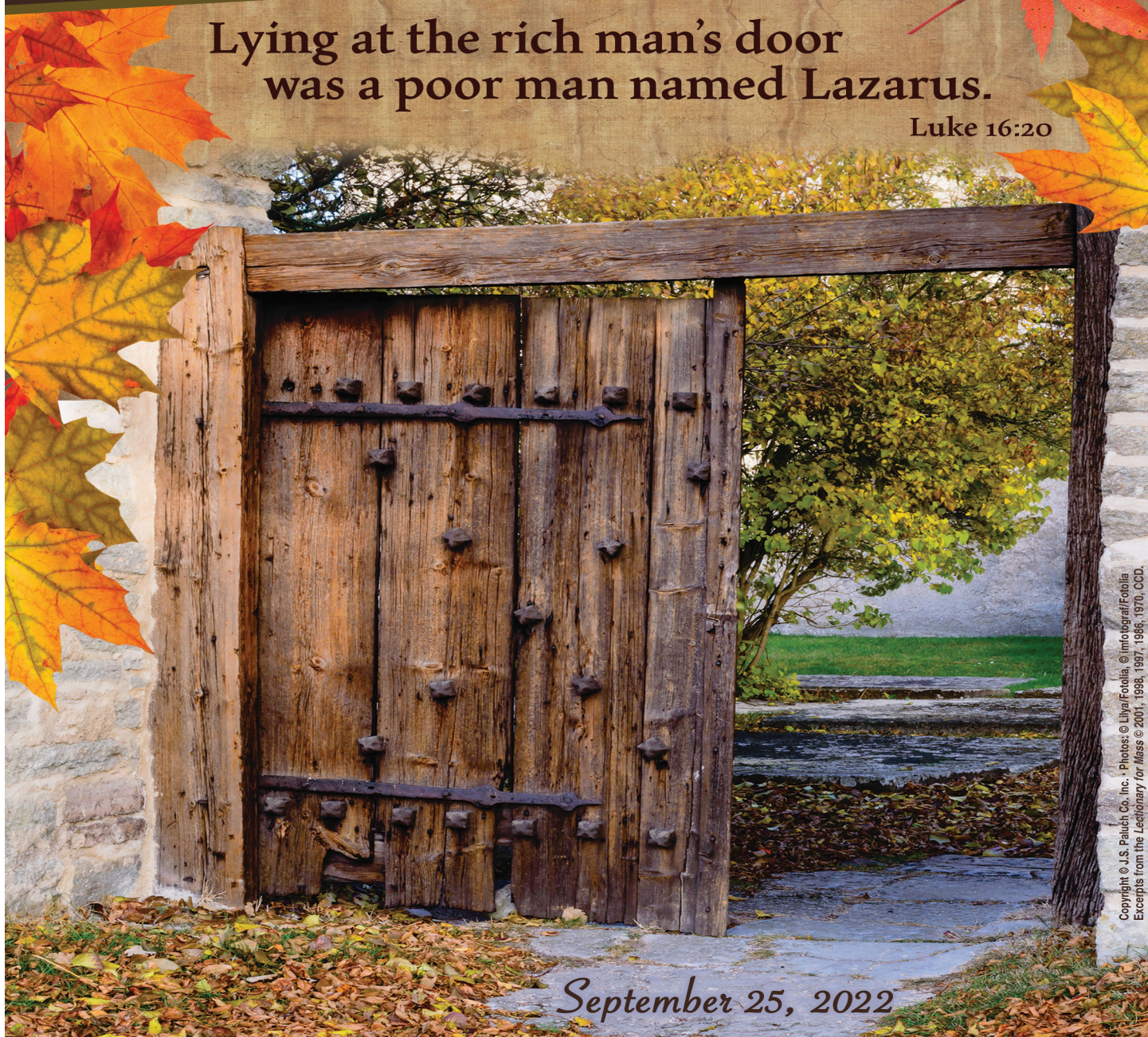
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Twenty - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Lying at the rich man's door
was a poor man named Lazarus.**

Luke 16:20



September 25, 2022

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(Closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.)
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

•**BAPTISMS:** Please call the church office during pregnancy for information and to register for a Baptism seminar.

•**MARRIAGE:** Law of Diocese requires 6 month preparation period prior to wedding. Call church office for more information.

•**FUNERAL:** Please call the priest for prayer and before setting date/time.

•**RCIA:** If interested in becoming Catholic, call the church office.

Confession:

Confessions: Fridays 7:45 a.m., Saturdays 3:00 p.m.
and Mondays 7:45 a.m.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.
Monday - Friday: 8:45 a.m. except during
school year when Thursday Mass is at 8:15 a.m.

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8033 Baringer Road
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School Phone 751-0273 / **Fax:** 753-7259

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier
751-0023

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7853 Broker Avenue
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Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

Respect Life News . . .

Pregnancy Crisis Help

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, STOP and call the parish office (225) 752-6230 to be put in touch with a member of the Respect Life Committee.

We can provide love and compassion, support and multiple resources available to help you through this challenging time. You are not alone.



PRIORITIES

CARE FOR EACH OTHER

Don't delude yourselves, Jesus says through the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. We really are supposed to care for others. It is not enough to go to Mass and occasionally serve at a parish or outreach function. We cannot remain complacent and consider ourselves followers of Jesus. No matter how much or how little material wealth we have, we always have something to give—our time and attention, care, and, when possible, our money. The way we treat and care for others, especially the poor and vulnerable, is the manner in which we show our love of God. As disciples, we must “pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.” Jesus calls us to see and respond to the least among us, because, as God's children, we are all part of one another.

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**25th, 50th, and 65th & over
Wedding Anniversaries**

Due to the on-going threat posed by the relentless spread of the Covid-19 virus, the Diocese has elected not to host the annual Anniversary Mass for married couples this year. At the same time, Bishop Duca would still like to acknowledge the commitment and dedication of these anniversary couples who are models of selfless love for our Church community. Therefore, the Bishop has asked the Office of Marriage & Family Life to send certificates and a personal message from the Bishop to couples who are celebrating 25, 50 and over 65 years of marriage during 2022.

If you and your spouse qualify for this recognition, please call or email Caryn Didier at the M.B.S. Church Office, (225) 752-6230 or cddidier@mbsparish.org. The deadline is Friday, October 21st.

**CERTIFICATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR:
2022 – 25th. & 50th. and 65th & Over**

Parishes: Mail in or E-mail completed forms to:

Marriage & Family Life Office (Attn. Mila Gernon) / P.O. Box 2028, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 (or)

- (2) Scan and e-mail completed form(s) to mgernon@diobr.org
(Please include **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY 2022** (in the subject line).

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In Christ,

In Orwell's novel *1984*, the dictatorial government has a slogan which, in part, says "Ignorance is Strength." Ignorance is a strength because the more willful and stubborn one is about not knowing the truth, the more capable they are of believing whatever is convenient at the moment. In *1984* the people could be told two contradicting things by the "Ministry of Truth" from one day to the next without any difficulty in believing either. It was an important part of what is called "doublethink." Similar to some mass media companies today, the "Ministry of Truth" did not inform people of the truth, but rather told them what to think was true; and their willful ignorance made it easy to accept.

Unfortunately, this kind of ignorance does not exclusively exist in fiction. We certainly live in a time where, despite the wide-ranging ways to access information, willful ignorance for the sake of believing what is convenient is common. Many people prefer to be ignorant so that they can persist in their own ideas without question or challenge. Rather than being informed so as to know and believe the truth, some prefer the daily "Two Minute Hate" (in *1984* the "two minute hate" was a media message that incited anger towards those deemed "thought criminals" and enemies of the state, and loyalty to the English Socialist Party, or "Ingsoc").

Many people are willfully ignorant of secular affairs and history; but the ignorance of matters of faith is even more common. Much of humanity chooses to believe whatever is convenient to believe at any given moment. Catholics are not an exception to this. Some of us choose not to inform ourselves on the Church's faith because to do so burdens our ability to remain in error. One of the most obvious examples I can think of is what some people like to believe the Second Vatican Council says, without ever reading the documents to find out that the Council often says the opposite.

There is a way for us to combat this culture of ignorance. Namely, it is to become well informed of facts (secular and religious) and then evaluate them through the prism of all available information from history, science, law, morality, faith, etc., and form an objective, non-emotional belief according to the truth. Christians have an obligation to seek the truth because Jesus promised that the truth sets us free. There is no truth that we ought to fear discovering because to know and believe the truth is to know and believe Jesus, who is "the way, the truth, and the life."

This is why our parish has access to FORMED.ORG. FORMED is an online media library which has study programs, sacramental preparation, talks on religious topics, movies, and books. All these are available, free of charge, for all members of our parish. All you have to do is go to FORMED.ORG/signup on your browser; type in "Most Blessed Sacrament Baton Rouge" and find our parish. Then you register with your email address and login. Once you have an account you have access to everything on your computer, and on an app for most smart devices and media platforms.

I strongly encourage everyone to make use of this program. Do a bible study with friends. Watch a movie about a saint for family movie night. Download and read a book about history or faith. Listen to informative and encouraging talks during long drives in the car. Ignorance is not really strength. It is a way by which we are held back from excelling and becoming freer. Let's make use the tools we have to learn the truth, so that then we might know the Lord better. "If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31-32).

Totus Tuus,
Fr. Todd Lloyd

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Most Blessed Sacrament Church Mission Statement

The mission of Most Blessed Sacrament Church is for members to witness the real presence of the Lord in word and sacrament, and that they may live out the message from the gospel and serve one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. Sept. 24	8:00 am	
	4:30 pm	Bonnie Trude The Eichelberger & Strong Families Buddy & Mollie Lemoine Family Louis & Inez Fox Lester Sutherland Michael McKey
Sun. Sept. 25	8:00 am	For the People
	9:45 am	Patsy Fontenot Peter & Verdie Couvillion James & Betty Ewing Cleveland & Audrey Banquer Herbert Aaron The Immaculate Heart of Mary Hollis King Francis Guillory John Tullier
	11:30 am	The Arthur Aucoin Family Irene Berthelot Linda White The Thibodeaux Family Kim Van Kerkhove Bonnette Celeste Ivllon Lewis Sam C Barbera Jr Sam c Barbera III Ronny Amoroso Judy Hartmann Jackie Travis
Mon. Sept. 26	8:45 am	Rachel Arceneax
Tues. Sept. 27	8:45 am	Michael McKey
Wed. Sept. 28	8:45 am	Dan Dietrick
Thurs. Sept. 29	8:15 am	
Fri. Sept. 30	8:45 am	William S. Cook

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading — Woe to the complacent. Their wanton revelry shall be done away with (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).
Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).
Second Reading — Compete well for the faith. Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus (1 Timothy 6:11-16).
Gospel — The parable of Lazarus and the rich man (Luke 16:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75,

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING Sept. 10-11, 2022

Contributors	\$24,728.00
Building Fund	<u>\$ 2,151.00</u>
Total	\$26,879.00

Masses— Sept. 24-25, 2022	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark R	Fr. Raj Deacon Mark R	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark B	Fr. Todd Deacon B

September 24-25, 2022 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	A Loya, J Leier	J Scott, L Tabary	C Willis, J Didier
8:00 am	K Huynh, A Norris	M Walsh, L Hoffpauir	V Browning, C LaCoste
9:45 am	L Davis, A Cancienne	K Andress, L Evans	L Evans, W Golden
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