

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading — God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living (Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24).

Psalms — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — Your abundance should supply the needs of the others (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15).

Gospel — Your faith has saved you (Mark 5:21-43 [21-24, 35b-43]).

O LORD, BE MY HELP

Today we encounter readings that draw us into the mystery of suffering and death. In the past few years we have witnessed the devastation of life and property through earthquakes and hurricanes. So many lifted their lament to God, simply asking, "Why?" This is an honest expression of anger toward a God who we believe is the giver of life. When we lose a loved one, we can wonder why the presence of Christ is not enough to make that person rise, even from death, as did the little girl in today's Gospel passage. Again we raise our voices and ask, "Why?" At moments such as these, let us make the prayer of the psalmist our own: "Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper." Let us pray that our mourning will one day be turned into dancing.

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Parish Staff

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m./Confessions 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.
Monday 8:45 a.m. - Communion Service
Tuesday - Friday - 8:45 a.m. except during
School year, Thursday Mass 8:15 a.m.

MBS SCHOOL

Principal: Cheri Gioe
School Phone 751-0273/Fax: 753-7259

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier 751-0023

MBS Early Learning Center

Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

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:** Twice a month, after 11:30 Mass. Call office during pregnancy to sign up and for class information.

•**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.

FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE

*The Church Office
will be closed on
Wednesday, July 4th in
observance of the
national holiday.*

Daily Mass will be at 8:45 a.m.

Celebrate 4th of July
As we celebrate the 4th of July weekend, we are reminded that it is a national holiday. This holiday gives us time to thank God for the birth of our nation, give thanks for the gift of life, and petition God to preserve our country. This is a great day for picnics and spending time with family and friends.



July 7th - 1st Saturday Prayer Service

We will have a first Saturday prayer service for July. It will consist of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Rosary, Benediction, and Communion Service. We will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will end at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

You are invited!

Our 9:45 choir is enjoying some time off during the summer. We will gather on August 8th for our first rehearsal at 7:00pm in the church. We would love to have you join us for the upcoming Advent and Christmas Seasons.

Please call Kathy at the parish office, (225) 752-6230.

Father,
I come to this July 4th, grateful for my country and grateful for the men and women who gave their lives so that I might be free. I proclaim my allegiance to my country and total dedication to you, my Lord. As I watch the magnificent explosions of color on this red, white, and blue holiday, I am reminded of my spectacular Lord and Savior who is great beyond my imagination. May the name of the Lord be praised and celebrated throughout our country on this our joyous national holiday!

Amen

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Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season

“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 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 stormless eternity awaits us.
Amen.”*

MBS Knights of Columbus Seminararian Closet

The MBS Knights of Columbus, along with MBS Parish, have always supported the Seminararians at St. Joseph Abbey and Notre Dame Seminary. This year, they would like to have a parish-wide collection of items to support them with a donation of toiletry items and other student necessities.

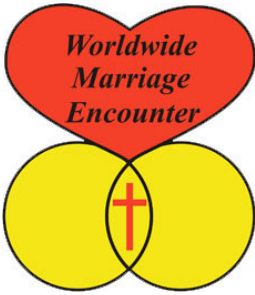
We will be putting baskets out in church during the month of JULY for parishioners to drop off items. The following is a list of items the seminararians are in need of...

Toiletries: deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, conditioner, disposable razors, shaving gel, chapstick, soap, mouthwash, or mints.

School Supplies: highlighters, notebooks, pens, or post-it notes.

Goodies: candy, trail mix, or other snacks.

Events Within Our Diocese



Marriage Encounter Weekend

Why Settle For A
"Good" Marriage...

When You Can Have A
Great Marriage...

You can make the leap from just "good" to "GREAT" on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The weekend allows married couples to get away from jobs, kids, chores, the internet and phones and focus their attention on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can offer! The next weekend is scheduled on July 27-29, 2018 at the Bishop Robert E Tracy Center in Baton Rouge, LA. You can register online today at www.LAMS-wwme.org or by calling Matt & Gail Quinn at (504) 371-5066.

LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY

A Three-Part Ignatian Prayer Series

Training-Retreat in New Orleans LA

Are you a woman or man of prayer?
Are you comfortable working with small groups?
If so,
you are invited to discern if God is calling you
to become a facilitator of this Ignatian Prayer Series in your parish.
Or, if you are simply interested in finding out more about Ignatian Prayer and the
Lord, Teach Me To Pray (LTMTTP) prayer series, you are also invited!



Training for Part 1 of the LTMTTP Series
"Praying Christian Virtues"
(Conducted in a Retreat Setting and Discernment Atmosphere)

Fr. Marty Gleeson, O.P.
Spiritual Advisor to the Series

John & Carol Weiler
Carol is the Director of the Series

Saturday, August 4, 2018

St. Pius X Catholic Church • 6666 Spanish Fort Blvd. • New Orleans, LA 70124
(Training-Retreat will be held in the Multipurpose Room)

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

(Training-Retreat begins with 8:00 a.m. Mass in Church)

Please bring a sack lunch, drink & snacks

REGISTRATION

There is **no charge** for the Training-Retreat; however, we ask that you register in advance. To register please contact:

Dianne Caverly
(504) 283-9292
dlcaverly@gmail.com

Lord, Teach Me To Pray (LTMTTP) is a three-part Ignatian prayer series. The LTMTTP prayer series has been approved by the Publishing Office of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The approval process included a complete review of the LTMTTP text by the Bishops' Subcommittee on the Catechism to assure its consistency with the teachings of the Magisterium of the Catholic Church.

(For information about LTMTTP visit our website: www.lordteachmetoprav.com)

3rd Annual Baton Rouge Diocesan Wide

Supper and Substance

The Ultimate Date Night

Saturday, August 4

St. John the Evangelist Church, Prairieville
New Activity Center

Doors open at 6:30pm

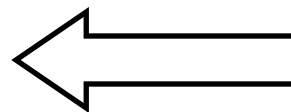
Great Food, Beer and Wine, Live Band,
Keynote by Jean and Janice Charbonnet,
the "Not So Newly Wed" Game and more...



Take time for
what matters most!

\$75 per couple

Register online at www.mfldiobr.org
Please reserve your spot by Monday, July 23



If you are interested in becoming a Facilitator for the "Lord Teach Me To Pray" (LTMTTP) prayer series and attend this Training/Retreat, please call Kathy Duplessis at the parish office, (225) 752-6230.

We are looking at coordinating a M.B.S. group to attend this training in New Orleans if we get enough participation.

3rd Annual Blue Mass - St. Gerard

The 3rd Annual "Blue Mass" honoring first responders and law enforcement will be held at St. Gerard Majella Catholic Church on Sunday, July 15th, 2018 @ 10 a.m. Mass will be followed with lunch provided in the Parish Hall.

FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE

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. June 30	4:30 pm	For The People
Sun. July 1	8:00 am	Culross, Lubrano, and Rodgers Families Rudy Marquise Nell Landry Lena Desselle
	9:45 am	Delores Tise Donald Vidrine Ethel Duffy Betty Haydel Rick Larriviere Carleton Sweeney Beverly Peterson
	11:30 am	Ducote Family Gloria Salcedo Nora Eckert
Mon. July 2	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tues. July 3	8:45 am	Shirley Daigle Andrew Phu Do
Wed. July 4	8:45 am	
Thurs. July 5	8:45 am	
Fri. July 6	8:45 am	Jacquin & Brun Families Andrew Phu Do Nelvin Fontenot Carleton & Janice Sweeney

PRAYING FOR ALL MILITARY

Please keep the following in your daily prayers:

Andy Blum
Scott & Jamie French
Don Ellen, Jr.
Caleb Burris
Nathan Colter
Brett Gilbert
Chris & Ali Jones
Eric Schweitzer



Andrew Barksdale
Trey Perault
Craig Dardenne
Alex Grantier
Brian Primeaux
Will Howland
Landon Bourg
Matthew Bourgeois

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING - June 16-17, 2018

Identified Contributors	\$23,283.00
June 15th Bank Drafts	\$ 5,307.00
Unidentified Contributors	<u>\$ 2,507.00</u>
Total	\$31,097.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
 Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 10:24-29
 Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7-13, 16bc-17;
 Mt 8:28-34 or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
 Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
 Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13
 Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

FOUNDATION

The will of the people is the only legitimate foundation of any government, and to protect its free expression should be our first object.

—Thomas Jefferson

Masses - June 30-July 1, 2018	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Phil	Fr. Phil

June 30-July 1, 2018 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	C Ransome, C Ransome M Gary	C Lieux, A Ransome	C Edelen, B Magill, G Landry, C Rabalais, M Weger, B Landry, Deacon Don, B Conner
8:00 am	C Millet, E Lacombe, A Button	S Werling, M Werling	L Bayhi, K Bourgeois, S Labbe, J Labbe, K Hollier, M Authement, Deacon Don, C Mendoza
9:45 am	A Distefano, Jr. A Rossi, G Distefano	A Welch, P Rushing	R Rossi, C Heath, M Evans, L Evans, B Berthelot, M Berthelot, W Golden, R Cleland
11:30 am	JC Cascio, E Reine, J Cascio	J Larson, K Larson	A Byrne, J Ruh, D Passman, T Passman, M Leger, T Kelley, S Keagle, D Gremillion

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