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MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend Masses:
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm
Sunday Masses: 8:00am & 10:00am

Weekdays:
Tuesday & Thursday at 5:30pm
Wednesday & Friday at 8:00am
Communion Service on Mondays at 8:00am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism meeting for parent(s) on first Monday of every month at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall.
Blessing of expecting parent(s) on first weekend of every month, at all weekend Masses.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:00pm—3:30pm or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months before the anticipated date of Marriage.

FUNERALS

Please contact the funeral directors and they will contact the Church.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Please contact the Pastor before going into the hospital for a planned surgery.

COME, LORD JESUS!

Meets every Wednesday at 6:00pm and Thursday at 2:00pm in the Parish Hall.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 7-8, 2019

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." It's a modern misconception to think of Jesus as the ultimate nice guy who only said things that everybody loved to hear. Of course Jesus is the perfect model of charity and compassion, but he also gave some very challenging teachings. Today's Gospel is a case in point. Not many people are thrilled by Christ's lesson today that insists God MUST be first in our lives. Few are those who love to hear this instruction to renounce our beloved things as well as our beloved relationships. But Jesus does not mince words. We are to "hate" our "father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters," and even our own life.

It's important to understand that the use of the word "hate" here does not mean to despise anyone or treat them unkindly. It means rather to prefer something--or Someone--else, namely, God, to these important relationships. Taken in the context of the Gospel as a whole, it is clear that Jesus is not advocating cruelty or animosity. On the contrary, just a few weeks ago we heard from Luke 10:27 as Jesus instructed us to love our neighbors as ourselves. However, in putting God first, inevitably something else must take second place. It is a kind of hatred of family, self, and "stuff" when we don't allow these things to become mini-gods in our lives. Instead, we keep God as God.

What does this mean for us? It means not allowing a family member to prevent us from practicing our faith to the fullest, and also not putting our trust in gadgets and gizmos. It means, instead, putting all our trust in God, whatever the cost may be.

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THIS WEEK'S MASSES:

Saturday, September 7, @ 4:00pm: PARISHIONERS.

Sunday, September 8, @ 8:00am: Chad & Howard Richard; Lou Mary & Merlin "Be Lou" Menard, Fernand "Peco" Latour, Jr.; Rodney Venable; Shelby Guilbeau; C. A. Richard, Paula Richard, Delmae Comeaux.

Sunday, September 8, @ 10:00am: Craig J. Babineaux; Charles Lasley, Robert & Lonnie O. Bourg; Carl Veillon, Dec. of Dianna Royer Veillon Family; Justin Weaver, Dec. Family of Hudson's & Weaver's; Charles Menard; Rose M. Miller; Gussie, Jack & Terry Lanclos; Gertrude Savoie.

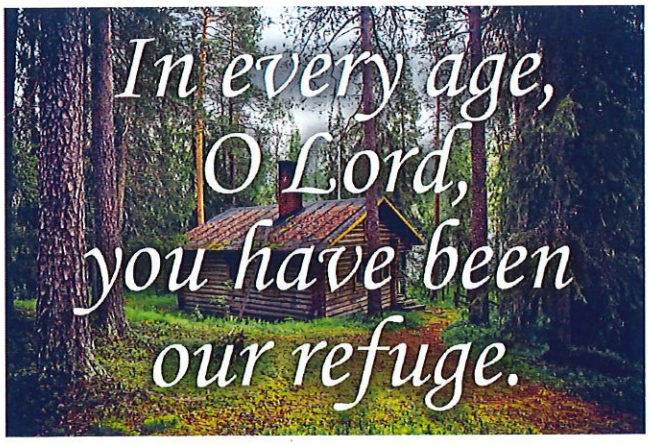
Monday, September 9, @ 8:00am: COMMUNION SERVICE.

Tuesday, September 10, @ 5:30pm: Eva Rose Begnaud Guilbeaux.

Wednesday, September 11, @ 8:00am: PFC Nicholas Mathews, M/M Marius Babineaux.

Thursday, September 12, @ 5:30pm: Gertrude Savoie.

Friday, September 13, @ 8:00am: Paul & Noella Legere, Shirley Miller.

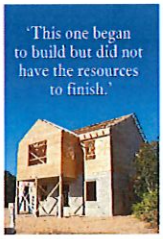


NEXT WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday, September 14, @ 4:00pm: Dusty Shane Prudhomme; Nicholas Venable, Jimmie Castex, Sarah Davis; Liv./Dec. of Janell Sampy, Lillian Sampy; Dale & Dusty Boss; Wilbert & Leola Guilbeau, Tony Comeaux; Carole Ann Menard, Mozar & Philonese Menard, Carroll Menard; Wilson Clavelle, Lloyd & Hazel Johnson, Allen Pontiff; Alex & Nola Clavelle; Ronald, Romain & Etta Noel; Clarence & Sevelia Lanclos, Leverta Gay; Autherine Bourgeois; Eugenia Bearb, Ida & Clabey Kilchrist; Jennie Hebert, Thomas & Hazel Hebert; Albert Comeaux, Shannon Simon, Nicholas Broussard; Ivy Richard, Jr.; Helen Savoie; Alfred & Eva Delle Comeaux; Gertrude Savoie; Julia & Willis Meche, Mike Boudreaux, Carl & James Faul.

Sunday, September 15, @ 8:00am: PARISHIONERS.

Sunday, September 15, @ 10:00am: Liv./Dec. of Barbara & Howard Richard; Liv./Dec. of Hermina B. Gautreaux; Rose M. Miller; Cora Colligan, Loubertha Colligan, Aimee Rubit, Mary Rubit, Ulysses & Victoria Sonnier; Gussie, Jack & Terry Lanclos; Jeremy Meche & Dec. of Arceneaux Family.



LAST WEEKEND COLLECTIONS:

Offerings: ---------- $5,991.36
Funds for the Poor: ----------8.00

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Gertrude Special Rosary

Herbert Prudhomme
Norma Prudhomme
Dennis Prudhomme

Brayden Bertrand
5th Grade
Peggy Thibodeaux's Class

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, …and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. …In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Reminder: Cemetery dues are now due and payable, on or before November 1st. Letters have been mailed out this week. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Church Office at 668-4413.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat—Friday, October 4th (6:00pm) through Sunday, October 6th (3:00pm): Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. This weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. For more information and or to register, call the Office of Pro Life Apostolate at 337/261-5607.

The First Religion Class for 2nd, RCIC, 9th, 10th, and 11th grades, will be on **Sunday, September 8th**, from **4:00-5:30pm** in the Parish Hall / Church Office (Classrooms).

Red Bird Ministries "Loving Through Loss Support Group" will meet on Sunday, September 29th, at 4:00pm, at Hospice of Acadiana, 2600 Johnston Street, Suite 200, Lafayette. Call 337/223-2019 or visit www.redbird.love for more information.

Field Trip—The **St. John Berchmans Ladies Altar Society** will meet in the Church parking lot on **Saturday, September 21st, at 11:00am**, and carpool to Chili's on Pinhook in Lafayette for lunch. The group will then go to St. Pius X Church for visit and tour.

Bulletin Ad Space is available. If interested or for more information, please contact the Church Office at 668-4413.

SEPTEMBER 2019

1	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3	4 CLJ Bible Study 6pm Hall	5 CLJ Bible Study 2pm Hall	6 First Friday Exposition (after 8:00am Mass until 10:00am)	7 Safe Environment Training 10am Church Office (Call Office)
8 Religion Class 4-5:30 KC Mtg. 5:30pm Hall	9 Baptism Meeting 6pm Hall	10	11 CLJ Bible Study 6pm Hall	12 CLJ Bible Study 2pm Hall	13	14
15	16	17	18 CLJ Bible Study 6pm Hall	19 CLJ Bible Study 2pm Hall	20	21
22 Religion Class 4-5:30	23	24	25 CLJ Bible Study 6pm Hall	26 CLJ Bible Study 2pm Hall	27 Health Buggy Bus 8:15-11am	28

In the pastoral effort to respond to a heightened need for the protection of our children, the Diocese of Lafayette has developed **"A Safe Environment for the Protection of Children and Young People"** program. As part of this program, 9th, 10th, and 11th grade Religion Students will be participating in an education session relating to child abuse including, but not limited to, strategies on how to protect themselves and what to do if something does happen. The session will be held on September 22nd during their religion class. Teachers will be discussing this within the classrooms, and as parents, we want you to be prepared to talk to your child(ren) about their personal safety.

"In Memory of Deceased Loved Ones"—We currently have spaces on the back of the bulletin available to parishioners who would like to have their deceased loved ones remembered. These spaces will be filled on a week to week basis, for a donation of $10.00 per week. For more information, call (668-4413) or come by the Church Office.

RCIA Classes—Do you or someone that you know want to join the Catholic faith? Are there questions that you have about being Catholic? Are you new to the faith and just wanting to learn more? Join us at our St. John Berchmans RCIA classes. We meet weekly for one hour after Sunday 8am Mass. If you are hoping to receive sacraments this year, stop by the Church Office to fill out a questionnaire during August or September to enter fully into the Church this coming Easter. **Last day to join for this session is September 30th!** We look forward to meeting you!

~Anthony & Holly Luczak

ENGAGED COUPLES! Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. **Upcoming weekends: Sept. 20-22 & Nov. 8-10, 2019.** For cost of weekend, other dates, and to learn more, visit **www.lafayettecee.org.** Contact **Paul & Carolyn Trahan** at 337/254-8947 or 337/898-9257, or **cee.trahan@gmail.com**.

Lay Ministers Schedule: September 14-15:

Saturday @ 4:00pm Mass

Shirley P.; Ken E.; Paul R.; Tammy S.

Lector: Nicole Reeves

Sunday @ 8:00am Mass

Andy L.; Dana L.; Winfred S.; Patsy S.

Lector: Rickey Melancon

Sunday @ 10:00am Mass

Mark T.; Jesse T.; Brenda T.; Errol M.

Lector: Gerald Miller

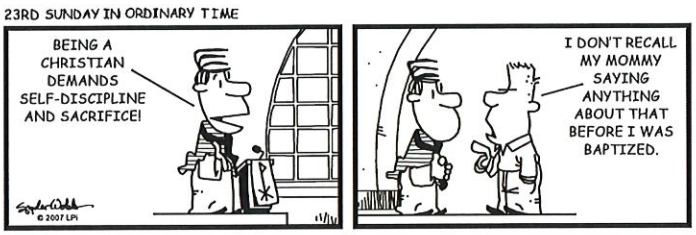
Our sanctuary lamps burn this week in memory of:

Living and Deceased of David & Debra Menard

Charles Menard

Please pray for the sick:

1.
2. Neveah Leger
3. Clifford Johnson, Elmo Savoie, Nita Benoit



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