

Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017

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Try To Think Like God

Who would not recoil, like Peter, when Jesus says that He would suffer greatly. . . and be killed." Jesus' curt command to Peter—"Get behind Me Satan"—points to the crux of the challenge: we are to think like God, not like humans. In God's saving plan, we must lose our life for Jesus' sake—only in this way can we share in Jesus' risen Life. No human instinctively understands or naively embraces this. God's love alone reveals this mystery and strengthens us as we surrender ourselves to it.



Living Liturgy

Happy Birthday To Virgin Mary



The Legion of Mary will host a celebration honoring the Blessed Mother's birthday on Friday, September 8. The celebration will begin with the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continue in St. Anthony Hall after Mass. All are invited; bring your Rosary. Refreshments will be served.

Slidell Life Chain—Sunday, October 1

Please join us for the 26th Slidell Life Chain on Sunday, October 1, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Gause Boulevard. This is an annual silent prayerful protest against abortion sponsored by the St. Tammany Right to Life organization. Sts. Peter and Paul Church is assigned the area in front of Slidell Memorial Hospital. To pick up signs in advance, call Michelle Gorney at 985-882-7210 or 985-640-8765. An Open House will follow at 3:00 p.m. at the Slidell Pregnancy Help Center, 550 Gause Blvd., Ste. 2.



Church Office Closed Labor Day



The Church Office will be closed ALL DAY on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day. We will reopen Tuesday, September 5, at 1:00 p.m.

Altar Flowers Donation

The beautiful arrangements adorning the altar this weekend were donated in celebration of the 55th wedding anniversary of



Harold and Shelia Loyocano. Our congratulations to them, and we wish them many more years of happiness.

Offertory Giving

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me." At the end of the reading, Jesus suggests there is great hope in the cross. Today's followers of Christ recognize they are stewards of His entire legacy, including His cross and that through their mutual sacrifices God's glory is revealed. They do not live their lives in Christ only when it is convenient for them. They make a decision to take up their cross and carry it, no matter what the cost is to themselves. Reflect this week on the cross you bear in order to reveal God's glory.

Weekly Budgeted Need	\$7,242.00
Last Sunday Aug. 20	
Envelopes	\$6,668.00
Loose	588.00
Holy Day	<u>662.00</u>
Total	\$7,918.00
Progress Report	
Cumulative Budget	\$57,936.00
Cumulative Income	<u>56,376.00</u>
<Behind>	<\$1,560.00>

How do you embrace that cross? How, at times, do you shirk that cross when it is not convenient?

Weekly Budgeted Need	\$7,242.00
Last Sunday Aug. 27	
Envelopes	\$4,607.00
Loose	<u>530.00</u>
Total	\$5,137.00
Progress Report	
Cumulative Budget	\$65,178.00
Cumulative Income	<u>61,513.00</u>
<Behind>	<\$3,665.00>

Corrected Statement Of August 20

Statement Of August 27

Building Fund

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Building Fund.



Mass Intentions Requested

Monday, September 4

(1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, September 5

(1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37)

8:00 a.m. Joyce Dawson

Wednesday, September 6

(Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, September 7

(Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11)

8:00 a.m. Dr. Andrew Benson

Friday, September 8 Nativity of the Blessed

(Mt 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23)

Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Colleen Troclair

Saturday, September 9

(Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5)

5:00 p.m. Beverly Vinciguerra, Richard Hursey, Eugene Blanchard Jr., Sal Sperandeo, Madel Ketterer, Curtis & Vita Ownes, Rosemary Poche, Tina Mangano, Ken & Adele Salzer, Louis Mangano Sr. & Jr., Roszczynialski Family, Julia Ketterer, Lee & Yvonne Tracey, Roger Doucette, Joseph D'Antoni Jr., Imelda Gares, Altar Society Members

Sunday, September 10

(Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20)

7:00 a.m. Henry Eiserloh, Jr.

8:30 a.m. Sister Loretto Tighe, Maurice Poche, Ramon Garay Sr., Tom & Pat Cuccia Family, Merle Behrens, Captain Jim Roark, Sal Sperandeo, Andrew Lambert, Ronnie & Betty Lambert, Ben Spansel, Thelma Nelson, Barbara Laughlin, Mike & Julie Moore, Melinda Lajaunie

10:30 a.m. Parishioners



Pray For The Sick



Audrey Bonnet, Diana Bradshaw, JoAnn Brewin, Mary Brown, George & Wanda Butko, May Caballero, Patricia Cuccia, Dotsy Chedville, Deacon Pat Downey, Steve Dunn, Marcelle Ernewein, Carroll Fourcade, Jeanette Gomez, Deacon John Howard, Virgie Hurstell, Allen & Joan Jagneaux, Margaret Jorns, Maria Kalcic, Gloriette Kiern, Elizabeth Kittel, Vito Montalabano, Jessie O'Dell, Ed Roszczynialski, Adele Salzer, Cathy Smith

WEEKLY EVENTS

Legion of Mary—Monday 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall

Tuesday Morning Rosary—Tuesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Jude Novena in St. Anthony Hall

Antonians—Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall

RCIA Tracks I & II—Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms

Children's Choir—Wednesday from 7:15 to 8:00 p.m. in the Church

Knights of Columbus—Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. after Mass in St. Anthony Hall

Patriotic Rosary—Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

GASPP—Monday, September 11, at noon in the Parish Hall (due to Labor Day holiday). Bring your favorite dish or dessert and join us!

Pope John Paul II High School SHADOW DAYS



Pope John Paul II Catholic High School announces "2017 Shadow Days" for sixth, seventh and eighth grade students. Come experience a day in the life of a Jaguar. Register for one of the Fall 2017 Shadow Days at Pope John Paul II High School. We are one big family, and would love for you to be a part of it! Choose one of the following days:

Friday, September 15, 11:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27, 7:45 a.m.—noon

Monday, October 23, 7:45 a.m.—noon

Reservations are limited and required for these half-day events. Register online at www.pjp.org/future-jaguars/shadowdays.cfm For questions, contact Ms. Pam Lisotta, Admissions Coordinator, at

Tabernacle Lamp

This week the Tabernacle lamp in the Sanctuary burns in memory of **Maurice Bersuder, Sr.**, on the occasion of his birthday from his loving wife Geraldine "Lou" Bersuder.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

"That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen."

Archdiocesan Reconciliation Offered

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

It is our archdiocesan tradition to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as Confession, on a weekday evening near the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. I am pleased to inform you that many people in the Archdiocese of New Orleans have taken advantage of this opportunity and the priests have decided to continue this practice.

This year Confessions will be available in all Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of New Orleans on Wednesday, September 13, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to invite the healing Christ into your heart with His promise of mercy.

Pope Francis reminds us, "God is a Father and He is always waiting for us! It is so wonderful to feel the merciful embrace of the Father in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Confessional is a place of mercy."

Please consider having your family come to church together for Confession on Wednesday, September 13.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am
Sincerely in Christ



Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans

Thanks From Pregnancy Help Center

To the Antonians and Parishioners at Saints Peter and Paul Church,

Thank you for the many donations from the "Christmas in July" event, sponsored by the Antonians at your church. The diapers, wipes, baby formula, diaper bags, baby and maternity clothes were exactly what we need and will be a great blessing to our moms and their babies.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support as together we serve the women and families of Slidell, Pearl River and the surrounding area. Many blessings to all that were part of this wonderful event.

Sincerely yours,
Cindy Collins, Executive Director
Pregnancy Help Center of Slidell

Centennial Fatima Statue In Lacombe

September 16 St. John of the Cross
September 17 Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Ephesians

Please join us at St. Margaret Mary Church in the Evangelization Building for an Eight-Part Bible Study featuring Jeff Cavins (presenter) starting Wednesday, September 20, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$25.00 for the workbook and notes. Registration is open until September 11. Please call to register. For information, call Mary at 985-643-9547.

Rediscover Jesus

How well do you know Jesus? This is an invitation to encounter Jesus, the amazing friend who is going to help us answer life's tough questions. The Archdiocesan Spirituality Center Director Janet Trahan will lead this six-week prayerful discussion of Matthew Kelly's book Rediscover Jesus. The sessions begin Thursday, September 14, and will continue each Thursday through October 19, at the Center, 2501 Maine Avenue, Metairie. Register on the web at <http://asc.arch-no.org> Call 504-861-3254 or email archspiretr@arch-no.org Please purchase the book, read the introduction and first chapter. Bring a journal. Cost is \$50.00 (adjustments can be made).

"Rise And Be Healed" A Healing Retreat

We are delighted to host Fr. Richard McAlear, OMI, for our annual Healing Retreat for Men and Women, September 29 to October 1, at Lumen Christi Retreat Center in Schriever, LA. The Golden Jubilee theme is "Rise and Be Healed." Since 1976, Fr. McAlear's ministry has been offering hope, healing, love and peace to tens of thousands of people all around the world. Register early to assure a place. Commuters are welcome as long as space permits. For registration or information, visit www.ccrno.org; info@ccrno.org; or call 504-828-1368.

Labor Day Prayer

God our Father, By the labor of men and women, You govern and guide to perfection the work of Creation. Hear the prayers of Your people and give all people work that enhances their human dignity and draws them closer to each other in the service of their brothers and sisters. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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