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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday

8:30AM -12:30PM 1-3:30PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipated) 4:15PM Sunday 8:15AM, 10:15AM, 6:15PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:15AM Wednesday 5:30PM

Confessions heard daily 30 minutes before Mass. **Confessions** heard Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:00pm.

Children's Church is held at 8:15AM and 10:15AM masses. Children 4 years old up to first communion are invited to participate in their own celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. Simply bring children to the baptistry 10 minutes before mass begins.



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Gary Schexnayder, Pastor

Deacon Nelson Schexnayder, Deacon

Deacon Michael Morrison, Deacon

Deacon Ronald Chauvin, Deacon

Linda Souther

Secretary

Gerrie Baumbouree

Director of Religious Education / Safe Environment

Marc Conque

4:15, 8:15 & 10:15 Music Minister

Michael Grado

10:15 Choir Director

Francis LeBlanc

6:15 Music Minister

Elmary Francis

Bulletin Editor & Bookkeeper

Anne Guidry

Baptism Coordinator

Tonia Harrington

First Communion/ First Penance Coordinator, &

Preschool Religious Education

Diane Triche

Welcome & Visitation Minister

Diana Zeringue

Liturgical Coordinator

BAPTISM

Registration during the early stages of pregnancy for the Baptism course is strongly recommended.

CONFIRMATION

All students, including those in Catholic schools, are to register in August of their junior year of high school. Call the office for registration requirements.

FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST COMMUNION

All children, including those in Catholic schools, should be registered at the beginning of their second grade year in order to participate in the sacramental preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- First through tenth -graders meet on Tuesday evenings, October-April.
- Vacation Bible School, for children ages 4-10, is held for one week each summer.
- Confirmation students must complete 24 hours of high school religious education prior to their junior year.
- Adults wishing to learn more about their Catholic faith, including those wishing to become members of the Catholic Church, should call the office to speak with Deacon Nelson Schexnayder.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The church can be reserved as much as 18 months before a wedding. In most cases, diocesan policy requires an appointment six months prior to the wedding date. Couples are required to attend a diocesan marriage preparation course. Please view wedding guidelines on the parish web site, under Our Parish.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the office to speak with Diane Triche.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 28, 2016





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Children's Church Will resume this **Sunday**, **August 28**, during the **10:15**AM **Mass only**. The low attendance at the 8:15AM Mass has led to its cancellation. Another possibility is the 6:15PM Mass, if 2 or more teachers can be found. If you have questions contact Tonia Harrington by email: tonia@setonchurch.org or call the parish office.

Adorers Needed We are in need of people for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the following times: **Tuesday at 9AM, 7PM, 11PM, Wednesday at 3AM, 12NOON, 1PM and 2PM.** Anyone interested should contact Tom Meyers at 896-3340 or 962-6085.

Parishioners Reminded Not to adjust the thermostats in Church. They are set for the comfort of all not the comfort of one.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUG 29

7:15_{AM} Joe Gresko, Andrew Gresko, In Thanksgiving

TUESDAY, AUG 30

7:15AM Diana Zeringue, Pearl Patin (BD), Isley Thibodeaux (BD) & fly., In Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, AUG 31

5:30_{PM} In Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, SEPT 1 7:15AM In Thanksgiving

FRIDAY, SEPT 2

7:15AM Jules, Irma, Ed, Ann Broussard, Debbie Erath Jules, Mathilde, Marlin Broussard, Beverly Brown, In Thanksgiving, Joyce Hebert

SATURDAY, SEPT 3

4:15PM Joseph E. Valentour, Jr., M/M Joseph E. Valentour, Sr., Kristen V. Fauntleroy, Roy, Cora & Paul Gauthier,

Norton Zeringue, Jr., John, Agnes & Rena Lemaire, Alozia Beniot, Floyd Speyrer, Fred J. Souther, Roy A. Souther, Anthony & Nancy Danna, Carol Richard, Mitch Chapman & fly., John & Doris Chapman, Werlyn Simon, Shirley Daigle, Sister "B" DeRouen, In Thanksgiving, Joyce Hebert

SUNDAY, SEPT 4

8:15AM Jim Pollock, E.J. & Inez Camelle, Alcide & "TeTa" Simon, Wilda Speyrer, Rob Richard, Enise & Leta Simon, Archie Simon, M/M Adlar Hebert & fly., Dr. & Mrs. Glynn Hebert & fly, M/M Joe Newsome & fly, M/M Albert Guidry & fly, M/M Adles Hebert & fly, In Thanksgiving, Velma Gaudet

10:15_{AM} Pearl Olivier, Wilbert Lavergne & fly., M/M Antoine Vincent, Sr., M/M Herbert Palombo, Pat & Flaman Palombo, Dudley Hebert, John L. Leblanc, Annabelle L. Leblanc, JoAnn Delhomme, Rene Delhomme, Sr., Rene D. Delhomme, Jr., Sister "B" DeRouen, Carol Clause

6:15pm Diana Viator, Sharon Yvonne Borel, Beverly & Daniel Borel

 $B{=}Birthday, \quad WA{=}Wedding \quad Anniv., \quad AD{=}Anniv. \ of \ Death$



Registration for: Religious Education Grades 1st thru 10th First Communion & Confirmation

will be held:

August 29, 30, 31, Sept 1 September 6, 7, 8 (late)

from 10:00_{AM} - 4:00_{PM} in the Ministries Building. A late evening registration will be **September 8** from 4_{PM}-7_{PM}. The fees are:

1st-10th grades: 1 child \$35, 2 children \$50, 3 or more \$70. First Communion/ Confirmation is \$40.

Those registering for First Communion or Confirmation **must** bring a copy of their Baptismal Certificate. NO exceptions.

SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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SEPT	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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PARISH DATE

- **28** CHILDREN'S CHURCH RESUMES Sunday, August 28, at the 10:15AM Mass ONLY.
- 29-1 REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS ED, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION
- 4 BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND SECOND COLLECTION At all Masses this weekend.

SUN CHILDREN'S CHURCH (8:15,10:15 AM)

TUES ADORATION (7:45AM til Wed 5:00PM)

TUES ALANON (7:00 PM) **AA** (8:00 PM)

WED ROSARY GROUP (10:00 AM)

A Prayer of St. Faustina



and to be your living reflection, O Lord. May the greatest of all divine attributes pass through my heart to my neighbor.

Help me that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbors' souls and come to their rescue.

Help me, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbors' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings.

Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.

Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbors and take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks.

Help me, that my feet may be merciful so that I may hurry to assist my neighbor, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor. I will refuse my heart to no one. I will be sincere even with those who, I know, will abuse my kindness. I will bear my own suffering in silence. May your mercy rest upon me.

O my Jesus, transform me in yourself, for you can do all things.

- Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Special Collection for Victims of Recent Flooding



A special collection will be taken up here at St. Elizabeth Seton Church next weekend, **September 3 and 4**, at all Masses for the Victims of the Recent Flooding. Special envelopes are in the pews for your convienence. Please be as generous as possible, as there are so many from our area that have been affected. Your monetary donations are greatly needed, but so are your continued prayers. May the Lord bless you for your generosity.

RENEW 2016 Unleashing the Spirit

The 45th Annual Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference sponsored by the Lafayette Diocese Office of Catholic Charismatic Renewal, has been rescheduled for September 9-11, due to the recent flooding in Acadiana. The conference will be held at the Ramada Conference Center, N Evangeline Thrwy. In honor of the Year of Mercy, ALL REGISTRATION FEES HAVE BEEN WAIVED. Keynote speakers are Dcn. Larry Oney, from the Diocese of New Orleans and Paul George from Our Lady of Wisdom Church. The mass celebrants are the same, Fr. Hampton Davis on Friday nite and Fr. Tom Voorhies on Sunday morning. The workshop speakers are mostly the same and the same Music Ministries. Please come prepared to make a generous love offering, especially if you were not directly affected by the flooding. Email LafCCR@bellsouth.net or MarilynCCR@aol.com or call the Charismatic Renewal Office if any serious questions.

PASTOR'S CORNER





Next Sunday, September 4, there will be an event in Rome that will have a great impact on us and on millions of Catholics, Christians and people of good will. That event is the official canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Pope Francis will officially proclaim Mother Teresa a Saint in the Catholic Church. We who have been privileged to know her and to witness her awesome life of faith, of service, of dedication and commitment to the care of the poor, the needy and the dying always believed that she was a living saint.

Mother Teresa was born on August 26, 1910 in Macedonia; she died in Calcutta, India at age of 87 on September 5, 1997. As a child she was interested in the life of missionaries and had an interest in the religious life. She left home and joined the Sisters of Loreto in Ireland at the age of 18. She entered the convent using her baptized name, Agnes. She went to India with the Sisters of Loreto to teach. When she took her first religious vows, she took the name of St. Therese of Lisieux, the patron saint of missionaries, in 1931. One of the other Sisters already had the name of St. Therese, so she changed the spelling to the Spanish version, Teresa. Sister Teresa made her final, solemn vows as a Sister of Loreto on May 14, 1937. She taught school in Calcutta at the convent school for twenty years. During her years of teaching, Sister Teresa enjoyed her ministry but was deeply moved by the extreme poverty in the area.

There was a severe famine in India in 1943 and an outbreak of violence between the Hindus and Muslims in 1946. These two experiences were influential in the heart and spirit of young Sister Teresa. During her annual Retreat in September 1948, Sister Teresa felt 'the call within the call' to leave the convent and help the poor while living among them. This was a changing point in her life and in her life's ministry. As Sister Teresa began her new missionary work with the poor in 1948, she replaced her traditional Loreto habit with a simple cotton sari decorated with a blue border. She became an Indian citizen and slowly her name was changed to Mother Teresa. She became more proficient with medical knowledge and nursing skills. Other young women were attracted to her and to her ministry of helping 'the poorest of the poor.'

During the early months and early years of her new ministry, Mother Teresa had struggles with finances and had to beg for food, supplies and necessities. She and her group of women grew closer to the Lord and more trusting in his grace, mercy and his providence. In October 1950 Mother Teresa got permission from the Vatican to begin the Missionaries of Charity. Initially it began with 13 members. The Mission of the new Order was 'to care for the hungry, the naked, the homeless, the crippled, the blind, the lepers, all those people who feel unwanted, unloved, uncared for throughout society, people that have become a burden to the society and are shunned by everyone.'

The ministry of Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity grew and multiplied in the next thirty years to become worldwide. Mother Teresa was given many, many awards and great recognition for her ministry to 'the poorest of the poor.' Probably the highest award she was given was the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979. Mother Teresa was well recognized here in our country in 1985 with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, in 1984 with the Congressional Gold Medal and in 1996, Mother Teresa was made an Honorary Citizen of the United States. At present, there are over 4,500 Missionaries of Charity doing the work of that small in stature but great in spirit, Mother Teresa of Calcutta. One of my favorite quotes from Mother Teresa is: "By blood, I am Albanian. By citizenship, an Indian. By faith, I am a Catholic nun. As to my calling, I belong to the world. As to my heart, I belong entirely to the Heart of Jesus."

Mother Teresa is one of the people I have admired, respected and appreciated in the past fifty years. May each one of us strive to imitate her in some way in the way we live our Catholic faith, in our generosity, in our stewardship, in our helping the poor, the needy, the dying and the forgotten of our community, our church and our families. My prayers, love, best wishes and gratitude to you and to your loved ones, for who you are, for all you do for the good of the Lord and for the good of St. Elizabeth Seton Church Parish.

SHALOM! Fr. Gary

PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money;

the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things;

made Peter weep after his betrayal;

and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:

"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy:

let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness,

in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error:

let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing

so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,

and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

NO SURPRISES

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF MOTHER TERESA

Carrier of God's Tender Love and Mercy



Lord Jesus, merciful Face of the Father, you came to give us Good News of the Father's mercy and tenderness. We thank you for the gift of our dearest Mother, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, who will be canonized in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. You chose her to be your presence, your love and compassion

to the brokenhearted, the unwanted, the abandoned and the dying. She responded wholeheartedly to your cry. 'I Thirst,' by the holiness of her life and humble works of love to the poorest of the poor.

We pray, through her intercession, for the grace to experience your merciful love and share it in our own families, communitites and with all our suffering brothers and sisters. Help us to give our "hearts to love and hands to serve" after the example of Mother Teresa. Lord Jesus, bless every member of our family, our parish, our diocese, our country, especially those most in need, that we all may be transformed by your merciful love. Amen

SEMINARIAN PRAYER CALENDAR

All are encouraged to pray for our Seminarians as they study to become faith-filled followers and leaders of Christ. Below is a list of those to pray for this week:

- * Monday, August 29th Rev. Mr. Christopher Cambre
- * Tuesday, August 30th Randy Courville
- * Wednesday, August 31st Noah Delatte
- * Thursday, September 1st Brent Didier
- * Friday, September 2nd Cameron Domingue
- * Saturday, September 3rd Phillip Domingue
- * Sunday, September 4th Blake Dubroc

Prayer: O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Blessed Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase of laborers for Your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ Your Son who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit God forever and ever. Amen.



"Food for the Journey" a monthly lunchtime speaker series designed to help Catholics live out their faith in our daily lives. Please join us as we celebrate our 12-Year Anniversary in September with guest speaker Rev. Michael Champagne, CJC, Community of Jesus Crucified. "Food for the Journey" will be held on Tuesday, September 6, at Wyndham Garden, 1801 W. Pinhook Road, beginning at 12:00noon. An optional lunch buffet is available for purchase beginning at 11:30am. All are welcome to come "eat and be fed"- please bring a friend! Preregistration is not required. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE PROTECTION



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 awaken 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. 0 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 heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amen.



RCIA Classes Are you an adult who has never received the sacrament of Confirmation? Do you wish to become a Catholic? Contact Gerrie at the church office to learn about our R.C.I.A. program which starts September 14, 2016.

"Come to me"

Come over to me, all you who are restless, and I will teach you how to be quiet, how to leave yourself alone.

Come over to me, all you who are anxious, even if I don't take your anxiety away, I will change it into fresh currency, as you turn your cares into greater belief in my caring.

Come over to me, all you who are lonely, I was lonely too, and could find no place to lay my head.

Come over to me, all you who worry what others really think about you. It doesn't matter. They misunderstood me, no matter what I did.

Come over to me, all you who are always talking and pleading and explaining yourselves to others. I know you inside out. I know the worst. So you can come to me without any explanations.

Come over to me, all you whose great plans for yourself have failed. You don't know how lucky you are.

Come over to me, all you who can't stand youselves. I touched lepers, and once I called a man out of a tomb who had been stinking there for four days. So come over to me - I can stand anything.

Come over to me, all you who can't stand other people. I know what is behind their misery. I know the worst in them as I know it in you. And I embrace you both.

Come over to me, all you who fret about the past. I was there, I was part of your past, and I have forgotten all about it. So be like me and forget it too.

Come over to me, all you who can't live peacefully in the present. Come to me now, without reserve. That is the way to live peacefully in the present.

Come over to me, all you who fear the future. Do not fear. I am your future.

Father Thomas Dominic Rover, O.P.

HUMILITY

Have you ever been in a group of people - maybe on a tour, at a social gathering, or at church - and discovered that you have just been talking with a well-known author, corporate CEO, great scholar, or politician? Your first thought is the hope that you didn't say anything to embarrass yourself; but your second thought is how much they seemed like such "regular" folks. What is it that makes people seem so "regular"? Today's readings give us a clue when they stress the importance of humility.

It is hard for us not to tell the first person who will listen how busy we are, how hard we work, how much money we donate, and how important our job titles are. We think these accolades make a difference to people, and if we don't tell them, how will they ever know? But if our actions demonstrate our values, people will recognize our worth on their own. The words of Jesus show us how much better it is to let someone else recognize our worth than to be embarrassed because someone did not.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Perhaps the most familiar traditional symbol that identifies bishops is the crosier that they carry. We see the shepherd's staff and immediately rich images from scripture come to mind, as well as the recollection that the first to respond to Christ's presence in our world were the shepherds. The staff is more that a walking stick; its crooked top is useful in snaring errant sheep but also in keeping the flock united. Bishops carry the curve outward, indicating their ministry to the wider flock, while abbots (and some abbesses, too) carry the crosier with the curve pointing in, indicating that their ministry is to the monastery alone.

The crosier was once also carried by the pope, but was phased out centuries ago. You may recall that in pre"popemobile" days, the pope was often carried around on a portable throne called a *sedia gestatoria*. Since he didn't do much walking, the need for a crosier was minimal. Pope Paul VI introduced the innovation of a walking staff in the 1960s, and everyone remembers Pope John Paul II's walking staff, not a crook, but a delicately sculptured crucifix. Thus, the pope carries a "pastoral staff" rather than a crosier. Precisely because the pope's ministry is universal, to the whole world, popes will likely leave crosiers in the hands of the bishops they commission for care of specific flocks.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- * Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, August 29, 30, 31 and September 1 Religious Education Registration for grades 1st thru 10th, First Communion and Confirmation from 10AM 4PM, in the Ministries Building.
- * Monday, September 5 Labor Day. Parish Offices will be closed.
- * Tuesday, Wednesday, Thurday, September 6, 7, 8 Religious Education Registration for grades 1st thru 10th, First Communion and Confirmation from 10AM 4PM, in the Ministries Building.
- * Thursday, September 8 Late Registration for Religious Education from 4-7pm, in the Ministries Building.
- * Wednesday, September 14 R.C.I.A. Classes begin at 6:00pm in the Ministries Building.

Homework for the week of Aug. 28 - Sept. 3 Romans 12:1-2

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

All are encouraged to pray for the priests who work in the Diocese of Lafayette each day. Every day there is a specific intention for one of our priests for special consideration; the specific **intentions this week are**:

- * Monday, August 29th Msgr. Charles Mallet
- * Tuesday, August 30th Msgr. Curtis Mallet, JCL, VG
- * Wednesday, August 31st Rev. Jaison Mangalath, SVD
- * Thursday, September 1st Pope Francis
- * Friday, September 2nd Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- * Saturday, September 3rd Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- * Sunday, September 4th Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell

Prayer: Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WEEKLY DONATION

August 21, 2016

Offertory: \$11,282.00
Building Fund: 511.00
Other Donations: 287.00
Total Donations: \$12,080.00
Thank you for your generosity.