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ST. ELIZABETH SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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 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. David Hebert, 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

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 Gerrie Baumbouree.

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.

Online Giving



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2017



S RCIA The R.C.I.A. program for adults wanting to know more about the Catholic faith, or those wishing to become a Catholic are reminded that the program begins **Wednesday, September 13, at 6:15PM** in the Ministries Building.

JE **“That Man Is You”** The fall session of “That Man Is You” is being held on Tuesday mornings in the Family Center at 5:30AM. All men are invited to attend.

S

Remember me!

Monday, September 18



6:30PM

in the Ministries Building

A support group for caretakers, family, and friends of dementia/Alzheimer’s patients. We meet on the third Monday of each month. Ideas and resources will be shared. For more information, contact Annette Chapman at SetonRememberMe@gmail.com or call the church office at 235-1483.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPT 11

7:15AM Agnes, John, Rena Lemaire, Alozia Benoit

TUESDAY, SEPT 12

7:15AM Harold & Gloria Comeaux (WA), Diana Zeringue & fly., Ronald “Boze” Melancon

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 13

5:30PM Ronald Cormier (BD), Leroy Cormier, Hazel Brown Cormier, Claude Thomas Michel, Jr.

THURSDAY, SEPT 14

7:15AM Demus Comeaux, Rick Reed, M/M Andrew Kritzer

FRIDAY, SEPT 15

7:15AM Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Seton

SATURDAY, SEPT 16

4:15PM Jules & Irma Broussard & fly., Jules

& Mathilde Broussard & fly., Agnes, John, Rena Lemaire, Alozia Benoit, Norton Zeringue, Jr., Gayle Addison, Ryan Guidry, Fred & Roy Souther, Ben & Ashton Souther, Elward Souther, M/M Otis Broussard, Gerald Landry, M/M Elie Broussard, Diana Viator, Sharon Borel, Faye Stelly (AD), Niva Stelly, Dennis Stelly, Joseph E. Valentour, Jr., M/M Joseph E. Valentour, Sr., Kristan V. Fauntelory, Roy, Cora & Paul Gauthier, James Chiasson & fly. Rayford Bertrand & family, Roxanne Melancon

SUNDAY, SEPT 17

8:15AM Mass for the people, Inez Camelle, Jim Pollock, E.J. Camella, Bradford Millet, Troy Borel, Dewey Matt, Huey Thibodeaux (BD), M/M Eluse Thibodeaux

10:15AM Eloise LaFleur, M/M Charles E. Provost, Clinton K. Lane, Jolynda Comeaux, Vivian Guidry, Waguespack & Graffeo families

6:15PM Bennett & Cecile Daigle, Diana Viator, Sharon Borel

B=Birthday, WA=Wedding Anniv., AD=Anniv. of Death

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
SEPT 10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	6:30PM Stewardship Committee Meeting, MB	5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	6:15PM RCIA, MB 6:30PM Baptism Session, A			3:30PM Confession
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	6:30PM “Remember Me” Meeting, MB	5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	6:15PM RCIA, MB			3:30PM Confession

PARISH DATE

11 STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, September 11, at 6:30PM in the Ministries Building.

13 RCIA MEETING Wednesday, September 13, at 6:15PM, in the Ministries Building.

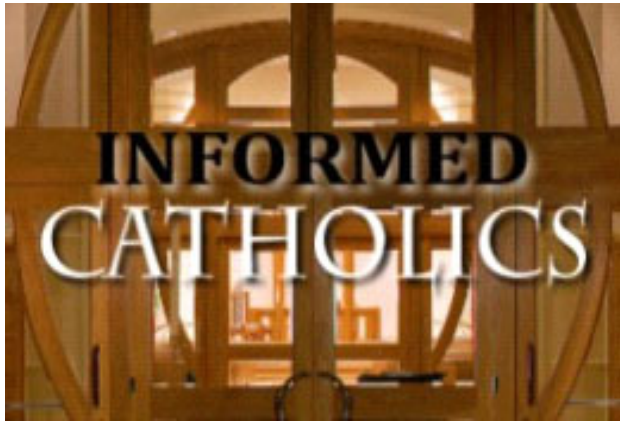
BAPTISM SESSION FOR PARENTS Wednesday, September 13, at 6:30PM, in the Annex.

SUN CHILDREN’S CHURCH (10:15 AM)

TUES ADORATION (7:45AM til Wed 4:00PM)

TUES AA (8:00 PM)

WED ROSARY GROUP (10AM)



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Church Structure

Narthex: entry area.

Nave: main body of the church. The word nave comes from the Latin word for ship. Early churches often resembled a ship, reminiscent of St. Peter's boat.

Sanctuary: Location of the altar. The word means "holy place".

The *Informed Catholics* monthly column can be found on our church website

Regarding Mr. Thomas "Mac" Smith

"Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel informs all clergy and lay faithful of the Diocese of Lafayette that Mr. Thomas "Mac" Smith is prohibited from speaking, disseminating any printed materials, or exercising any ministry or apostolate in any parish, school or Catholic institution in the Diocese of Lafayette. In particular he is not to promote alleged spiritual messages, "soaking prayer," apparitions, locutions, or visions etc. by means of any Catholic entity in the Diocese of Lafayette. All clergy and lay faithful who are in communion with the Church are to abstain from participating in those activities and from any involvement in the spreading of Mr. Thomas "Mac" Smith's writings, teachings or alleged spiritual messages. For those who are disappointed by this decision, I encourage you to seek security in Jesus Christ, the Sacraments, and the Scriptures."

Religious Education Teachers Needed



We are in need of a 1st and 2nd grade teacher for the **2017-18 Religious Education Program**. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your faith and reach the hearts of our young people along with the help of the community. Catechist say that in choosing to serve God in this way, the blessings and love received are so much more than they every expected. Please pray about it first, then contact Mrs. Gerry Baumbouree at 235-1483, if you are interested and willing to accept the challenge.

SPANISH & VIETNAMESE MASSES

St. Jules Church, 116 St. Jules Street , offers a Spanish Mass at 11:30AM and a Vietnamese Mass at 2:00PM, every Sunday. St. Jules also offers a bilingual First Friday Adoration at 6:00PM followed by Mass at 7:00PM.

Our Lady of Assumption 8th Annual Church Fair

September 23rd & 24th

Saturday events: 8AM - 5K Walk/Run starting on the church grounds. **5PM** - Gumbo & Cowboy Stew, Sweet Shop and Bingo.

Sunday events: 10AM - Barbeque Chicken Dinners
1PM - Sweet Shop and Bingo. **2-5PM** - A variety of games, Raffle and Concessions (Pork Steak Sandwiches, Popcorn Balls and much more!)

Please join Monsignor Broussard, Deacon Senegal and the entire Assumption family of Faith for a weekend of good food and fun.

PASTOR'S CORNER

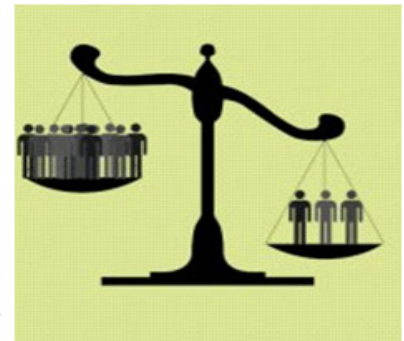
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

This week we will continue our study of the virtues by looking at the “Human”, “Cardinal” or “Moral” (these terms will be used interchangeably in this message) virtue of justice. Before we begin let us review what is a virtue? In the CCC 1803 it states “...A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do the good. It allows the person not only to perform good acts, but to give the best of himself. The virtuous person tends toward the good with all his sensory and spiritual powers; he pursues the good and chooses it in concrete actions...” “Human” or “Cardinal” or “Moral” virtues help us develop habits to freely choose a deliberate act which is toward the good. When faced with a choice between doing something good or doing something evil, the Cardinal Virtues direct us to the good. The Cardinal (Moral) Virtues are prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance.

According to CCC 1807, “Justice is the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor. Justice toward God is called the “virtue of religion.” Justice toward men disposes one to respect the rights of each and to establish in human relationships the harmony that promotes equity with regard to persons and to the common good. The just man, often mentioned in the Sacred Scriptures, is distinguished by habitual right thinking and the uprightness of his conduct toward his neighbor. “You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. “Masters, treat your slaves justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.”

According to the Catholic Encyclopedia it states “In moral theology, justice is the cardinal virtue by which one gives to another what is due. There are two standards for determining this: an arithmetical and a geometric standard. The arithmetical standard requires that the debtor give exactly the same amount to the other, which the geometrical standard requires only a proportional compensation for what was received. Commutative justice regulates actions between individuals, while distributive justice regulates relations between groups and individuals. Social justice refers to the rights and obligations of society and individuals to one another. Original justice refers to the condition of Adam and Eve before original sin, in which they possessed what was due to them from God.”



The virtue of justice moves us to act in a way that each person is given what they are due. Justice makes us treat each person fairly and with respect. Justice moves us to give an honest day's work for an honest wage. Justice moves us to stand up and defend those who are being mistreated or who are being taken advantage of. Justice ensures that each person receives what is due them, including God!

Fr. David

THE SERENITY PRAYER

GOD, grant me the serenity
to accept the things
I cannot change,

Courage to change the
things I can, and the
wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;
Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardship as the
pathway to peace.

Taking, as He did, this
sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it.

Trusting that He will make
all things right if I
surrender to His Will;

That I may be reasonably happy
in this life, and supremely
happy with Him forever in
the next. Amen

You can now make a contribution to our Church through a mobile app!

To get started, download GivePlus Church for free from the App Store or Google Play. Simply search for "GivePlus Church" to quickly find and download the app today. Then, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account. You can also choose to donate as a guest or set up an account that allows you to securely and conveniently schedule recurring donations and manage and review your giving history. We hope you enjoy this new way to contribute to our ministry, and thank you for your support. If you have any questions or concerns with setting up the app or with making donations please contact Dale Firmin at (337) 322-9720.

SVD YOUTH DAY CONFERENCE

Holy Ghost Catholic Church will sponsor an SVD Youth Day Conference on **Saturday, September 23**, from 9AM to 6PM at the Holy Ghost Parish Life Center, 748 N. Union Street in Opelousas. This year's theme is "**Youth Claim Your Blessings.**" To register or for more information, call 296-0005 or 308-0397.

A SPIRIT TO KNOW YOU

Gracious and holy Father,
please give me:
intellect to understand you,
reason to discern you,
diligence to seek you,
wisdom to find you,
a spirit to know you,
a heart to meditate upon you,
ears to hear you, eyes to see you,
a tongue to proclaim you,
a way of life pleasing to you,
patience to wait for you and perseverance
to look for you.
Grant me a perfect end –
you holy presence,
a blessed resurrection and life everlasting.

(Attributed to St. Benedict of Nursia)

HATE NOT

I will permit no one to narrow and degrade my soul
by making me hate them.

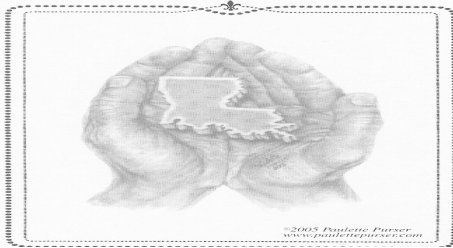
- Booker T. Washington

Homebound?



If you are a parishioner who is homebound or know a parishioner who is homebound and unable to attend Mass, Diane Triche, our Minister to the Sick and Homebound, would like to bring Communion to you or another parishioner on a weekly basis while you are unable to come to church. Please call the office at 235-1483, leave your name and phone number for Diane Triche, and she will return your call in a timely manner. Diane can also be reached at setonvisit@gmail.com.

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. 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 heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amen.

Online Giving

St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church now offers electronic giving as a way to automate your offertory donations. Electronic giving is convenient so that when travelling, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at www.setonchurch.org and locate the **Online Giving** button located on the Home Page.

Or, you can use the QR code on the front of this bulletin on your smart phone!

If you choose this method of electronic giving, and you receive envelopes, please call the office (235-1483) to cancel the mailing of envelopes!

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, September 11th - Ben Pitre
- * Tuesday, September 12th - Connor Poirrier
- * Wednesday, September 13th - Rev. Mr. Andrew Schumacher
- * Thursday, September 14th - Rev. Mr. Brent Smith
- * Friday, September 15th - Michael Vidrine
- * Saturday, September 16th - Nicholas Ware
- * Sunday, September 17th - Rev. Mr. Kyle White

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.

GOD'S WATCHERS

In the ancient world watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them of any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God's will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today's Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchers placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors or reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ's body around us.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On Good Friday, at the heart of the Triduum, the commemoration of the Lord's Passion is colored by sobriety and decorum, but this Thursday the mystery comes in a luminous celebration of Christ's victory. In its deepest origins, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is the feast of a dedication of a church, since in the year 335 the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was dedicated on September 13, and on the following day the "true cross" discovered by St. Helena was brought outside to the faithful for veneration. It is a great feast of the Eastern Church, which often marks it by having the whole assembly prostrate themselves on the floor honoring the life-giving cross.

At the core of the tradition is the quest of Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine, to acquire the cross and the nails of the Crucifixion from the ruins of Jerusalem. When she was satisfied that she had found them, thanks to the healing of a sick man whose body was placed on the cross, she had her son fund the building of the great basilica. The history of the relic is complicated, especially because it was carried off by invading Persians in the year 614 and "went Missing" for fifteen years. Thursday's feast does not celebrate the relic, but rather the life-giving cross from which salvation flows. It's a good day to look around your house or office: Don't those walls look bare without a cross? What better day to remedy that?

- Rev. James Field, Copyright @ J.S. Paluch Co.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Monday, September 11** – Stewardship Committee Meeting at 6:30PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Tuesday, September 12** - "That Man Is You" at 5:30AM in the Family Center.
- * **Wednesday, September 13** - RCIA class at 6:15PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Wednesday, September 13** - Baptism Session for Parents at 6:30PM in the Annex.
- * **Monday, September 18** - "Remember Me" at 6:30PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Tuesday, October 3** - Religious Education Classes begin in the Family Center.
 - Grades 1st - 5th 5:30 - 6:30PM**
 - Grades 6th - 10th 7:00 - 8:00PM**

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, Sept 11th - Rev. Kevin Bordelon
- * Tuesday, Sept 12th - Rev. Millard Boyer
- * Wednesday, Sept 13th - Rev. James Bradley, SJ
- * Thursday, Sept 14th - Rev. James Brady
- * Friday, Sept 15th - Rev. Joseph Brasseaux, OSB
- * Saturday, Sept 16th - Rev. John (Buddy) Breaux
- * Sunday, Sept 17th - Rev. Louis Allen Breaux

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

September 3, 2017

Offertory:	\$14,003.37
Building Fund:	4,917.00
Other Donations:	410.00
Total:	\$19,330.37

Thank you for your generosity.