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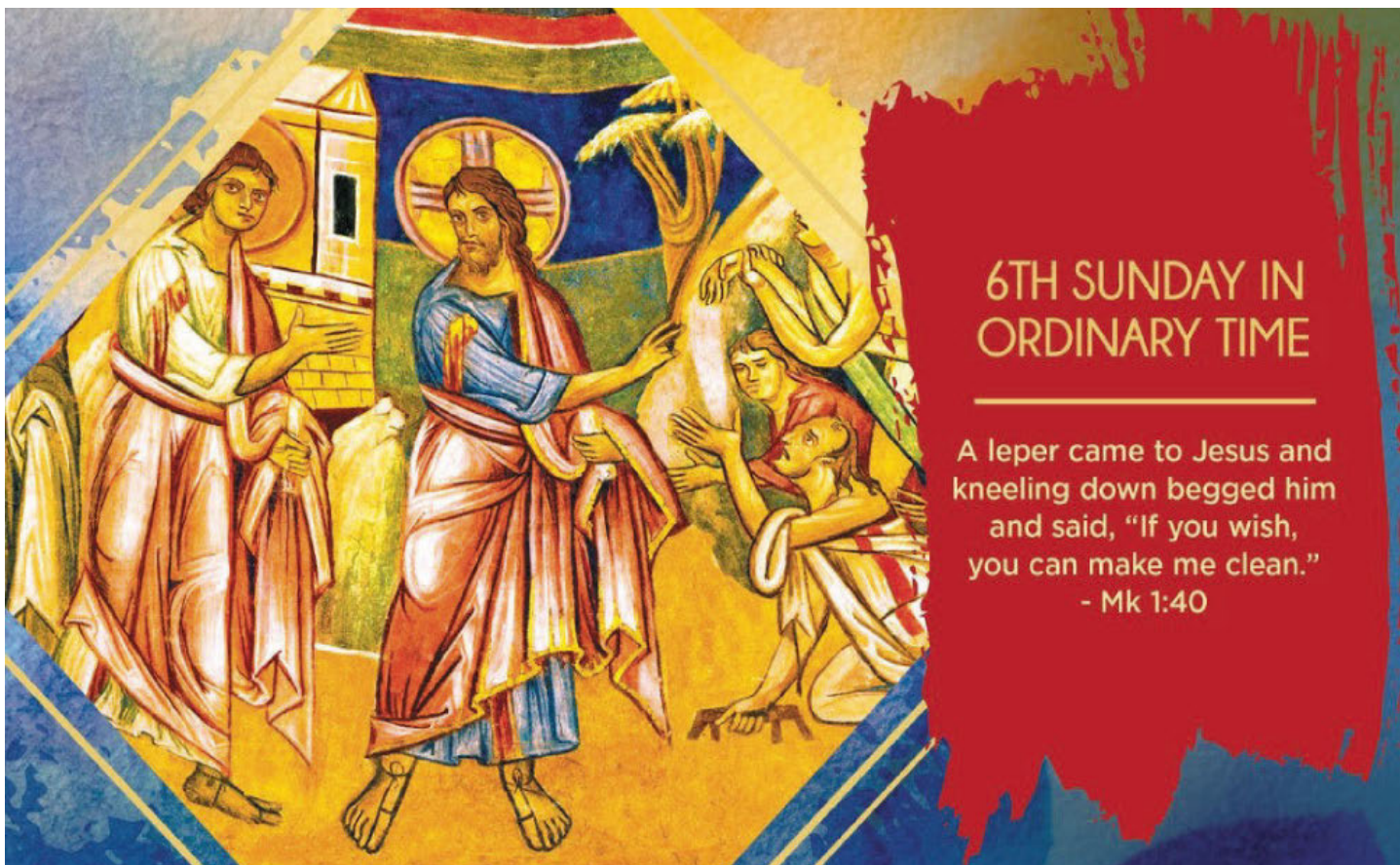
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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and
 kneeling down begged him
 and said, "If you wish,
 you can make me clean."
 - Mk 1:40

LENT WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m./Mass & Way of the Cross
 1st Friday Devotion: 9 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 8 & 10 a.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Baby "Philip" Kuruville, Pastor

Deacon Gary Lapeyrouse

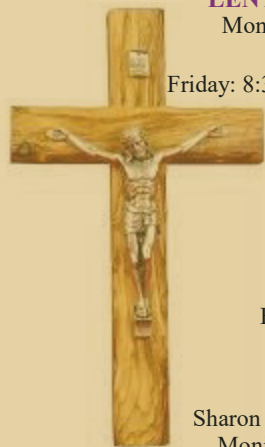
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Home Bound Ministry/Communion

If you know of a parishioner who is Home-bound and would like to receive communion, please call the church office at 594-5859.

Sacrament of Baptism

- Seminars are held on the first Thursday of the Month at 6:30 p.m.
- Baptisms are held after 4 p.m. Mass on Saturdays and/or 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays.
- Call the Church office to Schedule

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Church office to make arrangements for receiving this Sacrament.

A note from the Pastor:

We are entering this week into a very holy and spiritual time of the year, which we call the season of Lent. It is called the springtime of the church. At this time, the faithful concentrate more on their spiritual life and take measures to better their life. I pray that we make every effort to make this holy season a fruitful one for us.

We have daily Masses, Stations of the Cross, Lenten Mission, confessions and other opportunities offered to grow more into our spiritual life. Besides observing fasting and doing charity works, we are invited to participate with devotion in all these events at the church. We are called to sacrifice something of what we call “worldly” and spend more time in prayer.

Kindly keep Ash Wednesday as a day of prayer and fasting. Let us begin this holy season well. My prayers and wishes are with you all.

I wish you a fruitful season of Lent!

LENT SCHEDULE

- ♦ **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th:** Mass and the distribution of ashes will be held at 8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- ♦ **Way of the Cross with Mass:** Friday's at 8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- ♦ **Way of the Cross without Mass:** Friday's at 5 p.m. for Youth Formation students
- ♦ **Daily Mass:** Daily Mass will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 8:30 a.m., on Friday at 8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. and on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.

YOUTH FORMATION

- ⇒ **Ash Wednesday** Mass and distribution of ashes will be held on February 14th, at 8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- ⇒ **Youth Formation Way of the Cross** will be held on Fridays at 5 p.m.
- ⇒ **Children's Liturgy** will be held on Sunday, February 18th, at the 10 a.m. Mass.
- ⇒ **Youth Formation class** will be held on February 20th, at 6:15 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY

St. Joseph Church will be holding a Bible Study series on the History of the Eucharist in connection with the National Eucharistic Revival. We will discuss how the Eucharist was part of God's plan for Salvation even back in Genesis. We will look at how the sacrifices in the Old Testament was a pattern for the Eucharist. We will see how Jesus prepared his disciples for the Eucharist during his ministry and we will look at how the Church has taught the World about the Eucharist over the centuries. And, we will look at some of the miracles connected to the Eucharist.

This study will be held on Thursday, February 29th, and March 7th, 14th, and 28th, at 6:30 p.m.

NIGHTS OF EUCHARISTIC INNER HEALING AND FORGIVENESS THROUGH THE EYES OF MOTHER MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS SERIES

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS OF RENEWAL
Our Lady of Prompt Succor
Adoration Chapel
4316 Hwy. 56 (Upper Little Caillou)
Houma, LA 70363

Four (4) Consecutive
Wednesday Nights
TIME: 6:45 P.M.



February 21st & 28th and March 6th & 13th

Season of Lent

We are entering into the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday on this February 14th. This is a special time to reflect upon areas of our lives where we are in need of God's forgiveness and healing and to plan to address these areas in specific ways during the season of lent, which will enable us to fruitfully spend this holy season, and also to a deeper relationship with the crucified and risen Lord.

Lent, the period of 40 days that precedes the celebration of Easter, has its origin in the early days of the Church. Converts seeking to become Christians, who at that time were mostly adults, spent several years in study and preparation. Under the threat of Roman persecution, becoming a Christian was serious business, so their process of preparation was intensive! Then they went through a final period of “purification and enlightenment” for the 40 days before their baptism at Easter. The rest of the Church began to observe the season of Lent in solidarity with these newest Christians. It became an opportunity for all Christians to recall and renew the commitment of their baptism. During Lent, ancient Christians mourned their sins and repented of them, so it was appropriate for them to show their sincerity by having ashes on their foreheads. The custom has persisted in the church as secular society has changed around us.

Today we know Lent as a season of conversion: we acknowledge the ways we have turned away from God in our lives and we focus on turning our hearts and minds back toward God. Hence the three pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These observances help us turn away from whatever has distracted or derailed us and to turn back to God. Giving up something for Lent is ultimately a form of fasting. We can deprive ourselves of some small pleasure or indulgence and offer that sacrifice up to God. Or we might “give up” a bad habit, such as smoking, or other bad habits, as a way of positively turning our life back towards what God wants for us. As you know, Jesus retreated into the wilderness and fasted for forty days to prepare for his ministry. It was for Him a time of contemplation, reflection, and preparation. By observing the forty days of Lent, the individual Christian imitates Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days.

Take the time now to think about what you might give up this Lent. Maybe to spend more time in prayer, or attending the Mass with devotion, reconciling with someone, conquering some of our bad habits, helping someone in need, visiting the sick or visiting nursing homes, etc.



In Our Parish This Week

Monday, February 12th:

- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Cleaning Angels—9 a.m./Sheila's Group
- ♦ Office Closed

Tuesday, February 13th:

- ♦ No Mass
- ♦ Office Closed

Wednesday, February 14th:

- ♦ Mass & Ashes—8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Thursday, February 15th:

- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Passion Play Meeting—6:30 p.m./Church
- ♦ DSC Meeting—6:30 p.m./OLOPS Chapel

Friday, February 16th:

- ♦ Mass & Way of the Cross—8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- ♦ Way of the Cross—5 p.m.

Saturday, February 17th:

- ♦ Passion Play Meeting—9:30 a.m./Church
- ♦ Mass—4 p.m.
- ♦ Second Collection—Black & Indian Mission

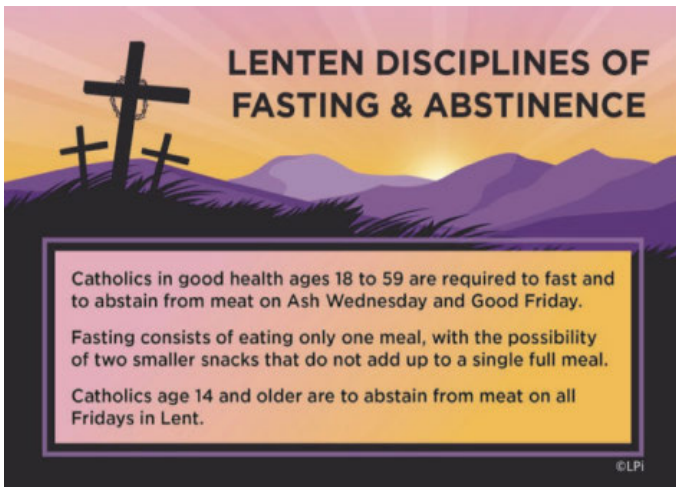
Sunday, February 18th:

- ♦ Mass—8 & 10 a.m.
- ♦ Children's Liturgy—10 a.m.
- ♦ Second Collection—Black & Indian Mission

ACTS RETREAT

- 1) A Men's Acts Retreat will be held on March 7th-10th, at Lumen Christi Retreat Center.
- 2) A Women's Acts Retreat will be held on April 4th-7th at Lumen Christi Retreat Center.

Registration forms are available in the back of church.



February 3 & 4

1st Collection

Envelopes:	\$3,158.00
Loose:	342.00
Online:	45.00
Total	\$3,545.00

2nd Collection

Envelopes:	\$ 731.25
Loose:	105.00
Total	\$ 836.25

Collection Counters

Feb. 14th: Evelyn Pellegrin
Feb. 21st: Sheila Pitre
Feb. 26th: Mary Griffin
Mar. 4th: Paige McGeHee

Mass Attendance

4 p.m.	52
8 a.m.	66
10 a.m.	118

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10th, St. Scholastica, (1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10) BVM; Sunday Vigil: (Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45) 4 p.m. Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Ural Neal; Andrew & Mildred Chauvin; Allie & Trasimond Portier; Wilma & Andrew "Boy" LeBoeuf; Lauren, Mildred & Newell Dumond; Claude & Della Fanguy; Hilda (anniv.), Levis & Lorena Lapeyrouse; Horace & Emeline Cunningham; Larry Babin; Lawrence & Hilda Foret

Sunday, February 11th, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, (Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Linda C., Ira and Ouida Pete; Jerry & Nancy Bergeron; Ruth C. Authement; Paul Lyons; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families; Jody Price; Hyman & Annabelle Henry; Gregory Lopez; Jane LeBoeuf; Etta, John Daniel & Reed Thomas Ledet; Noella Champagne; Donald John Tivet, Jr.; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families

Monday, February 11th, Weekday, (Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13) 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, February 13th, Weekday, (Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21) No Mass

Wednesday, February 14th, Ash Wednesday, (Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18) All Souls List 8:30 a.m. Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Abraham & Brent Griffin & family; Mark & Jerry Lirette & family; Gladys Pellegrin; Wiley & Bernice Lirette & family; Paul Lyons; **6:30 p.m.** Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene
Thursday, February 15th, Thursday after Ash Wednesday, (Dr 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25) 8:30 a.m.

Friday, February 16th, Friday after Ash Wednesday, (Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15) 8:30 a.m.





Saturday, February 17th, Saturday after Ash Wednesday, (The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order), (Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32); Sunday Vigil: (Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15) 4 p.m. Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Ural Neal; Ora, Nolan & Darryl Portier; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Alex & Lydia Punch; Edward & Edna Fanguy; Beatrice & Arthur Thibodeaux; Chester, Thelma (anniv.), Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse; Wilbert Thibodeaux; Mr. & Mrs. Willard Fanguy; Courteaux family; Claude Lirette; Frank Folse

Sunday, February 18th, 1st Sunday of Lent, (Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Mary Beth D. Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Linda C., Ira and Ouida Pete; Ida & Roland Picou, Sr. & Jr.; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Gregory Lopez; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families; R.J. "Buddie" & Mae LeCompte; Nikki Zeringue Hebert; Raynold "T-Noon", Janet, Kelly, Truitt & Matthew Pellegrin; Brent Sevin (anniv.) & Becky and family; Philip Duplantis & family




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