

# SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 9, 2023 / 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday-Friday:  
8:30 a.m.

Tuesday: No Mass

### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 8 & 10 a.m.

## PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Baby 'Philip' Kuruvilla, pastor  
Deacon Gary Lapeyrouse  
Tracie Defelice, Bookkeeper  
Melanie Soudelier, Secretary  
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Adult Education  
Al Lyons, Maintenance



## 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

## CHURCH ROOF

After a long wait, the repairs to the Church roof have begun. Please continue to pray for the workers and for good weather.

## Reconciliation

Reconciliation is offered a half hour before Mass on Saturdays or call the Church Office for an appointment.

## Anointing of the Sick

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

## Weddings

Arrangements should be made with the priest or deacon six months in advance. Call the church office to set up an appointment.

## 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.

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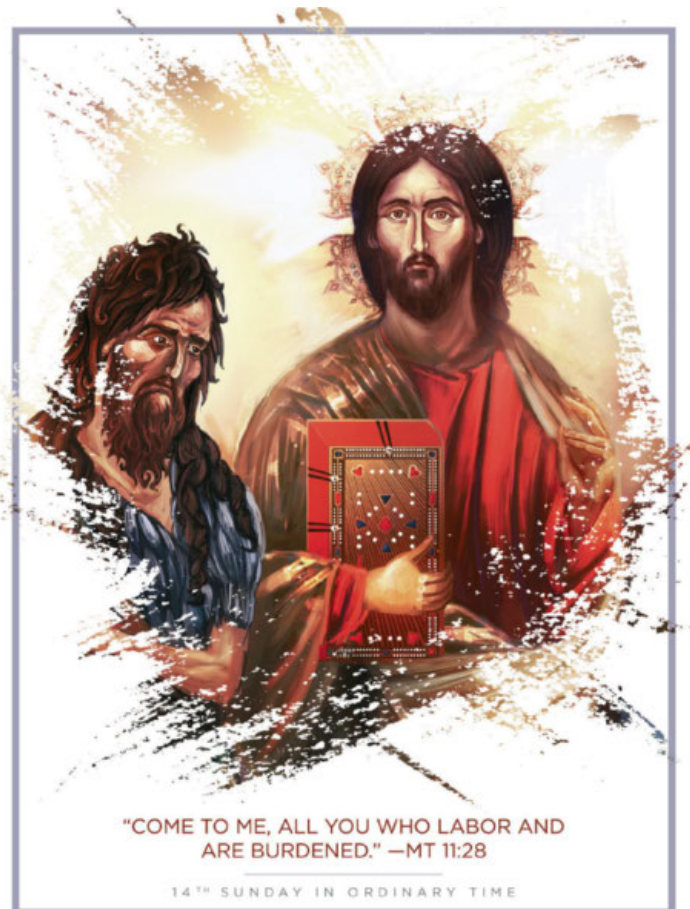
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**SAD BUT TRUE: TO READ AND REFLECT**

A young man called Rama Swami had an untimely death. His parents, wife, and nine-year-old son were crying bitterly sitting next to his dead body. They all happened to be disciples of a holy man whom they called 'Maharaj Ji'. When Maharaj Ji learned that Rama Swami had died, he came to visit the family. He entered the house and found the family wailing inconsolably. Seeing Maharaj Ji, the wife started crying even louder. She sobbed saying, "Maharaj Ji, he has died too early, he was so young...Oh! I would do anything to make him alive again. What will happen to our son? I'm so helpless and miserable." Maharaj Ji tried to pacify the crying lady and the old parents, but the loss was too much for them to come to terms with so easily.

Eventually, Maharaj Ji Said, "Alright, get me a glass of water." Maharaj Ji sat near the dead body and put the glass next to it. He said, "Now, whoever wants that Rama Swami should become alive again may drink this water. Rama Swami shall come back to life, but the person who drinks the water shall die Instead!" Silence..! "Come, did you not say that Rama Swami was the family's sole breadwinner? Who would die instead of him? It is a case of fair exchange, isn't it?" The wife looked at The old mother and the old mother looked at the wife. The old father looked at Rama Swami's son. But no one came forward...Then Maharaj Ji said to the old father, "Wouldn't you give your life for your son?" The old man said, "Well, I have my responsibility towards my wife. If I die who will look after her? I cannot offer my Life." Maharaj Ji looked questioningly at the old woman and she said, "My daughter is due to deliver her first baby. She will be coming to stay for a month...If I die who will look after her and the newborn? Maharaj Ji then looked at the young widow. She widened her tear-filled eyes and said, "Maharaj Ji, I need to live for my son...If I die, who will look after him? He needs me. Please don't ask me to do this sacrifice. Maharaj Ji asked the son, "Well little boy, would you like to give your life for your father?" Before The boy could say anything, his mother pulled him to herself and said,.. "Maharaj Ji, are you insane?.. My son is only nine. He has not yet lived his life. How could you even think or suggest such a thing?" Maharaj Ji Said, "Well it seems, that all of you are very much needed for the things you need to do in this world...It seems Rama Swami was the only one that could be spared...That is why God chose to take him away. So shall we now proceed with his funeral?...It's getting late...having said that Maharaj Ji got up and left. Human love lasts as long as life exists.

**YOUTH FORMATION**

Youth Formation registrations are being accepted. Classes will be held on Tuesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Registration forms are available in the back of the church, the church office, and on our website under the Youth Formation tab.

**SECOND COLLECTION**

The Second Collection for the weekend of July 15th & 16th is the St. Joseph Maintenance Collection.

**BIBLE CAMP MASS AND SPLASH DAY**

A Bible Camp Mass will be held on Sunday, July 9th, at 10 a.m., followed by Splash Day after Mass.

**ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA**

On July 14th, at Holy Family, at 6:30 p.m., we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American woman to be canonized. Orphaned by a smallpox outbreak, Kateri survived with severe scarring and impaired eyesight. Despite tragedy, she was a devout girl at a young age, often building crosses from sticks in the woods. When she was 18, she began secret instruction in the Catholic faith with French missionaries. Her commitment to Christianity and vow of virginity was misunderstood and ridiculed by her fellow villagers. She escaped to a nearby mission, where she attended daily Mass, taught the children, and cared for the sick and the elderly. Sometimes the greatest misunderstandings can come from those closest to us. Like St. Kateri, God invites us to be faithful to our commitments of faith and to always respond in love.





### In our Parish this week

#### Monday, July 10th:

- \* Mass - 8:30 a.m.
- \* Cleaning Angels: Missy's Group @ 9 a.m.

#### Tuesday, July 11th:

- \* No Mass

#### Wednesday, July 12th:

- \* Mass - 8:30 a.m.
- \* LAS Meeting - 6:30 p.m./Youth Center

#### Thursday, July 13th:

- \* Mass - 8:30 a.m.

#### Friday, July 14th:

- \* Mass - 8:30 a.m.
- \* Church Office Closed

#### Saturday, July 15th:

- \* Priest Ordination - 10:20 a.m./Cathedral of St. Francis
- \* Mass - 4 p.m.
- \* Bake Sale after Mass
- \* Second Collection: Maintenance

#### Sunday, July 16th:

- \* Mass - 8 & 10 a.m.
- \* Bake Sale after Mass
- \* Second Collection: Maintenance



### LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

- 1) A meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 12th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Youth Center.
- 2) A Bake Sale will be held on the weekend of July 15th & 16th, after all Masses.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- 1) A KC Mass will be held on Saturday, July 8th, at 4 p.m.
- 2) A 4th Degree meeting will be held on Thursday, July 20th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Youth Center.



COME  
TO ME  
ALL WHO  
LABOR  
AND ARE  
BURDENED,  
AND I WILL  
GIVE YOU  
REST.



### Collection Counters

- July 10th:** Sheila Pitre
- July 17th:** Mary Ann Griffin
- July 24th:** Paige McGehee
- July 31st:** Evelyn Pellegrin



### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, July 8th, Weekday, BVM (Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17); Sunday Vigil - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30) 4 p.m.** Danny Lirette Jr; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Tod Thibodeaux; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene 'Skip' Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr.; Lawrence, Hilda & Lovelace Foret; Gurvis 'Go' Blanchard; Ora & Nolan Portier; Joyce Martinez; Ulysse Voisin; Alex & Lydia Punch; Courteaux family; Mr. & Mrs. Willard Fanguy; Frank Folse; Milton "Pete" Pitre; Francis & Patricia Verret; Raymond, Nora & Westley Domangue; Claude J. Lirette

**Sunday, July 9th, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30) 8 a.m.** Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Houston 'Sou' & Helen Lirette & fly; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin 'Micky' Duplantis Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Andrew & Mildred Chauvin; Godfrey Plaisance; Philip Duplantis & family; Brent Sevin & Becky & family; Donald John Tivet, Jr.; Ruth C. Authement

**Monday, July 10th, Weekday, (Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26) 8:30 a.m.** Abel "Mike" Adams, Jr. (anniv.)

**Tuesday, July 11th, St. Benedict, (Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38) No Mass**

**Wednesday, July 12th, Weekday, (Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Mt 10:1-7) All Souls List 8:30 a.m.** Marie Eschete (anniv.)

**Thursday, July 13th, Weekday, St. Henry, (Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15) 8:30 a.m.**

**Friday, July 14th, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, (Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23) 8:30 a.m.** Luby Pellegrin

**Saturday, July 15th, St. Bonaventure, (Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33); Sunday Vigil - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23) 4 p.m.** Danny Lirette Jr; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Tod Thibodeaux; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene 'Skip' Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr.; Lawrence, Hilda & Lovelace Foret; Gurvis 'Go' Blanchard; Francis & Patricia Verret; Roosevelt "Kie" Neil; Wilbert Thibodeaux; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse and family; Jeannetta & Jill Lyons; Harold Foret, Sr.; Andrew & Mildred Chauvin; Edward & Edna Fanguy; Loran, Newell & Mildred Dumond; Luby "Richard" Neal; Beatrice & Arthur Thibodeaux

**Sunday, July 16th, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23) 8 a.m.** Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Houston 'Sou' & Helen Lirette & fly; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin 'Micky' Duplantis Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Jerry & Nancy Bergeron; Shirley & Ivy Hebert, Jr.; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Jody Price; Jamie Louviere; Ora & Nolan Portier; John & Roberta Freeman; Darryl Portier

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