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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

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.

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OCQA Rite of Election at the Cathedral of St. Francis

THREE MEANINGS OF LENT

The first meaning of lent is that it is the springtime of the soul. In cold places the trees and plants become dry after the winter. This is the time the root goes deep into the earth. It is springtime for the roots, and we cannot see any leaves at this time. Everything is dry. So also, lent is the springtime for the soul. We try to get more rooted in God, setting aside other worldly concerns.

The second meaning of lent in Latin is slowly. It means that you need to move slowly if you have been moving very fast. During the season of lent slowly walk, slowly run through life, and appreciate the little things that you have ignored. Don't get exhausted. Lent is the time to slow down. And to appreciate the breeze, appreciate family, to appreciate the friends that we have ignored. To connect once more the parents that we have not seen for so long. Because we are so busy with our career, we are busy with ourselves.

The third meaning of lent is the past tense of Lent. When someone lends, the other person borrows. When another borrows the other person is lending. So Lent is also a time to remember that everything we have is borrowed. And God is the big lender. The big lender is not the best pawnshop. The big lender is not the kindest bank. The biggest lender is God himself. He has lent us so much. But there will be a time when we must return what we have borrowed. There will be a time when we must return what He has lent to us. And the time will be a day when we remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return. In this season of lent let us cheerfully try to return to God by serving others.

2024 Bishop's Appeal

Let us join together to leave a lasting impact on others as St. Joseph launches our 2024 Bishop's Appeal. St. Joseph is committed to supporting the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux and its ministries through the Bishop's Appeal and supporting the key ministries that serve our parishioners directly through the appeal. We ask that you join us in prayers and generosity as we support our 4 Seminarians, our 16 retired priests, St. Joseph Youth and Adult Formation, Catholic Education through our Catholic Schools Office, Diocesan Ethnic Ministries, and Colonel Catholic Campus Ministry. We ask that you prayerfully reflect on God's great generosity, and respond with first a commitment of your prayers and if you are able place consider a generous giving of our own. We encourage you to watch the Bishop's Appeal Video at home this week on our Diocese social media page and online at www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal. Please be on the watch for your materials and how you can learn about your prayers and gifts help us live the Lord's mission through the Bishop's Appeal. If you would like more information about the 2024 Appeal, please contact the Annual Bishop's Appeal Office at 985-850-3136 or email lcrosby@htdiocese.org.

YOUTH FORMATION

- ⇒ **Youth Formation Way of the Cross** will be held on Fridays at 5 p.m.
- ⇒ **Children's Liturgy & Youth Mass** will be held on Sunday, March 10th & 17th, at the 10 a.m. Mass.
- ⇒ **Youth Formation Class** will be held on March 5th, at 6:15 p.m. Confessions for 3rd-7th grade.



St. Joseph OCJA Candidates

LENTEN MISSION BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study series on the History of the Eucharist in connection with the National Eucharistic Revival will be held on Thursday Evenings at 6:30 p.m., in the cafeteria. Beginning February 29th

RICE BOWLS

OVERCOMING HUNGER In Akwangagwel, Uganda, the climate is very hot and dry. Farmers in this region depend heavily on the rainy season for a successful harvest. But lately—due to the changing climate—the rain has been coming later than it used to and is more inconsistent. Sometimes, when it does rain, it causes flooding and ruins the crops. Learn how Adolf and Florence have taken the matter into their own hands, implementing new farming techniques they learned from a Catholic Relief Services program to improve their farm and fight against hunger in their community. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope. ***Pick up your rice bowl in the back of church***

NIGHT OF RENEWAL

Night of Renewal will be held on Thursday, February 29th, at 6:45 p.m. at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Chapel.

GRIEF SHARE TESTIMONY

GriefShare helped me with sharing my most private thoughts, of losing my husband recently and my son three years ago. I was the new one in our group as all the others had lost someone years ago. It helped me to know what I may expect to go through. I would advise others to join this group. ***Pat T.***

GriefShare was a positive experience that offered the support I needed by being with others who faced a similar loss and being with team leaders who shared their knowledge, experiences, and faith with our group. ***Susie B.***

In Our Parish This Week

Monday, February 26th:

- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ RCIA—6:30 a.m./Cafeteria

Tuesday, February 27th:

- ♦ Cleaning Angels—2 p.m./Missy's Group
- ♦ Mass—5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 28th:

- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 29th:

- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Bible Study—6:30 p.m./Cafeteria
- ♦ Night of Renewal—6:45 p.m./OLOPS Chapel

Friday, March 1st:

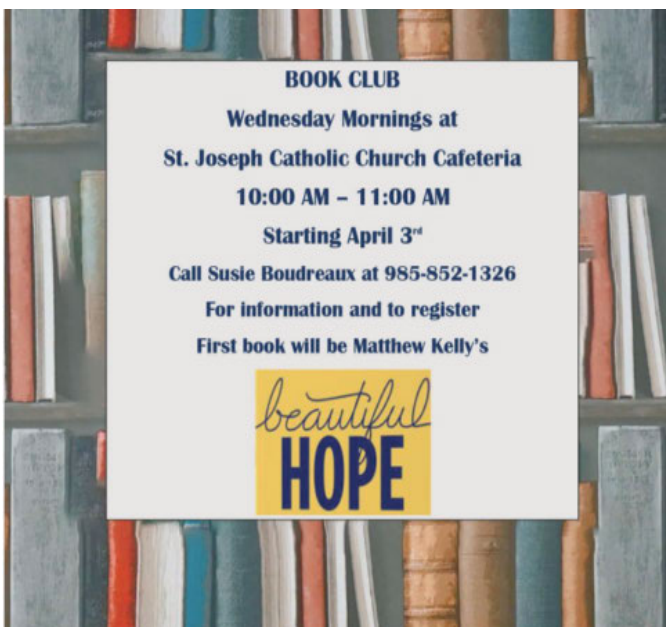
- ♦ Mass & Way of the Cross—8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- ♦ First Friday Devotion—9:30 a.m.
- ♦ Way of the Cross Service (for Youth Formation)—5 p.m.

Saturday, March 2nd:

- ♦ Mass—4 p.m.
- ♦ Wedding—5 p.m.

Sunday, March 3rd:

- ♦ Mass—8 & 10 a.m.



February 10 & 11, 2024

1st Collection

Envelopes: \$2,841.00
Loose: 224.00
Online: 25.00
Total: \$3,090.00

2nd Collection

Envelopes: \$ 961.00
Loose: 114.00
Total: \$1,075.00

Ash Wednesday

Envelopes: \$1,031.00
Loose: 289.00
Total: \$1,320.00

Weekend
Mass Attendance
4 p.m. 98
8 a.m. 43
10 a.m. 126

Collection Counters
Feb. 26th: Mary Griffin
Mar. 4th: Paige McGehee
Mar. 11th: Evelyn Pellegrin
Mar. 18th: Sheila Pitre

Ash Wednesday
Mass Attendance
8:30 a.m. 145
6 p.m. 170

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 24th, Lenten Weekday, Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48; Sunday Vigil: (Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10) 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; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Lawrence, Hilda & Lovelace, Sr. & Jr. Foret; Ural Neal; Alex & Lydia Punch; Claude & Della Fanguy; Roosevelt "Kie" Neil; Milton "Pete" Pitre; Horace & Emeline Cunningham; Jeannette & Jill Lyons; Mary Lou Lambas

Sunday, February 25th, 2nd Sunday of Lent, (Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10) 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; Kenneth LeCompte and the LeCompte & Griffin families; **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; Sylvia Trahan's deceased family members; Jody Price; Ruth C. Authement; Donald John Tivet, Jr.; Nolan, Ora & Darryl Portier; Jamie Louviere; John & Roberta Freeman; Harry, Anna Lee & Luby Dumont; **Monday, February 26th, Lenten Weekday, (Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:35-38) 8:30 a.m.**

Tuesday, February 27th, Lenten Weekday, (St. Gregory of Narek), (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12) 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 28th, Lenten Weekday, (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28) All Souls List 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 29th, Lenten Weekday, (Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31) 8:30 a.m.

Friday, March 1st, Lenten Weekday, (World Day of Prayer), (Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46) 8:30 a.m. Louis Lapeyrouse & Michael; Angelo Roberts, Jr.; Earl Pellegrin, Sr. & Jr. & family

Saturday, March 2nd, Lenten Weekday, (Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32); Sunday Vigil: (Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25) 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; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Lawrence, Hilda & Lovelace, Sr. & Jr. Foret; Ural Neal; Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Wilbur, Ruth & Kelly Lyons; Ora, Nolan & Darryl Portier; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Lauren, Mildred & Newell Dumond; Claude Lirette (anniv.) Lydia, Iry, Sr. & Iry, Jr. Lapeyrouse; Frank Folse (11 yr. anniv.); Clinton & Wilma Picou; Larry Babin

Sunday, March 3rd, 3rd Sunday of Lent, (Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Mary Beth D. Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Bryan LeBoeuf; Linda C., Ira and Ouida Pete; Kenneth LeCompte and the LeCompte & Griffin families; Vernon & Therese Eschete; E.J., Doicy & Ed "Nootsie" Blanchard; Albertine Courteaux; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Philip Chauvin; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Mr. & Mrs. Octave Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Gregory Lopez; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families; Brent Sevin & Becky and family; Philip Duplantis & family; Jane Kinnard; Ena Callais



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