

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 4, 2010

SCHEDULE FOR : July 5, 2010 – July 11, 2010

Monday	Parish Office Closed	
Monday -Friday	Vacation Bible Camp St. Theresa Holy Family Center	9:00 a.m.- Noon
Wednesday	Men of Mary Group Attend Mass/Recite Rosary	6:30 a.m.
Saturday	“Search & Rescue” Outreach meet at Ministries Building	9:00 a.m.

The parish office will be closed Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day. The Church will be locked after 6:30 a.m. Mass. The Chapel will remain open.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please note: There will be no Children’s Liturgy of the Word from **Sunday, July 4 to Sunday, August 8**. The parishioners who volunteer for this ministry will be taking a short summer break. The program will resume on Sunday, August 15th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

“Charity: soul of the mission”

Unless the mission is oriented by charity, that is, unless it springs from a profound act of divine love, it risks being reduced to mere philanthropic and social activity. In fact, God’s love for every person constitutes the heart of the experience and proclamation of the Gospel, and those who welcome it in turn become its witnesses. God’s love, which gives life to the world, is the love that was given to us in Jesus, the Word of salvation, perfect icon of the Heavenly Father’s mercy.

The saving message can be summed up well, therefore, in the words of John the Evangelist: “In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him” (I John 4:9). It was after his Resurrection that Jesus gave the Apostles the mandate to proclaim the news of this love, and the Apostles, inwardly transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, began to bear witness to the Lord who had died and was risen. Ever since, the Church has continued this same mission, which is an indispensable and ongoing commitment for all believers.

Pope Benedict XVI

MASS INTENTIONS

for the week of July 5th-11th, 2010

MONDAY: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria
6:30 A.M. Peter Thong Minh Tran

TUESDAY: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38 St. Maria Goretti
6:30 A.M. Floyd Joseph Prejean (Ann.)

WEDNESDAY: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt. 10:1-7
6:30 A.M. Leah Broussard; Joseph L. Broussard; M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; John Vidos; Personal Intentions; Phero Nguyen; M/M Fernand Montagne; Therese & Luke Langlinais & Fly.; Dr. & Mrs. P.O. Landry & Fly.; Peter Thong Minh Tran; Maria & Anton

THURSDAY: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
6:30 A.M. E. J. Morvant (Ann.)

FRIDAY: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
6:30 A.M. Leslie Quebodeaux & Paul

SATURDAY: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
6:30 A.M. Ray Picard

VIGIL OF THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **Dt. 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37**

4:00 P.M. Justin & Jay Broussard; E.J. Adams; Nicole LeBlanc; Joy P. Awwad; Whitney & Rita Bonin; Elvina Bourque & Fly.; Joseph Long Bui & Maria Vui Do; Maria Tuyet Nguyen; Michael B. Faulk; Lucille Sellers Gooch; Josephine Guarino; Mrs. Enid Guarino; M/M Sam Guarino & Fly.; Personal Intentions; M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; M/M Fernand Montagne; Jeannette M. Motty; Eleanor Bares & Fly.; Maria Quet Nguyen; M/M John Nugier; Charles Lee Pierce; Robie Russo; Roger Sellers; Othon & Alma Trahan; Dôminicô Giac Tran; George Veazey Fly.; John Vidos; M/M John Vigneaux (Ann.); Peter Thong Minh Tran; Ned Theall; M/M Finelous Sonnier & Fly.; Lorena Landry; Gloria Hebert; Loretta Landry; Phero & Maria Nguyen; Aaron & Hilda Dufour; Alvin Broussard; Personal Intentions; Mabel Broussard

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY **Dt. 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37**

7:00 A.M. Gertrude Thomas

9:30 A.M. Kevin Comeaux

11:00 A.M. For the Parishioners

5:30 P.M. Nickolas “Poncho” Curol

Spiritual Life and Worship

Please Pray for

Estelle Batiste Petry who died recently.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Any child who will be in the 5th through 12th grades this fall is eligible to become an altar server. If your child is interested in becoming an integral and important part of the celebration of the Eucharist, please call Mrs. Peggy Ashley at the parish office at 893-0244. Information needed is the child's name and grade in 2010-2011 school year, the parents' names, address and phone number. A training date will be scheduled in the near future. Please consider carefully this opportunity to serve at the altar of God.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

Lay Carmelites are invited to attend the **6:30 a.m. Mass on Friday, July 16, 2010** to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Following the Mass there will also be a rosary recited, renewal of promises and a social reception.

FEAST OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN TO BE CELEBRATED

The feast of St. Mary Magdalen is **Thursday, July 22nd**.

The tradition of the French pastry treat "Madeleines" continues. On **Thursday, July 22nd**, the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, the Ladies Altar Society will be serving Madeleines and coffee. This will take place after the 6:30 a.m. Mass in the Ministries Building and will continue until the Men of Mary rosary is complete so those reciting the rosary can come to enjoy this treat. All are invited to attend. C'est si bon!

ATTENTION LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS

One of the intentions of the Mass on the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen will be for all of the living and deceased members of the Altar Society. We urge all members to attend Mass to wear your medal and bring along a friend and of course come to the Ministries Building to taste the delicious Madeleine Pastries.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY 2010

Justice in Electing those who Govern

General: That in every nation of the world the election of officials may be carried out with justice, transparency and honesty, respecting the free decisions of citizens.

An Urban Culture of Justice, Solidarity and Peace

Missionary: That Christians may strive to offer everywhere, but especially in great urban centers, an effective contribution to the promotion of education, justice, solidarity and peace.

Banns

Jamie Marie Frederick and Eric Rodriguez
Lauren Marie Broussard and Jeremy Lance Trahan

"A tool which is in good condition may sharpen one which is not in good condition, and a fervent brother may save the person who is only lukewarm about his faith." **St. John Climacus**

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

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 awake 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 on 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

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MONTHLY FAMILY ROSARY

The Family Rosary is held on the third Saturday of each month. The next rosary will be held in Church on **Saturday, July 17, 2010 after the 6:30 a.m. Mass**. Everyone is invited to attend.

NOVENA & FEAST OF ST. ANNE MASS

St. John's Ladies Altar Society of Henry invites you to join them in a 9-day private novena to St. Anne. The novena will begin on Sunday, July 18 and end on Monday, July 26, the feast of St. Anne. The petition for the 2010 novena will be: *Let us be reconciled.* ***The 9 day novena prayer booklet may be picked up in the St. Mary Magdalen parish office.**

On **Monday, July 26, the Feast of St. Anne, there will be a Mass celebrated by Fr. Manny at St. John's in Henry beginning at 9:00 a.m.** Following the Mass, Fr. Clint Trahan will give a presentation on the Sacrament of Reconciliation with an opportunity for confession later in the afternoon. Lunch will also be provided. The lunch is free to all members of neighboring Altar Societies and Catholic Daughters. An RSVP is needed for those who plan on staying for lunch. Please call 937-4787 or 523-4587 no later than July 11th.

Community Life and Outreach

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Monday, July 5th –Friday, July 9th
9:00 a.m. to Noon

St. Theresa Holy Family Center

Closing Mass Friday at 12:10, St. Theresa Church

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

Since beginning our Prayer Blanket Ministry a few years ago we have grown tremendously. This is a symbol of the faith sharing community here at St. Mary Magdalen.

We are a non-profit ministry so we rely solely on volunteers. Caring volunteers commit to pray for the recipient as they construct the blankets. We are again in need of volunteers to cut fabric, sewers, and donations of thread and fabric. Also, monetary donations would be gratefully accepted. If you or someone you know would like to help, please call Suzanne Meaux 893-8969 or Anne Guilbeaux 893-8093. Remember anyone—adults or children enduring physical or emotional suffering and others who just need to feel the enormous gift of love and warmth that emanates from the small blankets may receive one. There is no charge for the prayer blanket and they are not for sale.



Mrs. Anne Guilbeaux

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS IN OUR AREA

There are several support groups in our area for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one and wish to share and learn from others who suffer with grief.

Abbeville– St. Theresa Church. Held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month from 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m. Facilitated by Jessica Johnson, MS.

New Iberia– Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. Held on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Facilitated by Virginia Shea, LCSW, LMFT.

Lafayette– Center for Loss & Transition at Hospice of Acadiana. Every Tuesday at Noon and 2nd Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Facilitated by Mary Lahey, LPC, LMFT and Alison Breaux, LCSW, MSW.

INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

In addition to the support groups mentioned above, the Center for Loss & Transition also offers confidential one-on-one counseling throughout the year at the Hospice of Acadiana Office.

To schedule a Counseling Appointment

Call Bereavement Counselors: 237-1332

Mary Lahey, LPC, LMFT, ext. 3767

Alison Breaux, MSW, LCSW, ext. 3765

Jessica Johnson, MS, ext. 3764

HIGH SCHOOL ALTAR SERVERS AND YOUNG APOSTLES SUMMER CANOE TRIP

We invite all high school altar servers (9th grade in the Fall and older) and members of the Young Apostles to join Fr. Guillory for an exciting summer canoe trip on **Saturday, July 17**. Transportation will be provided for this one day trip to the Ouiska Chitto River. Bring your own lunch and snacks in a water tight container and lots of sunscreen! Chaperones (18 yrs and older please) are needed. Contact the parish office if you are interested in attending at 893-0244. Deadline to register is July 5th.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

701 Chevis Street Abbeville
893-9756

*“Better a poor man who walks in his integrity
than he who is crooked in his ways and rich.”*

Proverbs 19:1



Search and Rescue Outreach Program

The primary focus is to identify any un-met needs among our own parishioners and offer materials and information to those who may have been away from Christ and his Church for sometime.

Volunteers are needed: men, women and children are welcome and can be effective in this outreach mission. Groups meet at the Ministries Building once per month. You do not have to commit to every month, but please try it once! Contact the parish office at 893-0244 for more information.

When: Saturday, July 10, 2010

Where: Conference Room

Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Circle of Friends will hold their annual **Singles Retreat on September 11, 2010 at Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** The cost is \$10.00. For more information or to register, please call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 337-261-5653 or visit www.cofcircleoffriends.webs.com. **Circle of Friends** is a Separated and Divorced Support Group that meets at Holy Cross Church, 505 Broadmoor Blvd., Lafayette. Meetings are held on Monday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Guest speaker for July 19th will be Eva Young, Spiritual Director, speaking on Centering Prayer.

Christian Formation

2010 SUMMER CCD PROGRAM JULY 12-16 TO JULY 19-23

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Sessions For All Grades: 8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
At Vermilion Catholic High School

Closing Mass: Sunday, July 25, 9:30 a.m.

Attendance Policy:

For the St. Mary Magdalen Summer 2010 CCD program there will be no make-up opportunities. Diocesan policy requires a child miss no more than 2 days of CCD. Days missed (no more than 2) must be documented with a valid medical excuse.

If you know a child will not fulfill the attendance requirements of St. Mary Magdalen's CCD Program arrangements must be made to attend another CCD program in it's entirety. This option will require, at time of enrollment, a letter of permission from the Pastor of your church parish.

Seminarian's Teaching Understanding the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Part III

Continuing our discussion of the Mass, I would like to turn now to the internal disposition or posture proper for bearing the greatest fruit for those who participate in the Great Gift that is the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The internal disposition proper for the Mass is twofold consisting of active reception and response.

In order to properly understand active reception or receptivity, we must first distinguish between the subjective and objective realities of the Mass. In general, "subjective" refers to the unique and interior (or personal) experience of a subject/person (hence the term subjective); "objective" refers to the nature or character or quality of an object/thing itself (hence the term objective) independent of how someone or some subject may experience it.

If someone, for example, were to decide, because he feels that the Mass is boring and never "gets anything out of it," that he is no longer going to be Catholic but will associate with the Protestant denomination whose worship or beliefs he likes best, then he is implicitly claiming one of two things. He is/or could be implicitly claiming that his subjective experience is objective reality, in which case it must follow that everyone should conform to his experience as the ultimate standard. The first claim makes the individual God, so that, unless this individual is Jesus Christ Himself, this position is not logically acceptable. A second possibility is that he is claiming that there is no objective reality but only subjective experience and that the ultimate standard for making important life decisions (such as those regarding religious beliefs) is based in doing what any individual happens to prefer or what feels best. This claim rips any notion of objective truth from Christianity. Without objective truth to direct an objective and true way of living, believing, and worshipping, Christianity would become little better than a hobby. But this is not the (Catholic) Christianity revealed by the lives and deaths of the millions of saints and martyrs who yearned for eternal union with Love Himself, preferring suffering and death to offending their Divine Lover with sin or renunciation of His Truth. So, for this reason and others, the second claim is not reasonably acceptable.

The point of this example is to illustrate that, while subjective experience is very important and should not be neglected when approaching the Mass, it can never be the standard by which we judge the Mass to be good or bad, holy or vile, worth your time or a waste of time. If ever we leave Mass and feel as if we did not get anything out of it (and this happens to me), we must remember that the trouble is not with the Mass (when offered as Holy Mother Church has taught), but our subjective experience and perhaps particularly our emotions.

When we are truly open to it and embrace it, the objective reality of the Mass ensures that no matter how we feel before, during, and after it we can be certain that it has affected our souls in a deep and penetrating way. In an ongoing process, we should aim at each and every Mass to conform and unify our subjective experiences to the objective reality of the Mass. This is active receptivity. It means bringing everything you are to the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and allowing it to change *you*, as you individually and personally exist. It takes work and can be difficult.

Part of this difficulty lies in the fact that it is so counter-cultural. No matter your age group, sub-culture, clique, etc. one thing most Americans have in common is their addiction to noise and busy-ness. Rather than living in the intelligible present we frequently and anxiously look forward to a more or less unknown future.

The Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass demands something else, something more. Because it is not entertainment but prayer (indeed, Holy Mother Church teaches that it is the highest and greatest prayer that she can offer), we must meditate on the Divine Mysteries manifested throughout the Mass. Christian meditative prayer is a higher form of prayer than prayers of thanksgiving, petition, rejoicing, etc. (called "vocal prayer"), though all of these are good, necessary, and find their fullest expression in the Mass. Meditative prayer requires preparation and is rooted in the disposition of active receptivity.

If we want to adequately meditate on the prayer that is the Mass we need to get to the church early, with adequate time to quiet our souls and put aside the distractions and noise of the world. We do this so that we can enter the Mass with an interior stillness, an interior peace which at the same time anticipates the Great Mysteries that will unfold before our spiritual eyes. We must prepare our souls to receive Him who will be manifested there. Though we should bring our whole selves to the Mass, which includes bringing how we may be feeling at the time, we must not expect nor hope for a particular emotional experience or response because, as has been mentioned, this is not the fruit of the Mass. We must remember that our emotions do not prove to us the reality of God's Love in the Mass or in general (though we may respond emotionally if we have a genuine experience of His Love and that is not a bad thing).

Next week I will more deeply explain Christian meditation, its effects, and how it is practiced in the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If you are new to the series or for any other reason would like to see the previous parts of it, you can email me at aharrington@sjasc.edu and I can send you the digital copies of the previous parts. You all are in my prayers. May God Bless you abundantly.

Your Brother in Christ through Mary,
Max

Total Stewardship and Development

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

June 20, 2010

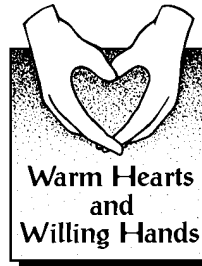
Regular Collection \$ 8,479.00

Second Collection:

Peter's Pence \$ 1,692.00

Christian Service Center \$ 949.00

Thank You.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

A special thank you to the individuals who faithfully commit to an hour of adoration each week before the Blessed Sacrament.

These individuals along with so many others in our parish are visible signs of the spirituality of Christian stewardship. We continue to invite all parishioners to our parish plan of total stewardship which includes being meaningfully involved in the life of St. Mary Magdalen Parish through the offering of one's time and talent as well as treasure.

This Weekend

INSURANCE COLLECTION

This second collection for insurance is placed in savings for the 2011-2012 premium. Money collected in this collection will be placed in savings and will not be used to fulfill this year's premium.

Next Weekend

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COLLECTION

Summer Planting

The sidewalk flower bed memorial is still available. If you are interested in making a memorial donation for this bed, please call Deacon Vaughn at the parish office at 893-0244. The cost of the sidewalk bed is \$300.

Stewardship Thought

July 4, 2010

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"The seventy-two returned, rejoicing, and said, 'Lord, even demons are subject to us because of your name.'"

Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

The seventy-two disciples that Jesus sent in thirty-six directions were amazed at their success. Did they really have faith in Jesus as they left on their mission? We can almost hear them grumbling, "He is sending us like lambs among wolves with no money, no provisions, no sandals, and we cannot even greet people on the way. Does he expect us to work miracles?" But off they went. And they performed miracles. Despite their doubts, they had faith in Jesus and they were able to do great things because of their faith. When we feel called to step out in faith to imitate Jesus in our world, do we have doubts? Do we fail to act because of our doubts? Or do we act, despite our doubts, amazed at what we can accomplish when we have faith in Jesus? As a result of our Baptism it is our responsibility to nurture our faith in Jesus so we can constantly be amazed at what we can accomplish in His name.

~ Time, Talent, and Treasure ~

Management and Finance

Please Consider Bulletin Sponsorship at St. Mary Magdalen Church

Bulletin sponsorship benefits the St. Mary Magdalen Church community in a couple of ways. First, it pays for the church bulletin which is published weekly and distributed at all weekend Masses, and second, it informs parishioners, and visitors to St. Mary Magdalen Church, of restaurants and services in the area.

Bulletin sponsorship benefits our sponsors by providing them with weekly advertising at a reasonable cost. St. Mary Magdalen's bulletin is read by hundreds of people each week. We distribute about 900 bulletins weekly.

So subscribe! It benefits the Church, your business and the community!

Memorial Donations

One way to remember and honor those friends and relatives who have died is through donations to the Capital Campaign.

Census Update

We are always trying to keep our census records current. If you have moved within the last year, please call the parish office and give us your new address so that we can update our census records. If you are not currently on our census and would like to become a parishioner, please call Amanda at the parish office @ 893-0244.



St. Mary Magdalen Parish Capital Campaign

CAMPAIGN OPERATIONAL CHAIRS:

Pat & Vickie Patout and Charles & Mary Ellen Sonnier
Brady Broussard, Jr. Chairperson of Stewardship and Development Commission
Contact Peggy Ashley at the Campaign Office at 893-0244.

Individual Church Pews \$1,800 each



Pews have been refinished, cushions have been added for comfort and to help with acoustics.

If you are interested in donating a church pew as a memorial you have the option of pledging the \$1,800 over a 3 year period.

You could make payments monthly (\$50), quarterly (\$150), semi-annually (\$300) or annually (\$600).

The campaign office will mail you a set of envelopes each quarter that you can use to send in payments.

Memorial opportunities are still available. Memorials may be pledged over a three year period. To reserve a remaining memorial please contact Peggy Ashley at the campaign office at 893-0244. Memorials are available on a first come, first serve basis.