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Monday, Wednesday, Friday
6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday
12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Question: The liturgical year ends with the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. What is the significance of this Solemnity?

Answer: The Solemnity was begun by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to counter atheism and secularism. Pius XI wanted to communicate the belief that Jesus is lord of all, the king of creation. The biblical reality, however, is that Jesus is not a king like the kings of this world. These kings “lord” it over their people exercising power, at times without restraint. Jesus is lord indeed; yet he came to serve, not to be served, and to give his life for the sake of all. A monarchical reign is not a characteristic of the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God that Jesus proclaimed is one in which all people are treated with dignity, and valued for who and what they are. It is a kingdom that actively cares for the poor, the homeless, the alienated, and the oppressed, as it mobilizes to establish justice and a right relationship with all. This is what every institution that models itself on Jesus the king has to be about. As we celebrate this feast, let us pray that all institutions, especially the Church, model themselves on Jesus’ servant leadership.

Extraordinary Jubilee Year – Year of Mercy Eucharistic Procession

The Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy comes to an end this Sunday, November 20, 2016. We have the annual Eucharistic Procession in Eunice at St. Thomas More Church on November 20, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. beginning in Church. This is the procession ordinarily held on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Remember we moved it to the celebration of Christ the King as the weather is more amiable for outdoor processions in November than in June. Also it is a good way to conclude the Year of Mercy. Please try to attend!

Preparing for Advent and Christmas at St. Anthony

Parishioners of St. Anthony are invited to join together to assemble the trees in the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas on Saturday, November 25, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in St. Anthony Church. Families may dedicate the tree they set up in memory of a loved one.

Giving Tree

At both Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church and at St. Anthony of Padua Church, we have a Giving Tree during Advent. Each Church’s Giving Tree has its own unique practice.

For Annunciation, the Giving Tree will in the foyer area of Church for the first Sunday of Advent. On the Tree will be slips of paper with a suggested gift. Parishioners can choose a paper and place their gift in an envelope. The money collected will be used to help a needy family. The deadline for these gifts is Sunday, December 18, 2016.

For St. Anthony, the Giving Tree will be near the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the first Sunday of Advent. On the tree will be a Christmas Ornament with a number and information regarding a gift for a child. Also near the tree there will be a poster with the corresponding number of the ornament. Parishioners are asked to take an ornament and on the corresponding poster write their name on the line number corresponding to the number on the ornament. The gifts can be placed at the Giving Tree and will be attended at that time. The last day to place the gift at the Giving Tree is Thursday, December 15, 2016. The gifts will be delivered to the children on December 19, 2016. Please return the ornament by placing the Christmas Ornament on the gift so that we know for who it is. Individual parishioners or groups of parishioners can come together in adopting a child. Groups could be family, class, civic organizations, or business. I take this occasion to thank parishioners of both Annunciation and St. Anthony for your love and care.

Gospel for the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe in Ordinary Time, Cycle C – Luke 23:35-43

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

The two thieves that were crucified next to Jesus show two very different ways of understanding who Jesus was. The first thief insulted Jesus, prodded him, mocked him. He did not believe that Jesus had any power whatsoever. Like the sneering crowds, he thought that it was a joke to label Jesus as the “King of the Jews.”

But the second thief, known in tradition as “the good thief,” had a different perception. He understood that Jesus did in fact have power because, as Jesus had told Pilate only hours earlier, his kingdom “is not of this world.” The good thief understood that the kingdom of God awaits those who believe in the Lord. And when this man made that final act of faith on his own cross, Jesus promised him, *“Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”*

Today as we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King, we are challenged to have as much faith as the good thief. We are challenged to believe that Jesus is in fact the “King of the Universe,” even when it may not appear that way to those who stand by sneering. Jesus did not choose to hop down off the cross and make everything cheery. Instead Jesus fulfilled his mission for an end result that was infinitely better than simply saving himself and those two thieves; by dying on the cross, he saved us all! So we too need to trust that just because Jesus doesn’t always answer our prayers exactly how we want or expect, and just because we find ourselves carrying a cross from time to time, it does not mean Jesus is not in charge! On the contrary,

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

November 6, 2016

Sunday's Offertory	\$8,006.00
Mailed-In Offertory	2,004.00
Total Offertory for the week	<u>\$10,010.00</u>
Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund.....	\$1,172.00
All Saints Day Collection.....	\$2,101.00

November 13, 2016

Sunday's Offertory	\$6,701.00
Mailed-In Offertory	1,399.00
Total Offertory for the week	<u>\$8,100.00</u>
Archdiocese for the Military Services	\$969.00

Weekly Average 2016 \$9,935.95

Thank you for your generosity.

*Please remember St. Anthony Church
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

we need to trust, as the good thief did, that Jesus' mission is to bring all of us to join him in his heavenly kingdom.

Questions of the Week

Luke 23:35-43: In today's Gospel, we hear the repentant criminal's plea: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." How do you find this request compelling?

2 Samuel 5:1-3: David is described and anointed as "shepherd" and "commander" of the people of Israel. What message is being communicated here about David?

Colossians 1:12-20: What do you like most about this Christological hymn?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for **December - January** will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **Nov. 23rd** to get your changes into the new schedule.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 21

6:15 a.m.: Robert Bergeron, Sr.

Tuesday, November 22

12:00 p.m.: St. Anthony Choir & Director (*Liv.*); Dr. Benny Fruge

Wednesday, November 23

6:15 a.m.: Kermen D. Beauchamp, Sr.; Hilda Maria Roche-Diaz

Thursday, November 24 -- Thanksgiving Day

****8:00 a.m.:** Mrs. Willie Roy Fontenot; St. Anthony Parishioners & Clergy (*Past & Present*); Frankie LaFleur; M/M Norris Young; Pilar Parrie; Donald V. Tanner Sr.; M/M Auggie Leonards; Charles & Lily Lea-Ké; Joshua Godeaux; Mary Anita Lanclos; Wilda Hollier; Lucille & Gabriel Johnson; Raymond Aguiard (*Birthday-Liv.*); Herman Stroderd; Ross Michael Andrus; Kim Burnett Bergeron; Maxine M. Maglone; Vernell Soileau; Sybil & Richard Fontenot; Garret Olivier; Kurt Olivier

Friday, November 25

6:15 a.m.: James Merlin Fruge; Artelus & Amelia Fruge; Ferrel Fruge; Carolyn A. Sittig; Kurt Olivier

Saturday, November 26

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Leonce Thibodeaux; Herbert Stelly; John 'Nookie' Savoy; C.J. & Shirley Janot; Lou Latour; Gladys & Howard Landreneau; M/M Jacque Pucheu, Sr.; M/M Alton Fontenot; Dr. & Mrs. Neil Forbes Jr.; M/M Neil Forbes Sr.; Leon Stelly; Willard Matt

Sunday, November 27

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau

9:00 a.m.: Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Frankie LaFleur; Special Intention; J.D. & John Marshall Arabie; Octave & Bessie Courville

11:00 a.m.: Deacon Gary Gaudin (*Liv.*)

6:00 p.m.:

PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2016

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Abadie	Michael Lombas, Vergie Ardoin, Kayla Fontenot, Jan Ward, Barbara Thibodeaux	Randall McElwee	Christopher Fuselier, Ariana Manuel, MacKenzie Manuel, Kiley Tauzin
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	William Parrie, Norma Diaville, Stephanie Manuel	John Fruge	Anna Chapman, John-Michael Fruge, Brennan Manuel, Jack Parks
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Ken Richard, Jason Bertrand, Kelly Bertrand	Lynda Perrodin	Adelie Beaugh, Ashley Bertrand, Nicholas Bertrand, Trent Thibodeaux
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Janice Aguiard, Candy Atteberry, Shelia Aucoin, Glenda Young	Karl Aucoin	Austin & Jack Miller, Luke Trahan MC: Needed Thurifer: Jacque Richard
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Abadie	Brayden Gaspard, Angie Aguiard, Maggie Parks	Life Teen Member	Sarah Fruge, Harry Summerlin III Samual Hebert, Blake Summerlin

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Roger Gillard,

Sophia Hortness, Amanda Prather, Norbert Young, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Judge Frank & Elaine McGee, Rebecca Johnson, Tammy Manuel, Vivian Soileau, Lynn Landreneau, Brandon Butler, Jonah Thibodeaux, Judson Ardoin, Louis McGee Jr., J.B. Lejeune, Joan Burson, Paul Rozas, Frank Bergeron, Gayle Abshire, Charity Fontenot, Lillie Mae Aucoin, Gail Landreneau, David Frey, Mary Valerie LeJeune, Anita Masar, Darlene Faul, Emmitt Manuel, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Mary Lou Guillory, Russell Courville, Suzanne DeRouen, Elaine C. Guillory, Maril Fontenot, Diana Bertrand, Craig Durbin, David Stearns, Michael Folse, C.J. Godeaux, Karen LeJeune, Betty Durham, Jude Miller Sr., Suzanne Derouen, Elvin Morein, Rene Duplechain, Haley Dupre Touns, Dr. F.J. DeRouen, Linda Gaudin, Lenard Craig, Adam 'Brother' Johnson, Rena Mae Manuel, Dornetta Duplechain.

***Pray for our troops &
peace in the world!***

**For a list of Catholic Churches &
Mass Times when traveling,
please visit:
www.parishesonline.com**

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, November 21

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Tuesday, November 22

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 23

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Thursday, November 24

Daily Mass -- **8:00 a.m.** **** Note time -- NO noon Mass****
Rectory Office Closed

Friday, November 25

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Rectory Office Closed
Eunice Manor / Oaklane Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 26

Setting up Christmas / Advent trees in Church -- 9:00 a.m.
Families invited to set up a tree dedicated to a loved one.
Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.
Anticipated Sunday Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 27

Masses -- 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m. / **NO Life Night this Sunday**





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

November 2016

Dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, funds programs to help change the lives of the millions of people living in poverty here in the United States. The programs supported by CCHD work to be a voice of hope for those on the margins of society who experience the realities of living in poverty by helping to alleviate their suffering and confront the causes of poverty.

CCHD is made possible by the generous support of the Catholics in the United States, through an annual parish collection. This collection is the primary source of funding for CCHD's many anti-poverty education programs and grants. Funding from the collection offers new hope every year to those living in poverty through the United States.

Remember, 25 percent of the collection's proceeds stay here in our Diocese to fight poverty in our communities and defend the dignity of our neighbors. Help us defend human dignity and show Christ's charity to those in need. As Pope Francis reminds us, *"We Christians are called to confront the poverty of our brothers and sisters, to touch it, to make it our own and to take practical steps to alleviate it."* (2014 Message for Lent, December 26, 2013)

For more information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development and the groups it funds, please visit www.usccb.org/cchd.

With every good wish, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D.
Bishop of Lafayette

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- 1) For the rain.
- 2) For husband's successful surgery.

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starting at: Wed. 12 am; Thurs. 11 pm;
Fri. 3 pm, 6 pm; Sat. 12 pm

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am;
Wed 8 am, Noon; Thurs 11 am, 4 pm; Fri 7 am; Sat 3 pm, 4 pm

To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.



Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy 2015 – 2016

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary [December 8, 2015]

– TO –

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe [November 20, 2016]

As we come to the conclusion of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us reflect on this dialogue of St. Catherine of Siena:

**From a dialogue on Divine Providence by
Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin**

With a look of mercy that revealed his indescribable kindness, God the Father spoke to Catherine:

Beloved daughter, everything I give to man comes from the love and care I have for him. I desire to show my mercy to the whole world and my protective love to all those who want it.

But in his ignorance man treats himself very cruelly. My care is constant, but he turns my life-giving gifts into a source of death. Yes, I created him with loving care and formed him in my image and likeness. I pondered, and I was moved by the beauty of my creation.

I gave him a memory to recall my goodness, for I wanted him to share in my own power. I gave him an intellect to know and understand my will through the wisdom of my Son, for I am the giver of every good gift and I love him with a father's constant love. Through the Holy Spirit I gave him a will to love what he would come to know with his intellect.

In my loving care I did all this, so that he could know me and perceive my goodness and rejoice to see me for ever. But as I have recounted elsewhere, heaven had been closed off because of Adam's disobedience. Immediately after his sin all manner of evil made its advance throughout the world.

So that I might commute the death consequent upon this disobedience, I attended to you with loving care – out of provident concern I handed over my only-begotten Son to make satisfaction for your needs. I demanded supreme obedience from him so that the human race might be freed of the poison, which had infected the entire earth because of Adam's disobedience. With eager love he submitted to a shameful death on the cross and by that death he gave you life, not merely human but divine.

SOURCE: Office of the Readings, Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time, Saturday, Second Reading.

The Heavenly Father is rich in mercy. Pope Francis asked us to become *MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER*. Jesus is the visible image of the Father. Jesus shows us

the Father's love and the Father's mercy. Two images of Jesus both express the Father's love and mercy. The image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the image of Jesus the Divine Mercy bring us the message of the Year of Mercy's theme - *Merciful like the Father*. We see in each image the message of love and trust. The one heart of Jesus is central to each image. It is a heart not in contradiction but one heart calling us in the mercy of the heavenly Father to come in love and in trust to Jesus Christ, son of the Father and son of Mary. Come to Jesus so that in Jesus, with Jesus, through Jesus we are the Father's children who are merciful like the Father.

Prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

"Jesus, I love you!"

"Jesus, I Trust in You!"