


Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

October 13, 2024

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary



It is easier for
a camel to go
through the eye of a needle
than for a rich man
to enter the kingdom of God.

- Mark 10:25

66192 St. Mary Drive, Pearl River, Louisiana, 70452
www.sppcprla.com email: info@sppcprla.com

ABOUT OUR PARISH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday
5:00 p.m.

Sunday
7:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon	No Mass
Tue	8:00 a.m.
Wed	6:30 p.m.
Thu	8:00 a.m.
Fri	8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil and Holy Day Mass times vary; please see bulletin or website

SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: St. Jude Novena following
8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Novena following 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday: Patriotic Rosary in Church
6:30 p.m.

First Friday: The Most Blessed Sacrament
and Eucharistic Adoration following 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 5:00 p.m. closing with Benediction

First Saturday: Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed
by the Rosary and Confession

RECONCILIATION

Sat	4:00-4:45 p.m.
Wed	6:00-6:15 p.m.
Or by request	

YOUR CLERGY

Most Rev. Gregory M. Aymond, D.D.
Archbishop of New Orleans

Very Rev. Gerald Seiler
Dean, Deanery X

Fr. Kevin DeLerno
Pastor

Deacon Bryan McCauley

YOUR STAFF

Karen Dickerson
Office Secretary
kdickerson@sppcprla.com
info@sppcprla.com

Mary Kittel
Director of Religious Education
mary@sppcprla.com

Cedric Konyaole
Web Site
ckonyaole@sppcprla.com

Jerry Broussard
Facility Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 1:00-3:00
Tuesday-Friday 8:00-3:00

CONTACT US

Main Office
985-863-7935

Fax
985-863-5431

REGISTER

If you are new to the parish, we invite you to register by filling out a form located in the holder at the Church entrances and place it in the collection basket or come by the office.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Usually the third Sunday of the month (except during Lent) following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please call for registration forms at least **three weeks** in advance.

Matrimony

By appointment with the parish priest or deacon at least **six months** in advance. No other arrangements should be made before contacting the priest.

Anointing of the Sick

Upon request for the seriously ill, infirm and those undergoing major surgery. Please contact the Church Office when someone is homebound or hospitalized and in need of the sacrament.

Communion for Ill/Shut-In

Please call the Church Office if you know of anyone who would benefit from this ministry.

Funerals

Families should contact the priest (office) before making arrangements.

Parish Mission Statement

It is the mission of our Church Parish to follow the commands of Jesus to Saints Peter and Paul: "Feed My sheep" and "Carry My name among the nations."



WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday Morning Rosary—Tuesday after 8:00 a.m. Mass and St. Jude Novena in Parish Hall

OCIA Tracks I & II—Tuesday 6:30 p.m. in classrooms

Legion of Mary—Thursday 10:00 a.m. St. Anthony Hall

Altar Society Meeting—Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Widow's Group—Thursday 11:00 a.m. at Vera's

Patriotic Rosary—Thursday 6:30 p.m. in church

PSR—Sunday begins with 8:30 a.m. Mass

Bible Study—Sunday after 10:30 a.m. mass

ANIMAL SHELTER DONATIONS

Please don't forget those animals who are not fortunate enough to have a loving forever home. Please make a difference in their lives by donating wet or dry food, cat litter, towels, bedding, treats, toys, etc. that the shelter could use. If you would like to make a monetary contribution you may place it in the collection basket marked 'PETS'.



Thank you in advance for your generous contributions!



PRAY FOR THE SICK



Audrey Bonnet, May Caballero, Diana Bradshaw, Mary Salzer Brown, Elizabeth Kittel, Zachary Cresson, Patricia Cuccia, Ed Roszczynialski, Norris Ripp, Bunny Shriver, Mary Ware, Ryan Ware, Lily Jorns, Dalin Davis, Beverly Cosse, Lou Lou Battle, Israel & Joyce Landry, Steve Dunn, Joann Brewin, Joseph Decaro, Isaiah Deblanc, Lois Leonard, Donald Paul & Larry Dickerson, Shirley Matthews, Jim & Eydie Richmond, Ed & Carol Wallace, Frederick Songy, Sue Miller, Molly Hymel, Lucy Reese, Brenda Dehm, Landon Jeffrey, Glenn Bunting, Lucy D'Antoni, Don & Judy Aleman, Dylan Gornor, Vaughn Gay, Cathy Stanford, Herbert Landry, John McKelvey, Jr.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 14

(Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, October 15

(Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41)

8:00 a.m. Rosary R. Marchese†

Wednesday, October 16

(Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, October 17

(Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54)

8:00 a.m. Danny Ragusa, Sr.†

Friday, October 18

(2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9)

8:00 a.m. Miguel Iscoa

Saturday, October 19

(Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12)

5:00 p.m. Joseph D'Antoni, Jr.†, Roszczynialski/Stottman Family, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Lee & Yvonne Tracey†, Ken & Adele Salzer†, Danny Ragusa, Sr.†, Lawrence Otilio†, Lee Ann Scogin†, Jack Langley, John Lacoureg†, Vaughn Gay, Jewel Bailey†, Fay Vogt†, Clayton Daigle†

Sunday, October 20

(Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or Mk 10:42-45)

7:00 a.m. Margaret & Henry Jorns†

8:30 a.m. Deacon Pat Downey†, Glen Parker†, Ryan Laughlin, Loretto Stottman†, Earline Garitty†, Richard Family, Jewel Bailey†, Gay Gonzales Saladino†, Doris Brotmeyer, JaNae Wood†, Helen Story†, Fr. Kim Yong-Min†

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM



Weekly Rosaries: 286

Year to Date: 13,057



POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious, and lay people.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flower arrangements adorning the altar this weekend were donated for

C.J. Lightell

BY HIS POVERTY WE ARE FILLED

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." (Mk 10:21)

Particularly in today's society, we tend to center ourselves around instant gratification. The newest trends that money can buy hold a constant allure since we can get them off Amazon with just the click of a mouse. Yet most are afraid or ignorant of what to expect after death. Heavenly treasures await us if we are not first distracted by the false riches we may be exposed to here on Earth. Food, material possessions and earthly comforts are temporary, whereas reliance on Christ allows for eternal salvation.

Those who by worldly standards are considered first today may be last tomorrow at Christ's second coming. The Litany of Humility has always helped keep me grounded, reiterating the importance of loving others rather than seeking that love that we desire for ourselves. As Christians, we must ask ourselves if we take the time to tend to those most in need and live in service first to one other.

We must recall the big picture, that as Christians we have the blessing to be able to spend eternity in the presence of God's great love, if we choose to emulate that love during the short time we have here on Earth. This is best demonstrated by the love Christ displays for us poor sinners by dying on the cross. Instead of seeking comfort and security we are called to depend on God always, following His example of love.

Ultimately, we must never be afraid to break open our hearts in front of others for Christ. The life of a Christian is often going to be messy. If we're not suffering alongside Christ, we are not giving our all to Him. We must take up our cross, and not hold back nor be ashamed. The Lord is worth so much more than the sum of our fears and doubts. And in the end, He does not demand much at all. Simply that we love Him with all our heart and love our neighbor as ourselves.

By Alexis Dallara-Marsh

THE PUNCH LINE

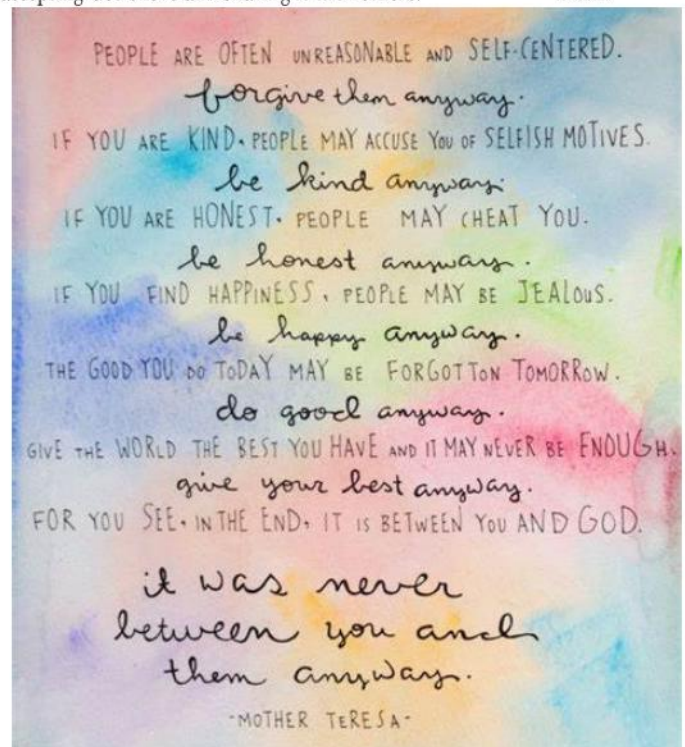
The first reading is supposed to remind us of Solomon, who, when God promised to give him whatever he asked, chose wisdom over wealth or power. Now our modern view of wisdom is usually pictured as the knowledge and experience of an older person. In the scriptures it is God's Wisdom that is desired. More than just the wise sayings of a Benjamin Franklin or Yoda, scriptural wisdom means doing God's will in all things. As Jesus tried to tell the man in the gospel, knowing and doing God's will is more precious than wealth, or even family!

So if wisdom is that good, why do so few seek it? Most of us have no problem doing God's will, as long as it is the same as ours. Or we do God's will if it is painless and convenient. I once donated money to a charity by sending a text message. I don't know if I would have done it if I had to write a check and mail it. Sometimes we are like that man in the gospel, desiring wisdom but not willing to pay for it.

Maybe our problem is that we don't trust God enough. The first reading, after praising wisdom more than health, wealth, and beauty, ends with a promise of "countless riches" while Jesus promises that the one who gives up everything will receive "a hundred times more." Because the rich man left in sorrow, he missed the punch line.

I can think of two ways to interpret that promise. One is that the more we give up for love of the Lord, the more we get back. When someone gives up selfishness and begins to love, he then becomes capable of receiving love. Which leads to the second meaning of the promise: When we let God change us by giving up our worldly attachments, we find that we are happier because we experience God's love for us more deeply. So Wisdom is the way to happiness: We outgrow our desire for things that make us feel good and appreciate the joy of accepting God's love and sharing it with others.

Tom Schmidt





PASTOR'S CORNER

PRAYER AND GROWTH IN RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST

Prayer is a very important part of my life, as it should be important in the lives of every human. I spend several hours a day in prayer. I do not say this to make myself look holy or better than you or anything like that. I pour myself out in prayer so that I can grow in a deep relationship with Jesus. Prayer is so important for me, but I did not start off praying as much as I do today. No I had to work up to that, as a matter of fact at first prayer was somewhat difficult or even hit or miss. I had to really work at it, because sometimes I found it hard and dry. Other times I felt God's tug towards prayer and either shrugged it off or realized that I needed to heed the prompting and turn to God. While at times prayer can be difficult, I have found that the more that I persevere in prayer the more rewarding that it can be. Prayer is truly a relationship, a reaching out to God who has first reached out to us. It was St Augustine of Hippo who said it best in this statement, "You have made us for yourself, Oh Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in You." What St Augustine is saying here resonates with me and it should do so with most of us, because it hits at the heart of our life and our need and desire for God. Our heart is truly restless and cannot find peace until it encounters God, which is because we really need God, as St Augustine says we were made by God to have an encounter with Him. So all human beings are searching for something and this can be seen in our world. All you have to do is look around you and really observe other people. Most people are trying to make their lives meaningful or to fill up the emptiness inside with something. Just look at how much technology we have today and how much stuff we have, but it is never enough, people always want more. Why is that? Simple because what people really yearn for or need is God, what their deepest desire is for is God, but we do not realize this and so we try to fill that gap with everything but God. I heard this true statement long ago, God made us complete except for a cross shaped whole in the core of our being, known as our soul. Try as we might we cannot fill that whole with anything but Jesus, hence the cross shape, anything else we put there just goes through and leaves us feeling empty and sad, often without really knowing why. Even so people try and try to fill the space, but they often wonder who they still feel empty inside. Without God we will remain restless it is only in coming to know Him and to turn to Him that we come to realize how incomplete we really are and how much that we truly are in need of Him.

In the Catholic tradition there are many types of prayer. Rote prayer, mental prayer or meditative prayer, contemplative prayer, prayer of silence, prayers of thanksgiving, praise and worship, and spontaneous prayer to name a few. There are many ways to grow in relationship with Jesus who loves us so much that He walked the Earth as a human who suffered and died for us and then raised from the dead so that His followers could see this in person to tell everyone they encountered. So today you can come to meet the risen Christ yourself using one of these many types of prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church has this to say about prayer in paragraph 2559.

"Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God." But when we pray, do we speak from the height of our pride and will, or "out of the depths" of a humble and contrite heart? He who humbles himself will be exalted; Humility is the foundation of prayer. Only when we humbly acknowledge that "we do not know how to pray as we ought." Are we ready to receive freely the gift of prayer. "Man is a beggar before God."

It was Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross who taught that vocal prayer is not, "simply saying words." Thus, "if the mere words of a prayer alone are said without the soul's raising itself to God, This is only an outwards show and not real prayer. The designated words, however, support the spirit and prescribe it to a fixed path." Vocal prayer is the first step upon the "fixed path" which leads to holiness and liberation, and such conversational prayer should always be part of your prayer life. Unless your vocal prayer includes the heart, however, you run the risk of merely reading to God. Vocal prayer should engage God with an act of the will. Project the words of the prayer over the person for whom you are praying. Therefore it becomes alive and a meaningful conversation with God. It was St. Therese of Lisieux who said this about prayer, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and Joy."

So I hope that you can see through the words of these saints that prayer is important for our relationship with God, because it fosters growth in that relationship as well as growth in our spiritual life. Prayer should become as necessary for our lives as eating food, because it is spiritual nourishment for our souls.

Over the next few weeks as I give an introduction to these forms of prayer that I have mentioned, these are all prayer forms that I have used in my life, I will give an example of either how to pray these types of prayer or a meditation that can be used in adoration. It is my hope that these prayer forms will help people to see the beauty of prayer and desire to have a closer walk with Jesus in their lives.

Sts. Peter & Paul Church

6th Annual

Camp-O-Ween

On the Farm!

Saturday, October 26, 2024 to Sunday, October 27, 2024

Sign in and tent set up: 12:00 pm

Activities begin 2:00 pm

Oink, cluck, baa, and moo, so many fun things to do!

Games and crafts

Contests (tent and costumes)

Prizes

Hayride

5:00 Mass together

Dinner/breakfast

Tent-or-treating

Movie

Overnight tent camping on church grounds



Don't want to stay all night? No problem! Bring a tent, pop-up canopy, or whatever you would like to decorate for tent-or-treating and come join in the activities!

Online registration: <https://spcprla.com/camp-o-ween>

* All minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

For more information or to volunteer,

Please contact:

Cynthia Ripoll

(985) 774-9917

cynthiaripoll@yahoo.com



MINISTRY DIRECTORY

ALTAR SERVERS

Karen Dickerson 985-863-7935

kdickerson@sppcprla.com

ALTAR SOCIETY

Susan Mercier 985-690-6617

3rd Thursday each month 9:00 am

ANTONIANS

Howard Hebert 985-863-5319

1st Tuesday each month 7:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY

Deacon Bryan McCauley

985-863-7935

ELIJAH HELPERS

Karen Dickerson 985-863-7935

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Ellie Ross 985-960-1613

1st Friday each month 8:00 am

FAITH FORMATION-RCIA

Elizabeth Brent 985-640-6938

FINANCE

Patti Gay 985-863-7935

FLORAL DESIGN

Cathy Downey 985-290-4702

GRAND ADULTS (GASPP)

Alicia O'Brien 985-863-1938

1st Monday each month 12:00 pm

LECTORS

Office 985-863-7935

LEGION OF MARY

Judy Doucette 985-640-0494

Meet on Thursdays at 10:00 am

MINISTER OF EUCHARIST SUNDAYS

Roger Ruiz 601-799-4527

rogruiz@gmail.com

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Cynthia Ripoll 985-774-9917

Braden Eymard 5:00 pm

Mike & Cynthia Ripoll 8:30 am

Harold & Shelia Loyacano 10:30 am

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Ellie Ross & Dana Bunting 985-960-1613

Every Thursday in Church 6:30 pm

PRAYER CHAIN

Barbara Laughlin 985-290-9482

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

Andrea Leonard 985-640-7412

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

Tony Colombo 985-863-7309

TUESDAY ROSARY

Eydie Richmond

Every Tuesday after 8:00 am Mass

USHERS & GREETERS

Howard Hebert, Sr. 985-863-5319

howardhebert@bellsouth.net

WIDOWS GROUP

Sandra Bailey 985-250-9013

Stella Jenevein 504-884-0106

3rd Thursday each month 12:00 pm

YOUTH GROUP (CYO)

Lauryn Jeffrey 985-259-9604

In order to keep our data base current and accurate, please contact the office if you have moved and have a new address or new phone number.

Office: 985-863-7935 or

Email: kdickerson@sppcprla.com

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

550 Gause Blvd., Ste. 2
Slidell, Louisiana

Hours M T W F
10am-2pm

985-643-4357

Facebook Page:
PHCSSlidell

All services are FREE



Altar Society
EVERYONE
WELCOME
Annual dues
\$10.00

Members receive the benefit of
12 masses per year. All funds raised are used
for the Church. Meetings 3rd Thursday each
month 9:00 a.m. in Parish Hall.



**PRAY
FOR
PEACE**

FORMED.org

FREE

www.formed.org

Type: Sts Peter and Paul, Pearl River

Select: Sts Peter and Paul

66192 St. Mary Dr., Pearl River, LA

Enter name and email and enjoy!

Computer based service offering
educational articles, books, audio, video
and more.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

The office requires information no later than
Monday, **two (2) weeks** before publication.

For current Parish happenings (funeral information, changes in mass times, etc.),
check the bulletin boards at the entrances to church and www.sppcprla.com.

GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Good Sams Ministry is open Monday (12:30-3:30 pm), Tuesday-Friday (9:30 am-3:30 pm). Please call ahead for appointment, 985-641-6421

We do not accept clothing or furniture donations. Bring these to
Community Christian Concern at 2515 Carey St., Slidell

HOW TO DONATE:

You can support our mission to make our community a wonderful place to live for
every family! You may donate by going to the site below:

<https://saintlukeslidell.org/donategoodsams>

Please check the meeting times and dates with ministry
leaders, the Church Office, website or inside the Parish bulletin.



Diocesan is proud to now be printing

Sts. Peter & Paul's Sunday Bulletin

You are invited to help support our Parish!

For opportunities to advertise,
please call 800-997-4986



Honaker
FUNERAL HOME
FOREST LAWN CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM

Proudly Serving E. St. Tammany Parish Since 1937

985.641.1900

Full Service Funeral Home
Perpetual Care Cemetery • Pre-Need Planning
"Dedicated To Those We Serve"

1751 GAUSE BLVD. WEST • P.O. Box 6087
SLIDELL, LA 70469
www.honakerforestlawn.com

Anything & Everything for
the Builder & Homeowner

Mike's
HARDWARE AND BUILDING SUPPLY
540 Brownswitch Rd. • Slidell
www.mikeshardwarestore.com
info@mikeshardware.com
985.641.8400



Pope John Paul II Catholic High School

A co-educational, college prep high school dedicated to the mission of
Academic Excellence ~ Faith Development ~ Leadership

(985) 649-0914

www.pjp.org

Audubon
Funeral Home • Cremations • Cemetery
www.AudubonFuneralHome.com
On-site Crematory • Preplanning
Available • Perpetual Care Cemetery

Locally Owned and
Operated by a Catholic
Family **Bobby and
Melissa Ducote**

Edward Jones

Garrett Booth, CRPC™

Financial Advisor

985-718-42001130 Fremaux Ave., Suite 2
Slidell, LA 70458

EWTN.COM/RADIO

**EWTN**Global
Catholic
Radio

TUNE IN

ADVERTISE HERE

Promote your Business AND support your Parish.
Christian Gambel ~ 337-781-5127
cgambel@diocesan.com

MICHAEL BRADBURN, D.V.M.



64681 Hwy 41

985-863-5404

BRENDAN'S A/C & HEATING

Residential or Commercial

Sales, Services or
Replacements

Brendan Kern - Owner
863-2077



SAINT JOSEPH ABBEY

www.saintjosephabbey.com

75376 River Road
Saint Benedict, LA 70457

CASKETS

Handcrafted traditional and
monastic caskets available in
choice of mahogany or cypress.
Cremation urns available in
mahogany and oak.
985-867-5161

CEMETERY

Plots and cremation niches
available. Cost includes perpetual
care. Payment plans available.
985-867-2253

GIFT SHOP

MONKSOAP, Abbee Honey,
rosaries, crucifixes, missals and
other items in stock.
985-867-2227



**AGING IS A FACT OF LIFE,
LOOKING YOUR AGE IS NOT!**

- Laser Hair Removal • Microneedling • Venus Freeze
- Tattoo Removal • Consultations • Hydrafacial MD
- Collagen • CO2 Treatments • IPL

Katie Brandner Rebouche, LME

220 Dalwill Dr., Ste. 102
Mandeville

985-624-4411

2364 E. Gause Blvd.,
Ste. 102, Slidell

985-847-0104[@Katiebrandnerlme](https://www.facebook.com/Katiebrandnerlme)www.KatieBrandner.com

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

DENTAL IMPLANTS • WISDOM TEETH • FACIAL TRAUMA
JAW SURGERY • PRE-PROSTHETIC SURGERY
TMJ DISORDERS • SLEEP APNEA • CLEFT LIP & PALATE
BONE GRAFTING • HEAD & NECK PATHOLOGY
EXPOSE & BOND • BOTOX



Dr. Ciro J. Brandner

DIPLOMATE AMERICAN BOARD OF ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY
Kathryn Brandner Rebouche, Licensed Medical Aesthetician

2364 E. Gause Blvd., Slidell 1403 Derek Drive, Hammond 220 Dalwill Dr., Mandeville
985-847-0104 985-662-3802 985-624-4411

www.BrandnerOMS.com

catholicmatch®
Louisiana

CatholicMatch.com/goLA