

"What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops."

-Matthew 10:27



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WEEKLY BULLETIN

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

7:30 p.m.

Mon.-Fri.: 7:00, 8:30 a.m.

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m. Sunday: 8:30-9:15 a.m. &

6:45-7:15 p.m.



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HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

Holy Communion will be brought to the home. Please call the church office when someone is ill and unable to come to church, or when someone is in a hospital. Prayers may be requested for the sick and elderly.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Our St. Joseph Perpetual Adoration Chapel is located on the first floor of the Msgr. Champagne Complex on the corner of Jefferson Hwy. and Ravan Ave. and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (For everyone's safety, only assigned adorers are allowed entry with a key code between the hours of 6:00 pm and 7:00 am) Prayerfully consider spending an hour a week with Our Divine Lord. If you cannot commit to a specific hour, why not consider being a substitute? If you are interested, please contact the church office at 737-2915.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament is administered upon request to those near death, gravely ill, permanently handicapped, very elderly and those undergoing major surgery.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

3rd Sunday of each month following the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

BAPTISM SEMINAR

Parents and Godparents are required to attend a baptism seminar held at 7:00 p.m. the first Thursday of the month in the Mary Room at the rectory. Parents must attend the baptism seminar before their child can be baptized.

SARAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made 6-8 months in advance by the bride and groom in person. Call one of the parish priests before coming. Couples must attend one of the pre-marriage courses.

FUNERALS

The family of the deceased should consult one of the parish priests concerning the time and place of the funeral before making commitments with the funeral home.

NEWCOMERS

Welcome, we are happy to have you. Please fill out an application in the binder at the front entrance of the church.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sat. June 24, 4:00 pm Peter Vallelungo

Monica Flick Gary Boihem

Ed & Shirley Walsh Darrel & Gerardine Hotard

Barbara Brehm Calongne J. Gayle Calongne Geraldine C. Feugas Julie Ann Calongne

Dorothy V. Calongne Betty Borne

Dominick Ogg—healing Marilyn Pankratz—healing

D.J. Picou III

Sunday June 25, 7:30 am Monica Flick
9:30 am Victor Marsiglia

Rose Velez Inez Newton

Mary Ann McKearan Paul Wang Sr.

Randy Blaise—In Thanksgiving The Sewing Ministry In Thanksgiving

11:30 am Raymond Gannuch

7:30 pm Parishioners

Mon. June 26, 7:00 am Edgardo DaCosta Gomez, Jr.

8:30 am Keith Barrette—intentions

Tues. June 27, 7:00am Brenda Jumonville–Birthday

8:30 am Nancy Pachankis

Wed. June 28, 7:00am Herbert Soileau

8:30 am Terry Rebstock-Birthday

Thurs. June 29, 7:00 am Rosalie LaFrance

8:30 am Dominick Ogg—healing

Fri June 30, 7:00 am Terry Fonseca

8:30 am Rhea Thomas—Birthday

Sat. July 1, 8:30 am Rhea Thomas—Birthday

Loving)

Jean Mackin

Scripture Readings For the Week of June 25, 2023

Sunday Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt

10:26-33

Monday Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 & 22; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of

the Church

Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Gal 1: 11-20; Jn 21: 15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18;

Mt 16:13-19

Friday Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome

Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 8:1-4

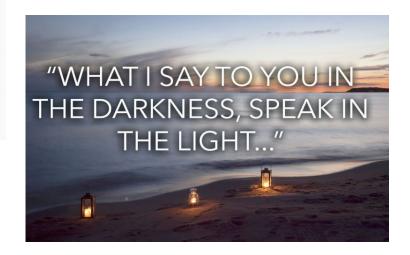
Saturday Memorial of Saint Junipero Serra, Priest

Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:36-47, 48-49. 50 & 53, 54-55; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11;

Mt 10:37-42





Sanctuary Lamp
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St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana Sunday June 25, 2023



Sun. June 25 KC Blood Drive

11:30 am ACTS commission

Mon. June 26 6:30 pm Bereavement Committee

Meeting

Tues. June 27 6:00 pm St. Vincent
Wed. June 28 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thur. June 29 10:00 am Legion of Mary

Fri. June 30 Sat. July 1

Church office Hours * Lunch 12:00 pm— 12:30 pm Summer Hours : 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Weekly Collection Totals

June 11 \$12,383.08 June 18 \$10,848.56

Weekly Parish Expenses

\$14,945.60

These Figures exclude extraordinary income & expenses

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Pray for Them

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Name will remain on the list for 6 weeks. If at the end of 6 weeks you wish for them to remain on the sick list for 6 more weeks you must call the office. This request must be made by the individual or an immediate family member.

Reflections of an adorer

My dear daughter, I love you very much. Tell my children there is much to be done in prayer, fasting, and penance. There are many souls in dark despair. My children need to produce much light through their prayers, works, and deeds, bringing light into this world and dispelling the darkness that has invaded the souls of many of my children. The darkness that enters the soul is like a cancer. It grows rapidly, making the body weak, and it will darken the heart, which is where God wants to live. A heart that is void of God will fall into darkness. Dear children, be an army of soldiers, lighting torches of light among your neighbors. Be in the light of Christ Jesus. Share this light with everyone you see. Be kind to one another, show love and mercy as the Lord has shown his children, love and mercy to each and everyone. Pray for your persecutors and disarm them with love. I am the light of the world, hold on to me, so that I can infuse your soul with grace, and light a path for you to follow. Follow me, I am the way, the truth, and the life. Go in peace, and pray for peace!

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Should I be a St. Rita Altar Society Member? "One of the best decisions I ever made" says one member



Meetings 2nd Wednesday in the Community Room Following 8:30 am Mass

Give the Gift of LIFE!

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Will host a Blood Drive with Ochsner Blood Bank

CRITICAL BLOOD SHORTAGE

Sunday, June 25, 2023 8:00 am – 1:00 pm 194 Raven Ave. - Harahan OCHSNER BLOODMOBILE

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Individuals taking medication for High Blood Pressure or Cholesterol can donate!

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Saint of the Week

SAINT JUNÍPERO SERRA (1713-1784) July 1

No one who has stood before the quiet majesty of Mission San Juan Capistrano, or the altogether different but no less lovely Mission Dolores in San Francisco, or any of the missions from San Diego to Sonoma can fail to bless the Franciscan padre who, while not founder of each, was inspiration for them all, Blessed Junípero Serra. Abandoning the comfortable academic life to which his doctorate in theology entitled him, Serra journeyed to the New World where his tireless traveling, dramatic preaching, and penitential austerity converted thousands of native peoples. Saving souls and celebrating the sacraments were Padre Serra's primary mission but not his only one. Education in letters and crafts, trades and agriculture transformed the people, while roads and irrigation systems transfigured the landscape. His more than thirty years of ministry were not free from conflict with authorities or without controversy in the retrospectively critical eye of history. But when John Paul II beatified him in 1988, he praised Padre Serra for assisting his converts to use their new faith to advance their true human development.

-Peter Scagnelli

Hurricane Season Prayer

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of vour children. The Sea of Galilee obeved your order and returned to its former guietude; 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 in 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 the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen. Originally dedicated to the victims of Hurricane Audrey in 1957. - Fr. Al Volpe, Cameron Parish, LA

St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana Sunday June 25, 2023

Silver Trotters News

On July 19th the Trotters will be going to the Abita Brewery in Covington and we're leaving at 10:00am from the side of the church. Cost will be \$25.00 per member and \$30.00 for non-members. Lunch is on your own and will be at the Brew Pub. For additional information call Louise Chapman (504) 737-3797.

There will be a Bereavement Committee meeting on Monday, June 26th, at 6:30 pm in the Community Room. New schedules will be handed out and refreshment s will be served. Please plan to attend.

Our Mass Intentions book currently has openings available. Mass intentions can be made for the deceased, special favors granted, the sick, as a gift, birthday, wedding, thank you, or any occasion. A card will be sent on your behalf to the address provided by you. The donation is \$5 per Mass request. Please call the office at 504-737- 2915 for more information or to have a Mass said or your behalf.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time:



In the Gospel today, we hear Jesus say: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."

This week, know that you will bringing hope to the poor by your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Misson Appeal July 1-2

Missionaries of Jesus

The Missionaries of Jesus (MJ) is an international and multicultural religious missionary community. Founded in the Philippines on 12 June 2002 by a group of forty-one men. We call ourselves, "friends and disciples." It is our desire to gather more friends and co-disciples.

One of the MJ priorities is to work and live with the indigenous people

Relief and health care for the indigenous people in the Diocese of Lae in Papua New Guinea.

Education Work (Literacy Program) among the indigenous people in the mountains of the Prelature of Digos, Philippines.

Pastoral work (Catechetical Formation) among the catechists in the Parish of Marahan in Davao, Philippines and also in the Parish of San Marcos in tfhe Prelature of Peten, Guatemala.

Bio Data – Fr. Aris Villanueva, M.J.

Rev. Aris Villanueva was born in the Philippines in 1977 and was ordained priest on January 9, 2007 in his native town in Sta. Cruz, Ilocos Sur, Philippines. Rev. Villanueva had his internship in Mindanao from 2005-2007.

The primary evangelization task is to bring personally the presence of Jesus in the 45 villages within our pastoral care, to announce the message of hope and to celebrate Life with the people as a Church and through the sacraments.



Please prayerfully consider spending an hour a week with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. The open hours are posted in the foyer of the St. Joseph Adoration Chapel. You can sign up at https:// adorationpro.org/ritaharahan

or in the adoration chapel. Contact Jennifer Canady-Lauritsen at 504-232-3477 with questions.





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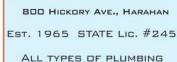


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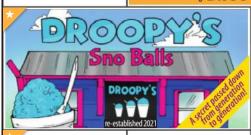
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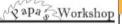
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