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CAFETERIA: 737-2773 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.

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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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe



Sat. Nov. 25, 4:00 pm Peter Vallelungo

Gary Coullard Gary Boihem

Pat Geier Rob Binney—Healing
J. Gayle Calongne Barbara Brehm Calongne
Julie Ann Calongne Geraldine C. Feugas
Dorothy V. Calongne Lucille Champagne
Elaine Dares—healing David Schmidt

Melissa Korn—Intentions Reha Thomas—Healing

Louise & Herman Abry-Peace & Goodwill

William & Chorlie Vandever—Special Intentions

Sunday Nov. 26, 7:30 am Monica Flick

9:30 am Dolores B. Cristina—Rest in Peace

Victor Marsiglia Paul Wang, Sr.
Randy Blaise Rose Velez
Gail P. Brown Bernice Peuler
Diane Holzenthal Louis Jung Jr.

Theresa Lopez—Special Intentions

11:30 am Vincent George Vonderheide

7:30 pm Parishioners
Mon. Nov. 27, 7:00 am World Peace

8:30 am Mark Livaudais

Tues. Nov. 28, 7:00am Edgar John Abry

8:30 am May Brock—Birthday

Wed. Nov. 29, 7:00am Patrick Fitzgerald

8:30 am Victor Marsiglia

Thurs. Nov. 30, 7:00 am Poor Souls in Purgatory

8:30 am Pat Geier

Fri Dec. 1, 7:00 am Dolores B. Cristina Birthday

8:30 am Gene P. Hickey

Sat. Dec. 2, 8:30 am All Deceased Dominicans

OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL November 27

In 1830 the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to 24-year-old Catherine Labouré in Paris, France. She commissioned Catherine to have copies of what came to be known as the "Miraculous Medal" produced and distributed for the benefit of the faithful. The medal includes the prayer, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."



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Kenneth Rodick—Healing
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Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 26, 2023

Sunday The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King

of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor

15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Monday Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62, 63, 64,

65, 66, 67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

Friday Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Lk

21:29-33

Saturday Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 95, 86, 87; Lk 21:34

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Sunday First Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-

19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say: "...whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."



Knowing that we find the face of Christ in the poor, this month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to serve families, providing in food, for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

Weekly Collection Totals

Nov. 19

Nov. 12 \$9539.31

Weekly Parish Expenses

\$14,945.60

These Figures exclude extraordinary income & expenses

St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana

Sunday November 26, 2023





Sun. Nov. 26

Mon. Nov. 27 8:00 am Blessing of Advent Wreaths

Tues. Nov. 28 6:00 pm St. Vincent Wed. Nov. 29 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

7:00 Choir Practice

Thur. Nov. 30 10:00 am Legion of Mary Fri. Dec. 1 8:30 am School Wide Mass

9:00 am Holy Hour

Sat. Dec. 2

Church office Hours * Lunch 12:00 pm— 12:30 pm Hours: 9:00 am—4:00 pm



Sandra Caperino Joseph Lambert

THANK YOU, FOLKS YOU CAN STILL OWN A PIECE OF ST. RITA HISTORY BY BUYING ONE OF OUR EXISTING PEWS

NEW UP DATE:

We now have reservations for all of our small 7' pews and are still receiving reservations for large pews as well. If a large pew is too big, you can order an altered pew to make it 8 1/2' or simply place your name on the waiting list for a small pew in case someone backs out.

Pew details are listed below:

Here are the specs: the pews are 22.5" wide (from back to the front of the seat) and 33" tall. The length varies.... We have 34 of the small pews located on the side walls that are 7' long at \$275 a piece. (At the present time we are taking names for a wait list for the small pews.) We have 49 of the large pews in the two middle sections that are 17' long. We are requesting \$350 a piece. However, once the 34 small pews are reserved, we will gladly alter the 17' large pews to make smaller 8 ½' pews at your request. These special requested pews will be \$300 a piece.

Henry, John, Earl Deibel, Mary Ann Schmitt, Catherine Kives, Willie "Bill" Wolverton, John Paris, , Doris Portera, Mary Dal Daigle, Virginia Stansbury, Fr. Randy Roux, Dc. Nolen LeBlanc, Joyce Harris, Pat Trahan, Dale Fishel, Jo Maraist, Mark Crawford, Lisanne Lightfoot, Randy Smith, Gloria Krieger, Andrea Thomas, Diane Smith, Phil Crowson, Mary Morvant O'Neill, Edwyna Combe, Letty Loomas, Harold Bartchy, Lena Sparacio, Deborah Mula, Steve Bonnecaze, Deacon Gary Borne, Patricia Whetleman, Bobbie Ann Bergeron, Caiden Reid, Jack Serigne, Josephine Piazza, Lindsey Collier, Charles Slocum, September Wang, Vincent Palestina, Judy Ewens Hof, Lois Dupuy, Andrea Glandt, Suzanne Unger, Linda Mayer, Robert Petty, Cynthia B. Farrara, Barbara Dziubla, Dora Higgins, Amanda Livaudais, Mr. Tim Smith Sr. & Family, Mr. Tim Smith Jr. & Family, Worley Parks, John Bel, Henry S. Tuminello, Rebecca Gandy, Joyce Benoit, Bridget Celestin, Robert Vallejo, Alicia Walker–Cole, Alvin M. Castay, Sr., Hilda Orgeron, James McCilwain, Bob Velez, Beau & Trudy Barrett, Joseph McAdam, Leslie and Al Mendoza, Barbara Guidry, Louise Chapman, Tim Walker, Nellie Barsoza, Francis Parks, , Joel Stansbury, Yvonne Rousset, Donald Geier, Dan Peeler, Rebecca Wahl, Betty Oneill, Paige Brock, Randy Sroeba, Kathy Livaudais, Charlotte Evola, Janet Wild, Fred Grilletta, John Johnson, Louella Lange, Laura Knipper, Gerard Tonglet, Elizabeth Bonnette, , August V. Cristina , Claude Barsoza, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ward, Theresa Arroyo, Rodney Este, Sr., Philip Godbold, Gabriella Oga & Baby Dominic, Tommy Woods, Bruce Perry, The Picou Family, Shelley Vathy, Melissa Korn, Tomalyn Disalvo, Marilyn Pankratz, Lee Belgarge, Stephen Parks, Angie Kimbell, Jolene Salito, Frances Kemp, George & Greg Fay, Eric Rousselle, Lynne Podany, Steve Culotta, Linda Bauer 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.

Open to all Grandparents YOU are COTDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEMD THE ST. RITA GRANDPARENTS CLUB

Meeting and Christmas Party

Saturday, December 2, 2023 10:30aM

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Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time) Leap of Faith

Today's Gospel could be seen as an example of what St.

Paul is explaining in the second reading. First, he tells us that the resurrection of Christ is not the end of God's reign, but the beginning. Since death came into the world with the sin of Adam, Christ's death saved us from sin and his resurrection saves us from death. Now that he is risen, he will complete his reign over all creation, meaning that everything in creation that turned away from God will now be subject to God. Since Christ had to die before he could rise, the last enemy to be subjected is death; so too do we have to die before we can rise.

When all this happens, everything will show God's glory.

God will be seen in all of creation. Jesus will be seen as equal to the Father, not just a man, but the Son of God.

The Gospel gives us the image of a king on his throne, surrounded by his subjects. And then comes the final judgment.

The rest of the Gospel is symbolic description of that judgment. I always thought the point of this parable was that we recognize God in the poor, the sick, the homeless, prisoners, etc. But the people in the parable who helped all those in need did not recognize Christ in the needy. That's why he tells them that whatever we do for "these least ones," we do for Christ.

That is actually good news, because it is not always easy to recognize Christ in others. I used to think that once I start seeing Christ in all people, I'll be more willing to help them. But it also works the other way. When you help someone in need, you begin to see Christ there, too. This means that we cannot use not seeing Christ in others as an excuse to put off helping them. ("Sure, I'll help those drug addicts—as soon as I see Jesus in them.")

Whether it is a death-row prisoner or a homeless family, we need to take that leap of faith to help, not knowing if we will ever see Christ in them. Remember, God forgives and saves us because we need God, not because we deserve it.

Tom Schmidt

The Giving Tree

The giving tree will be in the rear of the church. This is a parish wide outreach program for the needy. Gifts of prayers and sacrifices can be given by all. For those who can provide a material gift, the instructions are:

- 1. Take an ornament from the Giving Tree. Information to assist in the purchase of a gift is on the back.
 - 2. Purchase and wrap the gift.
 - 3. Tape the original ornament to the package.
- 4. Bring the wrapped gift to the church or the church office, before December 17th, so it can be delivered before Christmas. Untold good is done for the needy with this program.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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

s I ever made" says one men Join us:

For yourself Your Parish Your God

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

Lost Something?

There is a table in the back of church with lost and found items on it. If you think you may have left something in church, please peruse the table at your convenience. We will put it out the first weekend of every other month.

St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana Sunday November 26, 2023

Join us to honor

Christ, King of the Universe

Eucharistic Procession Sunday, November 26 following 11:30 am Mass

Stopping at various homes, meditating on the 12 Stations of the Eucharist



The lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

MASS INTENTIONS

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.



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