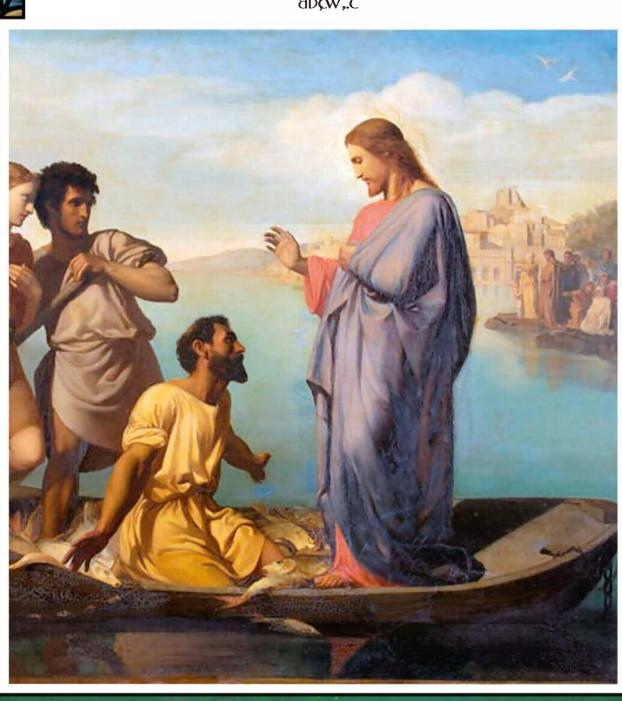
16TH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. ab&W,.c



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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 ${\cal B}$

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.

Sign up to make a recurring automatic donation by going to StRitaHarahan.com where you will find a link to our Online Giving page or make a one time donation

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. every 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.



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sat. July 20, 4:00 pm Johanna D. Peeler

Whitney, Gertrude, Leslie & Gina Esthey

George & Mary Ann McKearan Peter Vallelungo

Gary Boihem Shirley & Edmund Walsh

Gerardine & Darrel Hotard Claudio Barsoza

Deborah Mula Joy Comboy Pavolini

Cindy Giavotella- Healing Ronnie Farber—Healing

Tim Power—Healing Joseph Gautreaux

William Barrette—Intentions Keith Barrette—Intensions

Anna Lee Corpora—Intentions

Sunday July 21, 7:30 am Monica Flick

9:30 am Virginia Stansbury

Jules Waguespack, Jr. Joseph C. Roman Jr.

Cindy Giavotella—Healing Dolores Ferrara

Paul Wang, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Margavio-Healing

Brenda Toups Carol Hanson
Karen Davis Emanuel Massa

Elaine Dares- Healing June Barrette—Birthday Intentions

Pat & Carl Guggenheimer—Anniversary

11:30 am Jason Franco

7:30 pm Parishioners

Mon. July 22, 7:00 am Richard LaFrance

8:30 am Virginia Carreca

Tues. July 23, 7:00am Jason Franco

8:30 am Michael S. Power, Jr.

Wed. July 24, 7:00am Claudio Barsoza

8:30 am Victor Marsiglia

Thurs. July 25, 7:00 am Claudio Barsoza

8:30 am Emile & Marie Rausch

Fri July 26, 7:00 am Eugenie Louise Daunis

8:30 am Fr. Mark Beard

Sat. July 27, 8:30 am Fr. Steve Bruno—Intentions

Scripture Readings
For the Week of July 21, 2024

Sunday Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-

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Monday Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn

20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Bridget of Sweden, Religious

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab. 15 and 17; Mt

13:1-9

Thursday Feast of Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20

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Friday Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

Sunday Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6;

Jn 6:1-15



Sanctuary Lamp

Chapel Lamp

Nicole & David

Weekly Collection Totals

July 7 \$10,854.17 July 14 \$10,578.00

Weekly Parish Expenses

\$14,945.60

These Figures exclude extraordinary income & expenses



St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana

Sunday July 21, 2024



Sun. June 21

Black and Indian Mission—Second

Collection

Blood Drive

12:30 pm Parish Baptisms

Mon. July 22 7:00 pm Festival Meeting

Tues. July 23 6:00 pm St. Vincent

Wed. July 24 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thur. July 25 10:00 am Legion of Mary

7:00 pm Silver Trotters

7:00 pm Finance Board meeting

Fri. July 26

Sat. July 27 Mission Appeal

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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Vincent de Paul, a great man of action was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor.



Please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten, as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor

Silven Trotters

The monthly meeting of the Silver Trotters is July 25th at 7:00pm in the St. Rita gym. Doors open at 6:00pm. Our guest this month is Bryan Wallace from Harahan City Hall to update us on the changes at Soniat Playground and Zeringue Park. Refreshments are available after the meeting.

Future Happening: At our August 22nd meeting we'll have our annual Bizarre Bazaar so bring your family, your neighbors and anyone who likes to shop. Maybe you'll even get some of your Christmas shopping done.

For additional information please contact Louise Chapman at (504) 737-3797.

Pray for Them

John, Earl Deibel, Mary Ann Schmitt, Catherine Kives, Willie 'Bill' Wolverton, John Paris, Doris Portera, Fr. Randy Roux, Dc. Nolen LeBlanc, 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, Deacon Gary Borne, Bobbie Ann Bergeron, Jack Lindsey Collier, September Wang, Vincent Palestina, Suzanne Unger, Linda Mayer, Cynthia B. Farrara, Dora Higgins, Amanda Livaudais, Mr. Tim Smith Sr. & Family, Mr. Tim Smith Jr. & Family, Worley Parks, John Bel, Henry S. Tuminello, 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, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ward, Theresa Arroyo, Rodney Este, Sr., Philip Godbold, Gabriella Ogg & 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, John McCrossen, Joe Miceli, Lynn Andoillna, Sylvia Belile, Fredrick Jones, Ronald Waguespack, Mary Giovenco

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.

Reflection of An Adorer

My dear daughter, I love you very much. My children, I am the Light of the world. You are eagerly awaiting my coming this advent, because you are seeking the light to come down upon you to illuminate your souls with love, hope, and mercy. I am that light that is coming to save my children. Capture this light and bathe in its glory! As you anticipate my coming on Christmas, know that I've been with you always, from the very beginning of time. There has never been a time that I have not thought of you as my loving children. I came and walked among you so that you would have a tangible presence of me, and to show you an example of the way you should live your life. I am the way my dear ones, I am the truth my dear ones, and I am the Light you should follow. May your hearts be gladdened and may they not be troubled, for I am with you always until the end of time! I love you very much, go in peace!

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jesus, Our Peace

You probably know that the Jews in the first century did not particularly like the Gentiles. Some of them who became Christians still looked down on the non-Jewish Christians. In the epistle today, Paul addresses this problem by reminding them that Jesus died for all people, Jew and Gentile. And just as Jesus rose from the dead to a new life, the converts to Christianity were given a new life also. That new life of baptism joined them all to Christ, who lives in them, forgives them, and brings them peace. So why was that unity so hard to accept?

One reason is that as much as we complain about laws and regulations, many people like to live by them. We even make our own rules: "I always eat breakfast at 7:15," or "I have to read the newspaper every morning." Even though our rules may not be bad in themselves, if we get angry at anyone who interrupts our routine, those rules lead us to sin. But some of the Hebrew Christians thought that they still had to keep the laws and regulations of the old covenant. There is nothing wrong with keeping the Ten Commandments: They are simply examples of Jesus' command to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself. So why not just do that?

The problem with only keeping commandments is that we can avoid doing evil things, but still not love God or my neighbor. For example, we can avoid using God's name in vain and kick back and relax on the Sabbath, but still not really love God. We can keep from killing, robbing, or lying to our neighbor, without loving anyone. Fortunately for us, God loves us first; we need only respond to that love. And if we make the decision to love God and our neighbors, and base all our other actions on that love, we will not break any commandments, or even worry about breaking them. We will have the peace that Paul mentions in our reading, the peace that makes us all one in Christ.

Tom Schmidt

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while" must have been chosen for this summer season by a committee eager for a vacation. For the apostles, the promise of rest was foiled by the needs of the people who discovered their hideaway and pressed them into ministry. Some people do indeed use their vacation for ministry and mission, giving an intensity of service otherwise not possible. For most of us, vacation is a time when we can grow more aware of God's plan, and can renew the bonds of love with family and friends in times of play and leisure.

The disciples learn today that there is no place so out of the way that the life of worship and ministry is disengaged. Giving yourself to summer worship will enrich you, delight you, and give you a sense of the word of God's progress in your heart. In today's world, summer is the time when we are most acutely aware of the beauty of the world. Gratitude and wonder are fertile soils for God's word to take root and prosper. Welcome the visitor today, and resolve that when you travel, you will be faithful to Sunday worship.

-Rev. James Field



A Prayer to Avert Storms and Hurricanes

Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.
Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us
and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana

75 TH ANNIVERSARY ST. RITA PILGRIMAGE OCTOBER 6-16, 2025

Join Fr. Steven Bruno on this special pilgrimage to St. Rita's homeland and throughout Italy

Day 1 Oct 6 (Mon) Board the plane for Italy Day 2 Oct 7 (Tues) Arrive in Rome, Italy

Day 3 Oct 8 (Wed) Rome Day 4 Oct 9 (Thurs) Rome

Day 5 Oct 10 (Fri) Rome – Pietrelcina – San Giovanni Rotondo

Day 6 Oct 11 (Sat) Monte Sant'Angelo

Day 7 Oct 12 (Sun) San Giovanni Rotondo – Lanciano - Loreto – Assisi

Day 8 Oct 13 (Mon) Assisi

Day 9 Oct 14 (Tues) Roccaporena and Cascia

Day 10 Oct 15 (Wed) Assisi - Rome

Day 11 Oct 16 (Thurs) Depart Rome and return Home

For more information or to reserve a space: Mary Perricone: (504) 512-4021 mperricone54@gmail.com

Sunday July 21, 2024

Important registration information



Registration for CCD is now open to all students in grades K-12 who do not attend a Catholic school. Please register online at stritaharahan.com . Classes will start the Sunday after Labor Day at 10:45 am.

Confirmation

There will be a meeting for parents of high school juniors on August 19 at 7:00 pm in the Community room. Details for Confirmation will be discussed. Registration is open on line at stritaharahan.com

Give the Gift of LIFE!

Knights of Columbus #3854 - St. Rita

Will host a Blood Drive with Ochsner Blood Bank

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Sunday, July 21, 2024 8:00 am - 1:00 pm [Closed from 11:15 am - 11:45 am] 194 Raven Ave. - Harahan OCHSNER BLOODMOBILE

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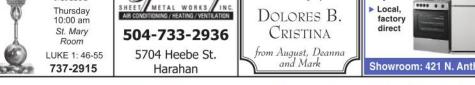
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