

# SAINT RITA PARISH

## **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.



### **PASTOR**

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## HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK & SHITTLINS

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.

### **SACRAMENT 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.

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sat. Aug. 3, 4:00 pm Claire & Stanley Robert

Hebert Martin Earl Pezant, Sr.

George & Mary Ann McKearan Lincoln Walker, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. J.L. Meyer, Sr.

Holy Souls in Purgatory Peter Vallelungo

Gary Boihem Shirley & Edmund Walsh

Gerardine & Darrel Hotard The Steudlein & Lemoine Families

Claudio Barsoza Joy Comboy Pavolini Deborah Mula Joseph Gautreaux

Melissa Korn-intentions

Sunday Aug. 4, 7:30 am Burke, Laudun, Marullo, Meyer Families

9:30 am Helen Abadie

Virginia Stansbury Monica Flick
David Roussel Dolores Ferrara
Claudio Barsoza Paul Wang, Sr.
Karen Davis Emanuel Massa
Elaine Dares— Healing Velma Esteves

Mary O'Neill George John Mahl, III

Robert Modica—Healing Jason Franco

11:30 am Deborah Mula7:30 pm Parishioners

Mon. Aug. 5, 7:00 am All the Souls in Purgatory, Especially the deceased members of FOSS

8:30 am Louise & Harry Chapman, Jr. 63rd

Anniversary

Tues. Aug. 6, 7:00am Deborah Mula

8:30 am David Roussel—Birthday

Wed. Aug. 7, 7:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:30 am Jules, May, Ronald, Milton, Stella

Guillot & Randy Blaise

Thurs. Aug, 8, 7:00 am Intentions of Dominican Nuns St.

Dominic Monastery in Linden, VA.

**8:30 am** Paul Augustin

Fri Aug. 9, 7:00 am Claudio Barsoza

8:30 am Linda Kemp

Sat. Aug. 10, 8:30 am Joey Sedita

Scripture Readings For the Week of August 4, 2024

Sunday Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Eph

4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Monday Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilica of

Saint Mary Major in Rome

Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt

14:13-21

Tuesday Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-

19; Mk 9:2-10

**Wednesday** Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest

Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt

16:13-23

Friday Memorial of Saint Teresa Benedicta of the

Cross, Virgin and Martyr

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd,

41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-

26

Sunday Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:4-8, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Eph

4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51



Sanctuary Lamp Parishioners Chapel Lamp

Dale St. John

## **Weekly Collection Totals**

July 21 \$15,567.72 July 28 \$8743.00

### **Weekly Parish Expenses**

\$14,945.60

These Figures exclude extraordinary income & expenses

## St. Rita Harahan, Louisiana

## Sunday August 4, 2024



Sun. Aug. 4 10:30 pm Coffee Social

Mon. Aug. 5

Tues. Aug. 6 6:00 pm St. Vincent

Wed. Aug. 7 7:00 pm Choir Practice

**Thur. Aug. 8** 10:00 am Legion of Mary

Fri. Aug. 9 7:00 pm Dads' Club meeting

Sat. Aug. 10

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

### **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

The Gospel tells us "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." By "listening" we are able to *live* the gospel. Gospel living is something so simple as taking the time to listen to those who need to spill out their hearts when seeking help.



Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you enable the members of the Society to become a "listening heart" to the hungry, the homeless and the struggling poor.



ALMIGHTY GOD WE GIVE YOU OUR SCHOOL. WE GIVE YOU ALL THE TEACHERS AND STAFF WHO WORK HERE, WE GIVE YOU ALL THE CHILDREN WHO STUDY HERE. WE PRAY OUR SCHOOL WOULD BE PLACE OF GREAT DISCOVERY, ADVENTURE AND CREATIVITY. MAY IT BE A PLACE WHERE WE LOVE TO LEARN AND WHERE WE LEARN TO LOVE, A PLACE WHERE EVERY ONE IS RESPECTED AND ALL ARE DEEPLY VALUED. WE ASK ALL THIS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN.

( A MODERN PRAYER FROM WWW.LORDS-PRAYER-WORDS.COM)

## 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, Edwyna Combe, Letty Loomas, Harold Bartchy, Lena Sparacio, Deacon Gary Borne, Bobbie Ann Bergeron, Jack Serigne, 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 precious ones, place your head upon my Sacred Heart. Listen to my heart beats and unite your heart to the same rhythm that you hear. Connect and plug into this overwhelming love and mercy that flows from Me. Contemplate on this great gift of love and let it wash over you my dear children. Ignite your souls with this unending love . Fuel your bodies with the Eucharist, which is my body and blood, a never ending act of love. Every time you partake in this forever love I give you, you will be one with Me . We will be connected in love, and you will be infused in the light of My Divine Mercy. Avail yourselves to this great gift as often as possible. This gift will bring you peace and eternal salvation. This gift of love will give you strength to stay in the light, and give light to this dark world, which is taking down so many souls. My children, you must be a light in your world. Pray, pray, my dear ones, and save souls . Always know that I am here for you. I will never abandon my children. Do not lose hope, be one with Me! Go in peace, and spread the peace of God to everyone!

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Don't Look Back

It's bad enough that the Israelites were grumbling against their leaders. But they also complain to God that they were better off as slaves in Egypt. After all God did to bring them to freedom, now they want to go back to slavery. Before we judge them too harshly, we might ask ourselves if we ever act like that. For us, it might be looking back on our slavery to sin.

We would never sin if there wasn't something attractive about it. We might confess the sin and say we'll never do that again, but we often can't resist the memory of our past sins. As we hold on to the past, the temptations come back and draw us to repeat our offenses. Even though we know we are better off putting it behind us, we sometimes find it difficult to move on. Notice that the Israelites look back to their time in Egypt, while the people of Jesus' time look back to the manna in the desert, yet none of them ever had manna!

So how do we free ourselves from the past? Should we look to the future, instead? If we want to make the world, or just our community, a better place we can make plans. If those plans are ever going to work, we have to begin now. Jesus doesn't say "Remember how good that manna was." Or "Don't worry; your children will get it right." No, he keeps us focused on the present moment, telling us to believe in Him now, His Father gives us true bread today; Jesus is that bread of life.

Those words are just as true today. We may look fondly at Jesus' birth, his miracles, and his death on the cross, but if we don't let him be born again in us, if we don't trust him to do wonders today, and if we don't take up our crosses each day—we are missing the chance to experience Jesus in us and in the people we live and work with each day.

Tom Schmidt,

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If the alb is the premier baptismal garment, then why are there so many other styles of vesture in evidence in our parishes? In some places, altar servers and other ministers might wear a garment, usually black, called a cassock. Over that is normally worn a white garment (a "surplice"), reminiscent of the alb but much shorter, often of starched linen and trimmed with lace. The cassock is not a liturgical garment, but a clerical robe. Its origins lie in the religious habit of monks. By the late Middle Ages, diocesan priests and clerics increasingly were encouraged to emulate religious priests. Very small boys were often apprenticed to monasteries, especially for music education, and would be invested with a cassock and sometimes even inducted into the ranks of clerics.

For centuries before the Reformation, it was required that all men entering higher education be clerics, and so the cassock and its variations became familiar academic garb. At the Reformation, many ministers retained a form of the cassock as ordinary dress, rejecting liturgical garments. In the seventeenth century, the English Civil War was in part provoked by the Archbishop of Canterbury's insistence that ministers wear surplices. Although the Episcopal Church now retains "cassock and surplice" as the normal dress for lay men and women assisting at liturgy, Catholics are increasingly attentive to the deeply traditional treasure of the alb, our baptismal robe, when special liturgical vesture is needed.

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.

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## 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

## Please Come and Join Us As We Go Down to the River to Pray for the



## Fete-Dieu Du Mississippi

We are gathering across the levee from the old Colonial Club to pray on the river while Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, passes on a boat as part of the National Eucharistic Revival August 15, 2024

1:30 - 3:30pm

For more information St. Rita Catholic Church 504-737-2915

## Sunday August 4, 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







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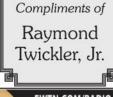
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