

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

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The First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024



Parish is staffed
by **The Divine
Word Missionaries**

Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. Leon Ngandu SVD

Secretary

Mrs. Carol Ali Jenkins

Housekeeper

Deirdra M. Humphrey

Catechetical Leader

Danielle Bennette Dukes

Director of Music Ministry

Mr. Richard Cheri

Vigil Mass Organist

Dr. S. Carver Davenport

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Evening Mass
6:00pm Tuesday

Morning Mass
11:00am
Wednesday-Friday

Weekend Mass
Schedule
4:00pm Saturday Mass
10:00am Sunday Mass

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:00-3:45pm
and by appointment.

Parish Mission Statement:

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church is a multi-cultural faith community in the historic St. Roch neighborhood. With the support of the Archbishop, we commit ourselves to prayer and service in our community. We are one family centered around Jesus and the Eucharist. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are working to build the kingdom of God.

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council Eric Pepin

Finance Council Eric Johnson

Environment Ministry Eric & Sabera Pepin

Building & Grounds Committee Anthony Carter

Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist

Monique
McConduit
Shirley Weaver

Altar Servers Justin Pepin

Lectors

Dr. Sheryl Smith

Hospitality/Ushers *Joseph Boutte'*

Liturgical Dancers
Demetri Galloway
Pamela Johnson
Delisia Crayton

Parish Advocates Ministry

Carol Ali Jenkins

Samaritans Ministry Emma Sampson

Youth Ministry Sukari Tassain

Prayer Ministry Augustine Nedd Marion Henry Laurie Berry

Health Ministry Sabera Pepin

Ladies Guild Deirdra Humphrey

KPC Knights

Bro. Todd Millon

KPC Ladies Auxiliary

Lady Sabera Pepin

KPC Jr. Knights/Daughters

Bro. Eric Pepin
Lady Delisia Crayton

Prayer Corner

Mass Intentions:

Walter & Clytie Johnson, Keenan Edward Bornes, Perry Glenn, Lorraine Magee, William J. Neylan Jr., Rita Rose Weaver, Shirley Vaughn, Katherine Florent, Connie Green., Brenda Savoy, Margie Faciane, Nelda Millon, Sybil Rattley, Warren Baudy Sr.

(Donation \$5.00)

The Sanctuary Candle: Burns this week for Alton Woods Sr.

Offered by: Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK...

Mary Samuels, Henry McCloskey, Joan Humphrey, Fr. Henry Davis, SSJ, Ursula Crowden, Lucy George, Beulah St. Junior, Emma Sampson, Victor DuRapau, Jr., Lucien Peters, Raymond Lewis, Ginger Lewis, Erin Palmer, Sylvia Barrois, Tiara Jenkins, Henry & Margie Pratcher, Hallie & Owen Pratcher, Willie Solomon, Doris Westrey, Charles Harrison, Leah Chambers, Ernest Gabriel, III, Brenda Bazile, Joann Goodman, Diane Dooley, Marilyn Johnson.

Weekly Income for February 3-4, 2024

Saturday & Sunday	\$1,747.36
Parish Assessment	\$40.00
Offer Online	\$645.00
Parish Assessment Online	\$65.00
Total	\$2,497.36

Thank You: for your continued generosity and support! Please remember that it takes **\$8,500.00** per week to cover the Parish's operating expenses.



Weekend Mass Attendance

Total of Members at Saturday and Sunday Mass: 88Adults and 9 Youth.

Bible Readings For the Week

Sunday Gn 9:8-15	1 Pt 3:18-22	Mk 1:12-15
Monday Lv 19:1-2,11-18		Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday Is 55:10-11		Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday Jon 3:1-10		Lk 11:29-32
Thursday 1Pt 5:1-4		Mt 16:13-19
Friday Ez 18:21-28		Mt 5:20-26
Saturday Dt 26:16-19		Mt 5:43-48

Pastor's Corner

**God is Good all the time!
And all the time God is Good.**



Theme: Forty Days of Lent, Time to Resist Satan with all his Temptations

Last Wednesday, we celebrated Ash Wednesday's Mass which marked the beginning of a forty-day penitential time called Lenten season. Our Holy Mother Church gives us these forty days of Lent so that we might prepare ourselves to celebrate the Paschal mystery of our Lord Jesus (his Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension). At Ash Wednesday Mass, we received ashes on our foreheads symbolizing our firm decision to spend this penitential season in Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. By receiving ashes on our foreheads, we expressed our willingness to repent and believe in the Gospel now, not postponing it, because, as we were reminded, we are dust, and to dust, we shall return. Thus, with the Ash Wednesday Mass, we have begun our forty-day penitential journey toward Jesus's resurrection, which is also our resurrection, in Easter.

Then, today is the first Sunday of Lent. The Gospel that we heard is the story of the temptation of Jesus by Satan in the desert when Jesus spent forty days and forty nights praying and fasting. Our Holy Mother suggests this Gospel passage today to prepare us to know that Satan, who tempted Jesus in the desert, continues to tempt us today, especially during this Lenten season. Therefore, we should resist him with all his temptations and so remain members of the kingdom that Jesus came to establish (see our Gospel). Repentance is a good start to resist Satan. Note that the way God patiently waited for Noah to build the ark which saved him and all the remnants from the flooding water (see the context of our first reading) is the same way he is patiently waiting for us to turn to him in the baptismal water with which the catechumen will be baptized and the rest of us will renew our baptismal promises in Easter (see our second reading).
Happy Lenten Season.

Rev. Leon Ngandu, SVD

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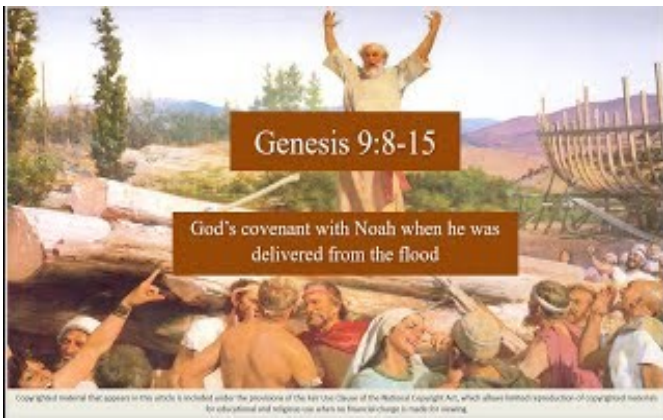
Parish News:

The Stations of the Cross:

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:00pm in the Church. This Friday, the stations of the Cross will be led by the **Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**. All church group leaders are asked to lead the Stations of the Cross. Please call the office to schedule your group. Thank you.

Lenten Guidelines (Abstinence & Fasting):

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.



A Vocation View:

In order to hear a call from the Lord, our hearts must be opened to receive His Word. Lent begins with a call to repent so that all which clouds our ears might be stripped away to hear His voice clearly.

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Mass Schedule February 24-25, 2024

Lectors:

Vigil Mass: 4:00pm Christie Taylor

Sunday Mass: 10:00am Veronica Carter

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Vigil Mass: 4:00pm J. Lewis M. McConduit

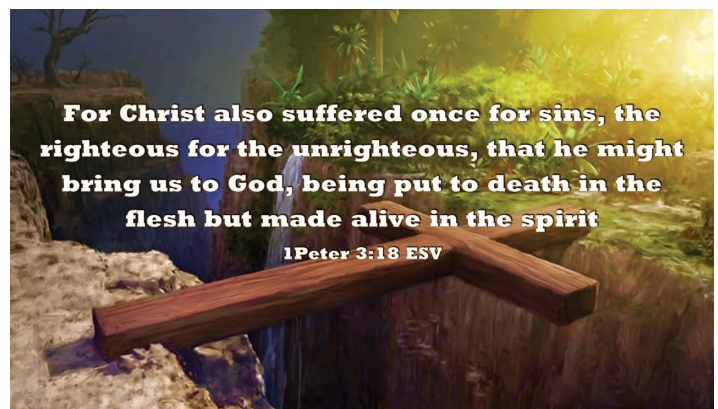
Sunday Mass: 10:00am C. Jenkins C. Parker

Jon. Pepin

Parish News:

Community Luncheon:

The Ladies Guild will sponsor the monthly community luncheon on Saturday, March 2, 2024 from 12:00 pm to 2:00pm in the parish center. All are invited to free lunch. Volunteers are welcome. Thank You.



Calendar 2024

Rosary: Wednesday at 10:30am, Rectory Chapel. Saturday at 3:30pm in the church, Sunday at 9:30am in our church chapel.

Bible Study with Rev. Leon Ngandu, SVD Friday at 5:Pm rectory conference room. To attend online, Email at uss-biblicalapostolate@gmail.com to request the registration form.

Weekday Mass:

The weekday mass schedule is as follows: Tuesday evening 6:p:m and 11:am Wednesday-Friday in the Rectory Chapel.



Parish Guidelines

Registered Parishioners:

Registered parishioners are those who have submitted a form to the parish office and use parish support envelopes consistently.

CCD & RCIA

School of Religion (CCD) classes meet on Sundays only for children K-12 who are attending public schools. RCIA classes are for adults who are wishing to become full members of the Catholic Church. See Danielle Bennette Dukes for more information.

Funerals:

Please contact the parish office **BEFORE** finalizing any arrangements with a funeral home.


Baptism:

Parents must be registered members of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church or another Catholic Parish for at least six months. Godparents **MUST** be confirmed Catholics. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal Prep Class prior to the baptism. Call the office for more information.

Marriage:

The rules of the Diocese require at least a 6-month marriage preparation period prior to a wedding. Contact the church office **BEFORE** making any arrangements and to receive complete instructions.


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