

PASTOR'S CORNER

This past week we had Lenten Mission Days in the four major zones of the Archdiocese. There were around 150-200 kids from 3rd thru 7th grade at each gathering. They last about three and a half hours. I am usually exhausted after. It is a delight to children from different area schools gather together and work together to form a better understanding of our baptismal call to be missionary.

Almost all the glass is installed in the rear window. The glass company has delayed the glass cutting and now says that they were short some of the decorative glass. Their delays have bumped the cost up considerably due to having the lift for such an extended period of time. However, I believe that the close to final project seems to be worth all of the headaches. Again, I want to thank the Midship Marine and the Hinojosa family who donated the framing and installation of the aluminum panels in honor of Michael Hinojosa, who died last year.

I pray that the CRS Rice bowls help us in forming a greater spirit of charity and deeper experience of Lent.

Love, Fr. Jimmy



TREE OF LIFE

We offer parishioners a way to remember a loved one, a special event, special sacrament or just to have a family name listed on one of our leaves on our Tree of Life. This tree is located on the St. Joseph side wall to the rear of our church. At your convenience check it out and call the parish office if you are interested in having a leaf engraved.

EVERY MONDAY MORNING

Come out and share the Word of God with friends! Join us on Monday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at Margaret Andrus' home, 5225 August Avenue, in Marrero. Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring a friend. If more information is needed call 340-2816.

Weekly Collections



Sunday, February 23, 2020

Weekly Collection

Envelopes.....	\$3,963.00
Loose.....	\$1,667.00
Total Collection.....	\$5,630.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$1,002.00

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Envelopes.....	\$5,227.00
Loose.....	\$1,857.00
Total Collection.....	\$7,084.00

Thank you for your generosity.



"Is there anyone sick among you? He should ask for the presbyters of the church. They, in turn, are to pray over him anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 11-35:J.4-J.5)

Parishioners who are seriously ill or anticipating hospitalization for a serious illness are requested to call the parish office if they wish to receive the sacrament. Some hospitals provide full time priests/chaplains. Patients are regularly visited and offered the sacrament of the anointing of the sick, as well as daily Communion. This, however, presumes inpatient admission. Those patients who are interested in receiving this sacrament, but are scheduled for outpatient or same day surgery, should call the parish office to ensure anointing before going to the hospital.

The ICS Pops will sponsor a **Fish Fry** on Friday evenings from 5:30pm—8:00 pm. during Lent in the school cafeteria. Please join us on March 6th, 13th, 20th and April 3rd.

Join us also for the School and Parish **Pre-Boil Family Fun Night** on Friday March 27th from 6:00 pm-10:00 pm. The evening will include class performances, food and drinks a live band and amusement rides. Admission is **FREE!**

Come back Saturday, March 28th, for our annual **Louisiana Crawfish Boil Championship** from 11:00 am until 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 ages 18 and up (\$30. at the gate), \$13.00 ages 13-17 with a valid school ID (\$15. at the gate). Purchase your tickets on line at: <https://louisiana-crawfish-boil-championships.eventbrite.com>

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



First Saturday, March 7th

7:00 a.m. Mass & Devotion to BM

4:00 p.m.

William Leake, Roy Scioneaux, Sr., P J & Marietta Flettrich, Philip Flettrich, III & Duane Keller, Betty Daigle, and Joyce Berthelot's death anniversary.

Sunday, March 8th

8:00 a.m.

Laurent & Betty Verdin, Russell Rudolph, Betty & Michael Daigle

10 a.m.

Junius Duhon, Virgi & Edward Andrus, Quentin J McGuire, Margaret Talmadge, Doris Carnes, Michael Hinojosa & Stein & Hinojosa Families.

12 Noon

Por todos los feligreses

6:00 p.m.

Bobby Verrett's 4 year death anniversary.

Monday, March 9th

6:00 p.m.

William Leake

Tuesday, March 10th

6:00 p.m.

Diane Chighizola Welch

Wednesday, March 11th

8:30 a.m. School Mass

Jamie David & Sal Monfra, Sr.

6:00 p.m.

Anna Mae Ricotta

Confirmation w/Bishop Cheri Fernand

Thursday, March 12th 7:00 p.m. No 6:00 p.m.

Mass

Friday, March 13th

6:00 p.m.

Betty Daigle & Special intentions for Walter Danner

6:30 pm Way of the Cross

7:00 pm Way of the Cross in Spanish.



Confessions will be available in all parishes on three consecutive Wednesdays, March 18th, March 25th, and April 1st, from 5:00 PM-6:30 PM, at Immaculate Conception Church, our time is 5pm-6pm.



You are invited to attend a **St. Joseph Altar**, given by Mary Gulizo Hennegan's Family and Friends on **March 19th** at 1721 Robin Street, Marroero. From **12 pm—6 pm**. Parking available at the Belle Terre Playground. Bring your family & friends.

SANCTUARY CLEANING



Mar 14—H. Huong, A. Lesnak, E. Lesnak, D. Melanson, M. Saucier, & P. Simmons

Mar 21—D. Barrilleaux, L. D'Aquin, V. Davis, D. DiMarco, M. Eiswirth, & S. Hymel.

SCHEDULE: MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

4:00 PM Mass Mar 14 & Mar 21— Robert Billiot, Elaine Klibert, Katie Liljeberg, Kim Ranson, Del Woolsey and Janice Thibodaux.

8:00 AM Mass Mar 15 & Mar 22— C. D'Aquin, R. Lamy, C. Lasserre, D. Modenbach and M. Verdin.

10:00 AM Mass Mar 22 — J. Bellanger, D. Barrilleaux, D. DiMarco, R. Rawle, F. Stevenson.

10:00 AM Mass Mar 15— P. Camardelle, L. D'Aquin, D & J. Mailhos, S. Nguyen

6:00 PM Mass Mar 15 & Mar 22— F. Lipovsky, H & G. Smith, S. Verret, D. Guise.

SCHEDULE: MINISTERS OF THE WORD

4:00 PM Mar 14— L. D'Aquin

Mar 21—G. Richard

8:00 AM Mar 15—C. Lasserre

Mar 22— D. Rudolph

10:00AM Mar 15—P. Simon

Mar 22— K. Moser

6:00 PM Mar 15—J. Jordan

Mar 22— H. Smith

VIGIL LIGHTS



This week the vigil light at the Blessed Sacrament is in loving memory of Bobby Verrett, and PJ & Marietta Flettrich.



This week the vigil light at the St. Joseph Statue is in loving memory of Bobby Verrett, & Philip Flettrich, III & Duane Keller.



This week the vigil light at the Blessed Mother Statue is in loving memory Roy Scioneaux, Sr.

This notice can now be found in many French Churches (Eng. Translation): It is possible that on entering this church, you may hear the Call of God. On the other hand, it is not likely that He will contact you by phone. Thank you for turning off your phone. If you would like to talk to God, come in, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you would like to see Him, send Him a text while driving.

EL RINCÓN DEL PASTOR

La semana pasada tuvimos días de misión cuaresmal en las cuatro zonas principales de la Arquidiócesis. Había alrededor de 150-200 niños de tercer a séptimo grado en cada reunión. Duran unas tres horas y media. Normalmente estoy agotado después. Es una alegría para los niños de diferentes escuelas del área, ya que se reúnen y trabajan juntos para comprender mejor nuestro llamado bautismal a ser misioneros.

Casi todo el vidrio está instalado en la ventana trasera. La compañía de vidrio ha retrasado el corte del vidrio y ahora dice que les faltó algo de vidrio decorativo. Sus retrasos han aumentado el costo considerablemente debido a que tienen el ascensor durante un período de tiempo tan extenso. Sin embargo, creo que el proyecto casi final parece valer todos los dolores de cabeza. Nuevamente, quiero agradecer a Midship Marine y a la familia Hinojosa que donaron la estructura y la instalación de los paneles de aluminio en honor a Michael Hinojosa, quien murió el año pasado.

Rezo para que los tazones de arroz de CRS nos ayuden a formar un mayor espíritu de caridad y una experiencia más profunda de la Cuaresma.

Con Amor P. Jimmy



Ofrecemos a los feligreses una manera especial de recordar a un ser querido, un evento especial, un sacramento especial o simplemente tener el nombre de algún familiar en una de nuestras hojas de nuestro árbol de la vida. Este árbol se encuentra en la pared lateral de San José, en la parte trasera de nuestra iglesia. Sientase cómodo en echar un vistazo el cualquier momento y llame a la oficina parroquial si usted está interesado en tener una hoja grabada. Gracias.



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GRUPO DE ORACIÓN Y HORA SANTA

El Grupo de Oración Jesús Con Nosotros de la Renovación Carismática de Inmaculada Concepción te invita a que te unas con nosotros todos los miércoles a las 7:30. Estamos en la Capilla de la Escuela, ubicada en la Ave. D Para mas información favor llama al (504) 220-4084 o al 615-9341.

Los ICS Pops patrocinan pescado frito cada viernes por la noche de 5:30 a 8:00 p.m. durante la Cuaresma en la cafetería de la escuela. Únase a nosotros el 6 de marzo, 13 de marzo, 20 de marzo y 3 de abril.

Únase a nuestra escuela y parroquia a una Noche de diversión familiar el viernes 27 de marzo de 6:00 a 10:00 p.m. La noche incluirá presentaciones en clase, comida y bebidas, una banda en vivo y atracciones. La admisión es gratis. Únase a nosotros para nuestro **Campeonato anual de crawfish** el sábado 28 de marzo de 11:00 a.m. a 8:00 p.m. Precios de las entradas: \$ 25 a partir de los 18 años o (\$ 30 en la puerta) \$ 13.00 a las edades de 13 a 17 años con una identificación de la escuela válida o (\$ 15 en la puerta). Compre sus boletos en línea en: <https://louisiana-crawfish-boil-championships.eventbrite.com>



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS

Can our faith transform us into someone new? Abram and Sarai were an elderly childless couple living contentedly with his family. Then God told Abram to move to a new land where he would be the father of a great nation. Though the transformation comes later, today we hear its promise and see Abram's obedient response. We know that soon God will change their names to Abraham and Sarah as an outward sign of their transformation. In the second reading, we hear from another faithful person whom God renamed, Paul, who had been named Saul. Writing to Timothy, Paul reminds him that their lives were transformed, as was life itself, by the resurrection of Christ Jesus. This brings us to Jesus' visible transformation in the Gospel. Jesus is transfigured before the eyes of his closest friends. As at his baptism, God speaks from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him" (Matthew 17:5). So we listen, as did they. His first words when this vision was complete were, "Rise, and do not be afraid" (Matthew 17:7). They did so, as did Abraham and Sarah, and Paul & Timothy. Now it is incumbent upon us to do the same, trusting God, always willing to be transformed.

My House Men's Group, A Ministry of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, has begun a new Westbank Chapter. This is a support group for men struggling with addiction to pornography. This program is a Catholic, confidential 12 step program. For more information, please contact Michael Valldares at 504-224-1429 if you are interested in attending or have any concerns.

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

"The Eucharist is alive!" If a stranger who knew nothing about the Eucharist were to watch the way we receive, would he know this? When you and I approach the Eucharist, does it look like we believe we are about to take into our bodies the living person, Jesus Christ, true God and true man? How many times, Lord, have I forgotten that the Eucharist is alive! As I wait in line to receive you each day, am I thinking about how much you want to unite yourself with me? Am I seeking your hands filled with the graces you want to give me?

In the Gospel Jesus is transfigured. His face shines like the sun, his clothes become white as light. He is joined by his closest friends, as well as Moses and Elijah. They hear God's voice from the cloud: "This is my beloved Son" (Matthew 17:5). In just a few weeks Jesus will be disfigured. He will be struck, scourged, spat upon, and mocked with a crown of thorns. Spikes will pierce his hands and feet as he is nailed to a cross. His friends will have abandoned him. There will be no voice from a cloud; Jesus will believe himself forsaken by his Father. Bystanders will think he is calling for Elijah. We are called to accept both visions of his identity: the disfigured Victim, the transfigured Lord. Transfigured today, Jesus becomes disfigured for our sins, to be transfigured in glory in the end. • God's blessings are not showered down on us as a reward for anything we have done. Abram had done nothing of significance before the passage we hear today, in which God promises to bless him in five ways (founder of a great nation, blessed personally, bless his name, bless those who bless him, curse those who curse him). Paul reminds Timothy that God saved us "not according to our works but according to (God's) own design" (2 Timothy 1:9). God's ultimate blessing, of course, is Jesus himself. We did nothing to merit his incarnation, let alone his ultimate sacrifice. • Jesus' final line of today's Gospel reads like a spoiler alert: "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead" (Matthew 17:9). It is as if Peter, James, and John had seen an advance trailer that could ruin the ending for everyone else. No worries. In the next chapter of Matthew, the disciples argue over who is the greatest. It appears that they have missed the point once again. They are still struggling with God's command: "Listen to him" (17:5). Question of the Week: How can I listen to Jesus over the next week? What is he telling me?



We are hosting a Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the Woman's New Life Clinic on March 21 & 22, please take a bottle after Mass and return it the following weekend filled with coins, dollars, or a check to support this life-affirming ministry.



CYO will meet April 19th bring the kids out for the CYO Easter egg hunt after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Donuts will be served in the Parish Hall after the Easter egg hunt. Please join us.