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July 9, 2023 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"COME TO ME, ALL YOU WHO LABOR AND ARE BURDENED." —MT 11:28

14 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MASS OF ANTICIPATION (VIGIL)

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM

SUNDAY:

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 5:00 PM MONDAY, WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY:

8:15 AM

TUESDAY: 6:00 PM

OUR CLERGY:

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THE MISSION OF ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

is to bestow Christ's love through worship, education, outreach and stewardship that will provide an avenue for salvation to our parishioners.



THIS BULLETIN IS FOR DANIEL GUIDRY



PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 9TH

MONDAY, JULY 10TH

- Vacation Bible School 1:00 PM—5:00 PM in FLC
- Men's ACTS Retreat Team Meeting 6:30 PM

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

- Men's Prayer Group at 6:00 AM in FLC
- Vacation Bible School 1:00 PM—5:00 PM in FLC
- Adoration from 3:00 PM—5:30 PM in the church
- KC Bingo at 7:00 PM at 346 Fir St

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

- Vacation Bible School 1:00 PM—5:00 PM in FLC
- Confessions at 8:45 AM in the church
- Women's Holy Hour w/confessions 7:00 PM in church

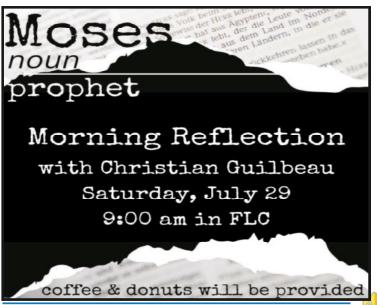
THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

- LEGION OF MARY 9:15 AM
- Vacation Bible School 1:00 PM—5:00 PM in FLC

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

Vacation Bible School 1:00 PM—5:00 PM in FLC
 SATURDAY JULY 15TH







Join us this summer for Vacation Bible School 1 pm—5 pm in the Family Life Center K—6th Grade for 2023-24 School Year Contact Linda at the Church office

Congratulations to the following couple that was married in our church

Gerald Carl Kleive & Rita Joyce Christ Dupre Married 6/22/2023



Knights of Columbus Scholarship

\$400 to be given to eligible students enrolled in a Catholic High School in our Archdiocese. One scholarship will be awarded to an individual entering 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. Contact the church office for guidelines and an application.



Men's Retreat 8/24/23-8/27/23

Registration forms are on the website www.sjachurch.com and at the church office.



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SACRAMENTS

CONFESSIONS: Before the Vigil Mass & all Sunday Masses and at 8:45 AM on Wednesdays and First Saturdays. **BAPTISMS:** First Sunday of the month following the 10 AM Mass. To begin the preparation process, call the

WEDDINGS: Arrangements must be made at least 8 months prior to the wedding. Call the Parish Office to schedule a meeting with a priest and to book the church.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office or 504-584-6079 (evenings).

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Many young people want to make a path for themselves in life without the help and guidance of others. My own young adult son oftentimes refuses assistance because he feels that he must learn to go it alone and have his achievements based solely upon his effort. However, few truly get anywhere of circumstance without the aid of others.

The body of Christ only functions well when we move together and help each other. Unfortunately, too often parts of the body seek to do their own thing and do not integrate with the other parts. We use our gifts in ways that are only focused on our own gains and our own being. But be mindful, our gifts exist in us to be cultivated and shared with God and his people.

In the same manner, with Jesus as the head of this body, he is there for us as well. In Jesus we find our rest and assistance with our burdens. I cannot imagine life without the compassion and aid of our God. If it isn't bad enough that some people fail to lean on their brothers and sisters, some of them fail to ever turn to God.

This is never good stewardship. A stewardship way of life seeks to share and integrate with others, especially Jesus. We have been created for community. If we take seriously our discipleship, a true relationship with Jesus always beckons us into community with other believers. Here we are strongest. Here we are the most fruitful. Here we are Christ's body on earth.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

It is time to elect a new Pastoral Council. These individuals help the priest with decisions regarding the church and parish activities. If there is someone you feel would be an asset to Fr. David and the parish, kindly tell us about them. Nominations forms are located in the pews. Please return them by July 20th - they can be dropped in the collection basket, brought to the church office or emailed to secrtary@sjachurch.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TREASURE

"...God loves a cheerful giver."

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

6/21—6/29	Online		N	Mass/Mail-in	
Regular Contributions:	\$ 3,194.88		\$	6,711.50	
Capital Improvement	\$	20.00	\$	1,552.00	
Endowment	\$	10.00	\$	0.00	

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Opening Procession

People often have questions about the opening procession at the beginning of every mass. Why do we do it? Where did it come from? Is it symbolic? Who walks in it? What are the objects carried in it? How do we decide who and what goes in it? What should we be paying attention to in it? These are all common questions.

The procession is symbolic. Like all the symbols of the Church, the procession has layers of meaning. For example, it calls to mind Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem as he began the events of Holy Week which we know led to his passion, death, and resurrection. The priest, who is acting in the person of Christ, processes to the altar to enter into Christ's eternal sacrifice as he offers the mass. This is why we stand to greet the celebrant at every mass. The procession also serves as a reminder that our lives are a journey toward Heaven. Every church should remind us of Heaven and so part of what the procession symbolizes is us leaving behind the ways and worries of the world as we prepare to lift our hearts to Heaven.

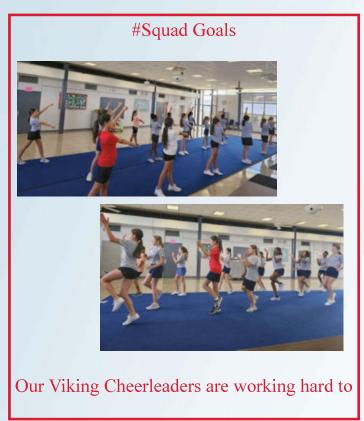
The procession is comprised of elements that symbolize the areas Christ is particularly manifested. In more elaborate processions, the use of incense before certain symbols helps to draw more attention to those. In general, though the procession is led by servers carrying the cross and candles, symbolizing Christ lighting our way by means of his own life, death, and resurrection. Following the cross and candles are usually more servers who will minister in some way either as acolytes, lectors, extraordinary ministers, etc. In some cases, people who are being honored in a particular liturgy are invited to process behind the servers, (Highschool seniors at their graduation mass, sometimes key members of the community, etc.) These all symbolize the community's offering to God. Next, comes the clergy. If deacons are present, one is usually carrying the Book of the Gospels, symbolizing Christ being made manifest in His words. Finally, the priest who is serving as the celebrant of the mass, whether alone or accompanied by concelebrating priests. The priest represents Christ Himself. At minimum, the procession must include the celebrant.

As for the people attending mass, we should be observing the procession prayerfully and participating by singing the opening hymn which should be either from the psalms or from the hymn book. The processional hymn should be a song of praise to God. We should also remember that when we enter song, we also enter prayer. Further, some people choose to bow as the cross and the celebrant pass them, which is certainly appropriate, but different cultures have their own traditions regarding that. So, we should be on the look out during the procession. As the symbols pass us by, we should use that opportunity to consciously make the effort to lift our hearts and minds to God, calling to mind the purpose of mass which is worship Him.

—Christian Guilbeau









CALLED TO PRAYER

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gerald Bercegeay, Bryan Bourgeois, Elizabeth Bourgeois, Marlene Bourgeois, Brynleigh Bowers, Jamie Brady, Mary Breaud, Melanie Deslatte Brown, Zachary Brown, Hayden Cashio, Felix Cerami, Mary Cooper, Stephen Cupit, Edward Demley, Lorraine & Kernis Dugas, Mavis Dumas, Tommy Dupuy, Kenny Jo Edmonds, Jr., Austin Falgout, Brantley & Oakley Falgout, Lisa Falgout, Ryan Falgout, Lakin Felder, Caleb Gary, Reyna Gary, Linda & Warren Gaudin, Joan George, Rowena Guillot, Eddie Harris, Sandy Haydel, Larry Hebert, Mary Hebert, Lorraine Hebert, Elexia Henderson, Dustin Hopkins, F.J. Keller, Brother Benedict Kelley, Jonathan L., Geraldine Labat, Acadia LaBranche, Randy Lambert, Carson Landry, Megan Landry, Meredith Landry, Shirley Lawrence, Sue LeBlanc, Wanda Lee, Rebecca Vicknair Lewis, Bryan Madere, Luce Marks (the barber), Dale McClain, Faith McNeely, Godfrey McNeely, Casey McKee, Lawrence Michele, Jill Montz, Steven Montz, Millicent A. Mullen, Deanna Normand, Brenda Ola, James Oubre, Janice Parquette, Lee Perilloux, Charlee Grace Petit, Dillan Pope, Bill Provence, Mary Punch, Jennifer Redlin, Joel Rivera, Carmen Rivere, Clyde & Mable Rixner, Michael & Brenda Romain, Nick Rose, Ceothile Roy, Michael Scallan, Althea Schaefer, Special intention, Stephanie Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Smith & family, Andrea Tamplain, Frankie Tarullo, Leslie Terry, Ty Triche, Ron Troxler, Brayden Turner, Marie Turner, Steven Turner, Kathy Tuson, Dawn Wactor, Glenda Wactor, Darlene Wempren, Hayden White, David Snyder, Shelly Bourg, Vivienne Rettinger, Martha Menard, Wilbert Ocmond, Louis Prejean; Linda Feucht

To add someone to the prayer list, contact the church office at 985-652-9100

JULY PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS:

July 9—Rev. Joseph M. Hund, O.F.M.
July 10—Rev. Dominic Arcuri

July 11— Very Rev. Henry J. Davis, S.S.J., V.F. (2nd)
July 12— Very Rev. Roberto Merced, O.P. (2nd)
July 13— Rev. Msgr. Bruce Miller, J.C.L.
July 14— Rev. Michael O'Neill (13th)
July 15— Rev. Muuna Lawrence Murori (16th)



ST. JOAN OF ARC PATRON OF SOLDIERS, PRAY FOR US

May God keep special watch over these men and women in the United States Military.

Wesley Triche

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Vanessa Poulin
Cadet Christopher Purnell
Brett Rosa
Lt. Cdr. Mark Zachary Roussel
1st Lt. Matthew Suarez
Cpt. Nick Sutton



PARISH INFORMATION

A PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season from all harm. Protect

us and our homes from all disasters of nature.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

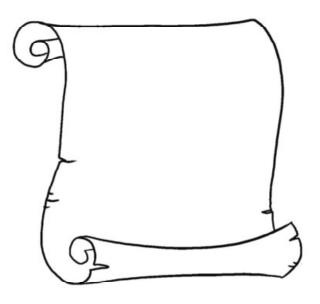


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KIDS' CORNER



Draw a place you like to rest.



Sharing the Gospel: When you are tired and upset, go to God. Talk things over with him. Tell him the whole story. God is a good listener. He has a gentle heart. He will say to you, "I love you. I forgive you." Then snuggle up with your favorite blanket and take a nap. When you wake up, you will feel much better. Then you will share your love by saying, "May I help you?"

Mission for the Week: I will tell God when I am tired and upset. He will calm me.



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Mon July 10 2023

8:15 AM: Deceased Members of the Oubre & Vilemont

Families

Tue, July 11, 2023 - tS. Benedict, Abbott

6:00 PM: Patrick Cupit

WED, July 12, 2023

8:15 AM: Sue Arceneaux

THUR, July 13, 2023 – St. Henry

8:15 AM: Rosemary Morrison

Fri, July 14, 32023 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

8:15 AM: Norman Amedee

*SAT, July 15, 2023-*St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:15 PM: Barbara Jacob Tucker

SAT, July 15, 2023 – Anticipatory, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM: Jim Riley; Rosemary Morrison; Living & Deceased Members of the Cupit & Rayne Families; Deceased Members of the Rollo & Dottolo Families; David Dill, III; Mark Chapman; Jean Fuselier; Leroy Gravois; Joseph S. & Muriel Millet; Sarah Grosse; Barbara Jacob Tucker; Eddie Jouty, Jr.; Guy Clement; Judy Noveh; Kevin & Shawn Keller; Jennie & Octave Mabile; All Living & Deceased Members of the F. J. Keller Family; All Living & Deceased Members of the Mabile Family; Ryan Falgout; Austin Falgout; Lloyd Simoneaux; Therese' & Foster Cambre; Melanie Deslatte Brown; Herman, Jr. & Karen Deslatte; Herman, Sr. & Marie Deslatte; Pete Brown; Sarah Brown; Olga & John Porteous; Patricia Kleive; Father Cory Ford; Michael Brouwer; Earl Mannina; Brandon Pollet; Lester & Jean Pollet; Michael & Polly Remondet; Ronald Faucheux; Charmain Faucheux; Michael LaRosa; Earline Jouty; Connie Thorn; Dolly Ocmond; Gloria Berger; Nita Joyce Bourque; Theodore J. Galalas; Roussel Anthony LeBoeuf

Sun, July 16, 2023 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM: Norris "Butch" Millet

10:00 AM: Mass for the People

5:00 PM: Ferrol "CoCo" Keating; Deceased Members of the Oubre & Vilemont Families; Sandra Oubre; Mark Chapman; All Priests in the New Orleans Archdiocese; Archbishop Gregory Aymond; Father Jeff Montz; David Faucheux; Foster & Therese' Cambre; Malcolm Cambre; Grace Pierson; The Deceased Members of the Olidy & Elise Hymel Family; The Douglas Cambre Family; Roland Clement; Michael Brouwer; Ronald Faucheux; Charmain Faucheux; Connie Thorn; Dolly Ocmond; David Tregre; Jay Ory

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Gospel Reflection

Question: I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer: If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back. This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.

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