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June 1, 2025 **Ascension of the Lord**

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MASS SCHEDULE:

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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

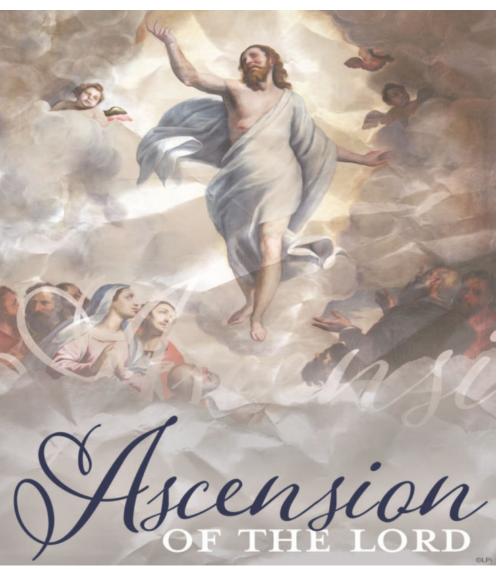
TUESDAY: 6:00 PM

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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.





SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST—ASCENSION OF THE LORD Monday, June 2nd TUESDAY, JUNE 3RD

- Tuesday Morning Disciples 6:00 AM in FLC
- Adoration 3:00 PM 5:30 PM in church
- Bingo 7:00 PM in KC Hall

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH

- Confessions 8:45 AM in church
- Divine Mercy 4:00 PM in church

THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH

- Legion of Mary 9:30 AM in the St. Joseph Room
- OCIA 5:30 PM in St. Joseph's Room
- Chancel Choir 6:30 PM in church

FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH

First Saturday Devotions 7:00 AM in church





FIRST SATURDAY Devotions

Confession 7:00 AM

Rosary 7:30 AM

Mass 8:15 AM

Rosary Reflection 8:45 AM



Our Divine Mercy Cenacle meets every other Wednesday at 4:00 PM in church.

Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, June 4th.

St. John Ministry of Care



Please drop off donations at Ministry of Care or the gathering space in church.

The St. John Ministry of Care is now located at 2807 US-51 in LaPlace. They are open on Wednesdays from 10AM-2 PM.

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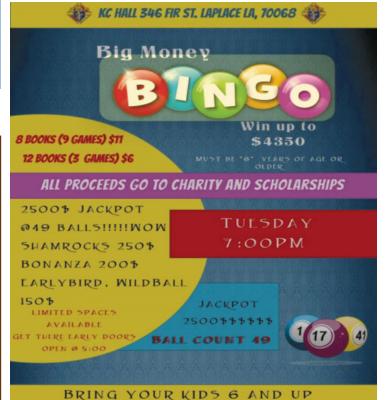


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SACRAMENTS

CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes Before the Vigil Mass & all Sunday Masses, at 8:45 AM on Wednesdays, and 7:00 AM on First Saturdays.

BAPTISMS: First Sunday of the month following the 10 AM Mass. To begin the preparation process, call the Parish Office.

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

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

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2 Cor.9:7

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED 5/16—5/23

	Online	Mass/Mail-in
Regular Contributions:	\$ 3,013.00	\$ 7,156.00
Capital Improvements:	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00
Diocesan Retired Priest	\$ 0.00	\$ 82.00

There is no Second Collection this weekend.



It was a Delta flight from Salt Lake City to Phoenix, and it looked like an on-time departure. As the large plane rolled away from the gate, the pilot announced over the intercom: "Ladies and Gentlemen, the crew outside didn't fill up the tanks with fuel. We are going back to the gate to wait for them." The passengers groaned with impatience. But over the next hour, we knew the waiting had a purpose: it meant fuel to get us to our destination.

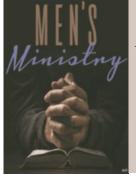
The disciples at the Lord's Ascension are in a similar predicament but on a massively higher plane. They want the Kingdom of God to begin on earth as it is in heaven. But Jesus says, "I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high" (Luke 24:49). They stay together in prayer in Jerusalem and wait nine long days until the Holy Spirit descends. Empowered by supernatural gifts, they go forth to the ends of the earth and to their deaths proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. The wait was worth it.

Before you begin a task or endeavor, do you take time to patiently pray for the Holy Spirit to come? The bigger the task, the more ardent the prayer should be. Try it this week, and you'll be clothed with power to get where God wants you to go.

— Father John Muir

ADVERTISER SPOTLIGHT





All men of the parish are invited to attend the **Tuesday Morning Disciples** prayer group. Join us
Tuesday mornings from
6:00 am - 7:00 am in the FLC for coffee and fellowship.





Registration for the 2025-26
Family Catechesis (formerly PSR) program
is now open. You can register on the church website
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Congratulations Viking class of 2025 and best of luck on your next adventure.



SJA & your Little Buddies will miss you!



CALLED TO PRAYER

PLEASE KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Joey Arcuri, Ryan J. Aubert, Gerald Bercegeay, Fr. Bill Blank; Madeline Bourg, Bryan Bourgeois, Elizabeth Bourgeois, Wallace Bourgeois, Jr., Brynleigh Bowers, Mary Breaud, Zachary Brown, Paulette Cambre, Hayden Cashio, Felix Cerami, Dustin Compagno, Karen Brignac Cook, Mary Cooper, Stephen & Peggy Cupit, Wanda Davis, Trenice Dearmas, Nathan DeLuke, Edward Demley, Lorraine & Kernis Dugas, Mavis Dumas, Tommy Dupuy, Kenny Jo Edmonds, Jr., Austin Falgout, Brantley & Oakley Falgout, Lisa Falgout, Ryan Falgout, Tammy Faucheux, Lakin Felder, Linda Feucht, Carl Freeman, Caleb Gary, Reyna Gary, Warren Gaudin, Joan George, Rowena Guillot, Zachary Hall, Eddie Harris, Sandy Haydel, Larry Hebert, Mary Hebert, Lorraine Hebert, Elexia Henderson, F.J. Keller, Wayne Kimball, Jonathan L., Geraldine Labat, Acadia LaBranche, Penny LaBranche, Randy Lambert, Carson Landry, Megan Landry, Meredith Landry, Raymond Laviolette, Jr., Shirley Lawrence, Wanda Lee, Rebecca Vicknair Lewis, Bryan Madere, Dorothy & Jennifer Massi, Dale McClain, Belinda Millet; Casey McKee, Lawrence Michele, Jill Montz, Steven Montz, Deanna Normand, Wilbert Ocmond, Brenda Ola, James Oubre, Janice Parquette, Lee Perilloux, Charlee Grace & Adam Pete Pitre, Dillan Pope, Bill Provence, Mary Punch, Jennifer Redlin, Joel Rivera, Michael & Brenda Romain, Nick Rose, Ceothile Roy, Michael Scallan, Mark Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Smith & Family, Andrea Tamplain, Frankie Tarullo, Leslie Terry, Ty Triche, Ron Troxler, Brayden, Marie, & Steven Turner, Jenni Vicknair, Dawn Wactor, Glenda Wactor, Toby Weber, Hayden White; John Wille To add a parishioner to the prayer list, contact the church office at

JUNE PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS:

985-652-9100

June 2— Rev. Scott Underwood, O.S.B

June 3— All Retired Priests

June 4— Pope Leo XIV

June 5— Rev. Andrew Gutierrez

June 6— Rev. Oswald dP. Pierre-Jules, S.S.J.

June 7— Rev. Jonathan L. Brown, S.J.

June 8— For Vocations



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

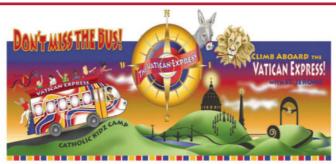
May God keep special watch over these men and women in the United States Military.

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Casey Williams Deen
Cpl Bryce Fincher
Raymond Gendron, III
Cpt. Thomas Gray
LCpl Jonathan Grenier
PFC Michael Hanley
Cpt. Alex Hernandez
Cpt. Ashley Hernandez
Cpt. Cameran Hymel

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LCpl Matthew Johnston
Edwin Preston Johnston
Sgt. SPC Dylan L. Mabile
PO3 Alexander J. Norris
SFC Paul J. Pena
2nd Lt. James Perilloux
Brett Rosa
Lt. Cdr. Mark Zachary Roussel
1st Lt. Matthew Suarez
Cpt. Nick Sutton
Wesley Triche
CDR Jose I. Lavastida

UPCOMING EVENTS



Dates: June 23 - 27 Times: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: St. Joan of Arc Family Life center
Grades: PK4 - 6th Registration Fee: \$30 per child
Don't let your kidz miss the bus, sign them up on the parish website
www.sjachurch.com. Deadline to register is June 13th.
For more information, please contact Mrs. Linda Monistere
dre@sjachurch.com or 985-651-1072

40TH Anniversary

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Invites you to join us in celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood for

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Mon, May 26, 2025—St. Philip Neri, Priest

8:15 AM: Leroy Gravois

Tues, May 27, 2025—St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Deceased Members of the Oubre & Vilemont 6:00PM:

Families

Wed, May 28, 2025

8:15 AM: Elizabeth P. Martin

Thurs, May 29, 2025—St. Paul VI, Pope (Ascension of Our Lord)

8:15 AM: Larry Martin

Fri, May 30, 2025

8:15 AM: Rebecca Ory

Sat, May 31,2025—The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 AM: Sammy Arcuri

Sat, May 31,2025—Anticipatory, Ascension of the Lord

4:30 PM: Julia Rayne Cupit

Sun, June 1, 2025—Ascension of the Lord

David Dill, III; Jeanette Cashio; Marlene 8:00 AM: Bourgeois; Daniel Guidry; Sue LeBlanc; Jonathan Boucvalt; Marie Ory Dupont; Kathleen Rodrigue; Norris "Butch" Millet; Dr. Billy St. Martin; Westley & Vivian St. Pierre; Judy Perrilloux; Glen McDonald; Angie Roussel; Don Franke; James Vicknair; Enola Zeringue Trosclair; Anna Duong; Joseph Trinh; Anna Vu; Peter Tran; Francis Hung Trinh; All Souls; Living & Deceased Members of the Trinh & Tran Families; Joey Arcuri; Jeanette Roussel; Paul Tran Le; Carmen Landry Rivere; Henry, Alice Mae, & Gil Maurin; Therese` & Foster Cambre; Melanie Deslatte Brown; Herman, Jr. & Karen Deslatte; Herman, Sr. & Marie Deslatte; Pete Brown; Sarah Brown; Amedee & Maisie Abadie

10:00 AM: Mass for the People

ST. JOAN OF ARC PARISH

5:00 PM: Melba & Charlie Catoire; Vincent Rollo; Edna & Mack Reine, Sr.; Jeanette Cashio; Marlene Bourgeois; Daniel Guidry; Sue LeBlanc; Living & Deceased Members of the Fisher & Melancon Families; David Faucheux; Foster & Therese` Cambre; Malcolm Cambre; Grace Pierson; The Deceased Members of the

Olidy & Elise Hymel Family; The Douglas Cambre Family; Lloyd Simoneaux; Wallace & Bertha Vicknair & Family; Madere & Aycock Family; Arthur Dixon; James Vicknair; Palmer "Paul" L. Gil; Shelbi Ory

Candles will Burn the week of May 26 to June 1 for:

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Elizabeth Martin

CONVENT LIGHT

John & Olga Porteous

SACRED HEART CHAPEL LIGHT

Julia Rayne Cupit



GOSPEL REFLECTION

The famous 20th century St. Padre Pio said once that he would wait outside the gates of heaven until the people in his life had entered. I'm not sure that I, or frankly many people I know, would say that and mean it. Yet that is precisely the kind of attitude we see in Jesus as he prays for us in the Gospel today. Having celebrated the Ascension of the Lord just a few days ago, we now hear the Son of God at the Last Supper pray to his Father "that they may be brought to perfection as one" (John 17:23). What does this mean for us?

I'd wager that we are not surprised that Jesus wants to make us perfect — that is, happy, whole, and healed. The shocker is that he desires this for us collectively and not just individually. Perfection is a team sport. We need each other to be perfect. Jesus is like a mother longing for her adult children to learn how to be in loving support of one another. He wants the perfection of his disciples to be not some individualistic plan of moral uprightness, but a loving communion of brothers and sisters.

Let's apply this practically. Do I see my participation at Mass as something I do merely for my own peace and edification, or as something I do with and for the people around me? Do I see my ongoing need for forgiveness as something that simply makes me feel better, or as a task that heals those around me, too? Is my dearest hope to individually get to heaven when I die, or is it to be part of the great procession of souls, together marching towards the heavenly Jerusalem? Do I want to be in heaven with people I currently find difficult? How would my life change if I did?

— Father John Muir





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