



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart.

Psalms 19:9

Mission Statement: Stirred by the Holy Spirit, the mission of Holy Family Parish is to evangelize our community with the transforming power of Christ through love and compassion for God and neighbor.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am, 3 pm (español)
Tues/Wed: 5 pm
Thurs/Fri/first Sat: 9 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm
and by appointment (call the office)

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month,
9:30 am-4:30 pm

Marriages

Contact Fr Kyle at least six months
prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

Youth Ministry

Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

RCIA (instruction for new Catholics)

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, noon.

From Our Pastor:

SUNDAY IN THE LITURGICAL YEAR, part 1 Reflections on *DIES DOMINI*: Apostolic Letter of Pope St John Paul II on Keeping the Lord's Day Holy

"With its weekly recurrence, the Lord's Day is rooted in the most ancient tradition of the Church and is vitally important for the Christian. But there was another rhythm which soon established itself: *the annual liturgical cycle*. Human psychology in fact desires the celebration of anniversaries, associating the return of dates and seasons with the remembrance of past events. When these events are decisive in the life of a people, their celebration generally creates a festive atmosphere which breaks the monotony of daily routine.

Now, by God's design, the great saving events upon which the Church's life is founded were closely linked to the annual Jewish feasts of Passover and Pentecost, and were prophetically foreshadowed in them" (*DD*, 76).

In the liturgical year the Church, in Christ, wishes to sanctify and celebrate not just the glory of Easter every Sunday, but that every day has been imbued with the light and life of Christ.

This, as the Holy Father says, is foreshadowed in the feasts celebrated by the Jewish people as laid out in the Law in the twenty-third chapter of the book of Leviticus. It starts with the weekly celebration of the Sabbath. Then it outlines the six yearly celebrations in the Jewish calendar — a seventh would be added much later. Each feast was intended to help sanctify the Jewish people, leading them to a holy life. Scripture scholar Victor Hamilton explains it this way, "Part of living the holy life is, according to Leviticus 23, giving God control over one's time weekly and seasonally, orienting one's work around worship, not vice versa." With each of these seven feasts, work ceases so that celebration may be the sole focus of the Jewish people.

The first feast is Passover, the yearly remembrance of God's deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt through the sacrifice

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and meal of an unblemished lamb.

The second, the Feast of First Fruits, was connected to the beginning of the harvest, wherein the first fruits are offered to God.

Next came the Feast of Weeks, which was always 50 days after the celebration of the Passover. As the Jews began to speak Greek it received a second name connected to the 50 days, *Pentecost*. This celebration was connected to the end of the harvest — as acts of thanksgiving and penance, loaves and sheep were offered to God. As time went by, Pentecost/Feast of Weeks took on additional significance as a celebration of Moses receiving the Law on Mount Sinai.

After that was the Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah), marking the Jewish new year by recalling the first day of creation. Trumpets were blasted in celebration.

Later in the same month was Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. This was a day of penance as the people of God brought their sins to God to be forgiven.

The final celebration outlined in Leviticus 23 was the Feast of Tabernacles (or Booths), a seven-day celebration to close the agricultural year and prepare for the new one. People would build small huts outside their homes and spend the seven days in them in remembrance of the flight from Egypt.

When the Temple was restored and rededicated around 150 B.C., after the Greeks had desecrated it, a seventh feast was added as the candlesticks (the menorah) in the Temple were relit. This is the 8-day Festival of Lights, or Hanukkah.

Most of these celebrations were then incorporated into the life of the Church and celebrated in light of Christ. Passover became Easter; God chose to rededicate Pentecost by sending the Spirit on the Apostles on the same day. The Day of Atonement became Good Friday and Easter Sunday, where Christ takes upon Himself the sins of the people. The Feast of Booths' rituals of cleansing and water were incorporated into the Sunday liturgy and the sacramental life of the Church through baptism and the rites surrounding it. The Feast of Lights/Hanukkah, although around the time of Christmas, never formally entered the life of the Church. It usually falls around the time of the Immaculate Conception (wherein the new tabernacle of God was formed), but that liturgical celebration is under 200 years old. There is also Candlemas, the celebration of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple, which is February 2, when candles are traditionally blessed.

Next time, we'll dive deeper into how the celebration of the liturgical year sanctifies time.

¹ Victor Hamilton, *Handbook on the Pentateuch*, Baker Academic: Grand Rapids, MI, 289.



"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." ~ Peter to Jesus (John 6:68)

from *Catechism of the Catholic Church* on Sacred Scripture:

(CCC 1:1:2:3:V:103,104,131,133)

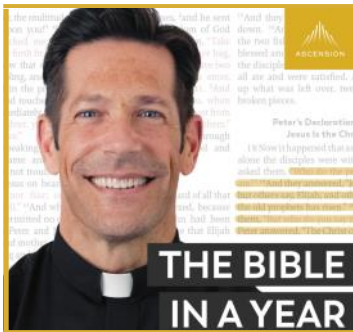
"The Church has always venerated the Scriptures as she venerates the Lord's Body. She never ceases to present to the faithful the bread of life, taken from the one table of God's Word and Christ's Body. In Sacred Scripture, the Church constantly finds her nourishment and her strength, for she welcomes it not as a human word, 'but as it really is, the word of God' (1 Thessalonians 2:13).

"In the sacred books, the Father who is in heaven comes lovingly to meet his children, and talks with them...

"Such is the force and power of the Word of God that it can serve the Church as her support and vigor, and the children of the Church as strength for their faith, food for the soul and a pure and lasting fount of spiritual life. Hence, access to Sacred Scripture ought to be open wide to the Christian faithful...

"The Church forcefully exhorts all the faithful to learn the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, by frequent reading of the divine Scriptures."

"Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." (St Jerome)



"Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light for my path." ~ Psalm 119:105

In *The Bible in a Year* podcast, Fr Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. This Catholic (Ascension Press) production is the #1 Bible podcast on Apple, Google, iHeartRadio, Spotify, and others! You will (1) read the *entire* Bible, (2) feel more confident in your understanding of Scripture, (3) experience the transformative power of God's Word in your daily life, and (4) start seeing the world through the lens of Scripture. Each 20-25 minute episode consists of 2 or 3 Scripture readings, Fr Mike's reflection/commentary, and a guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in His Word. Past episodes are always available, so you can begin on Day 1, listen at your own pace, and not miss anything.

YOU are God's beloved son or daughter. He wants to speak to you. Open your heart. Start today.

Class of 2022: scholarship opportunity

Annually, our KCs grant a scholarship to an outstanding Catholic boy and girl graduating high school. Students can access the application at: www.louisianakc.org > CYLA. Complete it on-line, then print and submit it to Mr Sid Zeringue by 1/24. Questions? Call him at 985-515-0806.

**The Bible is a love letter
from God
with your name on it.**

Peter Kreeft, Catholic author

Parish Breakfast!

next Sun 1/30
9:45 am

Y'all come!

no charge ~
donations welcome :)



Embracing the Feminine Genius: Mother/Daughter Event at St Jane, Abita Springs

St Jane de Chantal Parish in Abita Springs invites mothers and their daughters aged 10-14 to a special event by Dumb Ox Ministries on Saturday, January 29 from 10 am to noon in St Jane Hall, 72040 Maple St. Join us as we explore the meaning and gift of womanhood and the purpose of chastity and virtue. Hosting the event will be Katie Sanders Ibarra [who is Father Kyle's sister]; main speaker is Brandi Bellard, RN. This event is free and open to the public. Questions? Call the church office: 985-892-1439.



★ ★ ★ **MEN OF HOLY FAMILY: THIS IS FOR YOU** ★ ★ ★

SONS OF THE FATHER - REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE; REMEMBER *WHOSE* YOU ARE

The 2022 Archdiocese of New Orleans Men's Conference will be held on Sat 3/12, 8 am-3 pm, at St Catherine of Siena, Metairie. All men of Holy Family are invited to attend. The day includes empowering speakers, prayer, Mass, and reconciliation to help men reflect on what it means to be *Sons of the Father*. We hope this day fires up the men of our parish to grow in their love for Christ, their families, and one another, and to take their place in the life of the Church! Tickets are \$45, including breakfast, lunch, and a t-shirt. To register or learn more, visit nolacatholicmen.com. Vouchers are available to purchase registrations for a friend or loved one.

[Ladies: This would be a great gift for the men in your life.]

Please pray for:

Baby Emery
Joe Baldassaro Family
Manette Bateman
Hudsyn Blackwell
Jim Bradle
Jennifer Brown
Jase Cannon
Mary Ann Carlisle
Beverly Carries
Dwayne Champagne
Johnson Chouest
Carol d'Aquin
Heidi David
Paula Davis
Patsy Evans
Forbes Family
Frank Gennusa
Kellie Growel
Felicity Guillory
Special Intention (WH)
Lynnie Kass
Dan and Dana LeBlanc
Henry and Tina Lirette
Kristi Long
Christy Lorio
Jean Lugo
Rachel Miller
Leroy Mitchell
Joe and Jackie Monaco
Lisa Morlas
Marie Oswald
Mickey Power
Mary Louise Rasch
Roy Richard
Ryan Robinson
Lucille Scheurer
Claudia Simmons
Summer Simmons
Tom Sutherland
Nick Tullier
Stephanie Weeks

*Names stay on the list
for three months. To add
or retain someone, call
985-839-4040 or email
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This week's Scripture readings

Mon 1/24

*Francis de Sales
Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

2 Samuel 5:1-7,10

Psalms 89:21-26

Mark 3:22-30

Tues 1/25

Conversion of Paul the Apostle

Acts 22:3-16 9:1-22

Psalms 117:1-2

Mark 16:15-18

Wed 1/26

*Timothy and Titus
Bishops*

Titus 1:1-5

Psalms 96:1-3,7-8,10

Luke 10:1-9

Thurs 1/27

*Angela Merici
Virgin, Religious Founder*

2 Samuel 7:18-18,24-29

Psalms 133:1-5,11-14

Mark 4:21-25

Fri 1/28

*Thomas Aquinas
Priest, Doctor of the Church*

2 Samuel 11:1-10, 13-17

Psalms 51:3-7,10-11

Mark 4:26-34

Sat 1/29

Ordinary Time Weekday

2 Samuel 12:1-7,10-17

Psalms 51:12-17

Mark 4:35-41

Sun 1/30

*Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19

Psalms 71:1-6,15,17

1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13

Luke 1:1-4; 4:21-30

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim
the Real Presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.

It also burns **January 23-29**
in memory of **Doug LeBlanc**
by request of Eve LeBlanc



Mass Intentions

1/22	5 pm	Mike and Connie Baldassaro †Robert Estave Jr †Doug LeBlanc †Ernest 'Butch' LeBlanc Jr
1/23	8:30 am	†Alida and Frank Gennusa Sr †Linda Schomburg
1/23	11 am	Our Parishioners
1/23	3 pm	†Carey Bateman
1/25	5 pm	†Edward A. Buttner
1/26	5 pm	†Carey Bateman
1/27	9 am	Ben Zeringue
1/28	9 am	Paul Boudreaux

This week's second collection:

THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Funds are
given to
dioceses to
strengthen
families,
support
Catholic
education,
and foster
priestly and
religious
vocations.



Upcoming events

1/22-28	Novena for Life continues at each Mass
1/23	Bible Study 9:45 am
1/25	RCIA 6 pm
1/26	Y-Prep 6 pm
1/26	CYO 7 pm
1/28	Rosary 8:30 am
1/29	Confessions 3:30-4:30 pm
1/30	CCD 9:45 am
1/30	Parish Breakfast 9:45 am
2/1	RCIA 6 pm
2/2	Y-Prep 6 pm
2/4	Rosary 8:30 am

The current month's calendar is always downloadable
at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/parish-calendar.
Print copies are available in the church and in our office.

Stewardship Report

Regular Collection	\$ 3,527.00
Building Fund	\$ 100.00

Thank you for your generosity.