



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord." – 1 Corinthians 1:31

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Mass Schedule (may vary on holy days)

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: 985-839-4040

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Marriages:

Contact Fr Pedro at least six months
before anticipated date: 985-839-4040

Baptisms

Contact Fr Pedro: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

OCIA (Inquiry into the Catholic Faith)

Call the office 985-839-4040

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday, noon.



The Beatitudes reveal a way of living that is very different from what the world teaches. Jesus does not call blessed the powerful, the wealthy, or the self-sufficient. Instead, He points to those who are poor in spirit—those who recognize their need for God. When we let go of pride and self-reliance, we make room for God's grace, and it is there that the kingdom of heaven begins to take root in our lives.

Jesus also calls blessed those who mourn and those who are meek. Mourning reminds us that God is present in our pain and loss; He does not abandon us in suffering but promises comfort. Meekness, often misunderstood as weakness, is actually strength guided by humility. It is not silence in the face of wrong, but the choice to act with patience, restraint, and trust in God rather than anger or revenge.

The Beatitudes then turn our hearts toward desire—hungering and thirsting for righteousness. This longing is not about perfection or personal holiness alone, but about a deep commitment to truth, justice, and what is right before God. To hunger for righteousness means we cannot ignore wrongdoing when we see it. Love of truth requires that injustice, deception, and harm be named, especially when silence would allow them to continue. Calling out wrongdoing is not an act of judgment, but an act of faithfulness—one rooted in love for God, concern for others, and a desire for genuine conversion. When we seek righteousness in this way, God promises that our hearts will be satisfied, not by outcomes we control, but by living in alignment with His will.

Mercy and purity of heart draw us deeper into God's own nature. Mercy calls us to forgive as we have been forgiven, even when it is difficult, while still holding fast to truth. Purity of heart asks us to live with sincerity, integrity, and undivided love for God, refusing to excuse what is wrong for the sake of comfort or peace. When our intentions are rooted in love and honesty, we begin to see God more clearly—in prayer, in Scripture, and in the people around us.

Finally, Jesus blesses peacemakers and those who are persecuted for righteousness. Peacemakers do not avoid conflict at all costs; they bring God's love into broken and difficult situations, often at personal sacrifice. Those who remain faithful to truth, even when it leads to misunderstanding, resistance, or suffering, are reminded that their reward is not found in this world alone. The Beatitudes assure us that living the Gospel may be challenging, but it leads to true happiness, integrity of conscience, and eternal life with God.

Silver Wedding

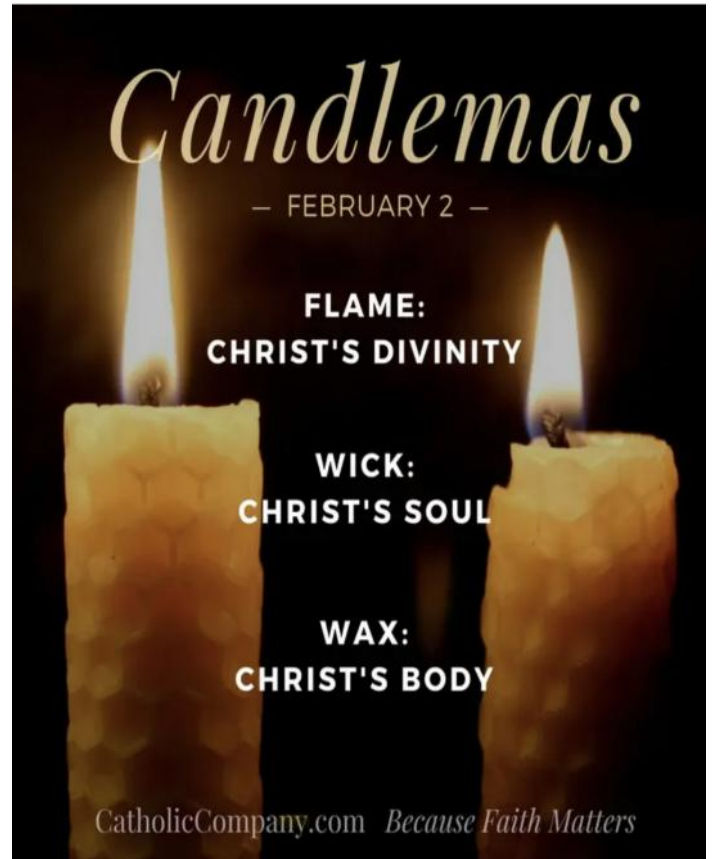
Anniversary Celebration

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce that the annual Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, March 15, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, New Orleans. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

The celebration is open to couples married between 1996 - 2001. To register, please contact your parish office before Monday, Feb. 2, 2026. Please Note: The Silver Wedding Anniversary celebration is a prayer service, not a Mass and will not fulfill the couple's Sunday obligation.

Please take note of the date changes:

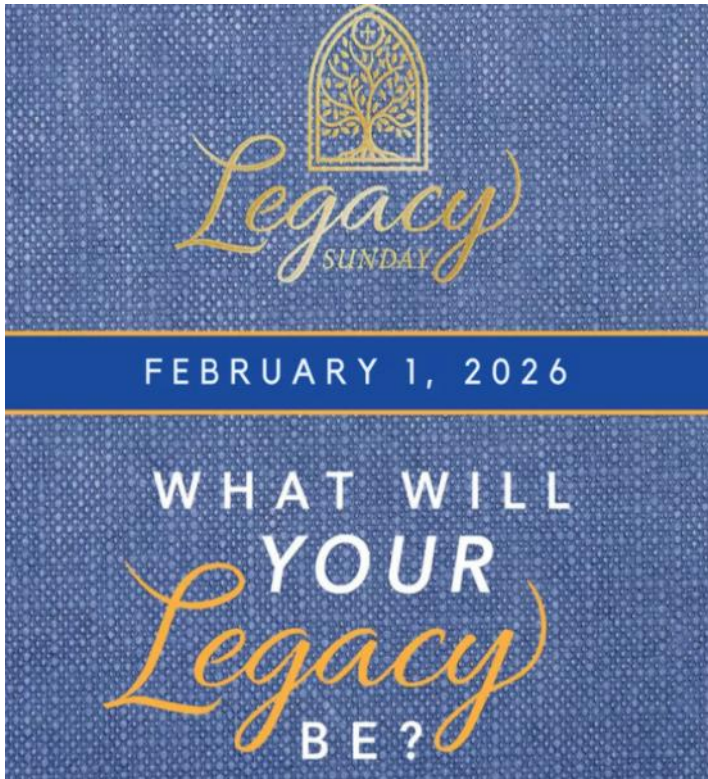
Family Faith Formation Class will NOT be on the 4th, but the 11th. Choir Practice will now be on the 4th instead of 11th. We had to swap those 2 dates. Thanks for understanding.



Join us this Monday, Feb. 2nd, for a Mass of the Presentation of the Lord or Candlemas @ 5:00 PM. Bring a candle from home or we will have some available.

Save the date June 29th -July 3rd,





Visit ccfnola.org/legacysunday

Congratulations to Claire McGuire!

Holy Family is proud to congratulate **Claire McGuire** on being named **Volunteer of the Year** by the **Washington Parish Chamber of Commerce** and the **Washington Parish Economic Development Foundation**. This well-deserved honor recognizes Claire's dedication, generosity, and tireless service to our parish and the wider community. We are grateful for her leadership and commitment, and we celebrate this wonderful achievement with her!

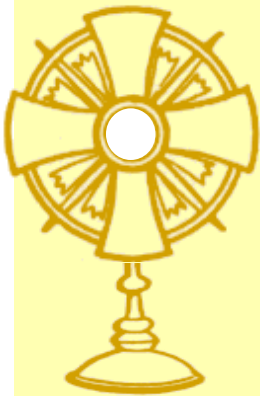


We are still in needed of people/families for the **Vocation Cross**.

Contact Gina Burdett: 985-320-2744

Sign-up sheet on back table

"Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth..."



An invitation from the Lord through His prophet Zephaniah, which we hear in today's First Reading.

Let us take these words to heart!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6
9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
BENEDICTION 4:30 PM

sign up for an hour near the church entrance, or drop in when you can

Saturday, February 7, is First Saturday

Holy Family observes a special Marian devotion on the first Saturday of every month. The Rosary is prayed at 8:30 am, followed by Mass at 9 am. All are welcome.



Please Pray for:

Judy Ardeneaux
 Ramona Augustine
 Adam Authement
 Belinda Ayo
 Mickie Ayo
 Ruby Ballard
 Barbara Berlin
 Jim Bradle
 Peter Brady
 Mimi Brooks
 John Brumfield
 Donna Bruney
 Jase Cannon
 Beverly Carriles
 Rose Copsey
 Mary Ann Davis
 Holli Delaune
 Kenny Denmark
 Judy Ferrante
 Amy Frey
 Debby Gennusa
 Joleen Hickman
 Anna Jambon
 Linnie Kass
 LaBorde Family
 Larry Lambremont
 Eve LeBlanc
 Sandra Lee
 Tina Lirette
 Heather Luper
 JoAnn Magee
 Lizzie Maki
 Dana Matherne
 Cham Mehaffey
 Michelle Moffitt
 Joseph Monaco
 Lenny Morel
 Alyssa Morgan
 Cheryl Morse
 Ronald Nunenmacher
 Nick Ordoyne (deployed military)
 Marie Oswald
 Gwen Park
 Linda Plaisance
 Tracy Phillips
 Mickey Power
 Jeff Reed
 Earl Ringbom
 Denise Robinson
 Heather Bush Seal
 Lindsey Seals
 Robert Christian Seals
 Justin Smith (deployed military)
 Debbie Snell
 Marilyn Stein
 Juanita Sykes
 Joanne Thorp
 Shelly Tramontana
 Angela Tubbleville
 Alvin Triche
 Jane Varnado
 Steve Weins
 Horace Williams
 Patricia Young

*Names stay on the list for three months.
 To add or retain someone, contact our
 office: 985-839-4040.*

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Mon 2/2
The Presentation of the Lord

Malachi 3: 1-4
 Psalm 24: 7-10
 Hebrews 2: 14-18
 Luke 2: 22-40

Tues 2/3
St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr

Romans 5: 1-5
 Psalm 117: 1-2
 Mark 16: 15-20

Wed 2/4
Weekday

2 Samuel 24: 2, 9-17
 Psalm 32: 1-2, 5-7
 Mark 6: 1-6

Thurs 2/5
St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

1 Kings 2: 1-4, 10-12
 1 Chronicles 29: 10-12
 Mark 6: 7-13

Fri 2/6
St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Sirach 47: 2-11
 Psalm 18: 31, 47, 50-51
 Mark 6: 14-29

Sat 2/7
Weekday

1 Kings 3: 4-13
 Psalm 119: 9-14
 Mark 6: 30-34

Sun 2/8
Fifth Sunday in O.T.

Isaiah 58: 7-10
 Psalm 112: 4-9
 1 Corinthians 2: 1-5
 Matthew 5: 13-16

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

It burns
February 1st-7th
Doug LeBlanc Sr.

Requested by Eve LeBlanc
 It also burns to remind us to pray for deceased loved ones.



Mass Intentions:

- 1/31 5 PM +Emile Damare
+Jan LaBorde
- 2/1 8:30 AM +Jan LaBorde
+Jim Seman
+Robert & Lillian Vishno Parishioners
- 2/1 11 AM
- 2/1 3 PM +Luis Alejandro Morales Barcenas
+Prudencio Flores Barron
+Agustin Lopez
+Juan Antonio Lujan Lugo
- 2/2 5 PM +Jan LaBorde
- 2/3 5 PM William & Lori Zeringue
- 2/4 5 PM +James Rathbun
- 2/5 9 AM +Mary Lou Gennusa
- 2/6 9 AM +Jan LaBorde
- 2/7 9 AM +Jan LaBorde

Upcoming events

- 2/1 CCD/Jr. Youth Class @ 9:40 AM
- 2/1 OCIA Class @ Noon
- 2/2 Women's Bible Study @ 1:30 PM
- 2/2 Special Candlemas Mass @ 5 PM
- 2/3 Blessing of Throats @ 5 PM Mass
- 2/4 **Choir Practice @ 5:30 PM (Date Change)**
- 2/5 Holy Hour @ 9:30 AM
- 2/6 Rosary @ 8:30 AM
- 2/6 First Friday Mass @ 9 AM
& Adoration 9:30-4:30 PM
- 2/7 First Sat. Devotion Rosary@ 8:30 AM
Mass @ 9 AM
- 2/8 Coffee Social @ 9:30 AM
- 2/8 Class/Jr. Youth @ 9:40 AM
- 2/8 OCIA @ Noon
- 2/9 Women's Bible Study @ 1:30 PM
- 2/10 Altar & Rosary Meeting @ 10 AM
- 2/11 Women's Bible Study @ 5:30 PM
- 2/11 **Family Faith Formation Class @ 6 PM**

Stewardship Report

Ordinary Income	\$2,646.00
Online Giving	\$392.00
Total Collections	\$3,038.00
Est. Operating Costs	(\$4,200.00)

Building/Maintenance Fund \$ 60.00

Thank you for your sacrificial giving.



The current month's calendar is always downloadable at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/parish-calendar, dated the 1st of the month. Printed copies are on the bookshelf in the church and on the table in the office hallway.