



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Mo, Tu, Th, Fri..... 8:30am
Wednesday..... 6:00pm

Daily Mass and the 10:30am Sunday Mass are live-streamed and can be viewed on our parish Facebook page or the Parish Website.

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Open 24 hours daily.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Everybody has a place at the table, and nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, or marginalized. It is not part of God's vision. Jesus came to heal, make things whole, set things right, and restore relationships. No one is to feel unwelcome or alienated from the community. Whether we like it or not, this message is at the core of the Gospel. It makes a lot of sense when you think about it. Perhaps this is why people kept coming from everywhere to listen to Jesus speak and to be in his presence. He made perfect sense. Most of us have no issue buying into this vision. We run into trouble, however, when we fall into the trap of privilege and power. We diverge from God's vision when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement have no place in the kingdom of God, and even the most needy and hurting among us are worthy of the compassion Jesus desires to offer. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But one thing is for certain, no one can be singled out, excluded or mistreated. Everyone matters. ©LPI

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 15

8:30 am All Souls in Purgatory, All Souls of Babies

Tuesday, February 16

8:30 am Betty Madere

Wednesday, February 17 • Ash Wednesday

8:30 am MASS & ASHES: All Souls of Babies

12:00 noon COMMUNION SERVICE & ASHES

6:00 pm MASS & ASHES: Gene Fryoux, Jr., Florence Keller

Thursday, February 18

8:30 am Jeffrey & Patrick Cupit

Friday, February 19

8:30 am Cesar Velez Lanza

Saturday, February 20

4:00 pm Anthony J. Valure, Clarence & Myrtle Torres, Ronald G. Perilloux, Ronald N. Perilloux, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Huey Waguespack, Melancon & Fisher Families, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Glen Keating, Crayon & Lato Families, Albert Hezeau, III, Bryan Hymel, George Goodyear, Rubena Borden, Healing of America & return to God, All Souls, Special Intentions

Sunday, February 21 • First Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Frank & Merlene St. Pierre, Gwen Booth, Elma Sicard, John Snyder, Sr., Kim Cox, Kimberly Clement, All Souls, Lisa Johnson & Family, Special Intention for healing, Irving & Norma Vial, Mike Spruell, Shirley Eckerle-Soletto

10:30 am Anthony J. Valure, Ed D. Guia

3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners

7:00 pm Alice Natal

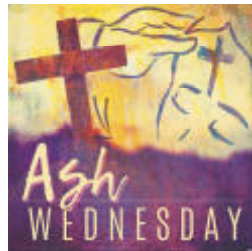
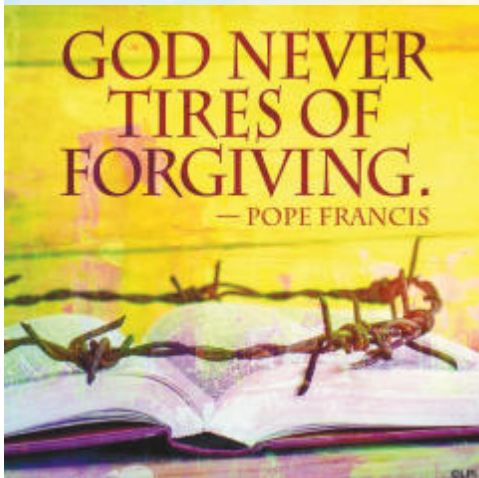


VIGIL LIGHT FEBRUARY

In memory of Bruce & Evan Simoneaux

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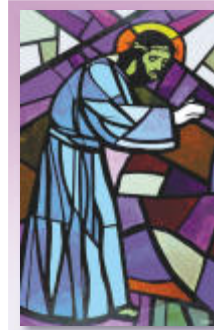
Prayer intentions of Beverly Harris and Family
Prayer intentions and recovery of Alicia Harris
Healthy recovery for Fr. Walter from knee surgery



Ash Wednesday - February 17th Schedule

Mass & Ashes: 8:30 am & 6:00 pm

Communion Service & Ashes: 12:00 noon



LENTEN FRIDAYS AT ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Stations of the Cross/Communion Service/
Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00pm in Church

Spanish Stations of the Cross

7:45 pm in Church

KC Council 9623 Fish Fry

10:30am-7:00pm in front of school

THE ASCENSION
Lenten Companion

A Personal Encounter with the Power of the Gospel

Ash Wednesday - February 17th

Courage: the strength to acknowledge our own transgressions and sins.

"For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned."

Psalm 51:3-4

Follow along on pages 1-5 in *The Ascension Lenten Companion*, and watch the video on our Parish Website, aolparish.org.

If you have not picked up a FREE copy of *The Ascension Lenten Companion*, you can still sign up in the back of Church to receive one.



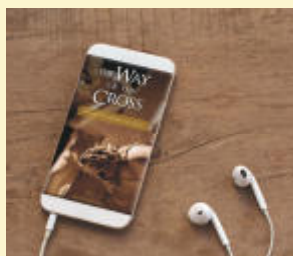
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Sunday, June 27, 2021 at 3:00pm

at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in Metairie

Each couple will receive a certificate and picture with Archbishop Aymond.

This event is for couples married 50 years or more.

Please register by Friday, March 12th
by contacting the Parish Office.

Please note: This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will still have to be met.



**World Marriage Day
February 14, 2021**

Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God,

You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them.

Renew their marriage covenant, increase you love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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**FOR YOUR
MARRIAGE**

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, February 15

Parish Office Closed; No school, No PSR

Tuesday, February 16

Parish Office Closed; No school

Wednesday, February 17

Classes resume

6:00 pm

KC General Meeting - Old school library

6:00 pm

RCIA - Parish Office

Thursday, February 18

12:30 pm

Hearty Meal - DBH

7:00 pm

Spanish Bible Study - PPH

Friday, February 19

10:30 am - 7:00 pm KC Lenten Fish Fry - in front of school

7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross/Communion Service/Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church

7:45 pm

Spanish Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, February 20 • Team 3

Sunday, February 21 • Team 3

8:30 am

Altar Society Monthly Mass - Church



The Parish Office will be closed on Feb. 15th & 16th for Mardi Gras.



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Adorers Needed:

Sundays: 10am, 1pm, 4pm

Mondays: 2am

Fridays: 2pm, 3pm

Saturdays: 8am

Come back and pray!

"Ask Him to remind you that in order to really know someone, you must spend time with them....God is no different."

Jane Trufant Harvey - "Ask Him"

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

PRAYER

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share. Give them something to read. Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

LEPROSY
JESUS
POWER

WELL
WARNED
SHOW

GIFT
HEALED
WALKED

M O S Y T E D A G U R
A L E P R O S Y E W A
N I U O A L I U D O M
S H O W F O E G I F T
E Y I E I J A O U H I
I W A R N E D I V E K
T E O D Y S E B Y A O
O L P A K U N A T L M
H L U N I S O Y A E U
U R E M W A L K E D W
P A C I E N U H P I Y



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office or 985-630-2837 (evenings).

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.



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The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

Mark 1:42

We all need time to get away, a place to restore inner strength and resolve. Even the archetypal hero, Superman found inner peace in his Fortress of Solitude. When I was in the seminary, my professors told us to make sure we kept our day off. Over the years I found that getting away from the parish helped me become a better priest. On a more cynical note, one pastor once told me that my day off from the parish is the parish's day off from me.

For Jesus, He found going off alone to a deserted place afforded Him the opportunity to pray and discern how God was calling Him. The Church has placed into its liturgical year the season of Lent which provides us the opportunity to put aside our focus on the things of this world and focus on the things of God.

Using the role model of Jesus, He began His public ministry by spending 40 days in the desert. Remember, Jesus was fully human. So like any human He needed to nurture His relationship with God. He needed to learn how God was calling Him to use His gifts and talents for the greater glory of God. Time alone in prayer would remain a constant habit.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. For many Catholics they will receive ashes but in a short time are back to their normal routine. A number of Catholics fail to observe Ash Wednesday as a day of fasting and abstaining from meat.

For the next few days we will enjoy the carnival season of Mardi Gras, but when we enter into Lent, we can make it a time of renewal of faith. Not by fasting on the required days of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, not by abstaining from meat on the required days of Fridays, but incorporating those penitential acts into other days of Lent. Using them as a springboard for prayer and discerning God's call for us.

As the psalmist reminds us in the Responsorial Psalm, "I turn to you Lord in time of trouble and you fill me with the joy of salvation." In order to find that solace in time of trouble and that joy in drawing closer to God, we need to make the effort. Lent affords us that opportunity.

Fr. Walter Austin



RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
 Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

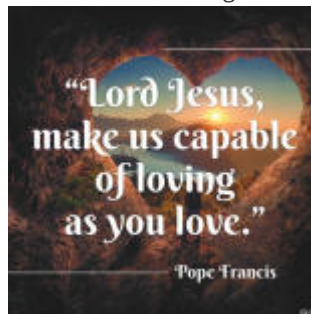
The Unfailing Goodness of God

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God



still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a Stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LIVING OUR FAITH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
- Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
- Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
- Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

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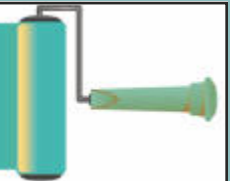
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