

# ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 8, 2021
NINETEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **DAILY MASS**

#### **CONFESSIONS**

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - Open 24 hours daily.

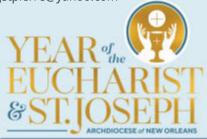


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#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Are we willing to be taught by God? If we are, then we will begin to see things and make judgments using a Divine lens. Often, we perceive things with purely human eyes and reference points. When we do this, reality can lose its Divine spark and we miss what God is trying to say. When using human eyes exclusively, Jesus is at best perceived simply as a prophet who has some wise things to say. The human element has a difficult time seeing Jesus' divinity and recognizing him as the Bread of Life that comes down from heaven. We can easily get stuck on Jesus' human associations and overlook the marvelous wonders God wants us to see. If we really allow ourselves to be taught by God, we will then come to see the truth about Jesus and the abundant everlasting life God offers. Jesus becomes the key that unlocks all of our relationships: with God, others, ourselves, and creation. He, as the true and lasting bread from heaven, shows us the gifts of faith, hope, and love that God bestows on us. Through this divine lens we see that all life sparkles and glows with God's love. ©LPi

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 9 • St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8:30 am Carmen Speers

**Tuesday, August 10 • St. Lawrence** 8:30 am Special Intention

Wednesday, August 11 • St. Clare

6:00 pm Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton

Thursday, August 12 • St. Jane Frances de Chantal

8:30 am Peter Pham Quang

Friday, August 13 • Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus

8:30 am Raphael Vanasse

4:00 pm

#### Saturday, August 14 • St. Maximilian Kolbe

Tony Valure, Louis & Georgina Andry, Melancon & Fisher Families, Glen Keating, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Bobby Bertaut, Living & deceased members of the Larousse & Brock Families, Antoinette Rollo, Art Bodenheimer, John & Olga Porteous, Healing of America & return to God, All Souls, August "Gus" Rantz, III, Robert David Silver, Rubena & Joseph Borden, Living & deceased members of the Klibert & Perilloux

IN MEMORY of ME

Families, Special Intention

#### Sunday, August 15 • The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta,

Jessica Fournet, Frank & Merlene St. Pierre, John Snyder, Sr., Betty Madere, Clyde Madere, Gwen Booth, All Souls, Therese & Foster Cambre, Lester Savoie, Shirley Soleto, Diana P. Cureaux, Special Intentions for healing, Special Intention

10:30 am Kim Cox

3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners, Dolores Fajardo

7:00 pm Joseph John Abbate

#### VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

In memory of Bruce & Evan Simoneaux

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR
In memory of Huey Waguespack



#### WHY DO WE DO THAT?

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What is a transitional deacon?

**Answer:** There are two types of deacons in the church. Both are members of the clergy. Both have the same liturgical role. Both have the service of the community as their primary work. One is called a

permanent deacon, usually a married man ordained as a deacon with no intention of becoming a priest. They preach, baptize, witness marriages, conduct funeral services, and look after the needs of the poor. They also visit the sick and take Communion to them, although they cannot celebrate the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. They might also assist the pastor in his administrative duties. Permanent deacons are usually well known and respected in their communities and have roots there.

A transitional deacon is one who functions as a deacon for a period of time prior to ordination as a priest. His diaconate assignment serves as a kind of internship of ordained ministry. During his year or two as a deacon, he will learn the practical aspects of parish life, getting a firsthand look at the life of a priest. His work has a different focus than a permanent deacon in that he is looking forward to ordination as a priest. ©LPi

#### AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

## **2021-2022 Opening Mass August 23rd at 6:15 pm**

Join us for our Opening Mass at Ascension of Our Lord Church. Online registration for 2021-2022 PSR (Grades K-12) and the class schedule can be found at <a href="https://www.aolparish.org/psr">www.aolparish.org/psr</a> or you may pick up copies in the back of church. Payment can be made at the parish office. If you have any questions, please email Religious Coordinator Andree Gurdian at <a href="mailto:andreemgurdian@gmail.com">andreemgurdian@gmail.com</a> or call the parish office.



# ACTS Men's Retreat August 12-15, 2021 Lumen Christi Retreat Center

Retreat spots are still available and are open to all interested men regardless of parish affiliation. Registration forms are available on the parish website. Please return your registration form, the COVID release form, and your \$100 refundable deposit to the parish office.

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## ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## Welcome Back

August 9 1st Day of School (1-7) 11:00am dismissal

August 10 1st Full Day (grades 1-7)

Pre K & K Orientation: Boys - 8:30 am

August 11 Pre K & K Orientation: Girls - 8:30 am

August 12 1st Full Day (Pre K & K)



#### **Romans - An 8-Part Bible Study**

Monday Afternoon & Tuesday Night Classes September 13 & 14 through November 1 & 2

Romans: The Gospel of Salvation provides an authentically Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand the overarching theme of Romans - salvation. This fascinating book reveals that salvation is not merely the removal of a guilty verdict; it is about entering into Christ's life, death, and resurrection and sharing in his divine life.

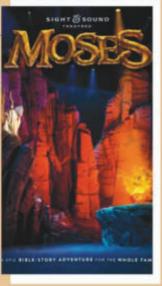
Registration forms and class schedule are available on the Parish Website or you may pick them up in the back of Church or at the Parish Office. Please return registration forms no later than **August 20th**. Cost is \$30.

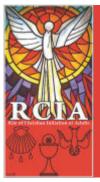


#### Moses: A Bible Story Adventure for the Whole Family

Friday, August 13, 2021 7:00-9:00 pm, in the School Cafeteria.

There is **no cost** to attend. Light snacks and refreshments will be available. Contact Val Hebert at valencemet@aol.com for more information.





If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, or if you are Catholic and would like to be confirmed, we will begin our RCIA program in September. Classes are held weekly in the Parish Office. Please contact the Parish Office for information.

#### ASCENSION OF OUR LORD STATEMENT OF FAITH

Ascension of Our Lord is a Catholic Church, in full union with the Church in Rome. We are dedicated to, and are under the "Authority of our Holy Father, and therefore, accept and embrace all of the teachings of the Magisterium of the Church". We invite all to worship with us in the confidence of knowing that our Church and doctrines were established by God through Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit and safeguarded by His Church, which is One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic. (Established July 1979)

#### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### PARISH CALENDAR

#### Monday, August 9

First Day of School (Grades 1-7; 11:00 am dismissal)

7:00 pm Pastoral Council - PPH

#### **Tuesday, August 10**

8:30 am Pre K & K Orientation (Boys) - School 7:30 pm Spanish Choir Practice - Church cry room

#### Wednesday, August 11

8:30 am Pre K & K Orientation (Girls) - School

#### Thursday, August 12

ACTS Men's Retreat

7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study - PPH

#### Friday, August 13

ACTS Men's Retreat

11:00 am Rosary for Peace - Church

#### Saturday, August 14 • Team 3

ACTS Men's Retreat

9:00 am PSR Teacher Meeting - PPH

#### Sunday, August 15 • Team 3

ACTS Men's Retreat

8:30 am Altar Society Monthly Mass - Church
10:30 am ACTS Men's Retreat Closing Mass - Church;

potluck meal for retreatants & families following in DBH

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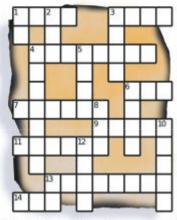
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#### Psalm 34 Cross-Word



My soul makes its boast in the (3D); let the afflicted hear and be glad. O magnify the LORD with me,

and let us (9A) his (1A) together!

I sought the LORD, and he (4A) me,
and delivered me from all my fears.

(3A) (13D) him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be (4

This poor \_\_\_\_(2D) cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his \_\_\_\_(13A

The angel of the LORD encamps

around (10D) (14A) fear him, and delivers them.

O taste and \_\_\_\_(8D) that the LORD is \_\_\_\_(12D)!
Happy is the man who takes \_\_\_\_(11A) in him!

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#### SHARING THE GOSPEL

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compared himself to manna. A long time ago God's people ate manna in the desert, because there was no other food to eat. By sending manna falling from the sky every morning, God taught his people to trust him. Manna tasted good, and it kept them healthy. God took care of them and gave them all they needed. Then, hundreds of years later, God sent Jesus down from heaven, so people could have everlasting life with him.

#### **PRAYER**

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven so that we can look forward to living with you forever in heaven. Amen.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

The Hebrews often baked manna into little cakes. Ask your parents if you can make pancakes this weekend, and talk about how

Jesus is like manna.

#### PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



#### **Adorers Needed:**

Sundays: 1pm, 2pm, 4pm

Mondays: 1am

Fridays: 12am, 7am, 10am

Saturdays: 12am

#### 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"



#### **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 at 985-652-2615.

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 YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



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Also, visit **www.nolacatholicyoe.com** for new music and videos by The Vigil Project and other resources for the Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph.

#### **REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### First Reading

The prophet Elijah was exhausted and literally prayed for death. The Lord answered his prayer by sending Elijah food and drink for strength. How do you encourage others in your life who are spiritually drained?

#### Second Reading

Paul held Christian communities to very high standards of conduct. How well do you think your faith community holds to these standards today?

#### Gospel Reading

We hear today John's account of Jesus' rejection by his own people. The Jews struggled to think of Jesus as "the living bread that came down from heaven." What are some of Jesus' words that challenge you or cause you to

struggle? ©LPi

"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day." Jn 6:44

## RESPONDING TO THE CALL

#### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments**

#### What's Your Hearth Cake?

"Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." I've been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don't know what it is exactly. Maybe it's just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it's about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we're all just nicer people when we're fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven't fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?



Whatever it is, that's your hearth cake. That's your jug of water. Don't neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you."

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—

5:2/|n 6:41-51

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt Monday:

17:22-27

Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/|n 12:24-26 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and

10b]/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-

Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt Saturday:

19:13-15

Next Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-

14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16

[10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

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