



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 27, 2023**

MASS SCHEDULE

**Masses are currently being held
in the St. Dominic Savio Center
to the right of the school.**

MASS TIMES

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

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently open every day
9:00am - 9:00pm.

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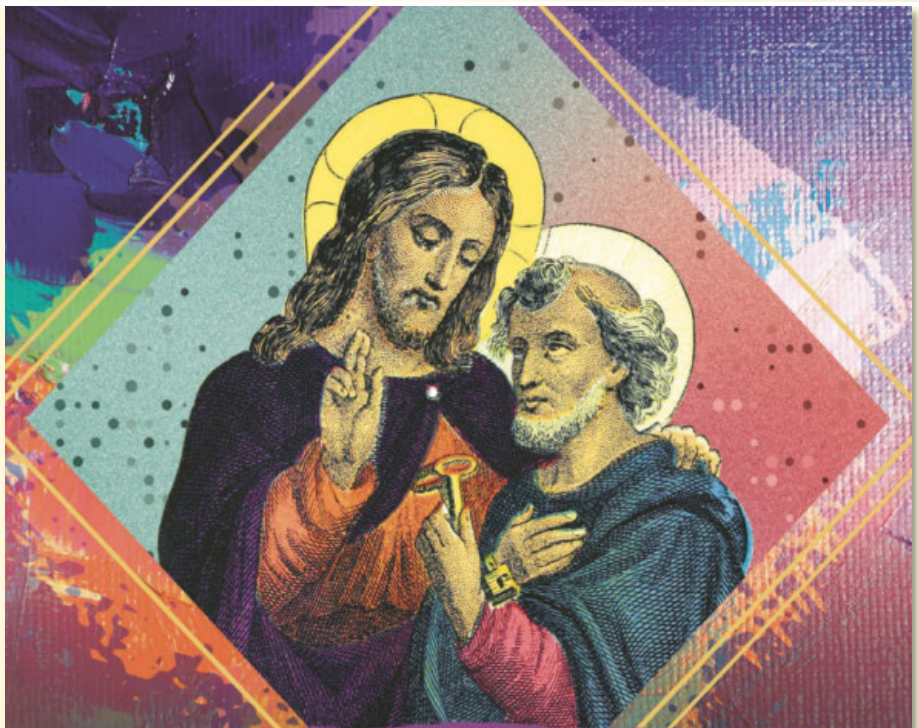
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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in
reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." - Mt 16:15-16

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Who do you say that I am?" Let our whole lives be the answer,
given not in words, but in action. If the world looked at your life,
your decisions, your words, and your deeds, would they conclude
that you are a person who believes Christ is the son of the living
God? ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 28 • St. Augustine

8:30 am Special Intention

Tuesday, August 29 • The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30 am Dolores Dottolo

Wednesday, August 30

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, August 31

8:30 am Jeffrey Andry

Friday, September 1 • World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation • First Friday

8:30 am John Rauch, Jr.

Saturday, September 2 • First Saturday

4:00 pm Melancon & Fisher Families, Special Intention, Roussel, Shipley, & Fryoux Families, Rauch & Stumpf Families, Eugene Buckley, All Souls, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Living & deceased members of the Larousse & Brock Families, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Jeffrey Andry, Marilyn Torres, Rory & Jourdan Growl, Dolly Omond, Lynn Hymel, Jr., Bridgette Jeansonne, David Snyder, John Snyder, Sr.

Sunday, September 3 • 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Doug Sicard, Karen Angelo, Special Intention, Enid Duhe, Irving Vial, Living & deceased members of the St. Pierre & Poche Families, Harold Strehle, Nelson Madere, Babies' Souls, Special Intention, Souls in Purgatory
10:30 am Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet
3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners
7:00 pm Eric & Joseph Dangerfield, Felicie, Vincent & Joseph Favorite



VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

In memory of Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

Birthday Blessings for Paul Dupuy, III & Richard Friedrichs
America to return to God

Prayer for Protection during Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude; you are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. The Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

-Fr. Al Volpe, Cameron Parish, LA

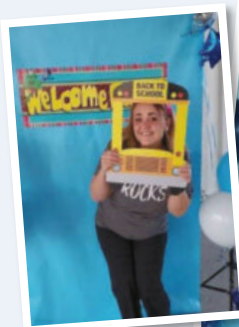




Ascension of Our Lord School

First Day of School Pictures

Our students and teachers were all smiles as they returned to school earlier this month. We wish all of our Crusaders a blessed and productive school year!



CONFIRMATION

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Classes: Aug. 27, Sept. 10, 17 5:30 - 8:00pm at AOL

Retreat: Sept. 24 5:30 - 8:00pm at AOL

Rehearsal: Oct. 1 4:45 - 8:00pm at SJA

Confirmation: October 4 7:00 pm at SJA

Questions? Email Ms. Andree at andreegurdian.psr@gmail.com

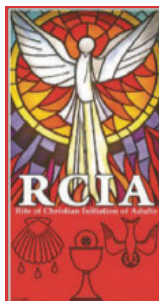


PSR 2023-2024 Registration is open!

Visit www.aolparish.org/psr to register and pay online. Classes begin with Opening Mass on September 11th. Please email our PSR Coordinator Mrs. Andree Gurdian at andreegurdian.psr@gmail.com with any questions.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Please remember that
**ONLY AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ARE ALLOWED
INSIDE THE FENCED CONSTRUCTION ZONE
AROUND THE CHURCH AT ALL TIMES.**
We appreciate your understanding.



If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, or if you are Catholic and would like to be confirmed, please contact the Parish Office about our RCIA program.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, August 28

Fr. Cyril's Ordination Anniversary

Friday, September 1

9:00am Soldiers for Christ Prayer Group - Savio Center

Saturday, September 2 • Team 1

Sunday, September 3 • Team 1



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

**Adoration has resumed in
the Chapel every day from
9:00am to 9:00pm.**

Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE *Rocknote*



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Invite a friend to Mass next week.

Kids Corner

Prayer

God, I thank you for
sending your Son, Jesus to
be my Savior.

Mission for the Week

Tell God you are sorry for
your sins. Ask God to
help you follow Jesus'
example.

Sharing the Gospel

God had sent great
prophets to his people.
Jeremiah, Elijah, and John
the Baptist were faithful
to God. They told God's
people to love each other.
But God's people would
not listen. That is why
God sent his Son Jesus
to be your Savior. With
Jesus' help, you can turn
back to God. Because
of Jesus, you can love
others. Because of Jesus,
you can look forward to
heaven.

**Now color
the picture!**



Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

John
prophets
Peter

Father
blessed
Elijah

Christ
revealed
Jeremiah

Jhno

J o h n

Eilhaj

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**"So you could not
keep watch with me
for one hour?"**



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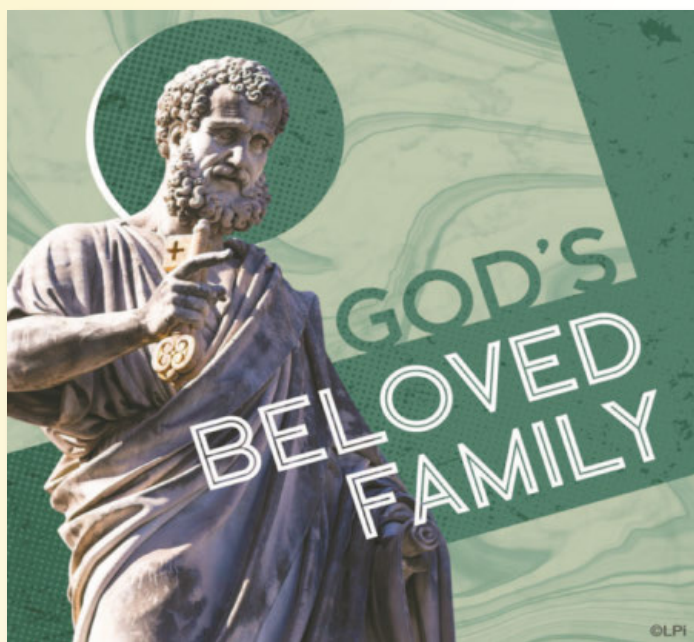
BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars
are held on the first Tuesday of
each month in the Parish Office
at 7:00pm. Please call the
Parish Office to pre-register.

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 arrange-
ments with the funeral home.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE - *Father John Muir*

Isn't it a bit weird that Catholics call the Pope "papa," father? This Sunday provides us with essential Scriptural background on the papacy, the petrine office. Jesus gives Peter the "keys to the kingdom of heaven," after witnessing to the special grace Peter has to know Jesus' true identity. Many have pointed out that the "keys" refer back to the figure of Eliakim, King David's prime minister. True enough. But notice this is not mere authority or power. It's a family relationship. The Lord says to Eliakim, "He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem" (Isaiah 22:21). David's prime minister was a spiritual father to the family of Israel. Peter, and his successors, will be spiritual fathers in the family of the Church.

This means we have a serious obligation to not only recognize the Pope's authority, but also to love him with the affection of children for their papa. We should never speak about him with disrespect or rancor. We should listen to him with trusting hearts, and ignore the slander thrown at him in various media. When we show the world we are loving and obedient to our Holy Papa, perhaps they'll see more clearly that the Church is indeed God's beloved family. ©LPI



**BLESSINGS
FATHER CYRIL
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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Who Do You Say That I Am?

I once knew a very devout woman whose adult godchild had fallen away from the practice of the faith. This godchild still believed in God, and even felt a sense of belonging in the Church. He was a good and kind person. But poor catechesis and a society that confuses pleasure with joy had left him lax in practice, without an appreciation of the sacraments. He was making choices that threatened his soul.

His godmother wanted more for him. She planned to speak with him about his life, hoping to encourage him to return to the practice of the faith. She knew that, when she brought this up, he would reply that it wasn't important to attend Mass or to receive the Eucharist, that was all just "extra."

She told me that she was going to begin their conversation by asking him the question Jesus poses to Peter in Matthew 16:15 — the critical question in all our lives, the question whose answer will define what we become in this world and the next.

Her godson knew the answer. She was confident, unshakably, that he did. He may have forgotten it or ignored it. He may have tried to convince himself he wasn't entirely sure. He may have refused to give an answer. But he knew it. He knew the answer.

There is a reason that, after Peter's response, Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

"Who do you say that I am?"

Let our whole lives be our answer.

"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." — Matthew 16:16

LIVING OUR FAITH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/ Mt 16:13-20
Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/ Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/ Mt 16:21-27

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