

arents are truly the primary catechists of their children.

They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday - 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM Hispanic Mass at 1:00 PM

Weekdays: Monday 6:00 PM Mass & Adoration

Tuesday 6:00 PM

Wed., Thurs. 8:30 AM; 1st Friday & 1st Saturday 8:30 AM

PENANCE: (Confessions) Saturday:

3:00 - 3:30 PM Daily before weekday Masses or by appointment

BAPTISMS: Scheduled when all paperwork is completed and turned in to the Rectory office. Please contact the rectory four (4) months prior to expected date of birth. MATRIMONY: Please contact the priest at least six months prior to Wedding date for details and arrangements. No weddings during Lent.

Postmaster: Send address changes to Sacred Heart Church, 15300 West Main St., Cut Off, LA 70345 Bulletin Announcements due by Monday. Email to cduet@htdiocese.org or mforet@htdiocese.org



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The Cross of Forgiveness

Why should we forgive those who hurt us? The gospel this Sunday gives three reasons: First, because Jesus commands it. Second, because forgiveness is part of loving one another. And third, because we want to be forgiven for our sins.

Obviously, Jesus expects us to forgive one another. Here he commands us to forgive unceasingly, without limit. Now that could be a challenge for even the most patient person. So does forgiveness exclude tough love? Does it mean we have to let someone hurt us over and over? No, it is possible to forgive someone and also prevent them from hurting us, if we do it with love (the second reason.) For instance, we might forgive an alcoholic family member, but still insist that they get help. We can forgive a son or daughter who breaks the law, but still let them face the consequences so they learn from their mistake. We may forgive a friend who borrows money without repaying it, but still refer them to a credit counselor, instead of lending them more money. Since forgiveness is part of love, it is also part of tough love.

That leads to the third reason: We forgive because we want to be forgiven. Or more accurately, we forgive because we have been forgiven. Jesus has already died for our sins. His resurrection shows us that the Father accepted the sacrifice of his Son Jesus for our sins. If we truly believe that Jesus is risen and that we will rise to eternal life with him in spite of our sins, how can we refuse to forgive someone who hurts us? When we promise to take up our cross each day to follow Jesus, we must remember why Jesus took up his cross and realize that we have to forgive as he does. That is why the cross is such a powerful symbol. It challenges us to accept suffering for Jesus' sake. It reminds us that sometimes our cross is simply forgiving someone rather than hurting them back or hating them. If Jesus gave his life to forgive us, how willing are we to spread that forgiveness around?

Tom Schmidt

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PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Erick Greene, Dennis Viator, Robin Adams, Gail Adams, Linda Rousse, Linda Bruce, Chris Danos, Andy Nichols, Valorie Hunter, Danny Naquin, Bertha Griffin, James Barker, Anna Constransitch, Carolyn Cheramie, Mamie & Jules Melancon, Denise Plaisance, Joy Rousse, Melvina & Alison Breaux, Jackie Arceneaux, Hubert Gautreaux, Harold Rousse, Leroy Chabert, Jude Duet, Richie Angelette, Mike Callais, Dominic Jackson, Daphne Daigle, Genevieve Artigue, Blake Shirley & Fly, Virginia, Patrick & Michael Miller, Perry Martin, Lolette Martin, Lea Callais, Norman Callais; Marty Pitre, Carol Danos, Gerald Hebert, Jr., Davarion Adams, Ronald Callais, Scarlet Lafont, Robin Adams and all patients of the Nursing Home

JOURNEY TOWARDS CHRIST Men's Retreat August 23-25, 2024 Women's Retreat Nov. 15-17, 2024

Retreats to be held at the Menard building located at Lumen Christi's Retreat Center Property in Houma, LA.

For more information, contact: Aric Gisclair 985-278-2243 Howie Guidry 985-637-1533 Jill Cheramie 985-696-1200 Darren Duplantis 985-258-3085

FLOWERS IN CHURCH ON WEEKEND OF SEPT 2-3 Left in Memory of Kate Plaisance by Family and Friends

SAVE THE DATE JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH RALLY

The Junior High Youth Rally will be held on Saturday, November 4th from 1 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. at Vandebilt Catholic High School. The keynote speaker will be DJ Bernal. The rally is for all youth in grades 5 through 8. The cost for registration is \$60 which includes a t-shirt and a meal. If your child is interested in attending please contact Ashley Archer at 985-291-4711. The deadline for registration is October 16th.



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FAITH AT WORK

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in the process of recruiting Eucharistic Ministers. If you are a Catholic in good standing, are physically able to carry the species and may be interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister please call the Rectory office. Training will be held on Tuesday, October 17 from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. in Church. All ministers who currently serve as well as new ministers need to attend this training.

If you are unable to attend on the 17th, the following three options are available in other churches:

- Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 10-11AM at Christ the Redeemer in Thibodaux
- Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 10-11AM at
- St. Bernadette in Houma
- Tuesday, November 7, 2023 from 6:30-7:30PM at Holy Cross in Morgan City

GM LIONS CLUB COLLECTING EYEGLASSES

The Golden Meadow Lions Club is collecting old or no longer used eyeglasses that will be refurbished and distributed to the needy in third world countries. A collection box has been placed at the back of the Church if you have any you would like to donate.

SANCTUARY DONATIONS
Altar Bread: Gerald Angelette
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NEXT ADORATION SERVICES FOLLOWING 6:00 PM MASS Monday, September 18 Adoration Monday, September 25Adoration

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASSES	COMMENTATOR	LECTORS	EUCH MINISTERS	CUP MINISTERS
Sat. 4:00 p.m. Sept 16	KAREN DAVID	DIONE DAVID MARY CUROLE	KIRK HEBERT	CHARLENE HEBERT DIONE DAVID
Sunday 7:00 a.m. Sept 17	BETH CHERAMIE	DOLORES GUIDRY	TONY DUET	VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER
Sunday 9:00 a.m. Sept 17	CURT BOUDREAUX	SUE BOUDREAUX	GREGORY EYMARD	JACKSON GUIDRY CHERYL GUIDRY
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Sept 17	CONFIRMATION CLASS	CONFIRMATION CLASS	NELL DUET	ASHLEY ARCHER VOLUNTEER



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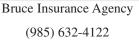


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