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SACRED HEART PARISH BULLETIN 15300 West Main St. • Cut Off, Louisiana 70345

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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 Novena Mass
Wed Thurs 8:30 AM: 1st Friday &

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

Dear Parishioners of Sacred Heart,

Firstly, thank you for your warm welcome to our parish. I have appreciated everyone's kind words and concern for my transition.

Secondly, my purpose for writing this article is to give you a financial report for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. The report can be found below, and I promise to give this report every 6 months. This report shows that our parish is in a very poor financial situation. Basically, our expenses are far greater than our income. More importantly, after reviewing the previous 5 years, our income has decreased substantially, while our expenses continue to increase. For example, in 2020, the cost for property and casualty insurance was \$57,950. In 2025, the cost is \$90,600. Furthermore, in 2020, our electricity costs were \$24,600; compared to 2025, \$33,000.

In response to this concerning report, I have appointed a new Finance Council to discuss and implement possible solutions.

I know this news may sadden you, but please know my gratitude to all our parishioners who support our parish in many different ways. Also, please know my commitment to Sacred Heart, in shepherding the flock of the Lord.

In Christ,

Fr. Cody

Financial Report

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Year End June 30, 2025

| | 12 Months Ended 06/30/2025 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | |
| Parish Income | \$547,334.19 |
| | |
| Parish Expenses | \$605,384.82 |
| | |
| Profit/Loss | -\$58,050.63 |
| | |
| Assets | |
| Checking Account | \$32,072.84 |
| Sacred Heart Endowment | \$146,926.29 |
| Regular Parish Deposit | \$161,104.37 |
| | |
| Total Current Assets | \$340,103.50 |

| STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - J | uly 20, 2025 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Envelopes | \$3,489.00 |
| Loose | \$1,607.50 |
| Spanish | \$ 643.14 |
| Total | \$5,739.64 |
| 2nd Coll. VBS | \$2,090.00 |
| Other | \$1,087.27 |

HOLY OIL CASE DONATIONS In Memory of:

Edwis Callais by Barbara & Family
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by Tony & Jeannette Duet
Don Arabie, Greg Arabie & Ernie Theriot
by Beverly Arabie

Many thanks to all for your generosity!

CANDLES & MASS INTENTIONS

As we all know, the cost of everything has been steadily increasing. That includes EVERYTHING we purchase for the Church, Rectory and Spiritual Life Center. Because of this, as much as we don't want to, we have no option other than to raise prices to meet the demands of rising costs in order to continue to provide the services needed by our community. Therefore, effective August 1st, the cost of the 5 day candles (larger size) will be \$5.00 each and the cost of the 4 hour candles (small ones) will be \$1.00 each. Also, though many of you have donated money for your mass intentions, we have not had a set donation amount. Effective August 1st, we will follow the Diocesan standard concerning the cost of the suggested donation of \$5.00 per mass intention. Please call us if you have any questions.

R.C.I.A.

Do You Want to Know More About Your Catholic Faith? or Do you Want to Become a Catholic? or Do You Know Someone Who Wants to Become a Catholic? Are You an Adult Who Wants to Be Confirmed? The RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) offers instructions for those adults who wish to join the Catholic faith, and for baptized Catholics who have not yet completed the sacraments of Eucharist, Penance and Confirmation. If you or anyone has these needs, please call the Rectory office at 632-3858 during business hours: 8:30 a.m-11:45 and 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.



BACK TO SCHOOL MASS

Everyone is invited to join us in praying for a successful 2025-26 school year on Sunday, August 10th, at 11 a.m. Mass. We especially encourage all of our seniors of this school year to attend and receive a special blessing.

AMERICAN FLAG DONATION

Four American flags were donated to the Church in memory of Wilman "Bobby" Curole, US Navy, and Gilbert Gautreaux, Sr., US Army. Many thanks to Ralph and Mary Curole for this donation!

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Gloria Griffin, Connie & Lucy Hebert, Stacy Brusin, Larry Cheramie, Amber Broussard, Ashley Danos, Sheral Terrebonne, Jeanie Adams Armand, Deborah Gautreaux, Trudy Chance, Denise Duet, Celeste Chouest, Jessica Schafer, Faith Dubois, Verna, Angie & Fay Baudoin; Aaron Gibbs, Erick & Heidi Greene, Kelli Chiasson, Anna Constransitch, Rodney Pitre, Rene Ordoyne Hendrix, Genevieve Artigue, Amy Leonard, Hubert Gautreaux, Shelia Adams, James Louviere, Priscilla Trahan, Numa & Melvina Breaux, Debra Thibodaux, Shelley Mousseau, Richie Angelette; David Cheramie, Carol Orgeron, Stacy Dufrene, Jimmy LeBlanc, Abby Thompson, Joann Williford, Dolores Guidry, Ruby Danos, Jude Duet, Claire Hargis, Lerin Rogers, Calvin Dufrene, Jr., Carolyn France, Terry Crosby, Sr, Tricia Thibodeaux, Carol Lafont, James Doucet, Johnny Plaisance, Carlotta Eserman, Gino Santiny, Ken Wilson and all patients of the Nursing Home

RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION FOR 2025-26 SESSIONS

Religious Ed registration is now open for the Fall and Spring sessions beginning on June 1st. To register please go to our website: sacredheartcutoff.org. Click on Ministries and then Youth Formation. If your child attended our Religious Ed program last year you do not need to provide info on their baptism or parents marital status (unless that status has changed). Payment will be taken online as well. The cost for registration is \$45 for the first child and \$30 for each child thereafter. The deadline for registration for grades 6 – 11 is August 1st and the deadline for grades 1 - 5 is August 31^{st} . Anyone interested in helping with our Religious Ed program can contact Nicole at the Spiritual Life Center.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASSES Thursday, August 14 at 6:00 pm Vigil Mass Friday, August 15 at 8:30 am Mass

SANCTUARY DONATIONS Altar Bread: Nolan, Katrina & Dana Bourgeois & Loveless Dantin

by Judy & Family

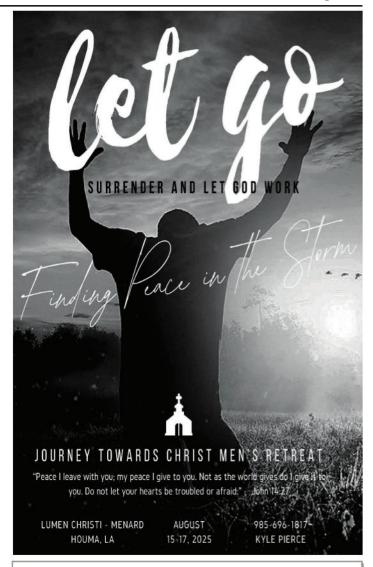
PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

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 | EUCHARIST MINISTERS | CUP MINISTERS |
|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sat. 4:00 p.m. August 2 | SHERRIE GRIFFIN | EVELYN MOLAISON CAROLYN CALLAIS | RALPH CUROLE | RODNEY GISCLAIR MARY CUROLE |
| Sunday 7:00 a.m. August 3 | CHERYL DUET | BETH CHERAMIE | DOLORES GUIDRY | ANGELLE GALJOUR TONY DUET |
| Sunday 9:00 a.m. August 3 | KENNY LASSEIGNE | TRACY LASSEIGNE | NANETTE BORDELON | TRACY LASSEIGGNE PAULA SCHOUEST |
| Sunday 11:00 am August 3 | TROY GISCLAIR | MARY BREAUX AL ARCHER | JAMES EVANS | DAWN THERIOT JAROD THERIOT |

| | | | MUGUST 2025 | 19 | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Πhu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | | 1 8:00 am Confessions FIRST FRIDAY MASS | 8:00 am Confessions FIRST SATUR- DAY MASS 3:30 pm Confessions 4:00 pm Vigil Mass |
| 3 7, 9 & 11 a.m. Mass 1:00 pm Spanish Mass | 5:30 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Mass followed by Adoration | 6:00 am Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Novena Mass 6:30 pm Journey Towards Christ | 8:00 am Confessions 8:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Hispanic Alabanza | 7 8:00 am Confessions 8:30 am Mass 7-9 pm Hispanic Choir Practice (SLC) | 8 NO MASS | 3:30 pm Confessions 4:00 pm Vigil Mass 2nd Collection Rel. Ed |
| 10 7 & 9 a.m. Mass 11:00 am Back to School Mass 1:00 pm Spanish Mass | 5:30 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Mass followed by Adoration | 6:00 am Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Novena Mass 6:30 pm Journey Towards Christ Mtg | 8:00 am Confessions 8:30 am Mass 7:00 pm Hispanic Holy Hour & Mass after | 14 8:00 am Confessions 8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Nursing Home mass (Broadway) 6:00 pm Vigil Mass FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION 7-9 pm Hispanic Choir Practice (SLC) | 15 8:30 am Mass FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION 7:00 pm Spanish Mass Feast of the Assumption | 16 3:30 pm Confessions 4:00 pm Vigil Mass |

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | |
| 7, 9 & 11 a.m. Mass | 5:30 pm Confessions | 6:00 am Men's Bible Study | 8:00 am Confessions | 8:00 am Confessions | NO MASS | 3:30 pm Confessions | |
| Mass BEGINS | 6:00 pm Mass followed by | 5:30 pm Confessions | 8:30 am Mass | 8:30 am Mass | | 4:00 pm Vioil Mass | |
| | | 6:00 pm Novena Mass | 7:00 pm Hispanic Alabanza | 7-9 pm Hispanic Choir Practice (SLC) | | | |
| | | 26 | | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| 7, 9 & 11 a.m. Mass 11:00 pm | 5:30 pm Confessions | 6:00 am Men's Bible Study | 8:00 am Confessions | 8:00 am Confessions | NO MASS | 3:30 pm Confessions | |
| Spanish Mass | lass y | 5:30 pm Confessions | 8:30 am Mass | 8:30 am Mass | | 4:00 pm | |
| 9am-12 noon Rel. Ed Class for Grades 6-11 | Adoration | 6:00 pm Novena Mass | 7:00 pm Hispanic Alabanza | 7-9 pm Hispanic Choir Practice (SLC) | | Vigii Mass | |



CHARTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse. In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma/Thibodaux, to call our outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line telephone numbers are (985) 873-0026 or (985) 850-3172.

<u>Ist Friday – 06/06/25 – 8:30AM:</u> Hayes, Olga & Cycille Pierce; June Theriot; Lou Anne Allemand; Becky Pierce; Dolly Gisclair; Carolyn Cheramie; Charleen Felarise; Joy Callais; Alice Mae Terrebonne; Harris & Audrey Callais; M/M Eves Chiasson; M/M Octave Callais Sr.; Ryan Falgout; Anna Clair Guidroz; Linton & Gloria Vegas; Linton Vegas Jr.; Larry Weidel, Rodney Cheramie; Roger Felarise; Emelina & Roosevelt Crosby; Clifton, Stella & Wayne Leonard; Janice Arceneaux; Norman Guidry; Ervin Duet; James Gordon; Erik Rasmussen; Greg & Hobie Gisclair; Terry & Gail Cheramie; All Souls in Purgatory

1st Saturday-05/03/25 -8:30AM: Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart; All Souls in Purgatory Saturday - 08/02/25 4:00PM: Gilbert & Joyce Cheramie; Al & Mary Danos; Ruby Pierce; Louverda Chabert; Joe Crosby; Priscilla Brock; Rosemary Richard; Nolan Bourgeois, Jr; Katrina Cheramie; Dana Bourgeois; Loveless Dantin; Joyce Griffin; Lucy & Willis Curole; Fortuna, Duciana, Ulysse & Emma Hartman; Mary Ann & Vin Esponge; Ulysse & Philomene Terrebonne; Warren & Justilia Curole; Gaffie & Odalie Curole; Bouffanie Fly.; Raymond & Glenn Melancon; Doris & Rudy Carbon, Scott & Donna; Donald Adams; Adams & Guidry Fly's; Mary Plaisance;

<u>Sunday – 08/03/25 – 7:00AM:</u> Parish Family & Purgatorial Society; Lee Boudreaux; Dean Williams; Raymond Williams Sr.; Richard & Estelle Williams; Edward & Eunice Pierce; Dudley & Hazel Callais; E-Jay & Tin Rousse; Edna Cadiere; Joy Rousse;

9:00AM: Norman Callais; Bobby, Paula & Jill Hebert; Ulysse & Emma Hartman; Lester & Marilyn Landry; Chris Danos

11:00AM: Hilton David, Jr; Jimmy Sr., Eno Sr., & Alfica Allemand; Welton & Beulah Kiff; Jim, Jory & Pat Pitre; Roland Guidry & Georgia Boudoin; Deceased Members of Roman Guidry, Ellis Guidry & L V Autin Fly's.; Adeline Constransitch; Provis & Julia Esponge; Allen, Mia, Noah, Lucretia & Anita Gisclair; Hilton David, Jr, Hilton & Clamence David; Barbara & Raleigh Terrebonne

<u>Monday – 08/04/25 – 6:00PM:</u> Norman Guidry; Jesus Esteban; Maria Partida; Karen Garcia; Maria Briceño; Ervin Duet; James Gordon; Elda & Elvin Duet; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>Tuesday – 08/05/25 – 6:00PM:</u> Irma Cheramie; Norman Callais; Jeanette Dufrene; Loretta Jambon; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>Wednesday – 08/06/25 – 8:30AM:</u> Spring Guidry; Maria Eymard; Herman & Mildred Martin

<u>Thursday - 08/07/25 - 8:30AM:</u> Durel Martin; M/M Sidney Terrebonne & Sons; Alton Crosby,

Raelynn & Janie Terrebonne; Dolly Gisclair;

Friday -08/08/25 - NO MASS:

Saturday – 08/09/25 4:00PM: Minola & Belton Badeaux; M/M Davis Plaisance; Leon Bruce Jr.; Evola & Leon Bruce Sr.; Gernice & Timothy Bourg; Web, Estelle, Ema Lois & Carolyn Callais; Louis & Gladys; Don & Greg Arabie; Dale & Brian Bouzigard; John & Armina Bychurch; Edgar & Evelia Bouzigard; Carol Frederick; Hugh Eymard, Sr; M/M Emile Bruce, Jr; Guidry; Tiffany Delaune; Delaune & Molaison Fly;

Sunday – 08/10/25 – 7:00AM: Parish Fly; Bea Evans; Harris Lorraine; Peggy Whitney; Dave, Eva, Johnny & Loredia Terrebonne; M/M Dudley Guidry; Royce, Shirley & Dean Blanchard; Terri Chiasson; Cliff & Vergis Pitre; Welton Curole; Wava & Butch Bielkiewicz; Hilda & Jessie Curole, Juliette & Earl Dauzat; Viness & Glorina Callais, Valmont & Norida St. Pierre, Gretchen Lerille

<u>9:00AM:</u> Lloyd, Lynn & Joey Duet; Harris & Isabelle Compeaux; Alcide & Elmire Adams, Cestive & Emelda Dufrene

11:00AM: Todd Brady, Jared Melancon, Gail Lefort; Edless, Anna Mae, Loveless & Marie Lafont; M/M Levy Cheramie; Alton & Madeline Danos; Anita Vizier; T-Jack Lafont;

Monday – 08/11/25 – 6:00PM: Mercedes Yañes; Norman Guidry; Gilbert & Ouida Guidry; Terry & Gail Cheramie; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>Tuesday – 08/12/25 – 6:00PM:</u> Paula & Bobby Hebert; Verlie Matherne, Justillian & Virgis Guidry, Ronnie Pitre; Alison Breaux; Judy Naquin; Edwina & Nessie Pierce, Sr; Rowena Cheramie; Douglas Danos; Raleigh Pitre; Lane Fillinich

Wednesday - 08/13/25 - 8:30AM: Parish Fly

Thursday – **08/14/25** – **8:30AM**: Parish Fly

<u>Thursday - 08/14/25 - Feast of the Assumption</u> <u>Vigil Mass 6:00 PM: Parish Fly</u>

Friday-08/15/25-Feast of the Assumption 8:30 AM Mass: Parish Family

Saturday – 08/16/25 4:00PM: Dudley Terrebonne; Steven Griffin; Dantin & Cheramie Flys; Edmond Sandras, Jr; Doree Lasseigne; Louis Griffin Jr; Franklin & Nephta Lorraine; Edwis Callais; John & Mickey Rebstock; Forest, Frances, Neva, Linda & Ruth Plaisance; Wiley & Mildred Pierce, Julien & Azora Boudoin; Betty Bourg; Mary Messer; Wade Bourg; Fr. John Arnone; AJ Arnone; Davis & Shirley Plaisance; Deanna Gisclair; Roxie Toups; Gary Gisclair Jr.

<u>Sunday – 08/17/25 – 7:00AM:</u> Parish Family & Purgatorial Society; Lefrey, Gertie Hebert; Jimmy & Linda Hebert; Gale Bouzigard; Octave Sr & Amy Bruce; Eura Bruce, Sr; Ester Bourg; Ralph Bourg,



Sr; M/M Durac & Adelaide Gisclair; Agatha & Julien Boudreaux; Simon, Errol Duet, Elta & Odis Jones

9:00AM: Helen Martin; Fr. Francis Legendre; Raoul & Eva Martin; Loveless & Georgena Eymard; Nickey Maucle; Jared, Jules & Ashlee Melancon; Trish Barrios; M/M Jules Melancon, Jr; M/M Louis Eymard; John & Elma Adams, Sr, Kate Plaisance, Whitney & Emily Dufrene

11:00AM: Bertha Griffin; Deacon Eldon Frazier; Karl, Greg, Nolan & June Frazier, Aline & Wallace Chabert, Jr; Harold Lafont; Patsy Borne; Ronald Gisclair; Renia Danos; Linwood & Mae Esponge; Leroy, Marita & Myriel Doucet; Ronnie Pitre; Clarence & Merita Pitre; Tee & Loy Duet

Monday – 08/18/25 – 6:00PM: Rosemary Richard; Priscilla Brock; Diane Rivet; Stella Leonard; Sis Galjour; Gloria Eymard; Millie Gisclair; Lou Chabert; Joyce Bernard; Norman Guidry; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>Tuesday – 08/19/25 – 6:00PM:</u> Margie & Edville Lorraine Sr.; M/M Emile Lorraine & Elvina; Sierra & Sloan Harman; M/M Leo Foret Sr., Leo Jr., Brian & Phyllis; Donna Eymard; Reilly Danos; Harold & Emelia Callais; Elizabeth Pruett; Gerald Cheramie; Gerald Angelette; Jeanette Dufrene; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>Wednesday – 08/20/25 – 8:30AM:</u> Pam Gravois; James & Thelma Alario

<u>Thursday – 08/21/25 – 8:30AM:</u> Durac & Adelaide Gisclair

Friday -08/22/25 - NO MASS:

<u>Saturday – 08/23/25 4:00PM:</u> Aglonie & Rene' Cheramie; Priscilla & Bill Brock; Frances & Evans Chouest; Bert Cheramie; Chase Esponge

Sunday – 08/24/25 – 7:00AM: Parish Fly; Clement, Sophie & Doris Boudreaux; Dorothy Gautreaux; Kylie Terrebonne; Walter, Isabel, George & Sherrie Guidry; John, Evida & Melvin Rodrigue; Freddie, Vina & Todd Plaisance; Jerry Klause

9:00AM: Parish Fly; All Souls in Purgatory

<u>11:00AM:</u> Kyle Melancon; Andy Joe Dufrene; Harris & Margaret Dufrene, Leona Vegas; EJ Adams; Michael Segura & Fly; Henry, Ida, Dan & Kate DeFelice; Dylan Bruce; Nola Bruce; Landry, Valeria, Verna & Arlene Charpentier, Valfrous, Theresa & Kate Rousse;

<u>Monday – 08/25/25 – 6:00PM:</u> William & Alice Mahoney; Billy Mahony; Gladys Mahoney

Tuesday - 08/26/25 - 6:00PM: Tim Long

Wednesday – 08/27/25 – 8:30AM: Alfred & Casey Ordoyne; Harris, Margaret & Steve Dufrene

<u>Thursday – 08/28/25 – 8:30AM:</u> Nathan Mayet; Troy, Scott & James, Guidry; M/M Eves Plaisance,

Sr; Pat Guidry

Friday – 08/29/25 – NO MASS:;

<u>Saturday – 08/30/25 – 4:00PM:</u> Parish Fly

<u>Sunday – 08/31/25 – 7:00AM:</u> Parish Family & Purgatorial Society

9:00AM: Parish Fly; All Souls in Purgatory

11:00AM: Mark Theriot; Dustin Thomassie; Troy Brady; Edward Thibodaux; Robbie Istre; Linberth & Dot Pitre

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The second reading from the Letter to the Colossians goes well with the first reading and the Gospel. Those passages warn how useless material wealth will be when we die. St. Paul continues this warning by reminding us that we have already died with Christ in baptism and risen to new life. To live this new life we must put to death whatever tendencies keep us from Christ. Wealth can be a gift from God. The abuse is not necessarily in the possession of wealth. More likely, we abuse wealth either in the ways we attain it or use it—or both. How do we abuse the attainment of wealth? I can give an obvious answer, such as robbing a bank, but this makes it too easy to justify myself. Do I work a full day for my pay, or do I spend a lot of time visiting with other employees, surfing the Web, taking extra-long breaks, or texting my friends? Am I honest with my customers, charging only for work I have done? As for using our wealth, we usually think of family first. Do we spoil our kids, so they can "have the things I couldn't afford when I was young"? Or do we teach them to work for what they get? Do we also think of the poor and homeless? Do we teach our children to be generous to others? Notice that Paul does not mention wealth. Instead he goes deeper, pointing out the thoughts and desires that lead to a life centered in wealth. In baptism, we put to death passion and greed, tendencies that push us to own more or to control another person. Paul uses the image of taking off these vices as if they were clothing and putting on a new self that shows Christ in us. When we have been renewed that way, then Christ becomes visible in all people. We no longer have reason to look down on anyone for being poor or sickly or of another race. We begin to see Christ in them, for as Paul says, "Christ is all and in all" (Colossians 3:11). Tom Schmidt

NEXT ADORATION SERVICES FOLLOWING 6:00 PM MASS

Monday, August 4 Adoration Monday, August 11 Adoration Monday, August 18 Adoration Monday, August 25 Adoration

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