

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"WHOEVER DOES NOT CARRY HIS
OWN *cross* AND COME AFTER ME
CANNOT BE *my disciple*."
LK 14:27



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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 & 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.



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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**Free to Love**

St. Paul must have understood today's Gospel very well. Like Jesus, he knew what being a disciple would cost. It landed him in prison. Yet he seems to have no regrets; he accepts that imprisonment as part of his discipleship. Also like Jesus, he is not afraid to ask others to take that discipleship seriously. And he is not ashamed to ask a favor: Would Philemon accept his runaway slave, Onesimus, back into his home? Not just as a slave, but as a member of his family. He shamelessly calls himself a prisoner for Christ five times in the short letter (three times in our reading). If that didn't tug Philemon's heartstrings, Paul also calls himself an old man. In the Gospel, Jesus talks about the cost of discipleship. Paul takes that a step further; he reminds us to accept that cost freely. He could have ordered his friend to free the slave. Paul was an apostle, a leader in the early church. Instead of giving an order, he called on Philemon to respond freely to his request. Perhaps we can learn from that example. Like Paul, when Jesus commands us to love one another, he leaves us free to accept that challenge. Remember, he always says, "Love one another, as I have loved you" (John 13:34). Jesus was never compelled to cure anyone or forgive their sins. No one ordered him to feed the hungry with loaves and fishes or raise Lazarus from the dead. Yet how often do we go to church because we were told we have to? Do we volunteer for the picnic only because the pastor twists our arm? Or do we love Jesus so much that we volunteer to help without being asked? Do we love Jesus enough to invite others to follow him? We can live life just doing what we have to. Or when Jesus offers us a new motive—love for God because God loves us—we can choose to follow him freely. In John's Gospel, there is no Agony in the Garden. He shows us that Jesus chose to obey his Father and willingly took up the cross. Let us ask the Spirit to fill us with the freedom to love.

Tom Schmidt

BULLETIN MAILINGS

Beginning in September, we will no longer be mailing out the Church bulletins. With the rising cost of postage, our annual cost of mailing is approximately \$6000. We will continue to publish a weekly bulletin and all bulletins will be available for pick up in the Church. Also, if you would like to be on our email list to receive our bulletin, please sign on one of the sign-up forms in the vestibule of the Church with your name, phone number and email address.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - August 24, 2025

Envelopes	\$3,634.00
Loose	\$2,287.50
Spanish.....	\$ 703.00
Total	\$6,624.50
Other	\$1,118.00

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Gloria Griffin, Connie & Lucy Hebert, Stacy Brusin, 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, 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, Hope Chiasson, Mike Oglesby; Audrey Louviere, Eula Gisclair and all patients of the Nursing Home

NOTICE: CHANGE IN RELIGIOUS ED COLLECTION DATE

The Religious Ed Collection scheduled for the weekend of September 20/21 will be moved to the following weekend of September 27/28. Bishop Simon Peter will be here to celebrate all masses on the 20th/21st for a Mission Appeal for the Diocese of Soroti Mission Partnership in Uganda.

HOPE YOUTH FEST 2025

This Youth Fest will be held on Saturday, October 11th from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Osyka, Mississippi. This is a one-day event that will bring thousands of high school teens from surrounding areas together to celebrate and encounter the Catholic Faith, and is open to all 8th through 12th grade students of Sacred Heart Parish. The day will be celebrated with music, talks and entertainment. Confession time will be available, as well as adoration and Holy Mass. Adults who are Safe Environment Trained may attend as well. The cost is \$75 per person but fund raisers will be held to offset this cost. For more information, please contact Ashley Archer at 985-291-4711 or Debbie Cheramie at (985) 691-2957.

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN MASS TIME

Beginning on Monday, September 29th, our mass time for Mondays will change to 8:30 a.m. We will also move Mondays' Adoration to after mass on Tuesdays. The reason for this change is that Fr. Cody would like to be present in our Religious Ed classes on Mondays, which begins at 5:30 p.m., and the existing 6 p.m. mass time makes it difficult for him to be on hand during this class time. Please call the office if you have any questions.

NEXT ADORATION SERVICES FOLLOWING 6:00 PM MASS

Monday, September 8 Adoration
Monday, September 15 Adoration
Monday, September 22 Adoration
Tuesday, September 30 Adoration

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.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

The deadline for Religious Ed registration for grades 1 to 5 is September 8th. Registrations taken after the 8th to the 12th will be charged a \$10 late fee. Classes begin on Monday, September 22nd. Class schedules for grades 1-5 can be found at all exits of the Church. Registrations will not be accepted on the starting day of classes.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and beyond years of marriage from January through December 2025 are invited to join us for a special parish celebration here at **Sacred Heart at the 4 p.m. vigil mass on Saturday, October 11th.** The Diocesan Office of Worship is inviting all couples to a mass also on **Saturday, October 11th at 10 a.m. at St. Francis de Sales in Houma celebrated by Bishop Simon Peter.** If you wish to take part in either of these celebrations, please call the rectory office to register before September 19th.

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.

SANCTUARY DONATIONS

Altar Bread: Nolan, Katrina & Dana Bourgeois & Loveless Dantin
by Judy & Family

MASSSES	COMMENTATOR	LECTORS	EUCCHARIST MINISTERS	CUP MINISTERS
Sat. 4:00 p.m. September 6	SHERRIE GRIFFIN	CAROLINE CALLAIS	RUBY DANOS	DIONE DAVID EVELYN MOLAISON
Sunday 7:00 a.m. September 7	BETH CHERAMIE	JULIE PLAISANCE	DOLORES GUIDRY	ANGELLE GALJOUR JENNIFER FRIEDLANDER
Sunday 9:00 a.m. September 7	KENNY LASSEIGNE	TRACY LASSEIGNE	JERRIE TYLER	WAYNE TYLER TESSIE TOUPS
Sunday 11:00 am September 7	RELIGION CLASS	RELIGION CLASS	RODNEY DOUCET	ASHLEY ARCHER CAROLYN CHABERT



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