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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2023



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday – Friday..... 7:30 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday..... 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM
First Saturday 7:30 AM

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Carl P. Collins, Pastor
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Monday – Thursday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
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ATTENTION!

Beginning August 7th,
Mass will be offered every Monday!

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." (Matthew 13:44)

Today's Gospel begins with two parables that, taken together, illustrate a paradox about the kingdom of God. In the first parable, a man discovers, quite by surprise, a treasure "buried in a field" (Matthew 13:44). In the second, a merchant also comes across a great treasure—this time, a pearl—but only after searching very hard for it. So what is the kingdom of God like? Is it something we discover by grace? Or is it something we find through diligent seeking?

Jesus seems to be saying that it's *both*.

On the one hand, God in his infinite goodness pours grace into our lives whether we are seeking him or not. He buries rich treasure in the field of our lives—treasures of his kindness, his love, his presence—in the hopes that we will find them, and so find him. God provides these gifts for everyone, just as he causes the rain to fall "on the just and the unjust" (Matthew 5:45).

At the same time, there are some graces that we discover only as we *seek the Lord*. The very act of searching for God opens our hearts more fully to his grace. It stretches us and makes us more willing to let go of anything that would keep us from him. And the more we seek him, the more our capacity for his grace grows.

God has so much that he wants to give us. But this all-powerful, ever-generous God will not force his grace upon us. We have to choose to receive it. Even the man who finds the buried treasure by surprise ends up selling all he has "and buys that field" (Matthew 13:44)!

Today, ask the Spirit to help you unearth the treasures of grace in your field. Ask him to help you "sell all you have" to find the Lord and his pearls of grace. Pursue him with all your heart! You won't be disappointed.

"Lord, you are my treasure!" (The Word Among Us)

YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR NEEDED!

We are presently seeking a new Youth Formation Coordinator. The position is part-time (20-22 hours per week) and entails coordinating, organizing, and implementing all Youth Formation Programs for our church parish. If you have any questions or are interested in knowing more about the position, you can contact Fr. Carl at the Administration Office, or send your resume directly to ccollins@hdiocese.org

WE'RE
HIRING

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Food For Thought:

"Remain in me as I remain in you." These words of Jesus are comforting to us. How do we remain in him and he in us? Through the sharing in his divine life, which makes us his adopted sons and daughters. On his part, Jesus sustains us in his divine life through the Sacraments, especially Eucharist and Reconciliation. How do we sustain this life in us? When we choose to do what will help us to remain in him. Here are the reflections of Pope Francis: "To remain in Jesus, and this is the hardest of all, means to do what Jesus did. To have the same attitude as Jesus....To do good, to help others, to pray to the Father, to care for the sick, to help the poor, to have the joy of the Holy Spirit." Maybe the one phrase that sums it up is to love others as Jesus loves us and in doing so, we are loving Jesus. We are keeping his commands. It is only by his grace that we can remain in him. At the same time, it is only by selfishness and seeking what is not pleasing to him that we separate ourselves from him. *(Spirit Aflame)*

Don't forget about our website!

www.stcharlesthีบodaux.org

On the website, you can access our Church bulletins, calendars, ministry schedules and other Church news and information, as well as the daily Mass readings and reflections.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (7/31): Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35
TUESDAY (8/1): Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43
WEDNESDAY (8/2): Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46
THURSDAY (8/3): Ex 40:16-21, 34-39; Mt 13:47-53
FRIDAY (8/4): Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Mt 13:54-58
SATURDAY (8/5): Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12
SAT/SUNDAY (8/5-6): Dn 7:9-10-13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19;
Mt 17:1-9

BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

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First Saturday Devotion

The First Saturday Devotion, also known as the "Five First Saturdays," is a special request by Our Lord and Our Lady to make reparation for all the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our Lady promised personal salvation if we fulfill the five consecutive First Saturdays.

First Saturday Mass - August 5th at 7:30 A.M. in MFLC

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon...., 7/31 - NO MASS – *Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest*

Tues...., 8/1 - 7:30 A.M. MASS – *Feast of Saint Alphonsus, Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church:* Deacon Brent Bourgeois (B); George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Margaret Gaubert; Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wed...., 8/2 - 7:30 A.M. MASS – *Feast of Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest:* Gabrielle Claire Robichaux (B); George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Lucy Phippen (B); Margaret Gaubert; Roland Knobloch Jr.

Thurs...., 8/3 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Margaret Gaubert

Fri....., 8/4 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – *First Friday; Feast of Saint John Vianney, Priest:* George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Margaret Gaubert; Marie L. Landry (B); Philip Barrios & Family

Sat...., 8/5 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – *First Saturday Mass:* Horace & Mary Alice Legendre & Sons; Cathy Thibodeaux; Rene' Naquin; Mary & Joseph Lamartina; Patricia Barras; Jeannie & Ralph Zeringue; Nelson Verdun; Sam & Leoma Gloriosio; Beulah Weimer; Betty Duet; Kathleen & Harold Dore'; Frank & Marlene Raidl; Miriam Acosta; Joseph Boudreaux; Lorraine Boudreaux; Mary Jane Rieth; John & Phyllis Chiasson; Rudy & Joann Bourgeois; Nancy Sheet; Wade & Kathleen Knight; Joel Quatrevingt; Catherine Plaisance; Joan Foret; Mary Boudreaux; Gariel & Sandra Billiot; Louis & Ida Touns; Lloyd Trosclair; Elsie David; Vivian Thibodaux; Joseph A. Touns; Erlene Touns; Blanche Baudouin

Sat...., 8/5 - 4:00 P.M. Mass – *Vigil Mass of The Transfiguration of the Lord:* Ames & Valerie Rodriguez; Randy Clement; Boudreaux & Bourgeois Families; Ces & Rena Zeringue; Yvonne & Charley Plaisance; Mike & Nita Zeringue; Carroll Zeringue; Monty Boudreaux; Dolores Plaisance Babin; Gene Nichols; Catherine Plaisance; Charles & Nell Zeringue; Steve & Laurie Autin; T.J. & Nell France; Cleveland Foret; Clifton & Emma Lee Babin; David & June LeCompte; Donald Robichaux Sr.; Donatien & Kate Danos; Dora Danos; Earline & Theogene Gaubert; Jeannie Gaubert; Frank & Edna Weimer; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Godfrey Bourgeois; Guy Richard Jr.; Harris & Louise Stevens; Johnny, Lydie & E.J. Quatrevingt; Jean Hebert; Josephine "Josie" Cheramie (DA); Jules Quatrevingt; Kirby & Ricky Zeringue; Lloyd & Frances Danos & Rawl; Louis & Inez Devillier Family; M/M Alcide Barrios & Family; A.J.; Roy & Philip; M/M Leroy Folse; Marcel (DA) & Rose Richard; Philip & Inez Marse; Margaret Gaubert; Michael Trahan; Milfred Degruise; Philip, Eunice, & Joyce Ledet; Charlie Ledet; Milton & T Mire; Dave & Lolita De Felice (DA-8/3); Parrish Hebert; Richard Babin; Philip Ledet, Jr.; Phyllis Dufrene; Ralph Griffin; Rev. Joshua Rodrigue (Ordination to the Priesthood 8/10/2002); Roland Knobloch Jr.; Roy & Josephine Foret & Allen; Roy Bourgeois; Joseph A. Touns Jr.; Ryan Zeringue; Sally Thibodaux;

Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Thomas, Gertie, & Diana Zeringue; Tyler Hebert; Velma & Scuddy Hebert; Betty Ann Hebert; William "Bill" Champagne (B); William "Bill" Nezzio; Wilson J. & Gabriella W. Melancon; Ralph Melancon; Barbara Melancon; William "Bill" Champagne; Billy Champagne

Sun...., 8/6 - 7:30 A.M. Mass— *The Transfiguration of the Lord:* Bonnie Daigle; Lucy Landry; Brenda Vicknair; Calvin Boudreaux Sr.; Carrol Acosta Sr.; Christine A. Tabor; Verdie Knoblock; Catherine Plaisance; Charlie Ledet; Dave J. Robichaux Sr. (DA); Mary W. Robichaux; Hazel B. Boudreaux; Chester G. Boudreaux; Donald Robichaux Sr.; Freddie Pierce; Gary Landry; Guillot & Aupied Families; Harry Becnel; Marguerite Thibodaux; Helen Schexnaydre; Janice Richard Topey; Jean Hebert; Joy Lynn Naquin; Joyce Ann & Bickey Arceneaux; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Bobby Deroche; Jules Quatrevingt; Phyllis Dufrene; Rose & Edward Comeaux Jr.; Juliette Grace Luft (B-8/7); Linda Kliebert; Margaret Gaubert; Norman Chiasson; Olga L. Robichaux; Phil & Goldie Weimer; Ray Weimer Jr.; U.G. & Marie Landry; Betty Arabie; George Landry; Wilbur J. Brown & Ethlyn "Toot" Brown

Sun...., 8/6 - 10:00 A.M. Mass— *The Transfiguration of the Lord:* Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre; David Crochet (B); Elsie David; Gaudet & Matherne Families; Iona Bergeron; Jean Hebert; Jerry A. Martinez; Joseph A. Toups Jr.; Joseph Lagarde, Sr.; Dorothy "Dot" Lagarde; Beverly L. Breaux; Stephen Gossen; Ronny Gossen; Betty Lou Babin; Mire Family; K.C. Toups, DVM; Kerry Robichaux; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; Lily Michel Hebert (B); Lloyd "Chip" Badeaux; Mire Family; Myra Blanchard; Nolan "Pip" & Toudell Guidry Bourgeois; Francis Bourgeois; Norris Comeaux; Richard E. LeBlanc Jr.; Whitman & Prejeant Families

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Baptized into God's family: (7/22/2023)

**Jamie Cheyenne Taylor,
daughter of Jared & Maegen Taylor**



In Loving Memory

(July 28-August 3, 2023)

Blessed Sacrament Candle

Marcel Richard (DA-8/1)

Philip Ledet Jr.

Missalettes

Joy Lynn Naquin

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT (July 23, 2023)

\$2,798.00 Envelopes

193.00 Loose

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\$0.00 Total

Youth Formation: \$275.50

Add'l. Peter's Pence: \$25.00

Add'l. Maintenance: \$35.00

St. Anthony: \$20.00



DATES, TIMES, & PLACES

Mon..., 7/31 - **NO MASS**

Tues..., 8/1 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)**

Wed..., 8/2 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass/Novena (MFLC)**

Thurs..., 8/3 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)**

Fri..., 8/4 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass - First Friday (MFLC)**

Sat/Sun..., 8/5-6 – Maintenance Collection

Sat..., 8/5 - **7:30 A.M. – First Saturday Mass (MFLC)**

4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass (MFLC)

Sun..., 8/6 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)**

10:00 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)

Youth Formation Registration!

Youth Formation Registration for the 2023-2024 Youth Formation year is going on now through **July 31st**, for Grades 1st-11th grades. E.D. White Students in 10th grade in the school year 2023-2024 **MUST** register and **MUST** attend the Youth Formation Program in order to confirm here at St. Charles Borromeo. Registration forms are available in MFLC, at the Administration Office, and on our website www.stcharlesthobodaux.org

Hurricane Season Prayer

"During this hurricane season we turn to you, God our Father. We humbly ask that you suppress the winds of all threatening systems, just as you calmed the sea for your disciples. Your might is vastly greater than even the strongest storm. If it be your will, may it stray to open waters where it can dissipate without harm. Chase it from every shore and spare every life in its path. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen."



QUOTE:

**"God blesses our mistakes and
allows good to come from them!"**

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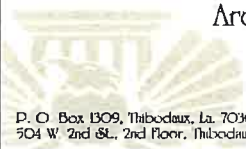
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K.C.'s Flag Project

The Knights of Columbus 12060 has added an enhancement to their Veteran's Flag Project. Now a picture can be added to the Veteran's flagpole for a cost of \$10. If interested, please contact David Champagne for more information and guidelines (985-859-8397 or dachampagne@charter.net).

The deadline to get your picture in is October 1st, to be ready for the Veteran's Day Flag display. Please inform others. Thank you!

