Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours Monday & Friday: 8 am - noon

Closed Holidays

Tuesday - Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please call or come by the Parish Office for registration.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (Anticipated): 4:00 pm Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, & 5:00 pm Tuesday - Friday: 6:30 am Saturday: 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1º Saturday: 7:30-7:50 am Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm Sunday: 9:15-9:45 am Sunday: 4:30-4:50 pm Wednesday: 6:00-6:25 am Or by request

Sacrament of Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and Funeral Arrangements

Please see website or contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples must contact Pastor at least six months prior.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm in the Seelos Chapel

Perpetual Help Rosary and Novena

Tuesday 6:00 am - Rosary 6:15 am - Novena

Parish Staff

Rev. Fr. Johnathan Janise Pastor
Mrs. Joan Trahan Office Manager
Ms. Janice Trahan Parish Life Coordinator
Miss Eulalie Cormier Religious Formation Director

IHM Youth Faith Formation Program

Grades K – 5th

2 Sundays each month, 11:15 am – 12:45 pm

Grades 6th - 8th

2 Sundays each month, 3:00 pm – 4:45 pm

9th - 11th Grade (Confirmation)

2 Sundays each month, 3:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Come, Lord Jesus

Monday at 6:00 pm in the Parish Office
Bible Study
Wednesday at 5:30PM in the Parish Office
Legion of Mary
Thursday at 5:30 pm in the Parish Office

Cor Jesu Adveniat Regnum Tuum Adveniat per Mariam

Heart of Jesus, Your Kingdom Come, Come Through Mary

Twenty - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Are you envious because I am generous?

(Matthew 20:15)

Twenty - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 24, 2023

Gospel Summary

Matthew 20: 1-16

The vineyard owner hired five groups of laborers. Each subsequent group began work later in the day. When the owner hired the first group, they agreed on a fair wage. At the end of the day, he called in the workers and began paying them, the last ones first. Of course, the early morning crew saw the later ones getting a full day's wage and excitedly anticipated a bonus for themselves. When they were paid, they received only the negotiated amount. "It's not fair!" was their cry.

Reflection for Families

How many times a day do our children point out that someone got more than they did? Enough, I'm sure, for us to know that today's Gospel illustrates a human response! But our human ways are not God's ways. God's generosity is sometimes beyond our understanding. But imagine what a world it would be if we rejoiced in generosity and good fortune of others.

Bring the Gospel Into Your Family

Make a list of the gifts God has given your family. They
may be things that you can see and touch, or they may be
intangible gifts like character, health, or intelligence. Ask
yourselves: Do you think your family has more gifts than
some other families? Do all the gifts have to have material
value? Are there some families you know who have gifts
that can't be measured in dollars and cents? What does all
this say to you about God's generosity?

--- RCL Benziger---

Fall Family Carnival

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the Immaculate Heart of Mary Fall Family Carnival. The event will be Sunday, October 1st

11AM to 2PM in the Parish Hall.

There will be food, games, prizes (for the children) and much more. We hope all of you join us! See you there!

If you would like to donate cookies, brownies, or cupcakes for the carnival, please wrap and deliver them to the Parish Hall the morning of Saturday, September 30th. Thank You!

A Stewardship Moment

From an early age, we tend to distort the concept of "fairness":

"I am good. I deserve good things. I am not receiving good things. Something must be wrong. Who's going to fix it?" We also know the age-old expression: "Who ever said life was fair?" Jesus knew this expression when he offered his parable in today's Gospel reading. Christian stewards acknowledge, with humility, that they receive good things from the Lord in abundance; even if these gifts are not the ones they think they need when they need them. Consider which servants you identify with most in the Gospel reading, the ones who demand "fairness", or that final servant who, seemingly, deserves the least.

"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last". Matthew 20:16

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "Godcentered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

Monday, October 2nd, Feast of the Guardian Angels, the
Diocese of Lafayette will hold its annual "Blue Mass" at
5:30PM in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist,
Lafayette. The Blue Mass is designed to express gratitude,
show our appreciation, and pray for all first responders in our
community: Police Officers, Sheriff's Deputies, State
Troopers, Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Personnel.
This Mass offers an opportunity to thank and pray for all who
work in these professions. All first responders are extended a
heartfelt welcome to attend.

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel Bishop of Lafayette invites you to the annual White Coat Mass. This Mass is to honor and bless healthcare professionals. The Mass will be held Tuesday, October 17th at 6PM in Lafayette at St. Pius X Catholic Church, Kaliste Saloom Road. All healthcare professionals are encouraged to attend. Reception immediately following the Mass sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes Health.

Schedules are ready for all who serve. Please remember to pick up your copy in the Sacristy. The time that you volunteer to serve IHM Parish is greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!

Offertory Collection for Sept. 17 – \$3,603.03 Insurance Fund – \$20.00

Many thanks to all who give to our church as an act of faith. Thank you for trusting the Lord.

Masses for the week Sept. 23, 2023 – Sept. 30, 2023 Saturday, Sept. 23, 4PM – Elivia H. Cormier

Also remembered in prayer: Alton Hollie (1ⁿ Annv), Orillia & Adris Richard, Robertson Istre, Adam Richard

Sunday, Sept. 24, 8AM - Donald Fruge

Also remembered in prayer: Charles & Mary Ann Toney, Ovey Guidry, Jr., Ken Cook, Clarice LeLou, Alton Hollie, Blessed Mother's Intentions

10AM - Alton Hollie

Also remembered in prayer: Bill, Yvonne, Rebecca Reiher, A. D. Foreman, George William Hoffpauir, Carolyn Breaux Miller, Poor Souls in Purgatory

5PM - Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary

Also remembered in prayer; A. J. "Buddy" Toups (Wedd Annv) Mark Myers, Alton Hollie, Ryan P. Trahan (BD on 25th), Thelma Richard, Debbie LeMaire (BD on 25th)

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 6:30AM – Vernice L. Trahan (DOD),

Mollie Cenni (Conversion), Neal Romero

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 6;30AM — Jessie Joubert (Wedd Anny), Neal Romero

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>Sept. 28</u>, 6:30AM – Neal Romero <u>Friday</u>, <u>Sept. 29</u>, 6:30AM – Neal Romero <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Sept. 30</u>, <u>8AM</u> – Protection from Hurricanes

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for: Tanny Schexnaider

Blessed Seelos Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burning for: Protection from Hurricanes

Please pray for our friends who are sick.

Hazel Seaux, Brooke Habetz, Noah Faul, Leona Spell, Neal Romero, Irene & George Dill, Edward Abshire, Abby Foreman, Elizabeth Betty Spallino, Thelma Richard, Albert "Butch" Schexnaider, Ronald Duhon, Linda Duhon, Cheryl Edwards, Angelia Quebodeaux, Jordan Puissegur, Ronald Quebodeaux, Delton & Clara Bertrand, Cindy Istre, Jeanette Guidry, Betty Adams, Linda LaCombe, Greg Nolan, Jane Quebodeaux, Stacy Hebert, Rena Cramer, Janet Richard, Sandra Royer, Dudley Menux, Gerald Constantin, Scotty Cormier, Madelyn Daigle, Dorothy B. Sonnier, Todd Sevin, Agnes Biejol, Cliff Sonnier, Nancy Kondart, Bill Graboski, Sophia Bellard, Barbara Cormier, Mary Stutes, Nolan Leger, Dawn K. Murphy, Brandt Terro, Robert Garrie, Becky Schexneider, Callie Domingue, Priscilla Baker, Jeremy Richey, Tara Guidry, Mona Hebert, Jevon Guidry, Hailey Montet, Emmalynn G. Quebodeaux, Ethel Hebert, Kenneth Leger, Debbie Robichaux, Rene' Earles, Johnny Richard, Blair Buller, Leighla LeBlanc, Theresa Rollins, Paige Domingue, Debra Cormier, Larry Trahan, J. D. Family, Deanie Tall, US Military Personnel

Readers & Extraordinary Ministers for Sept. 30 - Oct. 1

Saturday - September 30 4PM R - Toni Romero EM - Terri Hoffpauir Sunday - October 1

Sunday - October 1

8AM R – Michelle Puissegur EM – Dolores Matthews

10AM R - Eulalie Cormier

EM - Pricillia Leonards

5PM R – Marian Hundley EM – Sharon Real

God's Housekeepers for September 29

Darla Thibodeaux, Gavin Thibodeaux Coffee & Donut Host/8AM/ October 1 K. C. Ladies Auxiliary

Diocesan Eucharistic Rally

The Diocese of Lafayette will host a Diocesan
Eucharistic Rally from 6:00PM – 9:30PM on
Thursday, October 5 at the Cajundome Convention
Center. The rally will begin with Holy Mass celebrated
by Most Reverend Douglas Deshotel, Bishop of
Lafayette, and Rev. Alex Albert, Director of the
Diocesan Office of Worship, will serve as homilist.
Following Mass, keynote speaker Dr. Ralph Martin will
discuss "Real Presence: Who is Present and What Does
He Want?" The evening will conclude with Adoration,
music, and Benediction.

Admission is free and all are invited to attend.

K. C. Fall Country Dinner...Sunday, October 1ⁿ, Knights of Columbus #5499 will hold their Fall Country Dinner. The dinner will consist of: Pork Steak, Rice Dressing, Beans and Coleslaw for a donation of \$13. BBQ hamburgers and sweets will be sold on location. Pick up will be from 10:30AM – 1:00PM at the K. C. Home, Avenue F. Purchase your ticket from any K. C. Member. We thank everyone for their continued support of the Knights of Columbus!

Gumbo Cook-Off...Following the Homecoming Parade at 6PM Thursday, October 5th, Notre Dame High School will have their Gumbo Cook-Off. Admission includes all the gumbo you can eat for \$5 per person. If anyone is interested in entering a team in the cook off, they can visit ndpios.com to download forms. For more information call Mandy Miller in the Development Office at 783-7143 or mmiller@ndpios.com.

Crowley Community Christmas Concert...Practice is underway for the 4th Christmas Concert. If you would like to take part in the performance, adults will meet on Sundays Sept. 17 – Nov. 19 at the Methodist Church on 3rd Street in Crowley from 3-4:30PM. Children grades 3-8 will meet on Sundays, same dates, at Ebenezer Cornerstone Methodist Church, Ebenezer Road, from 2:45-4:15PM. Need more info, contact Becky Atkinson at 337-658-8016.

Altar Servers for September 30 - October 1

Saturday - September 30

4PM Dale Simon, Daxton Simon

Sunday - October 1 8AM Allie Ronkartz

10AM Ryleigh Oestriecher, Layne Oestriecher

5PM Volunteer

CATECHISM... The Characteristics of Faith

... Faith-the beginning of eternal life ... It is then we must turn to the witnesses of faith: to Abraham, who "in hope believed against hope", to the Virgin Mary, who, in "her pilgrimage of faith," walked into the "night of faith" in sharing the darkness of her son's suffering and death; and to so many others: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

Catechism of the Catholic Church (165)



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