



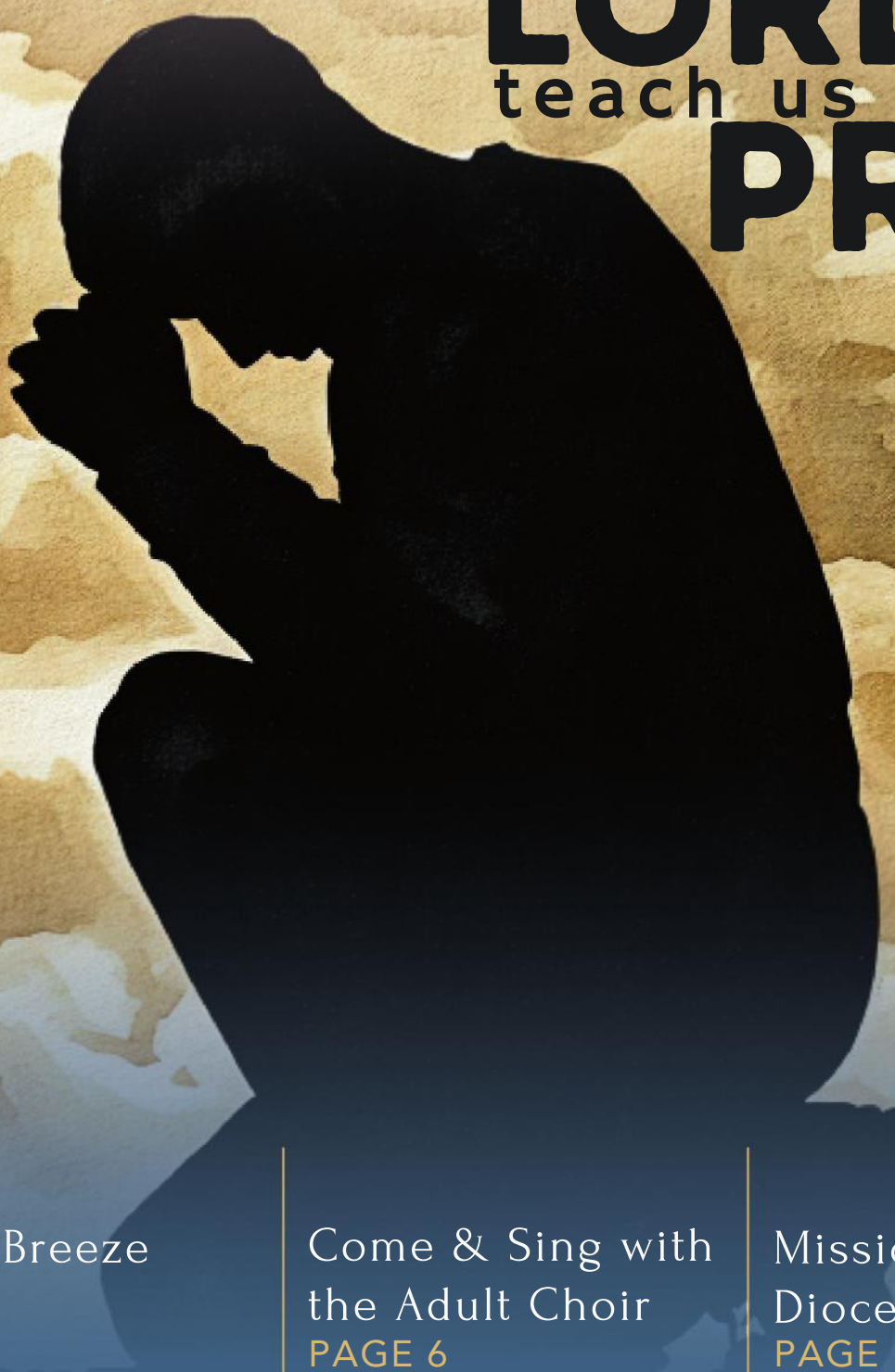
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Saturday Vigil | 4 pm  
Sunday | 8, 9:30, 11:30 am & 6 pm

### DAILY

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday  
8 am - 4 pm

Wednesday  
10 am - 4 pm

## BULLETIN DEADLINES

Content for the August 3 edition is  
due by **11:59 pm July 24, 2025**.  
Content for the August 10 edition is  
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## VESTMENTS FOR DEACON MO

A new deacon has joined our parish family! Deacon Mo will be a blessing. He will also need his own set of vestments. If you would like to contribute to the cost of a set of new vestments, please email Karen Baker at [kbaker@maryqueenofpeace.org](mailto:kbaker@maryqueenofpeace.org). Thank you!

## SANCTUARY LAMP

If you are interested in donating for Sanctuary Lamp, please visit our website or call the parish office.

## OUR LADY HOPE OF THE HOPELESS

The candles of Our Lady Hope of the Hopeless burn in Memory of **Scott and Chris Ward**

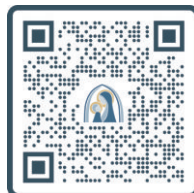
## ALTAR FLORAL ARRANGEMENT

The altar flowers this week and last week were donated by Mary Piper in loving memory of her mother, **Mary Ann Hymel**.

If you are interested in donating for either the Icon candles, Sanctuary Lamp or the floral arrangement, please visit our website or call the parish office.

## PRAY WITH THE READINGS

The Scriptures are the divinely inspired Word of God. We invite you to pray with them daily. Scan the code to access the day's readings and let God speak to your heart.



## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION: JULY

### For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, July 26**

**9:00am**

Alex and Kay Johnson

**4:00pm**

Ed DiGiovanni

**Sunday, July 27**

**8:00am Special Intention**

Dorothy Hall

**9:30am**

Mary, Queen Of Peace Parishioners

**11:30am** Ron Ness; Steven Dugal; Rhonda Ramos; Dr. David Powers; Kevin L. Cole; Donald Dorand; Nancy J. Lawrence; Mary Rodosta; Michael Collins; Paige Murphy; Charles Bordes; Deborah Resor; Holly Klos

### Special Intentions:

Carmela Talamo Ramos and Family; Mary Sue and Mike Lanaux; Timothy Budd; Donna Tomba

**6:00pm** Simon A. Lasalle; J. Ernest Prieto and Family; Katherine Crawford; Thomas Allen Neugbauer; Vanessa Ann Walker; Pearl Berthelot; Howard Stanley; Debbie Bodron; Chasiti Nguyen

### Special Intentions:

Matthew Arbo; Ashlee Travis; Mark Lane

**Monday, July 28**

**9:00am** Marion Seeber

**Tuesday, July 29**

**9:00am** Gerry Acosta Landry

**Wednesday, July 30**

**9:00am** Douglas Landry; Gloria Nilsa Nath

**Thursday, July 31**

**9:00am** John E. Brown, Jr.

**Friday, August 1**

**9:00am** Phyllis Jones



# PARISH LIFE

## YOUR WEEK(S) AHEAD

### Sunday, July 27

- We will have a mission appeal this weekend. Also, if you are able to take a moment and help save a life, we will be having a blood drive in the Parish Center from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, to benefit a Slidell teen who needs daily platelet transfusions.

### Monday, July 28

- The Parish Office will be closed for Staff Formation and will reopen Tuesday July 29 at 8 am. There will be the monthly Baptism seminar at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. Call the office to register at 985-626-6977.

### Friday, August 1

- First Friday Adoration will take place in the church with Benediction at 2 pm. Come spend some time with Jesus.

### Saturday, August 2

- First Saturday Devotion, with the rosary before 9 am Mass and Adoration after Mass until 10 am.

### Sunday, August 3

- Come to the Ocean Breeze Bash after morning Masses as Hospitality Sunday takes you to the beach! Also: High School grads from the Class of 2025 are invited to 6 pm Mass with dinner to follow. Please RSVP on our website.

### Monday, August 4

- The Parish and School offices will be closed for a faculty and staff retreat. Please keep our parish and school leaders in your prayers!

## ADVENTURES WITH FLAT FR. COOPER

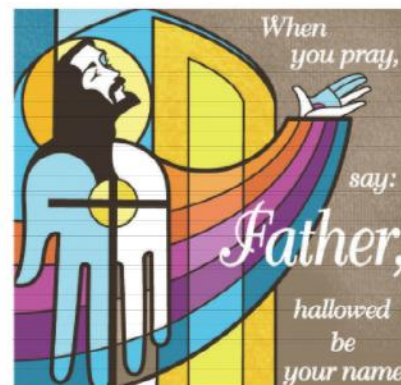
Wherever your summer adventures take you this year — mountains, beaches or big city sights — don't forget to take **Flat Fr. Cooper (FFC)** along for the ride!

It's a fun way to stay connected, share your travels, and remind each other that even while we relax and recharge, **Mass never takes a vacation!**



## THOSE WE WILL MISS

Debbie Resor, longtime choir member, passed away recently. We will miss her smile, her faith, and her kindness.





# FROM THE PASTOR

Good intentions can get lost in the hustle and bustle of life. That is, we want to help others, we want to reach out, we want to live a life of Christian service and mission. We just wish we had more time to sit down and write a note of gratitude or call and offer words of comfort and forgiveness. But who has the time? We are all so busy.

We have good intentions, but they land on the sidelines of our hectic lives. How can we change this so that our good and Godly intentions can take root and bear fruit?

To start with, we must realize that time is not the master of our lives. Instead, we should learn to master time so that it is at the service of God's mission. We can do this by creating a rule of life that helps us live more intentionally, by embracing every moment as an

opportunity to love as Jesus loved. "As I have loved you," he said, "so you must love one another."

Loving as Jesus loved may sound challenging, but it can be as simple as deciding to accompany at least one person a month to lead them closer to Jesus. It might mean just having coffee with someone once a week to pray; it might mean listening to someone's story with no judgment, no advice, only love; it may even mean sitting intentionally with your spouse or teenager or toddler to listen, really listen, and love as Jesus loved – totally, completely, without counting the cost.

Good intentions do not have to get lost. They just need your attention, because there is a big difference between good intentions and intentional living. Good intentions

need a plan so that you become an intentional disciple, so that the Good News can be shared. You are the hands, the feet, the heart of Jesus in your corner of the world – at the kitchen table, on the soccer field, or behind your desk. Be a bearer of that Good News, intentionally, every moment of every day.



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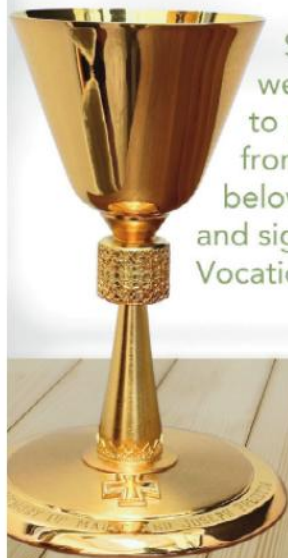
**Love to sing? Come Sing with Us!**

Do you find yourself singing along at Sunday Mass? Ever wonder what its like to be part of the choir or felt the tug toward **Music Ministry** but weren't sure where to begin?

Here's your chance! Join us for our open choir rehearsal on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm, starting August 13**. No pressure, just come, sing with us, and see if it feels like home. We'd love to meet you and make music together!

# PARISH LIFE

## VOCATIONS CHALICE



Step up to the challenge as we invite you and your family to pray for vocations, especially from our parish! Scan the code below to find more information and sign up to pray with the Vocations Chalice in your home.



## NAIM: A MINISTRY OF HOPE AND FELLOWSHIP

Inspired by the Gospel story where Jesus brings new life to a widow's son in the town of Naim, this beautiful ministry offers **Catholic Fellowship for widowed women.**

The **NAIM Ministry at Mary, Queen of Peace** meets monthly for lunch, providing a welcoming space to share friendship, faith and healing.

If you or someone you know would like to be part of this caring community, please reach out to **Marsh Davis** at [LitLnurs@bellsouth.net](mailto:LitLnurs@bellsouth.net).

You are not alone and are always welcome.



Tuesday  
August 12  
**Blessings-  
Gratitude-Humility**  
7 - 8:30 pm

## PRAY & PLAY

**Moms gather to PRAY while  
their little ones get to PLAY!**

**July 10, 17 & 31 - 10 am  
Parish Center Rm 9**



# FAITH FORMATION



## FAMILIES ENCOUNTER CHRIST

Looking for a simple, meaningful way to grow in faith as a family? **Christ in the Chaos** is Mary, Queen of Peace's Family Faith Formation program for families with children in **Kindergarten through 6th grade** who are **not enrolled in Catholic school**.

Here's what to expect:

- **Monthly Gatherings** on campus for the whole family
- **Grade-specific** sessions for kids
- **Formation time for parents**
- **At-home packet** to explore and grow together between sessions
- A welcoming space to strengthen your family's faith—together



Scan the code to learn more and register today!  
**Let's find Christ together, even in the chaos.**

## HELP WANTED!

**Do you have a heart for children?**

Are you passionate about sharing the love of Jesus Christ and the beauty of His Church? If so, we invite you to consider becoming a catechist or assistant for our Christ in the Chaos (CIC) Faith Formation program or Sacramental Preparation ministry.

While prior teaching experience is always welcome, it's not required. What matters most is a love for the faith and a desire to walk with others on their journey toward Christ.

**Volunteers must:**

- Be in good standing with the Catholic Church
- Be Safe Environment compliant
- Be committed to sharing the love and joy of Jesus with others

If you feel called to serve, we'd love to talk with you!



For more information, contact  
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## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Is your child ready to prepare for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion? Mary, Queen of Peace's Sacramental Prep program is open to all second grade students, whether attending Catholic school or not.

**Please note:** This program is in addition to Christ in the Chaos for families not enrolled in Catholic School.

Here's how the program works:

- **Monthly family gatherings** on Sunday mornings at 8:00 a.m.
- Families are invited to stay for the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass
- Each family receives **Mend & Nourish boxes** to guide at-home preparation
- A chance to grow in faith together and support your child's sacramental journey

Learn more and register by scanning the code.



# YOUTH



## Teen Confirmation

### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Confirmation isn't just a milestone — it's a launching point. Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit, your teen is empowered to live boldly, love deeply, and shine brightly in the world.

If they've been baptized, received First Communion, and are heading into 11th grade, this is their moment!

Our Confirmation program is all about **fostering life-changing encounters with Jesus** and helping teens step into the adventure of faith with confidence and joy. Don't miss it — register today and let's ignite the fire of the Spirit together!

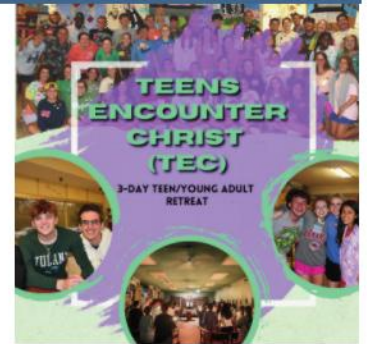


## TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)

TEC offers to youth (who have completed at least their sophomore year of high school) and young adults the opportunity to encounter and integrate the Paschal Mystery at a time of passage into young adulthood. What the Church celebrates annually through the seasons of Lent-Easter-Pentecost and through the sacraments of initiation, TEC condenses into a three-day experience.

**Summer Retreat Dates  
July 26-28**

Scan the code to learn more and register.



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee Year 2025 has begun! Every 25 years, the church calls for a jubilee to celebrate and draw us deeper into our faith. For the 2025 Jubilee Year, Pope Francis, prior to his passing, selected the theme, Pilgrims of Hope. It is his desire that this Jubilee year may contribute to restoring a climate of hope and trust around the world and allow for each of us to experience an encounter with Christ through pilgrimage to sacred spaces and in meeting the poor, sick, and vulnerable that we are called to serve.





In the Archdiocese of New Orleans, we have designated 12 churches as places of pilgrimage and will be sharing more information about the Jubilee, its significance, and ways to observe and celebrate it throughout the year. It is our goal to encourage all of the faithful to participate in the Jubilee throughout these next 12 months so that each may truly have an encounter with Christ Jesus that leads to a renewal of hope. Scan the code to learn more about Jubilee 2025.




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When devastating floods struck Kerr

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Loved ones lost. Homes destroyed. Hearts broken.

But amid the devastation, one thing became clear: the Body of Christ is alive and moving.

Notre Dame Catholic Church in Kerrville is leading relief efforts with a compassionate, hands-on approach. With their deep ties to the community and ministry presence on the ground, they've already raised over \$300,000 to support families affected by the floods. But the need for ongoing prayers and additional financial support remains. MQP is partnering with Notre Dame Catholic Church to bring financial resources and support to those devastated by the Texas Flooding. Please consider making a financial gift. Please scan the code and use the drop down to find "Texas Flood Relief" to make your donation.

## STEWARD OF THE MONTH

Elizabeth Tissue is our Steward of the month! During our Journey to Judea VBS, Elizabeth helped bring the stories of the Saints to life through her work in the skits. Her joyful presence reminded us all of the love and welcome found at the table with Christ.



If you have a suggestion for Steward of the Month, please contact Karen Baker at [kbaker@maryqueenofpeace.org](mailto:kbaker@maryqueenofpeace.org)



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With limited resources, Wote Diocese is working to:

- Inspire vocations and train catechists
- Expand parish outreach and evangelization
- Provide essential services like clean water, food relief, and maternal health care

Mary, Queen of Peace is proud to support this mission through the 2025 Missionary Cooperative Plan (MCP).

Learn more and see how you can help by scanning the code to the right.



**Above:** A woman uses a donkey to carry freshly drawn water. **Below:** Mothers and children gather under a tree to learn about nutrition.



**Above:** In the Diocese of Wote women travel long distances for fresh water to carry back to their homes.

## PILGRIMAGE TO KOMAROCK: A SACRED ENCOUNTER IN WOTE

On February 15, 2025, over 40,000 faithful gathered for a powerful pilgrimage to Komarock Hill in Kenya's Wote Diocese. Once a sacred site for the Kamba people, Komarock has become a place of deep Catholic devotion, believed to be touched by the divine.

Steeped in mystery, Komarock is known for its historical apparitions, unexplained phenomena, and resistance to destruction, all of which point to its spiritual significance. Now consecrated as a Catholic shrine, it continues to draw pilgrims seeking healing, prayer, and a deeper connection with God.

The pilgrimage was led by Bishop Norman King'oo Wambua, Apostolic Administrator of Wote Diocese, and marked a powerful moment of unity and faith for the people of Kenya.

