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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 14, 2022

Jesus endured the cross, despising its shame,
and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.
— Hebrews 12:2



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekdays:
Tuesday: 6:00PM
Wednesday-Friday: 8:00AM

Adoration/Healing Mass

The 1st Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday - Friday: Thirty minutes Adoration before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and Sunday: Thirty minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

Baptism: Infant Baptism is celebrated the 3rd Sunday of the month. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months. Parents **and** godparents **must** attend a one hour Baptism preparation class prior to the scheduled Baptism. For other guidelines and details, please call the parish office.

Matrimony: Call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor. Diocesan guidelines require an initial interview at least 6 months before the wedding date. Please call the parish office for further information.

R.C.I.A.: This is a process for anyone who wishes to become Catholic. Please call the parish office for further information.



August 13th 4:30PM Sylvia Bernard Sylvia (RIP) by Harold Sylvia; Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Gloria Mae Jacob Roy, Gussie Roy & Gus Roy (RIP) by Berlinda Roy Mouton; Ricky Fisk (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Fisk Family; Harley J. Taville, Sr. (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Gwen Blake; Walter Sinegal, Sr. (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Cynthia McZeal-Sinegal; Mary Lou Sam (RIP) by Elaine Whitney & Family; Elsie Polk & Virginia Collins (Happy Birthday-RIP) by Muriel Polk

August 14th 9:00AM For All Parishioners
August 16th No Mass
August 17th No Mass
August 18th No Mass
August 19th No Mass

August 20th 4:30PM Levy Adams, Sr. (RIP) by Langston; David Martin (RIP), Pamela Martin Wright (RIP) & Deceased Members of the Batiste Family by Alma Martin & Family; Theresa Barnes (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Elvira Narcisse & Family; Daisy & Harrison Hill, Sr. (RIP) by Jasline Sebile



August 6th & August 7th

4:30pm	**$2,407.00**
9:00am	**$3,554.00**
Mail	**$1,135.00**
Totals	**$7,096.00**

The Appeal for Catholic Ministry for 2022 is in it's 6th month. As a reminder, our goal for this year is $37,776. So far, 50 of our 409 families have pledged $26,683. Of that total, $17,222 have been paid. If you haven't done so, please make your pledge or one time payment. Pledge envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church. Remember any amount over our goal comes back to the Parish.

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Broussard at 409-548-8713.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern ***(Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10)***.

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! ***(Psalm 40)***.

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith ***(Hebrews 12:1-4)***.

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing ***(Luke 12:49-53)***.



Happy 81st Birthday
Ronald Fontenette

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Happy 80th Birthday
James Spencer



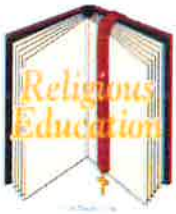


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30
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Meeting

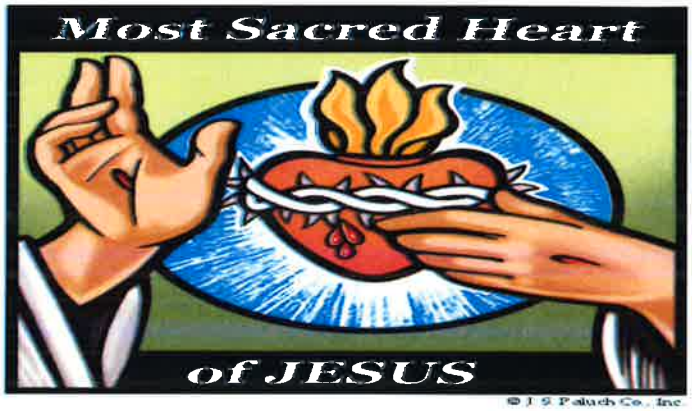
-No meeting this week.



There will be a meeting of CCE teachers and all parishioners interested in assisting with CCE on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 6:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

PROPHETS

We reflect upon the voice of the prophet in this Sunday's readings. We hear of the suffering and the rescue of Jeremiah. We hear how Jesus anticipates his suffering and death. As with Jeremiah and Jesus, the prophets were sent by God to the leaders and people of Israel. A prophet is one who speaks truth to the powerful, exposing their darker hidden motives and injustices. The prophet presents a way forward that aligns with God's purposes. A prophet can force people away from a comfortable neutrality or indifference. The prophet creates an urgency to make a choice: Are we content with the status quo, or are we to change our ways and pursue a new and better path? Today, we may also ask, how do we identify and respond to prophets of our time? How might we provide a prophetic voice in our Church and in our world?



"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

Obituary Announcement

Bernadette Eaglin Lavine, mother of Sidney Lavine and Lavine siblings, died Sunday, August 7, 2022. Service will be held at 10:00am on Saturday, August 20, 2022 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

MEMORIAL WALL



We are now accepting names to be place on the wall of our deceased loved ones who were a member of Sacred Heart. The committee will start with the first 25 names, once this stage has been completed they will start the next set of name. Forms and payment can be submitted at the Parish office.

Tomorrow is the Solemnity of the Assumption. Mary stands with the "great cloud of witnesses" described in Hebrews: those who kept their eyes firmly fixed on Jesus. We may not be thinking of Mary when we hear Jesus' harsh words in today's Gospel, but when she said "yes" to Gabriel, it carried the risk of the rejection and division that Jesus describes. As the early Christians surely knew, to hold Jesus as the sole leader and perfecter of faith meant that you would likely find yourself divided from those in your household who held other beliefs. This occurrence is not unknown in our own time and place, and many of us surely know a household divided on the issue of religion, even if the divisions are occurring solely through indifference. A life of faith lived to the full will likely eventually call on us to separate ourselves somehow, keeping our gaze firmly on Jesus, so we will also one day join the great cloud of witnesses.

FIRE IN THE MUD

Prophets have been described as being on fire with God's message. Today, that fire in Jeremiah has to keep burning in the bottom of a muddy cistern. The rulers of his own people (including Judah's king, Zedekiah) have placed him there for speaking an unpopular, if truthful, message to them. His own leave him there, mired in the mud, to starve and die. It takes a foreigner, an outsider, to convince Judah's king that Jeremiah ought to be rescued, his life spared to continue as God's prophet. As so often happens in the lives of the prophets, the help and saving power of God are shown through unexpected people in unexpected ways. We can often find ourselves mired in mud of one sort or another. Do we truly have the fire of God's message in us, so that we can look for our rescue from places we might not expect?

SPIRIT FIRE IN THE SUMMER

A generation or two ago, these Summer Sundays in Ordinary Time would have been known as Sundays "of Pentecost." That naming convention helped recall that the Spirit's Pentecost fire was carrying us through all the Sundays until the end of the liturgical year. Though we may no longer use that name for these Sundays, the underlying reality is the same. The fire that Jesus speaks about today is the blaze of the Spirit. The fire he spoke about when he told his followers they were light for the world was the flame of the Spirit lighting the lamp of discipleship. It takes courageous disciples to allow the blazing fire of which Jesus speaks into their lives, to allow its light, warmth, and even cleansing to work in them and through them. Though we may not want to think about the heat of the Spirit's fire on a summer Sunday, that Spirit is always with us, burning within.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR THE BUILDING FUND. NEXT WEEKEND, THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR THE YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

Father Francis Conroy will bless those celebrating wedding anniversary in August. Next weekend he will bless our youth.

Reflection question:
What has God promised to me?

IF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND IS ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND HE/SHE GETS WELL OR PASSES, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DELETE HIS/HER NAME. THANKS.

Pray for ...

Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Juliana Barnes, Emma Bonton, Diane Bowd, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Emmett Comeaux, Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Morris Davis, Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Esther Dugay, Bernadette Dames, Vincent Fertitta, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Lillian Fontenot, Normand Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zacchaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Fay Hines, Gladys Wilson-Hollins Yvette Jacquet, Hazel January, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Michael Linden, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Mabry McZeal, Mary Lee McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, Margie Provost, JoAnn Pugh, Estella Ray, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Schreida Solaire, Lillie Stewart, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., Hazeletta Younger and Tosharie Younger.
Communicants: Ethel Allen





Religious Articles can be purchase after 4:30pm & 9:00am Masses in the Vestibule of the Church.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen



Parish Social Ministry will host the quarterly Fellowship with refreshments on Saturday and Sunday, August 13th and 14th after each Mass. We will be at the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building. Come join us!!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

August 20th & August 21st

LECTORS
SAT. 4:30PM Linda LaCour
Cynthia Sinegal

SUN. 9:00AM Youth

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