

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2023

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

--Matt. 21:31-32



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.

Mass Intentions **September 30th 4:30PM** Michael Navy, Sr. (RIP) by The Jones Family; John B. Henry, Sr. (RIP) by Mary Henry & Children; Antoine & Irene Fontnette & Russell & Gerald Fontnette (RIP) by Danny & Tanyun Fontenette; Stennie & John Fontnette, Sr. (RIP) by Rita Bowden



October 1st 9:00AM For All Parishioners

October 3rd 6:00PM Mary Lee McZeal (RIP) by JoAnn & Paul Strawder

October 4th 8:00AM No Mass

October 5th 8:00AM No Mass

October 6th 5:30PM Healing Mass and Sacrament of Anointing for All Parishioners

October 7th 4:30PM Raymond Antoine (RIP) by Frederick Antoine; Anthony Stevenson (Happy 64th Birthday-RIP) by Diana Chavis; Lillian LeBlanc (RIP) by The LeBlanc Family; Paul Powell, Sr. (RIP) by Consuella Harrison; Agnes Noelle Jacob (21yrs. Death Anniversary-RIP), Abel Jacob (RIP) & Johnnie Castile (RIP) & Berlinda Mouton (Living) by Doris Castile; Gustavia Scypion Adams (RIP) by Langston Adams

Collections

September 23rd & September 24th

9:00AM	\$1,953.10
4:30PM	\$1,573.00
Mail	\$,640.00
Totals	\$4,166.10

We have received the Appeal for Catholic Ministries 2023 update for August. To date, we have received \$37,265 in pledges. Of that amount, payments of \$28,848 have been received. We are \$9,105 short of reaching our goal of \$37,953. If you have made a pledge, thank you and please continue to make your payments. If you have not, please consider making a pledge or giving a one-time donation. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Stewardship Committee.



Happy Birthday
Judge Donald Floyd

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**Happy Birthday**  
**Dianne McGlory**



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** —Ezekiel 18:25-28

*It is possible to turn from sin and preserve one's life.*

**Psalm** —Psalm 25:4-9

*A prayer to God for mercy.*

**Second Reading** —Philippians 2:1-11 (shorter form Philippians 2:1-5)

*Be like Christ who humbled himself and was exalted by God.*

**Gospel** —Matthew 21:28-32

*Jesus poses a question to the chief priests and elders on the meaning of obedience.*



*Healing Mass for the Sick & Shut-In of the Parish will be on Friday, October 6, 2023 at 5:30pm. If you are in need of a special anointing and blessing, please attend this special Mass. All parishioners are welcome and encourage to attend, following a Reception after Mass in the Parish Hall.*



*Fr. Anthony Afangide 64th Birthday is on Tuesday, October 10th. On Sunday, October 8th he will celebrate Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00am Mass. That weekend a special basket for him will be placed in the Church for blessing wishes. Please remember Fr. Anthony in your prayers.*

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Ps 103:21; Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 10:45; Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Phil 3:8-9; Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mk 1:15; Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Ps 95:8; Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Mt 11:25; Lk 10:17-24

**Sunday:** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Cf. Jn 15:16; Mt 21:33-43

## ***“Come Back to the Heart of Jesus”***

### Meetings

**-KPC Ladies Auxiliary Cartagena Court #32** will meet on Sunday, Oct. 1st at 11:00am at the KPC Hall.

**-Sr. Ushers will not meet this month.**

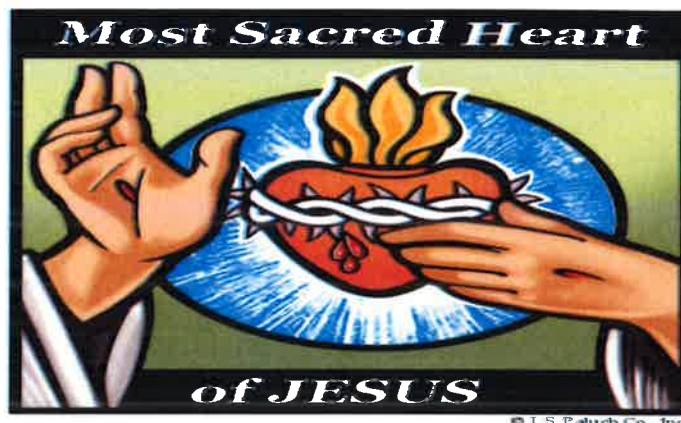
**-The YCCA (Young Contemporary Catholic Adults)** will be having a meeting on Sunday, October 8th after 9:00am Mass in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building. All parishioners and those age 25-59 years of age interested in joining the group are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The context for today’s Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers’ tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today’s Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that “actions speak louder than words” and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father’s will.

Jesus’ conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John’s message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.



### **MEMORIAL WALL UPDATE**



***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 20 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.***

***Join Bishop David Toups as he leads us in the rosary at St. Anthony Cathedral on Sunday, October 1st at 3:00pm, to begin the month of the rosary, and again on Sunday, October 29th at 3:00pm, to conclude the month. All are invited.***



***October is the month of the Rosary, remember to pray the Rosary daily. A Public Square Rally will be held in the Church on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12 noon. All ministries and parishioners are invited. If any ministries would like to participate to recite the 5 decades and 1 petition are to contact Jasline Sebile at 409-543-1152.***



**Greeting Sacred Heart Family, it’s time to prepare for our CCE Classes. Let make this year a “family affair.” We would like for everyone to be a part of learning and teaching our children about our awesome GOD. Please come and join us at CCE Classes this Fall.**

**Religious Education classes has started, but its not to late to register. Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Esther Dugay, if you have any questions or anticipate your child[ren] being in sacrament preparation this year.**

**If you have child[ren] ages 1-6 years old needing to be baptize, please call the Parish Office and make an appointment.**



**THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS. NEXT WEEKEND THE 2ND COLLECTION IS BUILDING FUND.**

**Fr. Anthony will bless singles, widows and widowers in October. Next weekend he will bless those celebrating a wedding anniversary in October.**

**See our Bulletin Board in the Vestibule for announcement/information in our community and local area.**

**IF YOUR FAMILY 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**



Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Kenya Avila, Juliana Barnes, Diane Bowd, Aletra Bowman, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Bernadette Brown, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Dudley Champ, Martin Charles, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Bernadette Dames, Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Herman Dugay, Yourmae Duplechain, Henry Dwin, Vincent Fertitta, Ronald Fontenette, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, Carolyn Francis, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Gilbert Green, Jr., Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Thomas Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zachaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Harrison Hill, Jr., Fay Hines, Gladys Wilson-Hollins Donnette Eulain-Jackson, Yvette Jacquet, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Dorothy Johnson, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Lucien Lavallais, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Johanna Lewis, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Dorothy McClarin, Mabry McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Dallas Oliver, Donald Oliver, Rita Oliver, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, Margie Provost, JoAnn Pugh, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Jayden Spencer, Lillie Stewart, Michella Sulldan, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Michael Price Thompson, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Iris Waymon, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shalara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., Tadarell Woods, and Hazeletta Younger .

**Sick & Shut-In**

For the Sick and Homebound Parishioner who may need Confession. Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office for the Priest at (409)985-5104. Also, if you want or know someone that need to be added to the prayer request list.

**Obituary**

*Bernard Mouton, Jr., died on Sunday, September 24, 2023, the husband to Berlinda Mouton. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2023 at Sacred Heart Church at 10:00am.*

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*Genevia Wilkenson-Joubert, died on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, the mother to Katy Sinette. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at Sacred Heart Church at 10:00am. Please keep the families in your prayer.*



Parish Social Service Ministry is available to assist anyone in the parish that needs help with electric, gas, or water bills. Other services are available based on the parishioners need. All assistance provided is confidential. We are now in our 7th year of service to the parish and the community. If you would like to know more about Parish Social Ministry, please take home a brochure located in the vestibule.



Parish Social Service Ministry is collecting Jell-o monthly for the United Board of Missions. The box is still located in the vestibule. This will be put in the low income bags given to members of the community who apply through United Board of Missions. Please be generous. If you have any questions, you can contact Brenda Broussard or Sheryl Alpough.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**October 6th-Adoration 5pm /Mass 6pm**

**Jasline Sebile**

**October 7th & October 8th**

**LECTORS**

**SAT. 4:30PM Cynthia Sinegal  
Delores Yeggins**  
**SUN. 9:00AM Rodney Broussard  
Esther Dugay**

**EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS**

**SUN. 9:00AM Margaret Taylor  
Brenda Broussard**

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