

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023

As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted" --Mt 23:8-12



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 **November 4th 4:30PM** Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Beatrice Dugas (RIP) & Earl Milstead (RIP) by Dorothy Milstead; Bernard Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Barbara Henry

 **November 5th 9:00AM For All Parishioners**

November 7th 6:00PM Uniqua Sinegal (3yr. Death Anniversary-RIP) by Christella Bailey & Children; Mary Bernard Fisk (RIP) by The Fisk Family; Louise Melancon (Happy Heavenly Birthday-We Miss You) by Mary Denise Barros & Family; Bernard J. Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Francine & Leonard Gabriel

November 8th 8:00AM In memory of Rosie & Homer Willis by Willis & Hatch Families; Bernard J. Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Francine & Leonard Gabriel

November 9th 8:00AM Bernard J. Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Kathleen Darnell Green; Fr. Anthony Afangide, MSP & Fr. Ernie J. K. Carpio by Legion of Mary

November 10th 8:00AM Bernard J. Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Kathleen Darnell Green

November 11th 4:30PM Stephen Gary (RIP) by The Family; Deceased Members of The Marks, Narcisse & Alexander Family by Elvira Narcisse; Marie Conner (22yrs. Death Anniversary-RIP) & Judith Broxton (RIP) by The Conner Family; Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Bernard J. Mouton, Jr. (RIP) by Mary & Harold Joseph; Edward Paul Powell, Sr. (RIP) by Helen Carrier; Harold Manuel (RIP) by Addie Manuel, Neka Manuel & Family

Collections

October 28th & October 29th	
9:00AM	\$2,058.00
4:30PM	\$1,237.00
Mail	\$1,384.00
Totals	\$4,679.00

We have received the Appeal for Catholic Ministries 2023 update for October. To date, we have received **\$39,303.00** in pledges. Of that amount, payments of **\$35,211.00** have been received. We are **\$2,742.00** short of reaching our goal of **\$37,953.00**. 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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — *Malachi 1:14b—2:2b,8-10*

Through the prophet Malachi, God judges the priests of Israel and calls them to be more faithful to the Covenant.

Psalm — *Psalm 131:1-3*

We find peace in the Lord.

Second Reading — *1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9,13*

Paul gives thanks to God for the way in which the Thessalonians received the word of God.

Gospel — *Matthew 23:1-12*

Jesus warns against following the example of the scribes and the Pharisees and teaches that those who would be great must be servants.



Welcome to Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary, 4th Degree Knights, 4th Degree Ladies of Grace, Jr. Knights & Jr. Daughters who turn out on Sunday, November 5th for Founders Day.



*Happy Birthday
Elvira Narcisse*

*Happy Birthday
Helen Scott*

*Happy Birthday
Helen Spencer*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Jn 8:31b-32; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16ab; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Mt 11:28; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: **Rom 13:8-10**; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; 1 Pt 4:14; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; 2 Chr 7:16; Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; 1 Jn 2:5; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; 2 Cor 8:9; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18; or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 24:42a, 44; Mt 25:1-13

"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

Meetings

-**Sr. Ushers** will meet on Sunday, Nov. 5th after 9:00am Mass in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

-**KPC Ladies Auxiliary Cartagena Court #32** will meet on Sunday, Nov. 5th at 11:00am at the KPC Hall.

-**Altar Society** will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 8th at 5:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

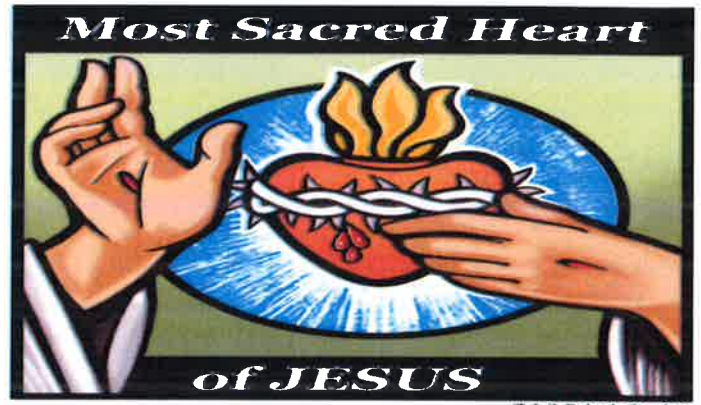
-**Parish Social Service Ministry** will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 8th at 5:30pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

-**The Golden Age Group** will meet on Saturday, Nov. 11th at 11:00am in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

-**Parish Council** will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 14th at 6:30pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

The Gospel is from the Gospel of Matthew 23:1-12. As this picture of the Pharisees is painted by none other than Christ himself, we can have no doubt but that the description given is the truth and nothing but the truth. In spite of their great knowledge of "the law and the prophets" — the divine revelation God had given to the Chosen People—and of their many strict observances of that law, they were not pleasing to God. All their good works and all their learning were spoiled by the vice of pride which made them seek earthly glory for themselves and prevented them from giving glory or thanks to God. Their religion was an empty external cloak which they used to attract attention and honor to themselves. Internally, they were so full of their own importance that there was no room for God in their hearts.

Our divine Lord warned his disciples, and through them all of us, to avoid that pernicious vice of pride. It should not be hard for any true Christian to avoid this vice. We know that every material and spiritual talent we have has been given us by God, so we must give glory to God for any gifts we possess and not to ourselves. St. Paul reminds us of this fact when he asks us: "What have you that you have not received, and if you have received it why glory in it as if it were your own?" We owe everything we have to God and we should use all the gifts he has given us for his honor and glory, and for that purpose alone.



The Drexel Society will recognize **ALL VETERANS** on the weekend of **Saturday, November 11 and Sunday, November 12, 2023**. Please sign the form in the vestibule of the Church and the Mass you will attend.



Youth Ministry is preparing to order **T-shirts** for our youth. Please contact **Crystal Williams** at **409-365-3790** as soon as possible with your youth's **T-shirt size**, no later than **Sunday, November 12, 2023**.

Any adults who has been Baptized and received your First Communion, but not confirmed. Please call the Parish Office to sign up. Classes are being held for Confirmation on every Wednesday at 5:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

Mass Schedule/Events

November is Black Catholic History Month

-**November 11th & 12th**-A moment with our **Black Saints** on Saturday, (A display of **Black Saints** in the Vestibule or on the Altar.)

-**November 12th**-Procession at beginning of Mass with pictures of **Saints**.

-**Black Family Rosary and Mystery**-Dedication to the cause of **Sainthood!**

-**November 18-19th**-Youth Day/National Catholic **Black History**

-**November 18th**-Parish Social Ministry **Health and Wellness Fair** at 1pm-4pm in the Parish Hall.

November 19th-Youth participation in the **Rosary and Mass**

-**November 19th**-Movie Night-Hosted by **Parish Council (TBD)**

-**Thanksgiving Day Mass** will be held on **Thursday, November 23rd** at 9:00am.

-**Solemnity of Christ the King** will be held on **Sunday, November 26th** at 9:00am Mass and this is the last Sunday in the liturgical year before Advent.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR BEREAVEMENT FUND. NEXT WEEKEND THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR BUILDING FUND.

Fr. Anthony will bless singles, widows and widowers who lost a spouse in November. Next weekend he will bless celebrating a wedding anniversary in November.

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, Zacchaeus 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, Troy Prevost, 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, Phyllis Voliby, Iris Waymon, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., and Hazeletta Younger.

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. 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.

Reflection: What is a blessing? The blessing is turning to God and asking Him to fill someone, to fill ourselves with the grace and the peace that is our inheritance as a member of the Kingdom of God. And what's clear in this list of both being filled with and satisfied, or being persecuted and treated unfairly, no matter where we are in that whole spectrum of life, God's blessing, God's presence is the key to making things move in the direction that creates the Kingdom of God.

Our Mother of Mercy Gospel Choir Musical
"LET IT RISE"

Friday, November 10, 2023 - 6:00p.m.

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church

3390 Sarah Street, Beaumont, TX 77705

Free Admission

(Love offering collected during the event.)

Please join us for an evening of praise and worship!



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

November 11th & November 12th

LECTORS

**SAT. 4:30PM Cynthia Sinegal
Corine Jones**

**SUN. 9:00AM Kathrina Martin
Midge Jacobs**

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

**SUN. 9:00AM Margaret Taylor
Connie Roy
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