

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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REJOICE! FOR GOD GIVES US GOOD THINGS

(Is 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20)

The last time the Fourth of July fell on a Sunday, an American traveler was visiting England, staying in Canterbury, the home of a great medieval cathedral and the cradle of English Christianity. It did not take long for the traveler to note one very important difference between the Fourth of July in England and in the United States. Things were a lot quieter in England, without fireworks or parades or bands and speeches. Then late in the afternoon, after an English summer shower, God celebrated the day as a beautiful rainbow quietly and eloquently filled the sky over the English countryside.

The Mission! The work of the disciples is not going to be easy as they will be required to enter very precarious situations with absolute minimum equipment. It will be like lambs being sent to work in the midst of wolves. The urgency of the mission is captured by the mandate to take almost nothing with them and not to greet anyone on the way, something that would appear very strange in a culture dominated by gestures of hospitality. The core of their message must be peace. That captures what Jesus is about and what the kingdom of God is about. The disciples' mission is clear and includes three things: first, establish a community; second, heal those who are sick; announce the kingdom of God. If the disciples are rejected, then those who do so will have a fate worse than Sodom, notorious for its lack of hospitality.

The Return. The mission is dangerous and difficult, but the seventy-two return filled with joy and thanksgiving. Jesus declares that the success of the disciples demonstrates that the kingdom of God is winning out over the power of Satan. Using futuristic apocalyptic language but applying it to the present, Jesus emphasizes that the disciples will be able to exercise the power of the ministry without being subject to harm. However, these signs of immediate success are not the most important aspects of the ministry. Most important is that the names of the disciples are written in heaven, a symbol of salvation.

STEWARDSHIP

"This country cannot afford to be materially rich and spiritually poor."
(John F. Kennedy, 1917-63), 35th U.S. President

RESPECT FOR LIFE

"Assisted suicide sends a message to the terminally ill that caring for them is a waste of time, that their lives are no longer worth living and that they are better off dead." (Anthony Ozimic, political secretary of England's Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, NRL News, 1/09)

ATTENTION AIC, HOLY GHOST AND OC GRADUATES!

If anyone has a group picture of a graduating class in cap/gown from AIC, Holy Ghost, or OC, please share it with the Catholic Schools of Opelousas Alumni Association. The association is refurbishing the alumni wall composite pictures, and some class pictures are missing. Thus, a group picture of this type could be enlarged and framed for the hallway. Please contact Becky Diesi at 948-1068; Donald Giron at 281-0360 or Kathy Hebert at 942-8565 as soon as possible.

OLD TIME BINGO PLUS SALAD BAR

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Landry #119 - Opelousas is sponsoring an "Old Time BINGO plus Salad Bar." A delicious meal of Salad and Dessert! 10 Prize Bingo Games, 1 Blackout Game, Great Door Prizes. Saturday, August 7 here at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church Hall. Doors open and salad served at 6 p.m. Games begin at 7 p.m. Advance Tickets \$12.00. Tickets not sold at door. For more information call Janis Courvelle at 337-999-1234 or 337-789-0971.

WELCOME TO MONSIGNOR KEITH DEROUEN!

We, the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church, would like to warmly welcome our new pastor, Monsignor Keith DeRouen. Msgr. DeRouen comes to us after having served as pastor of The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette for the past twelve and one half years. We are so blessed to have been led by Fr. Angelo Cremaldi for the last seventeen years and are equally blessed to have Msgr. DeRouen assigned to our parish as our new shepherd. We pledge our prayers, support, energy, talents and resources to Msgr. DeRouen as he leads our parish, allowing us to continue growing together in our Christian spirituality as we all strive to build up the body of Christ. Welcome, Msgr. DeRouen!!

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

As a ministry to the sick, the Knights of Columbus members have prayed with (and for) the sick in their homes. If you would like to have them come to your home for prayer, please contact Derek Faust, at 351-3211 or you can call the church office at 942-5628. They are available for prayer on the second Wednesday of each month during the hours of 4-7 p.m.

My dear Parishioners,

It sounds so good for me to call you, "My dear Parishioners." I am so humbled to follow Fr. Cremaldi who served you and loved you so well as Pastor for seventeen years. I'll share a story about Fr. Cremaldi and my relationship with him this weekend.

I left the Cathedral after twelve and a half years of service there, and of course, I was sad to say goodbye. The people of the Cathedral were so good to me. In fact, a group of them made a generous donation to Our Lady Queen of Angels to do some refurbishing work in the rectory. I thank them, but I have never seen such a generous spirit of volunteers as I have encountered here already. When I arrived on Monday, 21 June, there were 20 men, mostly KC members, scurrying about doing all sorts of wonderful things. To all who have thus far made my stay here so incredible, I am truly grateful.

The staff and employees here are amazingly helpful, very competent and efficient. It is a pleasure to live with Msgr. Melancon again. He was on staff at Immaculata Seminary when I was a seminarian there.

I am so grateful to be here as I strive to serve you as Pastor. I already know I will love you and experience many years of joy. I will ask for your prayers as I begin this important task. Please know I will pray for you.

With reliance upon Our Lady Queen of Angels, I remain,
In the Lord Jesus,



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support of the essential work of the Holy Father and his charitable acts through the Peter's Pence Collection. You have helped to cast Christ's love upon the world. To read more about the good done through the Peter's Pence Collection, please visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Happily Married Couples: The U.S. Bishops speak of the challenges of married love: "An enduring marriage is more than simply endurance. It is a process of growth into an intimate friendship and a deepening peace. We urge all couples: renew your commitment regularly, seek enrichment often..." (*Follow the Way of Love*, www.usccb.org/laity/follow.shtml). Take time to renew and enrich your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, July 23-25 & October 15-17 in Baton Rouge at the Tracy Center. For more information, call 1-800-586-5469.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



READERS

Sat., July 10 4:00 p.m. Buster LeBlanc
Sun., July 11 8:30 a.m. John Braham
10:30 a.m. Josie Prudhomme
6:00 p.m. Carl Savoie

ALTAR SOCIETY

July 10-July 16 Mrs. Joyce Dejean & Committee
Linens (July 3) Mrs. Flo Pierrotte


YOUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Total Offertory Collection \$9,734.65
Friends of the Mission 109.00
Poor Box 29.32
Chapel Donations 20.00
Collection for Peter's Pence 1,497.57

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

ACTIVITIES

Sun., July 4 8:30 a.m. Coffee & Donuts after Mass
Wed., July 7 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
6:30 p.m. K of C Meeting and Supper
Sat., Sun., July 11 & 12 ALL MASSES: SECOND
COLLECTION FOR:
Catholic Communications



PERPETUAL EUCHARIST ADORATION
The Adorers of the Perpetual Adoration wish to thank Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for the following favor:
1. For favors received.

INSTRUCTION FOR BAPTISM

The instructions for parents who wish to have their children baptized will be held on first Thursday at Valentin Hall at 6:30 p.m. **FIRST, please call the office to register 942-5628.**

*****NOTICE*****

*****REGISTER NOW FOR CCD FALL CLASSES*****
ALL STUDENTS WHO WILL BE MAKING THEIR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION THIS COMING YEAR MUST REGISTER NOW. THIS INCLUDES THOSE WHO WILL BE ATTENDING CLASSES HERE AND THOSE ATTENDING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Circle of Friends will hold their annual Singles Retreat on September 11, Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 For more information or to register, please call the Office of Marriage & Family life at 337-261-5653 or visit www.cofcircleoffriends.webs.com. Circle of Friends is a Separated and Divorced Support Group that meets at Holy Cross Church, 505 Broadmoor Blvd., Lafayette. Meetings are held on Monday nights from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Guest speaker for July 19 will be Eva Young, Spiritual Director, speaking on Centering Prayer.

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Our Father in Heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season and protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Thank you for your favors in the past. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

"Lord hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior." Amen.

I.C.O.N.S.

I.C.O.N.S. food bank is in need of help with food, time or money. Please be generous and help the needy. Call 594-8845 on Mondays or Thursdays to offer your help. Location of I.C.O.N.S. is 1411 N. Market St. Food can be brought here and we will deliver to I.C.O.N.S.

"Heavenly Father, bless the leaders of our nation to act with wisdom, compassion and justice."

MASSES

Sat., July 3 4:00 p.m. Harold & Genevieve Lastrapes/ Paul Kimball/ Winnie Kimball, M/M Arthur Kimball & Sons, M/M Moise Smith, John & Albert/ Julia Palazzo/ Sandra G. Dupre/ J.C. & Bernice Diesi/ Betty Diesi, David Diesi, R.C. & Elaine Musgrove/ Felix B. & Alida G. Fontenot/ Evelyn Comeaux/ Lee Andrepont/ M/M Paul Gaines, Jr./ Mary J. Bihm/ Leon Latiolais/ Issac & Loretta Stagg/ Rene Fontenot/ Edward Verdino/ Alex Chachere/ Helen & Jack Sharp/ Ann DeRouen Boudreaux/ Joshua Peck, Annie & Jesse Leger, Sr. & Jesse, Jr./ Charles Martin/ Dillon Barstow/ George Lee Stelly

Sun., July 4 . . . 8:30 a.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courvelle/ Jeff Vizinat/ Anne Mathilde Olivier/ George Bourgeois/ Theresa Lavergne/ Grace Soileau/ George & Nettie Stelly & Elsie Wyble/ Margaret V. Martin/ Deanna B. Chachere/ Mildred Guidry/ Newton Stout/ James F. Elder, Sr./ Ronald Fusilier/ Emily Tazuin & M/M Antoine Tazuin/ Tim Boyd/ Donald Chachere, Sr./ Sylvia B. Chachere/ Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family/ David Richter, Jr./ Wayne Wyble/ Frank & Julie Stelly & Robert & Leontine Delahoussaye/ Lorena Greene

6:00 p.m. Leonce Lalonde, Jr./ William C. Sandoz/ Lena & Blackie Franchebois/ Alex B. Chachere/ M/M James J. Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families/ Pollingue & Logan Families/ Jim, "Tat" & Jeff Durio/ Charles & Ruth Stelly

Mon., July 5 . . . 5:15 p.m. Marcus Paul Fontenot (Anniversary of Death)/ Olivier Auzenne (B)/ Alex B. Chachere/ Wayne Wyble/ Peter J. Mayeux/ Maria Sebastien (B)

Tues., July 6 . . . 7:00 a.m. Christina Pellerin (Anniversary of Death)/ Alex B. Chachere

Wed., July 7 . . . 5:15 p.m. Paul Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith/ Alex B. Chachere/ Wayne Wyble/ Frank Miller

Thurs., July 8 . . . 7:00 a.m. Percy Credeur/ Alex B. Chachere

Fri., July 9 5:15 p.m. Dugal & Richard Family/ Tim, Marsha & Miles Bryant/ Alex B. Chachere/ Benjamin & Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Lee & Bernice Guidry, Tracie K. Carriere, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Jr./ Wayne Wyble

Sat., July 10 . . . 4:00 p.m. Harold & Genevieve Lastrapes/ Paul Kimball/ Winnie Kimball, M/M Arthur Kimball & Sons, M/M Moise Smith, John & Albert/ Julia Palazzo/ Margaret V. Martin/ J.C. & Bernice Diesi/ Evelyn Comeaux/ Alex B. Chachere/ Burnley Bordelon, M/M Edward Bordelon & M/M Dennis Fontenot/ Mrs. Clayus Stelly/ Rene Fontenot/ Edward Verdino/ Mary J. Bihm/ M/M Wilbur V. Reed, Sr./ M/M Ebon Reed, Anita R. Durio & Myrtle R. Gibson/ Helen & Jack Sharp/ Charles Martin

Sun., July 11 . . . 8:30 a.m. Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courvelle/ George & Nettie Stelly & Elsie Wyble/ Deanna Chachere/ Buddy Hackett/ Sadie Metrejean, Madie Brignac, John & Ester Wyble/ Roger & Norris Woodson, Ida & Moise Kidder/ Avie Stelly/ Ronald Fusilier/ Donald Chachere, Sr./ Sylvia B. Chachere/ Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family/ Jenny Hardy/ Angie Aymond/ Newton Stout/ Chris Moreau/ Jeff Vizinat/ Pollingue & Logan Families/ Anne Mathilde Olivier

10:30 a.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS CHURCH

6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Priests of Diocese/ Leonce Lalonde, Jr./ William C. Sandoz/ Lena & Blackie Franchebois/ Alex B. Chachere/ M/M James J. Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families/ Wayne Wyble

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new in the parish and are not registered in our parish census, we invite you to do so by providing your:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Or come by the office to get acquainted.