

MASSES & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2018

8:00 A.M. MASS – Deceased Parishioners of SJoA & St. Joseph
4:30 P.M. MASS – Don Fontenot, Fran Meaux, Lloyd Taylor, Evelyn Sandell, Benton Smith, Keith LeJeune, J.C. & Bertha Smith, Hubert Bertrand, Emily Adams, Frank Mougeot, Willie Mae LeJeune, Madeleine McNulty, Ophelia Fontenot, Sonny Berlinger, Jackie & Seth Chandler

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018

7:30 A.M. MASS – *Pro Populo* (For the People)
10:00 A.M. MASS – Carol Deshotel, St. Martha's Guild, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Joan Bertrand, Douglas & Jeane Daigle, Kyle Vidrine

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018

6:30 A.M. MASS – Roy Jones & Gene Braswell

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018

6:30 A.M. MASS – Frank Mougeot

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018

6:00 P.M. MASS – Bernard Fontenot (1st Anniversary)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018

6:30 A.M. MASS – John & Rose Chaumont

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018

4:30 P.M. MASS – Don Fontenot, Fran Meaux, Lloyd Taylor, Evelyn Sandell, Benton Smith, Frank Mougeot, Willie Mae LeJeune, Jack Johnson, George, Clara & George Schneider, Jr., Egbert McGee, Helin McCauley Fly., Liv. & Dec., David Dugas, Rodney & Pereda Fontenot, Seth & Jackie Chandler, LeRoy Fontenot, Elaine Dugas, Leonardo Cezar, Roy Frank, Togeal & Elizabeth Goodly, Martel & Alberta Cezar, Lok & Francis Goodly

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2018

7:30 A.M. MASS – *Pro Populo* (For the People)
10:00 A.M. MASS – Carol Deshotel, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Liv. & Dec. Taylor/Remy Fly., Matt Taylor, Edward & Ora Peloquin

Last Week's Collection	\$3,483.60
BSA Total to Date (Quota - \$11,609.00)	\$6,393.00
2nd Collection this weekend – BSA	
2nd Collection next weekend – Maintenance Fund	
Maintenance Fund to Date	\$9,725.00

PRAYER LIST

Tyler Alexander, M/M Robert Andrews, Amy Bairnsfather, Phil Beard, Charles Beaubouef, Georgia Bell Baggett, Tyler Bellow, Jocie Bergeron, John O'Neal Bergeron, Alvin & Sonja Billodeaux, M/M Lincoln Briscoe, Deanne LeBlanc Broussard, Ambrose Bushnell, Bernice Bushnell, Belle Carrier, David & Natalie Carrier, Linda Beaubouef Cazes, JoAnn Cormier, Gordon Cotton, Brittany Courville, Jeane Daigle, Aiden & Renlee' Darbonne, Louise Guidry Darbonne, Judy Davis, Donna Dunneho, Pam McDaniel Elliott, Noah Ferry, David Fontenot, Mary O. Fontenot, Zaylen Frank, Tim Germany, James & Jill Gilbert & Fly., Elaine Giles, Tim Giles, Phielomone Goodly, Becky Gorman, Dixie Granger, Rachael Granger, Vergie Granger, Charlene Guidry, Harrison Harmon, Joseph Harmon, Mildred Harmon, Esther Harmon, Jackie Hebert, Gwen Holder, Bob & Charlene Ireland, John, Shenita & Perella Jackson, Joey James, Cindy Langley, Essie Langley, Jessica Lindsey, Brian Manuel, Jennifer L. Manuel, Kevin Manuel, Marlin Manuel, Wilson Manuel, Brandy McCarty, Christina McNutt, Josh Miller, Patrica Mikas, Brad Morgan, Clifton & Carolyn Morgan, Howard Patin, Sonya Pickett, Hannah Popillion, Ena Prudhomme & Fly., Jimmy Prudhomme, Ann Reed, Brenda Dodd Reed, Dara Reed, Gary Reed, Linda Green Reed, Don & Debra Rider, Salis & Janice Rider, Ann Rooney, Fr. Fred Russi, Pat Abshire Savant, Helen Sheeman, Lois Singleton, Yvonne Smith, Donald Taylor, Ken & Wylene Taylor, Diana Tichy, Matthew Truman, Dollyanna Victorian, Kyle Vidrine, Hannah Voeller, Linda Voeller, Linda Weldon, Odelia Wilson, Nicole Young

Vocations Candle and Cross – Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Brandon

Bazaar Closing Meeting

Sunday, November 11th after 10:00 A.M. Mass there will be a Bazaar meeting in the hall for all committee members to review this year's bazaar. Please bring your concerns about the bazaar to this meeting. Lunch will be provided.

Hours for St. Vincent de Paul's Closet

The St. Vincent de Paul's Closet is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 – 11 A.M. Come shop for the whole family. Items are \$2 and below. At this time we are only accepting clothes, shoes, and clothing accessories.

Immaculée Ilibagiza

Our Lady Queen of Heaven welcomes Immaculée Ilibagiza Wednesday, November 7th at 6:30 P.M. or Thursday, November 8th at 10:30 A.M. She will share her inspirational testimony of faith, hope, and forgiveness as a survivor of the 1994 Rwanda genocide that took the lives of nearly one million Tutsis. Men, women and children, including her entire family except for one of her brothers, were massacred at the hands of Hutu marauders. Immaculée found shelter at a pastor's home, where she and seven other women hid from the deadly rebel mob in a 3-by-4-foot bathroom for 91 days. This is a free event. Love offerings accepted. Call Felicia at OLQH 337-477-1236 with any questions.

Center for Catholic Studies presents:

Introduction to Philosophy, taught by Father Villareal

Class Schedule: 5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

November 5, 12, 26 and December 3, 10, 17

Class Cost \$50

Location: Catholic Student Center at McNeese

Online registration at: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=58d33f>

For more information you can email: marlie.mudd@lcdioocese.org

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This Week @ SJoA

- ❖ Sunday, November 4th – Holy League at 5:00 P.M. Holy Hour at 6:00 P.M. followed by Compline
- ❖ Tuesday, November 6th – Ladies Altar Society at 5:30 P.M.
- ❖ **Wednesday, November 7th – ADORATION 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.; CCD and Youth Group**
- ❖ **Thursday, November 8th – Solemn Requiem Mass for the Deceased Parishioners of SJoA and St. Joseph at 6:00 P.M.**

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Maintenance Fund Info

A reminder: a second collection is taken on the second weekend of each month. These monies will go toward repairs at SJoA and St. Joseph. As previously noted, there are several substantial repairs needed at SJoA, St. Joseph, the rectory, and the parish hall. Contributions to the maintenance fund may be made at any time. If made outside of the second collection on the second weekend, please make sure to label your contribution as "maintenance fund". Thank you.

Indulgence Information

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls. On all days from November 1st through November 8th inclusive, a plenary indulgence, **applicable only to the Poor Souls**, is granted to those who visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. (**Note:** the usual conditions apply.) Partial indulgences are granted to those who recite the prayer, "*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace. Amen.*" ("Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.")

- Excerpted from the *FSSP Liturgical Ordo*

FROM FATHER CONNER

2018 BAZAAR REPORT

Last weekend's bazaar was delightful. God blessed us with ideal weather. Attendance was good and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves very much. I thank everyone who worked so hard to make the bazaar a success and everyone who donated time or treasure. I also thank you for inviting family and friends. (I noticed several folks who were present [most likely] because they were invited by you.) Even in a small parish like SJoA, it's practically impossible to thank everyone by name. Since that's the case, please accept this as a sign of my sincere gratitude:

Thank You!

Regarding the returns, the gross was \$34,893.00. After expenses, the net was **\$30,572.63**. This is a few thousand higher than last year's net.

The raffle winners were:

\$1000 RAFFLE – A ... Chuck Smith and Jim Smith (*who donated it back to the Maintenance Fund; thanks, fellas!*)

\$1000 RAFFLE – B ... Steve Durio

LSU QUILT RAFFLE ... Chip Johnson

CAJUN MICROWAVE RAFFLE ... Regina Beard

55" TV RAFFLE ... Karen Teigen

The Gumbo Cookoff winners were:

Best Overall Gumbo: *Rowdy Roux*

Captain: Ryan Rozas; Hope Rozas; Joseph Beaubouef; Susana Beaubouef

Best Decorated Booth: *Krewe de Roux*

Captain: Jenny Manuel; Boobie Manuel; Addison Pitre

Best Team Spirit: *3 Sisters and a Saint*

Captain: Melissa Craft; Shelly Mougeot; Melinda Kent; Sophie LeBleu

DIES IRÆ CHANTED AT SUNDAY MASSES THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER

The *Dies Iræ* will be chanted at various times (most likely during the Offertory and Communion) at our Masses during the month of November. Why are we doing this? Well, November is the 'month of the Poor Souls'. The *Dies Iræ*, aside from the sober beauty of its Gregorian mode, reminds us to consider our present way of life and urges us to prepare well (right now) for a holy death. It's also a powerful reminder of the necessity of praying for the faithful departed. Print outs of the *Dies Iræ* are at the entrances of the church. Please feel free to pick up a copy to use during Mass (follow/sing along with the choir) or for your personal devotion. (Thus, you may keep the copy.)

WHAT IS THE DIES IRÆ?

Good question. The *Dies Iræ* is commonly attributed to the authorship of Friar Thomas of Celano, author of the First and Second Life of Saint Francis of Assisi. It is a hymn of singular awe and piety, which is customarily chanted as part of the Requiem Mass, that is, the Mass said for the repose of the deceased. It is also part of the Office of the Dead in the *Roman Breviary*. The date of composition is the mid thirteenth century. The hymn is a meditation on the Last Judgment, when Christ will come again in glory, no longer granting mercy, but as the Just Judge who will separate the just from the wicked, casting the latter into eternal fire, and welcoming the former to eternal bliss. The hymn closes with a supplication for mercy before the coming of that 'day of wrath'.

PARISH BOOK OF PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

You may have noticed the Parish Book of Prayer at the main entrance of the church by now. If not, please be encouraged to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones therein. We will have a special Mass on **Thursday, November 8th at 6:00 pm** for deceased parishioners of SJoA & St. Joseph, as well as for those whose names are in our Parish Book of Prayer for the Faithful Departed. Also, please make note of the **deceased clergy** who have served in the Diocese of Lake Charles, and, after "making note" of them, please pray for the repose of their souls.

BISHOP PROVOST'S PASTORAL LETTER

**November 1, 2018
The Solemnity of All Saints**

My dear People of God,

In the words of St. Paul, "I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the Gospel from the first day until now" (Philippians 1:5).

Indeed your faith, support and steadfastness are a great encouragement to me personally and to all of those who pastor in the Diocese of Lake Charles. Recently, I had the occasion to meet with over 650 young men and women with whom I will celebrate Confirmation during 2019. How encouraging it was to meet them and their sponsors as they begin their immediate preparation for this important Sacrament. We should see this concerted effort as a sign of hope for the Church, for commitment to Jesus Christ is alive and well in the lives of our young people.

For this reason and so many others, the reports of sexual misconduct on the part of clerics have been so disconcerting and disturbing. We must insure that the young are not compromised. When victims of sexual abuse have made themselves known to us, we have done everything in our power to address their needs. Our commitment in this regard will continue, as well as our assurance that every criminal act will be immediately and uncompromisingly reported to the civil authorities. In the past the civil officials have publicly acknowledged our commitment.

I am writing to you, the good and faithful Catholics of the Diocese of Lake Charles, to offer my assurances in three specific areas about which many have inquired. My concern here is to make certain that you are informed of our efforts to reinforce the integrity of clerical ministry in this Diocese.

First, anyone who applies for admission to the seminary is vigorously vetted. During the initial stages of application, each candidate is interviewed intensely about his personal history and motive for seeking acceptance to seminary formation. Following this interview, a number of letters of recommendation are sought to verify the quality of the candidate. The prospective seminary student then undergoes a full battery of examinations before being accepted. These include psychological tests, medical examinations, interviews by an admissions committee, and the scrutiny of their autobiography and academic record. Only following this process does the admissions committee and vocation director make a recommendation to me for possible acceptance. To be clear, among the many qualities of his character, we look for evidence of a candidate's ability to live a holy and integrated life, especially in the area of celibate chastity. This application process has been in place for several years and has been modified over the last decade to make it more efficient and thorough.

Second, seminary formation has dramatically improved since the visitation of all seminaries in the United States by a board of examiners from September 2005 to July 2006. These improvements include a greater emphasis on the pillars of formation: spiritual, intellectual, human, and pastoral. Additionally, the Bishops of Louisiana meet with the administration of the two seminaries in the State at least twice a year to review their programs. I also serve on the Board of Governors for the Pontifical North American College in Rome, where we have four men now studying for the priesthood. The administrators of these seminaries give us reports, and we are free to make comments, raise questions and address issues. These are welcomed, and suitable changes are made. The vocation director and I also take time during the year to visit our seminarians at their respective seminaries to receive updates and to make further evaluations. The seminary also presents to us, the bishops, annual faculty assessments and evaluations on each seminarian. These are read and scrutinized. When the seminary makes the final recommendation for ordination, we are certain, to the extent that it is humanly possible, that the man being presented for Holy Orders is indeed spiritually, morally, intellectually, psychologically, and physically fit for Orders. Any man who does not evidence his ability to live a fully integrated priesthood will not be advanced to Holy Orders. We are confident that the three seminaries currently in use by the Diocese of Lake Charles provide excellent formation for our seminarians. As proof, there are many fine priests currently serving in our diocese.

Third, there are no clerics employed or serving in any assignment in this diocese against whom there is a criminal accusation. Additionally, all clerics serving in the Diocese of Lake Charles have undergone background checks and Safe Environment certification and updating. Anyone knowing of any misconduct by clergy or any employee or volunteer in this Diocese should make a report to the civil authorities and to the designated diocesan official, our Vicar General, Monsignor Daniel Torres (337-439-7400). The Diocese also has a Victims Assistance Coordinator to direct outreach to the abused.

In conclusion, I return to St. Paul. We are in partnership with the Gospel, that same Good News that I saw being proclaimed to our young men and women preparing for Confirmation. May we live up to the highest standards set by Our Lord Himself and share in the gratitude of St. Paul.

We have much for which to be thankful. God has thus far spared our area of the Gulf region from significant storms during this hurricane season. He has also blessed our Diocese with thirteen future priests and many more who are considering a vocation to the priesthood. God has also blessed many in our area with jobs and employment. All of this, and so much more in our parishes, is good news and comes from a gracious God who cares for his people.

With prayers for your intentions and asking Our Blessed Mother to pray for us in our resolve, I remain,

Devotedly yours in our Lord,

✠ Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles