

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 6:30 a.m.

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 / Mt 23:13-22

Julie Bradberry

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 6:30 a.m.

The Passion of St. John the Baptist
1 Thes 2:1-8 / Mk 6:17-29

Julie Bradberry, Bobby Monceaux

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Thes 2:9-13 / Mt 23:27-32

Julie Bradberry

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Thes 3:7-13 / Mt 24:42-51

Julie Bradberry

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 12:10 p.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Thes 4:1-8 / Mt 25:1-13

Julie Bradberry, Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Sonny Baudry

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

First Saturday / Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Thes 4:9-11 / Mt 25:14-30

8:00 a.m. For the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Conversion of poor sinners

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 20:7-9 / Rom 12:1-2 / Mt 16:21-27

4:00 p.m. Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), Jamie & Brittani Head, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Dana G. Robin, Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Lee Nini fly. (L&D), Patrick Gray, Anatole & Marcelite Naquin, Tommy Naquin, Mercedes & Leroy Naquin, Audrey Kaan, Jerry Nini fly. (L&D), Bobby Monceaux, Elma Braus

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:00 a.m. Lou Ella Gilmore

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Donovan LeBlanc, Reparation for sins of abortion, blasphemy & pornography

6:30 p.m. Ray Raspberry, Patrick Gray

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**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

"Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it."

Sir Winston Churchill spoke these words, modifying a quote from George Santayana: Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.

The wisdom of Santayana is certainly confirmed by the experience of Churchill.

Churchill clearly understood the aggression of Hitler, but his warnings in Parliament were met with incredulity on the part of the overwhelming majority.

Why was Churchill so perceptive and his colleagues in Parliament so obtuse?

Winston Churchill knew history, among other gifts.

We are usually exposed to the study of history in elementary and secondary schools. Unfortunately, if not tragically, the selection of textbooks has been too frequently influenced by political and social agendas rather than scholastic integrity. For example, in years past, if you went to a public school, you learned that Emperor Charlemagne made Leo Pope. If you went to a Catholic school at the time, you learned that Pope Leo made Charlemagne emperor. Neither position is absolutely accurate.

A more common example of revisionist history is the account of George Washington and the cherry tree. A total fabrication, it was motivated by a political and social agenda. Yet it was taught faithfully in schools.

The history of a nation can be painful.

The history courses in schools in Germany immediately after World War II made no reference to the war. For teachers and parents, who experienced the war, it was all too soon and too painful. It was only after a decade or so that young Germans, who did not experience the war, demanded that the history of the war be taught openly. To their credit, the German educators proceeded to teach the truth about World War II Germany as painful as it was.

There are incidents, movements, and developments in the history of our country that are also painful. Abuse of individuals and groups, vicious discrimination, and blatant corruption are not alien to the pages of U.S. history. Efforts to suppress completely or minimize substantially these nefarious activities are also too common.

History cannot be rewritten. Truth cannot be compromised.

To rewrite history for the sake of self-serving deception or to compromise the truth because of political inconvenience is to facilitate the ultimate destruction of a society.

Greater entities than the United States have failed to learn from history. These have been confined to distant memories. Is that what we want for our own nation?

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**First Saturday:** Saturday, September 2, is the First Saturday of the month. There will be a Mass at 8 a.m. that morning in addition to the evening Mass.

**Repeat Announcements**

**Mausoleum:** St. Joseph parish, Patterson, is constructing a new mausoleum. Please note the display in the vestibule for additional information.

**Confirmation:** The Most Reverend Glen J. Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, will administer the sacrament of confirmation on Saturday, January 27, 2018 during the celebration of the 4 p.m. Mass.

**Religion Classes:** Religion classes for the 2017-2018 academic year have begun. If you have not yet registered your child, please do so.

**Retreat Opportunities:** The Jesuit Spirituality Center, Grand Coteau, offers silent, individually directed retreats of three, five, or eight day duration beginning on Tuesday, September 5, or Friday, September 8. For more information or to register, visit [jesuitspiritualitycenter.org](http://jesuitspiritualitycenter.org) or telephone 337 662-5251.

| DATE/TIME                                         | READERS                                        | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | ROSARY      |
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| September 2, 4:00 p.m.                            | Stan Beaubouef                                 | Linda Beaubouef                      | Gloria Nini |
| September 3, 7:00 a.m.<br>10:00 a.m.<br>6:30 p.m. | Blake Orgeron<br>Donna Gisclair<br>Ann Theriot | James Stewart<br>Brian Theriot       |             |

**Pray for the following priest each day:** Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

August 28, Rev. Donald Bahlinger, SJ  
August 29, Rev. Matthew Barzare  
August 30, Rev. Herbert Bennerfield  
August 31, Rev. Lloyd Benoit  
September 1, Pope Francis  
September 2, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
September 3, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Vanessa Clements, Onesime Richard, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Kim Beiver, Reese Grace Johnson, Roland Lege, Jr., Brooke Rhodes, Edna Alcina, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Frank Cavalier, Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Ana Rogers, BHL, Marble LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Adeline Maddix, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Bart Thibodeaux, Mike Keith, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry, Stacy Giroir, Sonny Gilmore, Laurie Hale, Theresa Henry, Connie Robichaux