

St. Bridget Catholic Church

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Daily Mass : Monday – Friday 8:00 am

Saturday Mass: 4:00 P.M.

Sunday Mass: 8:30 A.M & 10:30 A.M.

Confessions: Sat. 3:00 pm - 3:50 pm

Sun. 8:00 am – 8:20 am 10:00 am – 10:20 am

Or by appointment

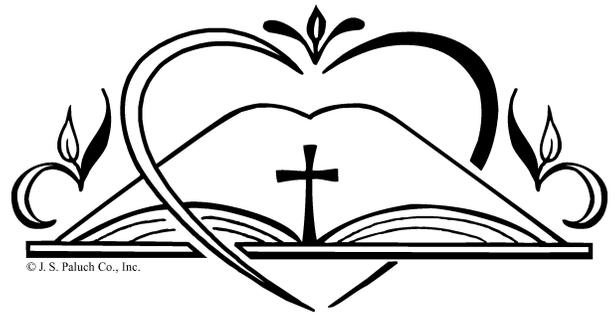
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**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 3, 2017**

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that you may discern what is the will of God,
what is good and pleasing and perfect.
— *Romans 12:2*



Why We Believe

Do you have questions about the Catholic Church that have not been answered?

Do you have a desire to more fully understand the faith you believe?

Has a friend or family member asked you questions about your faith that you struggled to answer?

This September, every church throughout the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux will be offering an 8 week video study on the most commonly asked questions about the Catholic faith.

This study, entitled, *'Why We Believe/ Re-discover Your Faith'*, will be made available online for all parishioners.

You can learn more and sign up at our diocesan website at htdiocese.org/Why We Believe.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
- Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

"Blue Mass"

Bishop Shelton Fabre will preside at a "Blue Mass," which will be offered for police, fire fighters, military personnel, both active and retired, and ambulance personnel. The Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales. All are invited to join in prayer for our community protectors.



*Alexis Bonvillain
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Johnathan Voisin*

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There will be a Matthew 25 meeting on Saturday, Sept 16th at 9 am in the Annex.

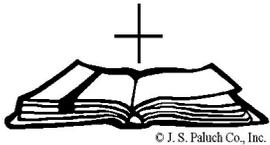
What is Matthew 25?

Matthew 25 is the volunteer disaster preparedness and response program for the diocese. It is first a ministry and an ultimate opportunity for evangelization of God's people. Matthew 25 volunteers are early responders and **not** first responders; Matthew 25 volunteers play a role in the areas of Pre-Disaster preparation and Post-Disaster assistance. All are invited to join this group - various talents are needed.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS		September 9-10, 2017	
	4 pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
Lector	Faye Seal	Grace Billiot	Pauline Monnier
Commentator	Annie/Curtis Knight	Nina Billiot	Claire Babin
Eucharistic Ministers	Team 3	Team 8	Team 14

Homebound	Sept. 8	Janice Matherne
Money Counters	Sept. 11	Team 2
Church Cleaners	Sept.	Nina Richard Anne Naquin
Altar Linens	Sept.	Nina Richard

Mass Intentions



DA=Death Anniv.
B= Birthday
WA=Wedding Anniv.

September 2— Jimmy Pennison by family
Mr & Mrs Olema Darcey by Sandra Dunbar
Jason Hill & Tristan Ables by Phyllis & John Ables
and family
Timothy M. Gibbens and Richard Gibbens III by
Brenda and family
James (Jim) LeBoeuf by Gale and family

September 3—Jimmy Pennison by Phyllis &
John Ables and family
Aida Moncivaiz Fontenot by Moncivaiz, Fontenot
and Vasques families
Keith Babin by Mom, Dad and family
Clarence Legendre (DA) by Betty and Children

September 6—Alice Orgeron (B) by Betty and
Ronnie Thomas

September 9— Jimmy Pennison by family
Mr & Mrs Olema Darcey by Sandra Dunbar
David Ledet (B) by John & Angela Corbin
Andrea Richard by Phyllis & John Ables & family

September 10—Keith Babin by Mom and Dad
Marion Knight (B) by Godfrey Knight
Therese Gaubert (DA) by Deacon Lloyd and Faie
Aida Moncivaiz Fontenot by Moncivaiz, Fontenot
and Vasques families

Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of:



September 3-9
Parishioners of St. Bridget
September 10-16
Parishioners of St. Bridget

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month in the Annex. The organization is open to all men aged 18 and above. Please prayerfully consider joining the parish organization and serving the Lord. The next meeting is September 27 at 7pm.



CDA News

The next meeting is September 14th at 7pm in the Community Life Annex. All are welcome. Catholic Daughters is the largest Catholic women's organization in the world. The group offers women fellowship while serving others. The motto is Unity and Charity. Contact Mary Louviere for more details.

RELIGION DEFINED

I do not know how philosophers may ultimately define religion; but from Micah to James it has been defined as service to one's fellow human rendered by following the great rule of justice and mercy, of wisdom and righteousness. —Theodore Roosevelt

Bridging the Bayous Timebank

Have you ever wanted to learn something new or have some work done around your home but you didn't have the money to do it? Do you have a skill that others could use? Catholic Charities is proud to announce its newest program, Bridging the Bayous Timebank. The program's operation is simple. When you join and become a member of Bridging the Bayous Timebank, for every hour of service you provide to a Timebank Member, you will be given one hour of someone else's service to assist you with things you need help with around your home or in learning something new. To find out more about this exciting program, please visit our website at <https://www.htdiocese.org/bridging-the-bayous-timebank>

Guidelines for Baptism

Prior to baptizing a child, the parents and Godparents must attend a baptismal seminar.

The next baptismal seminar will be held **October 11** at 6:30 pm in the Annex.

Those seeking to baptize a child can complete the registration forms in the office Monday—Friday between 8 am and 3 pm. The office must be made aware of the desire to baptize a child and desire to attend the seminar. The registration form can also be found at the parish website, stbridget-htdiocese.org, and emailed to the parish through the "Contact Us" link.

While the Church only requires one qualified Godparent for a child to be baptized, two Godparents may be chosen, although in this case one must be male and one female. Anyone who is to be a Godparent must meet the qualifications established by the Church, which are as follows. Godparents must have received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, and be practicing Catholics, at least 16 years old who lead a life in harmony with the faith. If married, the proposed Godparents must be in a marriage recognized by the Church. If not married, they must not be simulating marriage by living with someone.

Son Rise Christian Music Festival

The second annual Son Rise Christian Music Festival is set for Saturday, October 7th, beginning at 10:00 am. Come out and enjoy a full day of the area's top Christian bands and performers, including More Than Sunday, Metanoia, Christian solo artist, Katelyn Danos, Christian soul and R & B artist, D.J. Rhodes and Christian rap artist, Kaelan Levy, as well as Elevate, Cross Church, and Calling All Creation. Enjoy incredible Louisiana Cuisine, along with numerous Christian artisans and displays.

It is all happening outdoors on the parking lot at the Houma Civic Center on Barrow Street on October 7th.

Admission is free. Complete details can be found online at sonrisemusicfest.net.

Y'all come and help us make a joyful noise!

FOLLOWING CHRIST

If you've ever had an unpleasant but somewhat amusing practical joke played on you, then you have some understanding of how Jeremiah feels today when he tells God "good one—you duped me." We can almost see him shaking his head with a bit of a rueful smile, but an angry undertone in his voice. In similar fashion, Peter thinks Jesus is "duping" him when Jesus starts to explain that being Messiah means suffering and dying, and being a follower of the Messiah means taking up a cross and doing the same. Jeremiah tries to deny God's will for him by trying to shut up; Peter—who has just been made the foundation of the church—out and out denies the teaching of Jesus, for which he is named "Satan" today. Fortunately for us, Jeremiah comes to realize that to have the word of God placed in your heart means that it will be futile to try and keep silent, even if it means scorn and derision from those around you. Luckily Peter ultimately returned to the faith he professed in last week's Gospel, and came to understand our need as baptized followers of Christ to follow in his way, even when it means following him to our very death.

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CCD and Youth Updates

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD!

National Catholic Youth Conference

The National Catholic Youth Conference is held every two years in Indianapolis, Indiana. St. Bridget is excited to send a few youth and a chaperone to this event. It promises to teach more about our faith and provide Catholic leadership opportunities for those in attendance. The cost is approximately \$700 each. Fund raisers are forthcoming. Thanks to all for your generosity and prayers.

Attention Parents of Catholic School Students

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist (first communion) is a two-year program. Students in public and private schools must attend CCD for 2 years prior to receiving the Sacrament.

Students in Catholic Schools must register with their home parish for the reception of the Sacrament when the child is in his/her second year of religion at the Catholic school. This is usually 2nd grade.

Contact Bernadette at 985-804-6045 for more details.

Parents—Students Prayer Corner



Parents are the first teachers of the Catholic faith. We thank our Catechists for giving their time, talent, treasure, and energy to our CCD program. Parents, teachers, and helpers are reminded to visit

www.htdiocese.org and sign up for the "Why We Believe Series". We can never know too much about our faith.

As a family, set aside prayer time. During the month of September, families should concentrate on the Grace Before Meals, Prayer to St. Michael, and Lord's Prayer.

CCD Classes Are in Session

Please be reminded that CCD classes will begin after Labor Day. Be careful when driving on church property. All should enter the grounds from Hwy 311 and exit onto Hwy 24 on Mondays. This includes those praying in the Adoration Chapel as well as those using the recycle bin.

Helpers are still needed for the parking lot. Please listen—is God calling you to help with the program. Can you give an hour a week to the children of our parish and to Jesus?

Please pray for the success of the CCD program.

Rummage Sale Coming Soon

A rummage sale will be held in the Community Life Annex on Saturday, September 30th. Proceeds from the sale will help defray the cost of youth events such as Youth Rally, Jr. High Faith Experience, Steubenville on the Bayou, National Catholic Youth Conference, and March for Life.

Furniture, appliances, knick-knacks, clothing, household items, tools, etc. can be donated for the rummage sale. Please plan to help with the rummage sale setup.

Weekly Formation Activities

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena—the novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is prayed every Wednesday as part of the daily Mass.

Community Rosary—a group rosary is prayed on Wednesdays following the 8 am daily Mass.

Come Lord Jesus—a scripture study focusing on the weekly gospel is held in the kitchen of Didier Hall on **Mondays** from 9:30—11 am. All are welcome. Contact Dianne Williams at 446-9096 for more information.

The **Seven Sorrows Rosary** is prayed every **Friday** at noon in the Church. Praying the rosary helps recall the seven sorrows suffered by Mary during the life and death of Jesus. All are invited to join in this experience.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

Psalms — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

Gospel — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

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FINANCE COUNCIL: Fr. Simon Peter Engurait, Phil Schexnayder, Mike Richard, Nina Richard, Tracy Baudoin, Peggy Pitre, Deacon Stephen Brunet

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Fr. Simon Peter Engurait, Amy Baudoin, Nicholas Billiot, Nina Billiot, Burnelle and Margaret Landry, Bernadette Mabile, Annie Knight, Curtis Knight, Medrick Levron, Albert Rogers, Deacon Stephen Brunet

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

TEAM: Father Simon Peter, Amy Baudoin, Nicholas Billiot, Nina Billiot, Kellie Bishop, Claire Falgout, Mary Louviere, Bernadette Mabile, Mark Olin, Sharon Pollet, Father Mark Touns (Liaison).

Weekly Giving Available Online!

Are you tired of writing checks? Have you misplaced your envelopes? Online Giving is available for one-time and/or recurring donations. This means envelope users can contribute online and not worry about the actual envelope! A "comments" section is available for those who wish to add a note for the contribution.

To make contributions, go to www.stbridget-htdiocese.org and click the Online Giving Tab on the Navigation Bar on the top of the page.

The 'Online Giving' Screen will prompt for credit card or bank transaction and whether or not the donation is one-time or recurring. Once the donation is made, an email is sent to the donor and the parish. This provides both parishioners and non-parishioners a means of helping St. Bridget. Envelope users will be credited with the donation made for tax purposes.

Update Membership Information

It is time to update your record if you have moved or changed your phone number.? If you do not want our membership record published or if you have any changes please notify the rectory at 985 446-6801. Thank you.

Guide Book and Directory

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the Church This book will contain pertinent information about our church, plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call Tiffany at 225-636-0000.

Would you like to receive the Holy Eucharist and are unable to come to Mass. Call the rectory at 446-6801.