

First Sunday Of Lent

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The Temptation Of Christ

Jesus faces a profound temptation. This desert is a place of no consolation, no respite and no refreshment. The experience of knowing He is God's Son gives way to isolation and solitude in a harsh environment.



Mark is intent to tell us in sparse text that Jesus was tempted by Satan for He was fully human and experienced temptation as we do. In this, He is a model for us, who will not live without temptation. Though we may experience desolation, God is with us in our faith.

Living Liturgy

Way Of The Cross



The Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday during Lent at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.

We encourage all parish families to participate in praying these beautiful prayers as we follow Christ's passion, death and resurrection for the salvation of all mankind. We particularly encourage parents to bring their children, so they might come to better appreciate God's great gift to us.

Lenten Regulations—Abstinence

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics 18 years of age but not yet 60. Those bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs; however, eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics age 14 and older on all Fridays of Lent.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasion for Christian penance. The Spirit of the Lenten season should be maintained throughout the weeks of Lent.

“Hidden in Plain Sight:

Human Trafficking in Our Midst”

Our Lady of Lourdes, 400 Westchester Blvd., Slidell
Tuesday, February 20, at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker is Debbie Shinskie.

For more info, call Patricia Arnold at 985-214-9525 or email pfarnold1@gmail.com

Offertory Giving

In today's Gospel, Jesus urges His listeners to do two things: to believe in the Good News and to repent. The steward is called to repent: to acquire an openness to begin anew, to change existing attitudes and habits, and to act with faith in the Gospel. In this season of Lent, now is the time to ask ourselves whether or not we truly believe in the Gospel; and if we do, to what extent are we willing to change our prevailing habits and be more faithful to the Gospel?

Weekly Budgeted Need	\$7,242.00
Last Sunday Feb. 11	
Envelopes	\$3,543.00
Loose	<u>3,433.38</u>
Total	\$6,976.38
Progress Report	
Cumulative Budget	\$238,986.00
Ash Wednesday	989.24
Cumulative Income	<u>225,867.30</u>
<Behind>	<\$13,118.70>
Second Collection	
(Building Fund)	\$1,749.00

Church In Central and Eastern Europe

The second collection next weekend will be for the churches in Central and Eastern Europe. In the past several decades, bishops, priests and church leaders were arrested and martyred. Churches were confiscated and communities broken, and people were forced to practice the faith in secret. Despite the religious persecution, the faithful of this area today are rebuilding and renewing what was lost. With your support, you aid those who strive to rebuild their faith communities.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Service

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration will be Sunday, June 10, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church, Metairie. The celebration will not be a Mass, but a Prayer Service. The event will not satisfy your Sunday Mass obligation. Contact the Church Office at 985-863-7935, ext. 3, **before March 2** to register in order for us to make a reservation with the Archdiocese for you.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

“That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.”

Mass Intentions Requested**Monday, February 19 Presidents' Day***(Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46)*

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, February 20*(Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15)*

8:00 a.m. Louis Mangano, Sr.

Wednesday, February 21*(Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32)*

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, February 22*(1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)*8:00 a.m. Altar Society Members
Living and Deceased**Friday, February 23***(Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26)*

8:00 a.m. Debby Goodey

Saturday, February 24*(Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48)*

5:00 p.m. James & Dolores Brewin, J.C. Spiers, Capt. Pete Vogt, Maurice Bersuder Sr., Frieda Lafont, Robert Jenevein, Joseph Jenevein, Fr. Warren Cooper, Rosemary Poche, Roszczyński Family, Lee & Yvonne Tracey, Tina Mangano, Ken & Adele Salzer, Joseph D'Antoni Jr., Louis Mangano Sr. & Jr., Joseph Purcella Jr., Eugene Blanchard Jr., Curtis & Vita Owens

Sunday, February 25*(Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10)*

7:00 a.m. Ollie and Jacques Fuselier

8:30 a.m. Nellie Roszczyński, Earl Savoie, Troy Hanzo, Deacon Pat Downey, Andrew Lambert, Ben Spansel, Jerome Roszczyński, Antonians Members & Benefactors, Linda Litloff, Herb & Jackie Landry, Calvin Callais

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

**WEEKLY EVENTS****Legion of Mary**—Monday 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall**Tuesday Morning Rosary**—Tuesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Jude Novena in St. Anthony Hall**RCIA Tracks I & II**—Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms**Patriotic Rosary**—Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church**St. Joseph Altar Guild**—Baking will be Friday, February 23, from 8:00 a.m. to noon**Women's Spirituality**—11:30 a.m. Sunday, February 25, in St. Anthony Hall**Update Of Church's Website**

The new website for the church is now operational. The URL is the same—www.sppcprla.com. The website will be updated frequently with additional information forthcoming. There will be photos of church events, activities, etc., included on the website in the near future. **For the children in our parish, consent forms will be distributed during CCD for parents to sign and return regarding the release of photos** (no last names of children will be listed on the website). If your child is not in CCD, consent forms will be available at the main entrance of the church or in the Church Office. **For adults in the parish, if you do NOT want your picture on the website, please contact the Office immediately.** We hope that the new information on the website will be helpful to you. If you have any questions, please contact Terri Schallenberg at 985-290-0472.

Knights Of Columbus Scholarship

Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Knights of Columbus Council 11814 is now accepting scholarship applications from graduating high school seniors who wish to continue their education. Applicant must be an active member of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish. Applicant's family must be registered and supporting Parish members. Forms are available in Church Office during regular business hours. Deadline for application is Monday, April 16, before 4:00 p.m.

Pro-Life Leadership Award

St. Tammany Right-to-Life is sponsoring a \$500.00 scholarship for the Right-to-Life Leadership Award for graduating seniors. Applications are available in the Church Office during regular hours.

Tabernacle Lamp

This week the Tabernacle lamp in the Sanctuary burns in memory of **Debby Goodey**.

**Pray For The Sick**

Lyn Adams, Audrey Bonnet, Diana Bradshaw, JoAnn Brewin, Mary Brown, George & Wanda Butko, May Caballero, Patricia Cucchia, Dotsy Chedville, Fr. Warren Cooper, Deacon Pat and Cathy Downey, Larry DuBois, Steve Dunn, Marcelle Ernewein, Carroll Fourcade, Deacon John Howard, Virgie Hurstell, Allen & Joan Jag-neaux, Margaret Jorns, Maria Kalcic, Gloriette Kiern, Pam King, Elizabeth Kittel, Vito Montalabano, Jessie O'Dell, Carlene Ragusa, Norris Ripp, Ed Roszczyński, Cathy Smith, Lorraine Steilberg, Eola Veillon

Safe Haven Sunday

Equipping the Family: Safeguarding Children

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is setting aside this weekend, February 17-18 as "Safe Haven Sunday" in order to give focused time and resources to address the harmfulness of pornography and other online threats in marriages, family life and culture.

Today's awareness day is celebrated through prayer and a reflection within the context of the Mass. Families with children in CCD will be given Covenant Eyes' most recent book, Equippe: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture. This book includes a unique seven-day text-to-opt-in program: The Equipped 7-Day Challenge. The Challenge provides practical tips any caring adult can take to create safer digital environments for themselves and our young people.

Thank you for celebrating with us! If you have questions about this awareness weekend, please contact the Archdiocese of New Orleans Office of Marriage and Family Life at tmccaffery@arch-no.org or www.nolacatholic.com

"For Greater Glory"

Catholic Men's Fellowship 23rd Morning of Spirituality for Men

Come hear the wisdom and witness of two powerful men who have both made radical decisions in order to seek out a Greater Glory. "For Greater Glory," Catholic Men's Fellowship 23rd Morning of Spirituality for Men will be Saturday, February 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 4640 Canal Street, New Orleans. Speakers will be Rev. Michael Champagne, a priest from the Community of Jesus Crucified and the Diocese of Lafayette, and Grant Aasan, a seminarian for the Archdiocese of Atlanta and a former punter for the Georgia Tech football team. This is a Eucharistic Celebration with Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond, Celebrant and Homilist. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Free coffee and donuts will start at 8:15 a.m.

"Legends of the Soul: Stories of

Transformation on Journey of Faith"

This retreat reflects on how the life of faith is a sojourn of the soul. The retreat will be led by Rev. Joe Nassal at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, February 23-25. Cost is \$350.00. Applications are available in the Church Office and on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

PULSE Weekends

High school and college students will be educated, trained and inspired to become a Pro-Life Leader at a PULSE Immersion Weekend! PULSE will be an exciting weekend to immerse yourself in the pro-life cause. With engaging speakers and testimonies, students will be educated on the pro-life issues and inspired to make a difference. PULSE Camps will soon be held at two locations. PULSE Immersion Weekend Baton Rouge will be held at Camp Istrouma, Friday, February 23, at 5:00 p.m. to Sunday, February 25, at noon. Another PULSE Camp will take place Friday, March 23, at 5:00 p.m. to Sunday, March 25, at noon, and will be held at Bocamb Farms, near Folsom. You can register at ProLifePulseLa.com or call 1-866-463-5433.

Married Couples Way Of The Cross



Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church
1900 Greenwood Drive, LaPlace, LA
Wednesday, February 28, at 6:30 p.m.

Following 6:00 p.m. Mass

For details, call 985-652-2615

Catholic Charismatic Conference

"I Am the Lord Your Healer" is the theme for the annual Southern Regional Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, March 16-18, in the Copeland Tower Suites and Conference Center, 2601 Severn Avenue, Metairie. Well-known speakers and authors include: Johnnette Benkovic, Fr. Mark Goring, Bob Canton and Danny Abramowicz. The program will include a greeting by Archbishop Aymond, dynamic preaching, prayer for healing, Eucharistic celebrations, Late Night Worship, Adoration, inspiring music, charismatic ministry and prayer for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Pope Francis has called upon the Charismatic Renewal to "share the grace of the Baptism in the Spirit with the whole Church." That is the aim of this conference.

Pre-register at www.ccrno.org Single Sessions may register at the door. For more information on the schedule and hotel, visit www.ccrno.org or call CCRNO at 504-828-1368.

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