

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS:*May 26-27, 2018*

SOMETHING NEW: I am pleased to officially announce that on May 15th, Bishop Shelton Fabre sent me a letter appointing **Deacon Joseph Bourgeois** to our Co-Cathedral church community, **effective 04 June 2018**. Deacon Joe and his wife of 44 years, Jody and their two children (ages 40 & 43), are active members of our church community since 1974. They are involved also in many ministries and organizations. Deacon Joe was ordained a permanent deacon for the diocese on 23 May 2015 and was assigned at St. Lawrence Church in Chacahoula. It's good to have you here (in official capacity) Deacon Joe and welcome to the vineyard of the Lord and the mother Church of Thibodaux.

I would like invite ALL of our faithful and faith-filled friends to join us on **Saturday, June 2nd at 5 PM for a Eucharistic Procession** (around the block) in honor of and on the occasion of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). Bishop Shelton Fabre will celebrate the Saturday Vigil Mass on that day followed by the Eucharistic procession. I especially would like to invite our 1st Friday Solemn Exposition devotees (and all others who just love the Blessed Sacrament) to join us at this solemn celebration. Join us in "bringing Jesus out to our streets (at least some) in Thibodaux, so that He may enter the homes and lives of many. See you there.

On **Tuesday, June 5th is the Solemnity of the Dedication of the two Cathedrals in the Diocese**. We will celebrate the 5:30 PM Mass here at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral in a special way to celebrate this special feast and privilege that was given to us when we became a Co-Cathedral of Houma-Thibodaux. I would like to invite ALL members of our church parish organizations and ministries (the hands and feet, eyes and ears, mouth and hearts) of our church community who help us bring the Mission of Christ to all in the work that y'all do! At this Mass, we will have the blessing of ministries. Y'all come!

Last weekend's Bulletin, I wrote about the principle of "you cannot give what you do not have" which is at the core of our becoming missionary disciples. As if in cue, the Church gives us this weekend's Solemnity of the

Most Holy Trinity as a way of understanding not only the principle "of giving what we possess," but the experience as well of "receiving the fullness of God's presence" from Jesus Himself!

The Book of Deuteronomy told us how God had given generously, including the gift of the Spirit that made us His heirs (Romans 8), so that we may generously give God to all others in response to His commands (Matthew 28). The Trinity is a perfect cycle of generous giving!

In the old Gaelic and Celtic symbolisms, the Blessed Trinity is always depicted (or described) as perfect intertwining circles and/or fish (*pisces* or *ichthys*) to symbolize giving without end. God is the perfect example of this virtue and Jesus commanded us to do the same as baptized members of the faith and "disciples" of the Christ. God has given every blessing under the heavens and beyond, how do we give back to God? Good question!

To begin with, let's reflect on our blessings. Next, ask yourself "for EACH one of these blessings, how much and in what ways have I given back? Once you're done reflecting, you are or will be ready to be a missionary disciple.

Father Vic+

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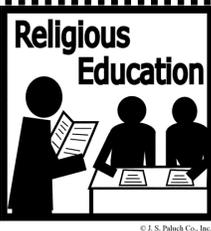
The Most Holy Trinity**May 27, 2018**

Go . . . and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

— *Matthew 28:19*

The Men of St. Joseph is an association of Christian men, united under the Catholic Church, who meet weekly to pray together and encourage each other to be the spiritual leaders of their families. The purpose of the Men of St. Joseph is to instill holiness in men and facilitate spiritual leadership in family and community life.

Meetings are held in the Life Center at 6AM on Tuesday mornings. Please feel free to join us.



The religious education department is in need of **TEACHER AIDES AND SUBS** for the 2018-2019 school year. If you are interested, please contact Sue at 985-446-1387.

Wedding Banns

- Bailey Shaw & Joseph Blake (3)*
- Alexandra Blanchard & Joshua Robichaux (2)*
- Alyce Bernard & Eric Bloss (2)*
- Jacey Armstrong & Ryan LaFleur (1)*



Please remember **Jules "Jay" Dornier, III** who passed on into the Kingdom of our Father recently. Please pray also that his family may find comfort and consolation through their faith.

SANKOFA



SANKOFA, a Day of Reflection is rescheduled for Saturday, June 23, 2018, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Diocesan Pastoral Center.

This day is for Black Catholics and for those who minister TO, WITH, FOR, and AMONG Black Catholics. Registration fee is \$15.00 (includes lunch).

Pastors, Associate Pastors, Deacons, and religious NO FEE. Registration deadline is Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Checks or money orders payable to the Diocese of Houma. Please contact Christine Streams, Diocesan Liaison for Black Catholics at 985-446-0487, ext. 202 (St. Luke) or email cstreams@htdiocese.org for additional information.

May 12th & 13th		
Weekly Offering 	Weekly Collection	\$ 10,710.50
	Weekly Loose	1,764.34
	ACH Weekly	335.00
		\$ 12,809.84

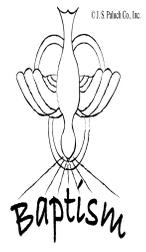
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Catholic Communication \$1,920.67

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The following were Baptized into the family of Christ recently:

Lawson Luke
child of Paul & Kaleigh



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You **MUST** register to attend classes. Call the Religious Ed office for more information.

CURSILLO 2018



- June 7-10, 2018: Women's Cursillo Weekend
- August 9-12, 2018: Men's Cursillo Weekend

This three day Cursillo is a personal encounter with Christ— a weekend just for you and our Lord. Please pray about this, for you can only attend a Cursillo Weekend ONCE in your lifetime. Email: htcursillo@yahoo.com with any questions or visit our website @ <https://htcursillo.weebly.com>