

Eighteenth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time

HOLY FAMILY

Catholic Church ♦ Franklinton, LA

August 4, 2019

"When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name...'" Luke 11:2

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am,
3 pm (en español)

Weekday Masses

no Mass on Monday
Tuesday, Wednesday: 5 pm
Thursday, Friday: 9 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 pm
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of every month
9:30 am - 4:30 pm (Benediction)

Marriages

Contact Fr Kyle at least six
months prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Kyle when you are ready
to have your child baptized.

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis
985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

Youth Ministry

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, noon.

From Our Pastor:

HISTORY OF HOW WE READ THE BIBLE, PART 2: REFLECTIONS ON POPE BENEDICT XVI'S LETTER, *VERBUM DOMINI*

The advent of the printing press in 1439 changed everything. I think it was profound that the first book Gutenberg chose to print was the Bible. The whole idea of the printing press was to make writing more available and more of a commodity to be owned. He now made it possible for people to have a Bible in their own homes. The printing press also made more available all of the writing and thought coming out of universities. As publishers grew, they usually grew out of university towns, because that's where the readers were.

A culture began to form in the universities of a new humanism that elevated and highlighted the potential of human reason. They were beginning to separate reason from God, seeing themselves as having mighty power, instead of seeing reason as a gift from Him whom we image. It was in this atmosphere of freer thinking, the availability of a vast many ideas, and the freedom to print your own, that a young Martin Luther found himself.

He was a musician, hymn writer, and Scripture scholar for the Augustinian university in Wittenberg, Germany. His vocation to the priesthood was suspect. Many men fell into the priesthood not because of a divine calling but merely because it was a stable job for an intellectual. As he was studying Scripture, he began to see things differently than his fellow priests and teachers at the university. His whole *95 Theses* were based on his understanding of Matthew 4:17, "repent and believe in the gospel." He spends his *Theses* breaking down his problem with the sale of indulgences (which are the taking away of temporal punishment due to sin, or time off purgatory, which has long been done in the Church, through certain acts of piety and penance, but were now being wrongly sold by unscrupulous priests and bishops). Industrious publishers, smelling a scandal and an increase in sales, soon printed the *Theses* for dissemination among the universities and around Germany. Emboldened, Luther took one step after another, moving from calling out greedy, malicious priests to beginning to misinterpret and elevate the Scriptures to the idea of *sola scriptura*, which in turn devalues the Church. Whereas before, those reading Scripture were informed by the mind of the Church through the reading the Church fathers, the councils, and the saints, who we can confirm were guided by the Holy Spirit. This idea found further support in John Calvin (Calvinism), John Wesley (Methodism), and Thomas Cranmer (Anglicanism), and later influenced the Puritans who emi-

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Coffee Social next Sun 8/11, 9:30 am, in the hall

<< From Our Pastor, continued <<

grated to the New World and Evangelicals who grew up at revival meetings in the burgeoning new country of the United States.

This has profound implications for us. We've grown up in a country that has *sola scriptura* in its bones, either in full support of it or in complete rejection of it. The Bible is talked about as if it were God, and taking it out of schools or off government monuments is tantamount to taking God out of these things, which is not possible. For us to take God out of anything we would have to be equal to Him in power. Furthermore, Jesus promised us we would be persecuted. Taking the Bible out of school or government should not surprise us. But it does nothing to God. It should only spur us on to share the truth of the Scriptures in every public forum, that Jesus Christ is LORD.

Also, this idea of *sola scriptura* affects the way one would look at the Scriptures. Each person becomes his own interpreter, without a guide, without a reference. This allows for all kinds of theological and philosophical problems to creep in: the biblical justification for slavery, anti-Semitism, and abuse of women, the justification for torture, war, and murder, manipulation of congregations by their leaders, and the list can go on. It turns the word of God into a dangerous tool for one's personal gain. Socialists use it to support their agenda. Violent conservatives like the Ku Klux Klan use it to support their agenda. Both sides of the political line use and abuse the Bible for their own idealist means. It descends from its heights into the depths of human brokenness.

This was particularly present in the United States for generations. So Catholics grew up seeing that the Bible was a battleground rather than a balm for the soul. They saw what unchecked personal interpretation of the Scripture can do. So Catholic lay faithful were encouraged not to read it. For generations the lay only experienced the word of God at Mass, and never encountered it anywhere else.

The Second Vatican Council addressed this difficulty. This will be covered next week.

"Lord, teach us to pray..."

We can't be a true disciple of Jesus without a relationship with Him. But sometimes it's hard to know where to start. Fr Kyle and a few men plan to begin a men's prayer group. Initially it will be conducted by a trained facilitator, using a prayer series based on the spirituality of St Ignatius (a warrior-soldier whose restless heart and fiery temperament were transformed by a newfound relationship with Christ). Participants in the *Lord, Teach Me To Pray* program find their prayer life deepening, and learn how to persevere in spite of "dryness" and other obstacles. They will explore different methods of prayer. The weekly series begins Thurs 8/22 at 7 pm. Some sharing does occur, but no one is obliged to speak. Interested? Got questions? Contact Sid Zeringue, 985-839-5146.

Memorial Mass for Tina Nunemacher

Ronald and Jackie Nunenmacher invite all members of Holy Family Parish to a memorial Mass for Ronald's mother, Tina, who passed away recently. The Mass will take place next Sat 8/10 at 11 am. They greatly appreciated the outpouring of prayers, love and kindness they have received, and wish to thank everyone by hosting a reception in the hall after the memorial Mass.



IMPORTANT UPDATES FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS

- ★ Registration for the 2019-2020 school year will be held in the hall after all Masses **this weekend, August 3-4.**
- ★ Parents of new students, please attend a meeting **this Sunday, Aug 4, 12:15 pm.**
- ★ First class for CCD (grades K-6) will be **Sun 8/11, 9:45 am.**
- ★ First class for Y-Prep (grades 7-11) will be **Wed 8/14, 6 pm.**
- ★ The **CYO KICKOFF PARTY** will be **Wed 8/14, 7 pm.**

all are welcome to join in praying the Rosary in the church every Friday at 8:30 am

CYO POP QUIZ

(circle the letter of the best answer provided)

1. The acronym **C Y O** stands for
 - (A) Continual Yawning Obliterated
 - (B) Certifiable Year of Opportunities
 - (C) Catholic Youth Organization
 - (D) All of the above

Answer: (D) *(So obvious! Too easy!)*

Yes, it's true. Our Holy Family **CYO** is a Catholic youth organization with membership open to **all** teens in grades 7-12. Although **all** teens, both Catholic and non-Catholic, are warmly welcomed, all our activities are very deliberately ordered towards helping them understand, love, and live the Catholic Faith with enthusiasm and joy.

Yes, it's also true that the year will be filled with awesome opportunities for fun and growth: weekly meetings, coffee houses, Fair parade float, Christmas party, retreats, conferences, field trips, life-changing service experiences, and more. Bummer for anybody who misses out.

Yes, it's completely true that yawning will be obliterated by the many exciting encounters teens will have. In **CYO** teens will make friends, make memories, and make changes towards fuller, more satisfying lives. How's that? Jesus said, "I have come that you might have life and have it to the full!" (John 10:10) — **CYO** will help teens turn to Him and open their hearts, allowing Jesus to make good on this promise to each one personally.

So, if you're a teen, be there on **Wednesday Aug 14** for the big kick-off! If you know a teen, be sure they know about **CYO** and that they show up for the awesome first night on **Aug 14** (in the parish hall).

As always, thank you to everyone for your continued support of our young Church by your prayers, donations, volunteered time, and friendly interaction with these young people. God bless!

Healing service, Mandeville, Aug 19

Mary, Queen of Peace Catholic Church will host a city-wide healing service on Mon 8/19 at 7 pm. The celebrant will be Fr Mathias Thelen of the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan, who has a recognized ministry of healing, reconciliation, and evangelization. The service will consist of music, testimonies, a Liturgy of the Word, and a homily, followed by group and individual prayer for healing. All are welcome.



Holy Family's new email address is: holyfamilyfranklinton@arch-no.org

Think of what is above,
not of what is on earth.

For you have died,
and your life is hidden
with Christ in God.



When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear
with him in glory.

St Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, 3:2-4
Today's Second Reading

Picture time is approaching! But first...



A new church directory is in the works. Even though actual photo shoots will happen next month, for the project to progress smoothly, and for the results to be excellent—and useful—we need your help up front. Our parish register needs an update. Please call the office, **839-4040**, this week and help us get all that prep work done up front. We need family members' names, address, phone number(s), and email. *Even if you're pretty sure your information hasn't changed in years, please call to verify that we have it right!* The phone call will be quick, promise. Thanks for your assistance.

Mass Intentions

- 8/3 5 pm †John Cossé
†Shirley LeBlanc
†John Mackenroth
†Mac McCormick
George Varnado
†Kaye Varnado
†Genevieve Zeringue
- 8/4 8:30 am Our Parishioners
- 8/4 11 am Mickie Ayo
†Jerry Cancienne
†Alida and Frank Gennusa Sr
†Hilda and Erole Kreamer
†Tina Nunenmacher
†Donel Tullos
†Souls in Purgatory
- 8/4 3 pm †Gregory Newman
- 8/6 5 pm Brielle Zeringue
- 8/7 5 pm †Larry McGuire
- 8/8 9 am Special Intention
- 8/9 9 am †Brandi Sander

Please pray for:

Marybeth Armstrong, Lauren Authement, Janet and Garfield Baham, Barbara, Connie, Dot, Mike, and Tony Baldassarro, Leo Baracco, Alanna Bernard, Wanda Boquet, Clay Carter, Buddy and Patsy Clesi, Beverly Creel, Leon Curry, Garry Davis, Paula Davis, Briley Davis, Craig Estave, Myra Favre, Douglas Ferrante, Josh Fleetwood, Keith Giles, Winston Henderson, Pat Lachney, Wilson and Grace LaGraize, Scott Lee, Henry and Tina Lirette, Jean Lugo, Manny Malone, Jacob and Kalob Morel, Juanita Muhs, Linda O'Brien, Mickey Power, Luz Ramirez, Diana Tanner, Nick Tullier, John Wick

Names stay on the list for three months. To add someone to the list, call 839-4040, or email holyfamilychurchfranklinton@yahoo.com.

The Sanctuary Light
will burn August 4-10
in memory of
Jimmy Richoux
by request of
A Friend



Upcoming events

- 8/3 Religious Education registration 6-6:30 pm
8/3 Film With the Family 6:30 pm
8/4 Religious Education registration 9:30 am-12:30 pm
8/4 Rosary at the Prayer Garden 9:45 am
8/4 New parent meeting for Religious Ed 12:15 pm
8/8 Friends of St Francis 9:30 am
8/8 Knights of Columbus 7 pm
8/9 Rosary 8:30 am
8/10 Confessions 3:30-4:15 pm
8/11 Coffee Social 9:30 am
8/11 CCD classes begin 9:45 am
8/13 Altar & Rosary Society meeting 10 am
8/14 *Vigil Mass: Solemnity of the Assumption *6* pm
8/14 Y-Prep classes begin 6 pm
8/14 CYO Kickoff Party 7 pm

The current monthly calendar is always downloadable at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/bulletins, where they're dated the 1st of the month. Printed copies are on the shelf in the back of the church and on the table in the office hallway.



Our Help Center needs our help

The Help Center Food Bank is in ongoing need of food and monetary donations; let's step up together! You may place cash or a check in our weekend collection; checks **must** be made out to **Help Center** or **HCOC**; cash should be in a marked envelope. Most needed items are **peanut butter** and **tuna**; however, all donations are appreciated. Help your family form a habit of bringing one item per family member, every time you come to Holy Family for Mass or other activities. Let's shower our neighbors with generosity! *Thank you. Your kindness changes lives.*

This week's Scripture readings

- Mon 8/5
Ordinary Time
weekday
Numbers 11:4-15
Psalm 81:12-17
Matthew 14:13-21
- Tues 8/6
Transfiguration
of the Lord
Deuteronomy 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Peter 1:16-19
Luke 9:28-36
- Wed 8/7
Ordinary Time
weekday
Numbers 3:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29, 34-35
Psalm 106:6-7, 13-14, 21-23
Matthew 15:21-28
- Thurs 8/8
Dominic
Priest
Numbers 20:1-13
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9
Matthew 16:13-23
- Fri 8/9
Ordinary Time
weekday
Deuteronomy 4:32-40
Psalm 77:12-16, 21
Matthew 16:24-28
- Sat 8/10
Lawrence
Deacon, Martyr
2 Corinthians 9:6-10
Psalm 112:1-2, 5-9
John 12:24-26
- Sun 8/11
19th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Wisdom 18:6-9
Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-22
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Luke 12:32-48

Stewardship Report

regular collection \$ 2,715.00
building fund \$ 275.00

Thank you for your generosity.