

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK  
OF JUL 8 - 14**

- Monday** - Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26  
- **Saint Gregory Grassi & Companions**
- Tuesday** - Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38  
- **Saint Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions**
- Wednesday** - Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Mt 10:1-7  
- **Saint Veronica Giuliani**
- Thursday** - Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15  
- **Saint Benedict**
- Friday** - Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23  
- **Saints John Jones & John Wall**
- Saturday** - Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33  
- **Saints Henry**
- Sunday** - Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37  
- **Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**  
**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**GOSPEL COMMENTARY**

**“Jesus appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town he intended to visit.”**

When the twelve returned and reported what they had done in his name, Jesus began to prepare them for the reaction of the Roman and Jewish leaders. He spent time with them in prayer, was transformed before them and attracted thousands whom he fed with fish, bread and spiritual food. He then appointed seventy-two others to go in pairs to towns he intended to visit. They were to take no money, no provisions and no sandals. They were to rely on the response of the people who received them in peace and to whom they preached and healed, physically and spiritually. They went in pairs, some possibly as married couples, and did as Jesus instructed. They returned with reports of performing great deeds and realized that they did not need a moneybag, or sack with their possessions or even sandals, to do great things in the name of Jesus. Through the twelve, and then the seventy-two, Jesus is teaching us that faith in God and the truth of His message is all we need to do great things for others. Do we have such faith?

**PRAY FOR:** Mona Escobar, Ray Duthu, Beryl Toups Odom, Linda Lee, J.A. Foret, Jason Chaisson, Christina Sparks, Edrith Boudreaux, Dale Boudreaux, Ursula M. Breaux, Ray Marcello, Barbara Toups Miller, Susan Laperouse, Melinda Fabre, Sheryl Leaber, Evelyn Ruckstuhl, Deacon Lee Crochet, Selma Ferjani, Dee Belanger, Holden Sawyer, Lynn Paul Lirette, Sherman Brown, Mary Lee Boudreaux, Airman Wesley Speyrer, Ernest Robichaux, Nancy Rivere, Claudette Dugas, Aaron Robichaux, Chelsea Ford, and for all prayer shawl recipients.  
**Please pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially Warren Bourque.**

**Daily Prayers for Priests:**  
*Lord Jesus, hear our prayer for the Bishop, Priests, Deacons, Sisters, Lay Ministers, and Seminarians in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. We praise you for giving their ministry to the Church. In these days, renew them with the gifts of Your Spirit. You once opened the Holy Scriptures to your Disciples when you walked on this earth. Now renew your ordained and chosen ones with the truth and in their lives, the death and resurrection they celebrate around your altar. Give them enthusiasm for the Gospel, zeal for the salvation of all people, courage in leadership and humility in service. Give them your love for one another and for all power of your word. In Eucharist you gave your disciples renewed life and hope. Nourish your consecrated ones with your own Body and Blood. Help them to imitate their brothers and sisters in you. For you love them Lord Jesus and we love and pray for them in your Holy Name, especially (name). Amen.*

- July 8 – Fr. Domingo Cruz
- July 9 – Fr. Dean Danos
- July 10 – Fr. Baby Kuruvilla
- July 11 – Fr. Robert Rogers
- July 12 – Fr. Mark Toups
- July 13 – Fr. Rholando Grecia
- July 14 – Fr. Jean-Marie Nsambu



**SANCTUARY LIGHTS**

**Church**  
*In Loving Memory of Michael Ray Guidry  
by Family and Friends*  
**Chapel**  
*In Loving Memory of Ernest, Betty, and Sadi Mabile  
by Mark, Tobi, and Rhea Mabile*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
Sunday – June 30	
Envelopes (239).....	\$10,207.00
Loose .....	\$ 2,092.31
Total .....	\$12,299.31
June Online Giving.....	\$ 1,575.00
June Building Improvement Fund	\$ 206.94
Quarterly (Apr 1-Jun 30)	
Building Improvement Fund	\$ 9,719.32
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 476.00
Holy Land	\$ 4608.00
Education to Ministry	\$ 4,428.86
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 3,150.82
Catholic Communications	\$ 2,220.36
Holy Father	\$ 2,507.88

**MASS INTENTIONS – JULY**

*In Memory/In Honor*

- July 10**  
Daily mass 5:30pm  
Sam Scurto
- July 13**  
Daily mass 8:30am  
Angie Walsh
- July 19, 2019 11am**  
C. G. Keplinger
- July 22, 2019 (correction)**  
Daily 5:30pm  
Mitch Babin
- July 26, 2019**  
Daily 12:05am  
Oron “Buck” Stutzman

**Prayer to St. Maria Goretti (Feast Day is July 6)**  
*Oh Saint Maria Goretti who, strengthened by God’s grace, did not hesitate even at the age of twelve to sacrifice life itself to defend her virginal purity, look graciously on the unhappy human race which has strayed far from the path of eternal salvation. Teach us all, and especially youth, with what courage and promptitude we should flee for the love of Jesus anything that could offend Him or stain our souls with sin. Obtain for us from our Lord victory in temptation, comfort in the sorrows of life, and the grace which we earnestly beg of thee (here mention your intentions), and may we one day enjoy with thee the imperishable glory of Heaven. Amen*  
**To find out more about Saint Maria Goretti:**  
<https://mariagoretti.com/who-is-st-maria/>

**A letter from her murderer:**  
“I’m nearly 80 years old. I’m about to depart. Looking back at my past, I can see that in my early youth, I chose a bad path which led me to ruin myself.  
My behavior was influenced by print, mass-media and bad examples which are followed by the majority of young people without even thinking. And I did the same. I was not worried.  
There were a lot of generous and devoted people who surrounded me, but I paid no attention to them because a violent force blinded me and pushed me toward a wrong way of life.  
When I was 20 years-old, I committed a crime of passion. Now, that memory represents something horrible for me. Maria Goretti, now a Saint, was my good Angel, sent to me through Providence to guide and save me. I still have impressed upon my heart her words of rebuke and of pardon. She prayed for me, she interceded for her murderer. Thirty years of prison followed.  
If I had been of age, I would have spent all my life in prison. I accepted to be condemned because it was my own fault.  
Little Maria was really my light, my protectress; with her help, I behaved well during the 27 years of prison and tried to live honestly when I was again accepted among the members of society. The Brothers of St. Francis, Capuchins from Marche, welcomed me with angelic charity into their monastery as a brother, not as a servant. I’ve been living with their community for 24 years, and now I am serenely waiting to witness the vision of God, to hug my loved ones again, and to be next to my Guardian Angel and her dear mother, Assunta.  
I hope this letter that I wrote can teach others the happy lesson of avoiding evil and of always following the right path, like little children. I feel that religion with its precepts is not something we can live without, but rather it is the real comfort, the real strength in life and the only safe way in every circumstance, even the most painful ones of life.”

**Signed, Alessandro Serenelli**

**CATHOLIC KORNER**



Last week we learned that Saint Junipero Serra’s baptized over 6,000 people and confirmed 5,000. His travels would have circled the globe and was the first canonization on U.S. soil.

Christmas Time and Easter Time highlight the central mysteries of the Paschal Mystery, namely, the incarnation, death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Sundays and weeks of **Ordinary Time**, on the other hand, take us through the life of Christ. This is the time of conversion. This is living the life of Christ.

**Ordinary Time** is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in **Ordinary Time**, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

**Find out more next week when we talk about Lourdes.**  
**Do you have a particular question you want answered?**  
**Send in your questions to [rvowell@hdiocese.org](mailto:rvowell@hdiocese.org) to have answered here!**

MINISTERS SCHEDULE	
Weekend of July 13-14, 2019	
Commentators	
4:00 PM	Becky Boudloche
7:00 AM	Jerry Dover
9:00 AM	Scott Hebert
11:00 AM	Ernie Perry
5:30 PM	Ginny Hamilton
Lectors	
4:00 PM	Lawrence Robinson
7:00 AM	Denise Dover
9:00 AM	James Watkins
11:00 AM	Tommy Tabor
5:30 PM	Carla Peeler
Ministers of the Eucharist	
4:00 PM	Mary Ann Rodrigue, Anita Pearson, Judith Archila, Bernita Guidry, <b>Volunteer, Volunteer</b>
7:00 AM	John Breaux, C.J. Stoufflet, Kay Stoufflet, Mark Spence
9:00 AM	Nellie Chemin, Dale Norred, Holly Champagne, Jody Duet, Cathy Duet, <b>Volunteer</b>
11:00 AM	Norman Simon, Craig Bella, Glenn Landry, Tara Landry, Volunteer, Volunteer
5:30 PM	Sallie Preston, Gina Danos, Curtis Briggs, Jenny Briggs, <b>Volunteer, Volunteer</b>
Altar Servers	
4:00 PM	Grace Magee, Julia Magee, Kate Magee
7:00 AM	John Breaux, C.J. Stoufflet
9:00 AM	Alexander Cosky, Miriam Cosky, Emma Bennett
11:00 AM	Ethan Prejean, Olivia Babin, Addison Arcement
5:30 PM	Lucia Pizzolata, Aida Pizzolata, Emilie Jollier



## PARISH NEWS

# FORMED

## THE COURAGEOUS SON

In this episode of the *City of Saints*, 10-year-old Humberto tells his heroic story of how he overcame bullying and allowed the Blessed Mother to show him how to combat this all-too-common problem children face. The chaplain of Humberto's new school, Fr. Charbel speaks about the value of how authentic Catholic education can overcome the timeless challenge of bullying.

Find more heartwarming episodes on FORMED. To sign up go to: go to our church website, <http://www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/>, click on FORMED, click on FORMED under the Register Here heading, click on Register Now, enter the requested information including email and password (that you will create).

FORMED also has an app for Apple or Android mobile devices! Go to the App Store or the Google Play store to download the FORMED App.

## THE TIE-IN – ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent his Apostles out two by two. In this spirit, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul members "go out two by two" to visit those who are poor and needy in their homes. It is there, in the family setting, that Vincentians listen, offer humble advice, and render assistance.

Know that the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering in our parish.

## MISSION CO-OP – THIS WEEKEND – SECOND COLLECTION

**Father Sovi Devasia will speak this weekend at all masses on behalf of his home diocese to benefit the Homeless in the Diocese of India. Please be generous.**

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - (RCIA)

We are gearing up to begin RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)! Sessions will begin in the fall, August 2019. If you - or someone you know - is interested in becoming Catholic - or would like to know more about the Catholic faith before making that decision, these sessions are for you!

RCIA is a process, a journey of faith, designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely are initiated into the Catholic Christian community. This faith journey is for adults who

1. Has been Baptized in another faith tradition,
2. Has been Baptized Catholic but have not celebrated First Communion or Confirmation, and have never received religious instruction in the Catholic faith,
3. Or have never been Baptized in any faith.

These sessions are round table and begin with a period of Inquiry – a time where you are free to inquire about the Catholic Faith and have your questions answered. For more information or to register, contact Cathy in the Cathedral office – 985-876-6904.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Adult Confirmation Course is set to begin on this fall in October. This course is offered to those who are at least 20 years of age and have received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and Holy Communion, but have not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation. There will be seven sessions. For more information, or to register, please contact Cathy in the Cathedral office – 985-876-6904

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

**- WITH FR. JAY BAKER - MARCH 26 - APRIL 4, 2020  
– SIGN UP BY JULY 13!**

Ready to travel from Bethlehem to Nazareth to Tiberias to Jerusalem (and many more points between) with Fr. Jay as your spiritual guide? Hurry – space is limited. To receive a brochure including the reservation form – visit the church website <https://stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/> or call the church office 985-876-6904.



## YOUTH NEWS

**YOUTH FORMATION LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2019  
- FRIDAY, JULY 19 - SUNDAY, JULY 21**

The Summit will equip adults throughout the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux within Bishop Fabre's vision for youth formation. **Deadline for registration is Monday, July 8, 2019!** If you are interested contact Gina Danos at 985-688-9696 or [StFrancisHoumaYouthMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:StFrancisHoumaYouthMinistry@gmail.com) or Jane Lirette at 985-856-5488.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### 2019 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL – UPDATE!

The goal of the Cathedral of St. Francis is \$85,000. Thus far, the Cathedral of St. Francis has pledged \$62,534.80, with \$50,415.41 paid thus far from 155 pledges. We have achieved 73.57% of our pledged goal. **The remaining to reach our goal is \$22,465.20.** You can give online at <https://hdiocese.org/bishopsappeal>, return your personalized commitment cards at Mass, or mail your commitment to the Dioces.

## RCIA WORKSHOP

**– SEPTEMBER 28, 2019 – 8am-2pm**

RCIA is a formation in the whole Christian life...during which the disciples will be joined to Christ their teacher. The speaker will be Monsignor Michael Clay from Washington, DC. If you are interested in helping facilitate or assist in coordinating, please join us for this very important and informative workshop at the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Pastoral Center. Contact Cathy at the Church Office at 985-876-6904 or [cbutler@hdiocese.org](mailto:cbutler@hdiocese.org) to sign up.

## SEMINARIAN ENDOWMENT GRANT

The Catholic Foundation has received a \$50,000 Challenge Seminarian Endowment Grant from Catholic Extension. Catholic Extension has agreed to match dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 to our seminarian endowment for all donations by December 31, 2019. To donate, please mail to: Catholic Foundation, P.O. Box 505, Schriever, LA 70395

## HOLY MASS & HEALING SERVICES – JULY 11, 2019

There will be a Mass and Healing Services held at St. Andrew Catholic Church, 833 Julia Street, Amelia, LA on Thursday, July 11, 2019. The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30pm, with the Mass and Healing Service beginning at 7pm. If you have any questions, please call 985-631-2333 or 985-232-2229.



## NOVENA TO ST. ANNE – JULY 17, 2019

The St. Anne Association's annual Novena in honor of Saint Anne will begin July 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Calvary Grotto Shrine in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Thibodaux with a Mass, followed by prayers and meditation. Each day thereafter prayer and meditation will begin at 6:30 pm. On the 10th day, which is the feast day of Saints Anne and Joachim (July 26) a closing Mass is celebrated at the shrine.

Saint Anne is the patron saint of mothers, grandmothers, women who desire pregnancy, women in labor and women who want husbands, to name a few. Countless miracles have been reported in the past, which members attribute to the intervention of Saint Anne, including women who have found husbands and couples who conceived children.

All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Joanie Lirette (985) 637-6906 or Connie Richard (985) 447-6559.

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND – SEPT 9-18, 2019

Join Rev. Edmund Akordor, Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Norco, LA, for a 10 Day pilgrimage to the Holy Land "Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus" September 9-18, 2019. For more information, please visit <http://www.nativitypilgrimage.com/sacredheart-norco/>

## LIFT ADULT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE – SEPT 27-29, 2019

The conference begins at 6pm on Friday, September 27 and ends on Sunday, September 29 at noon at the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center. Anyone and everyone 18 years old and up are invited. For individual or group registration and more information visit: <https://www.lift316.com/adult-conference-details>

## HELP NEEDED

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRI-PARISH COMMUNITY PHARMACY

The St. Vincent de Paul Tri-Parish Community Pharmacy recently relocated to 201 Canal Street, Houma, LA 70360. The mission of the St. Vincent Pharmacy is to serve the less fortunate of the area of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux by providing them with maintenance medicine they otherwise cannot afford and do not receive through assistance from government aid, Veteran's benefits, or insurance.

The pharmacy is still in need of volunteer pharmacists and pharmacy techs.

For more information about the services of the pharmacy or to volunteer, please contact the pharmacy at 985-872-2253.

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

### FOOD FOR THE SPIRIT

**"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?"  
Matthew 25:37**

Looking for a way to feed the hungry? Look no further – Food for the Spirit needs your help! This ministry delivers meals to homebound of our parish. Distribution is scheduled for the second Saturday of each month. A meal plan is emailed to all volunteers prior to the upcoming weekend and participants volunteer to cook one of various dishes, or bring bread, dessert, etc. The group meets and prepares the go-plates, adding various prayer cards or small gifts to deliver along with the meals in a nicely decorated bag!

Each volunteer then takes 2 or 3 meals to deliver to the various homes of those who are homebound or in need of food. Can you spare a couple of hours each month? Please consider helping, especially to help deliver the food. Contact Roxane Haydel at 985-381-3573 or [roxane.haydel@gmail.com](mailto:roxane.haydel@gmail.com) to sign up or inquire.

## DYNAMIC CATHOLIC'S FEATURED BOOK

Each month or so we will order a featured book. The first book we will order is **Made for More** by Curtis Martin. *Discover how having a relationship with Jesus will help you make sense of life, understand your purpose, and experience the happiness you were made for.* The cost is only \$5.00 per book. Please contact Rebecca at the Church Office at 985-876-6904 or [rvowell@hdiocese.org](mailto:rvowell@hdiocese.org) by July 19<sup>th</sup> to order your copy.