

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 18, 2018



*Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.*

MARK 13:31

ENCOURAGEMENT

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever (Daniel 12:1-3).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

Gospel — Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).

Mass Schedule

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each mass.

Lyons Point

Tuesday:	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	6:30 a.m.
Thursday:	5:30 p.m.
Friday:	6:30 a.m.
Saturday:	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.
(Midland)	10:30 a.m.

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Mass Intentions
Mass Schedule for
November 19th thru November 25th

Tuesday, November 20th, Lyons Point: 5:30 p.m.: Holy Souls of Purgatory

Wednesday, November 21st, Lyons Point: 6:30 a.m.:

Thursday, November 22nd, Lyons Point: 5:30 p.m.: Elizabeth S. LeLeux, Mitchell & Helen Trahan Istre, Tina Terro

Friday, November 23rd, Lyons Point: 6:30 a.m.: Ruby Richard

Saturday, November 24th, Lyons Point: 4:00 p.m.: Lily Carlson, Donner Duhon, Sheldon & Julia Simon, Barbara Trahan, Edward Faulk, Melinda Abshire, Alvin Breaux, Lola LeBoeuf, Hilliard E. LeLeux, Wanda Miller

Sunday, November 25th, Lyons Point: 8:30 a.m.: Dustin LaComb, Nelis & Domatile Richard, Darryl "Beasy" Doucet, Emery & Irene Simon

Sunday, November 25th, Midland: 10:30 a.m.: Edith Thibodeaux, Rhonda Woods, All Holy Souls in purgatory, Upton & Marie Broussard, Dominique & Edmae Woods, Dominique & Betty Woods, John Woods, Alex Broussard, M/M Edward Marceaux

Sanctuary Candle:

Midland:
L.P.:

The Woods Family
The Morgan Family

The Sanctuary Candle is \$12.00 and burns for 2 weeks. Please contact the office (783-2968) for more information.

FIRST TUESDAY YOUTH NIGHT

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

The 1st Tuesday of every month we will celebrate 5:30 pm Mass together at St. John the Baptist. Following Mass we will meet in the Lyons Point Church Hall to share a meal. Spaghetti, pizza, gumbo, and crawfish etouffe' are just a few examples of our menus. Bring a friend—all high school aged youth (9th –12th grade) are invited. For more information or to see how you can get involved, please call Mrs. Rechelle Broussard at 458-1551.

To assist in the smooth operation of our parishes, we ask that all requested items being submitted for verbal announcements and the bulletin, as well as all mass intentions, are turned in **2 weeks in advance** to the office. This is necessary due to bulletin deadlines and it will assist us in planning for the future of our parishes. Mass Intention envelopes are available at the entrance of the churches.

Collection Totals

	<u>Morse</u>	<u>Lyons Point</u>
11/04	\$897.00	\$2822.00
Bldg. Fund	\$375.00	\$639.00

Our Lady of Fatima Statue

To be picked up at Mass on November 24th & 25th
M/M Donald Blanchard 10:30 am (**Midland**)
M/M Larry Hebert 5:30 pm (**Lyons Point**)

Please pick up and drop off the statue at the entrance of church and not in the sacristy

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for prayer. Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the “dwelling place of the Holy Spirit,” and has a destiny of life with God in glory. The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans, who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one’s “birthday to life,” the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not so much because the church made the ground holy, but because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a subtle but beautiful difference.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

St. John the Baptist Cemetery Dues

Cemetery Dues are \$10.00 per year for each tomb or plot and are now being accepted. Please make checks payable to SJTB Cemetery and mail to P.O. Box 297, Morse, LA 70559. Include the plot name and plot number in the memo of the check. Call the office 337-783-2968 for more information.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Thursday: St. Cecilia; Thanksgiving Day
 Friday: St. Clement I; St. Columban;
 Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
 Saturday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions

- The office will be closed on Thursday, November 22, 2018 for Thanksgiving.
- Adoration in Lyons Point on Thursday, November 22, 2018 has been cancelled.
- Adoration on Friday, November 23, 2018 has been cancelled.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

On Thursday, November 22, 2018 there will be a Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:00 a.m. The 5:30 p.m. mass on this day has been cancelled.

THANKS

One act of thanksgiving when things go wrong with us is worth one thousand thank-yous when things are agreeable to our inclination.

—St. John of Ávila

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

The church parishes will once again join in with Fire District 5 to collect canned goods and dry goods for food baskets to be donated to elderly families this Thanksgiving Holiday. Collection boxes are labeled and are located at the entrance of the churches.

THE GLORIOUS BIBLE

It is one of the glories of the Bible that it can embrace many meanings in a single passage.—St. Thomas Aquinas

Lyons Point Faith Renewal

Friday, January 25th thru Sunday, January 27th Lyons Point will be hosting their Annual Faith Renewal Retreat. Please pray about attending this amazing weekend. Also, please pray for the success of the weekend. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. on the Friday night and supper will be served. The retreat will begin at 7:00 p.m. and end Sunday afternoon. If you decide to attend come with your bags packed. You will be staying at the home of someone in the area. You will leave this retreat spiritually renewed and refreshed. It is such a nice weekend away from the busy lives we live. If you should have any questions please feel free to contact Susan Mayes - Director (387-9587) or Susan Trahan – Co-Director (523-1714).

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