

ST. ELIZABETH

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

6:00 pm - St Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 6:30 am - Sisters Convent

Friday, 7:40 am - Sisters Convent

Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - Sisters Convent

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, 3:00 to 3:50 pm - St Elizabeth Monday, 5:00-5:45 pm - St. Jules By Appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Couples must contact the parish office concerning pre-marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Expectant parents should contact the parish office for information and preparation requirements.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls are made immediately. Families are asked to notify the parish office concerning parishioners who are seriously ill.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Families should contact the parish office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

OFFICE HOURS:

8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri Closed Wed and 12:00-1:00 pm daily <u>www.sesjchurch.com</u>

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ST. ELIZABETH INTERPAROCHIAL SCHOOL

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My brothers and sisters in Christ,

One of the beautiful things of our Church is the rich writings that we have on scripture and prayers from every century of the Church. A way I have gotten to encounter these writings is in the Office of Readings in the Liturgy of the Hours, the official prayer of the Church that priests, deacons, religious, and many laity pray every day. This past week there has been the writings on the Our Father by St. Cyprian of Carthage. St. Cyprian was a north African bishop who was martyred in 258. So a commentary on the Our Father from over 1750 years ago! I wanted to share the part describing how we need pray the Our Father with a humble heart. Let me know what you think. May you have a blessed week!

Fr. Matthew

Let your prayer come from a humble heart - by St. Cyprian

When we pray, our words should be calm, modest and disciplined. Let us reflect that we are standing before God. We should please him both by our bodily posture and the manner of our speech. It is characteristic of the vulgar to shout and make a noise, not those who are modest. On the contrary, they should employ a quiet tone in their prayer.

Moreover, in the course of his teaching, the Lord instructed us to pray in secret. Hidden and secluded places, even our own rooms, give witness to our belief that God is present everywhere; that he sees and hears all; that in the fullness of his majesty, he penetrates hidden and secret places. This is the teaching of Jeremiah: Am I God when I am near, and not God when I am far away? Can anyone hide in a dark corner without my seeing him? Do I not fill heaven and earth? Another passage of Scripture says: The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, observing both good and wicked men.

The same modesty and discipline should characterize our liturgical prayer as well. When we gather to celebrate the divine mysteries with God's priest, we should not express our prayer in unruly words; the petition that should be made to God with moderation is not to be shouted out noisily and verbosely. For God hears our heart not our voice. He sees our thoughts; he is not to be shouted at. The Lord showed us this when he asked: Why do you think evil in your hearts? The book of Revelation testifies to this also: And all the churches shall know that I am the one who searches the heart and the desires.

My friends, anyone who worships should remember the way in which the tax-collector prayed in the temple alongside the Pharisee. He did not raise his eyes immodestly to heaven or lift up his hands arrogantly. Instead he struck his breast and confessing the sins hidden within his heart he implored the assistance of God's mercy. While the Pharisee was pleased with himself, the tax-collector deserved to be cleansed much more because of the manner in which he prayed. For he did not place his hope of salvation in the certainty of his own innocence; indeed, no one is innocent. Rather he prayed humbly, confessing his sins. And the Lord who forgives the lowly heard his prayer.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 25, 2017

STEWARDSHIP REPORT June 17 - 18, 2017

St. Elizabeth St. Jules

Offertory \$2,313.00 \$2,199.00 Special Collections \$205.00 \$1,060.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Lloyd Delaune, Elzie Rivere, Angela Ragusa, Donna Witty, McKenzie Daigle, Dean Sciambra, Brenda Landry, Kathleen Rousseau, Braxton Becnel, Miriam Templet LaCroix, Toni Schiambra Marchese, Victoria Rodrigue, Leroy LeBlanc

PRAYER INTENTIONS

A common feature of our weekly bulletin is our Prayer List. Please call the office or email office@sesjchurch.com with your request to add names to the list or to remove them in the future. We have begun a new policy to remove the names on the list for 2 months. Also, please let us know if you have had a prayer request answered.

LAST CALL

100TH Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, 10 Day Pilgrimage to Portugal, offered over three dates in October 2017. We can be departing Your Airport and at the all land inclusive cost of \$2,149.00 in twin accommodations with single accommodations also available. Call for the special air price from your city. We will be visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Santarem Portugal, Lourdes France and Barcelona Spain. For further information please call Mr. James Adair at 1-855-564-1008 toll free or simply email ilmadair@thecatholictour.com

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If anyone is homebound and would like to have an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion bring them Communion, please call the Parish Office. We are not always aware when a parishioner has become ill and is homebound. It is very helpful when we are notified of this need.

BAPTISM

"People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them." Luke 18:15

If you are expecting or just recently had a child, please email Angelle Blanchard at dre@sesjchurch.com or call the parish office about arranging a baptism. Parents and Godparents who have not attended a baptismal seminar in the last 3 years are required to do so. The seminar lasts approximately one hour and will be scheduled upon request.

ST. JULES CEMETERY

There are burial plots available for purchase in the St. Jules Cemetery. If you would like to purchase a plot, please call the parish office at (225) 473-8569.

FAITH FORMATION/PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

First Eucharist pictures can be picked up at the St. Jules office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday between 8:30AM and 3:00PM(closed 12 PM - 1:00 PM for lunch)

All children and young adults who will need to prepare for the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation must register at the Parish Office prior to the start of the 2017-2018 school year.

Faith Formation is a continuing journey for all of us. Please check the kiosks in the rear of both St. Elizabeth and St. Jules churches for a wealth of information on a wide range of subjects. Feel free to contact the office with any questions.

A VOCATION VIEW

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June, 25 2017

Even though it takes trust, generosity and courage to accept God's call to a Church vocation, Jesus nevertheless assures us that He is "gentle and humble of heart". If you hear Jesus' invitation, "Come to Me!" call or email Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8778, amerrick@diobr.org

WILLWOODS MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

Would you like to break away with your spouse and spend quality time together enriching your marriage? Then join us on our August 26th and 27th Married Couples Retreat at the beautiful Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center located along Lake Pontchartrain in Metairie.

Attending a married couples retreat annually is a wonderful way to deepen your love for God and each other. To register or for more info call Jason Angelette at (504) 830-3716 or visit Willwoods.org. SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$275 IS REQUESTED BUT NOT REQUIRED.

CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Catholic Pilgrimage to Italy/Rome/Monte
Cassino/Naples/Pompeii/Amalfi Coast, September 11-20,
2017, \$3799.00 per person including air fare from Baton
Rouge, Breakfast & Dinner Daily. Mass daily at the Holy
Shrines. For a Flyer or more detailed information please call
Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

PARISH WEBSITE

Don't forget to visit our parish website at **www.sesjchurch.com**. Updated regularly, it's a great way to keep up with parish schedules, programs & activities, daily scripture, and much, much more. Add us to your favorites!

PRAYER FOR SAFETY IN HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world,
hear the humble voices of your children.
The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order
and returned to its former quietude.
You are still the Master of land and sea.
We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control:
the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant,
can awake from its seeming lethargy,
overstep its conventional boundaries,
invade our land.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother.

and spread chaos and disaster.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), Second Bishop of Lafayette

SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

DATE	TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTANS
7/01/17 St. Elizabeth	4:00 PM	Jill Prejean Lloyd Giroir	Elenora LeBlanc, Stanley Sternfels, Janelle Simoneaux	Ashleigh LeBlanc, Aiden LeBlanc, Melanie Gros	Erin Gros
7/02/17 St. Jules	8:30 AM	Maria Boudreaux Ivy Landry	Raymond Landry Marian Landry	Aidan & Austin Paine, Kollin Landry	Robin Guillot, Peggy & Samantha Frey
7/02/17 St. Elizabeth	10:45 AM	Norma Blanchard Brady Landry	Gerry Lou Sternfels, Chris Mattingly, Sister Vandana	Grant Dupaty, Trey Jones, Madison & Isabella George, Brennan Blanchard	Norma Blanchard

ADORATION

St. Elizabeth: Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Sisters'

Chapel

St. Jules: Every Monday, 4:45 PM (followed by 6:00 PM

Mass)

THE LORD'S HOUSEKEEPERS-JUNE

St. Jules: Marian Landry & Elenora LeBlanc

St. Martin: Elaine Burns

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

St. Elizabeth: (Week of June 25) - Alma & Paul Daigle Sr. **St. Jules:** (Week of June 25) - Children Come Home

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New on Formed: Because God is Real Sixteen Questions, One Answer Author: Peter Kreeft; Reader:Daniel Bielinski

Atheistic and agnostic writers are aggressively attacking traditional religious beliefs. Philosopher and prolific writer Peter Kreeft is up to the challenge in this work of popular apologetics aimed at both teens and adults. The masterful Kreeft tackles sixteen crucial issues about the deeper meaning of life. The questions that Kreeft explores range from, "Is faith reasonable?," Can you prove there is a God?", and "Why is Jesus different?," to "Why is sex so confusing?," "Why is there evil?," and "Why must we die?"

Kreeft provides thoughtful, lucid, and persuasive answers for believers, unbelievers, and seekers to consider. As always, Kreeft is insightful, inspiring, and entertaining. This book is ideal for those exploring faith for the first time, as well as for confirmation and religious education classes. It's an intellectual and spiritual feast! This is vintage Kreeft.

"The good news of the Gospel is as exciting as a murder mystery. For at its heart there is a murder: the murder of God two thousand years ago in Jerusalem. And this God is the greatest of mysteries: who He is and why He put us here, and why He came here and what His plans are for us. The story is literally a matter of life or death – eternal life or death."

Peter Kreeft

"Be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in you."

— 1 Peter 3:15

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 6:30pm in the St. Jules Church Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 24

4:00 PM - St. Elizabeth - For the People of the Parish **Sunday, June 25**

8:30 AM - St. Jules - Raymond & Doris Blanchard, Gilbert Blanchard, Thomas J and Erna B Richard, Joan Newchurch, Tommy Nickell, Jr., Thelma Bergeron, Maria Russo, Octave & Anna Belle Chedotal, Eugene Templet Sr., Boomy & Phil LeBlanc, Anna Mae Charlet

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth - Mr & Mrs Paul R. LeBlanc, Mederic, Sr. & Mildred LeBlanc, Lenny LeBlanc, Julie L. LeBlanc, Anite Woods, Maria Russo

Monday, June 26

6:00 PM - St. Jules - Tommy Nickell Jr.

Tuesday, June 27

6:30 AM - St. Elizabeth - Purgatorial List

Friday, June 30

7:40 AM - St. Elizabeth - Father's Intentions

Saturday, July 1

4:00 PM - St. Elizabeth - Giroir, Landry & St. Germain Family, Pete & Petey Simoneaux & Chickie Alleman, Alma & Paul Daigle Sr., Mr & Mrs Paul R. LeBlanc, Thomas Guillot Family, Thelma Bergeron, Dr & Mrs Julius W. Daigle & Brett Batulis

Sunday, July 2

8:30 AM - St. Jules - For the People of the Parish

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth - Sam Klack, Albert & Bernice Comeaux, Ores & Brent Rivere, Roy Martinez, Anite Woods, Maria Russo

First Saturday Mass/Devotion

One of the great traditions and devotions of the Church is offer the First Saturday Devotion to Our Blessed Mother, Mary. It was given to us by Mary under the title of Our Lady of Fatima. This devotion is offered to make reparation for blasphemies and offense against her Immaculate Heart and for world peace. There are two opportunities in our area to participate in the First Saturday Mass:

St Joseph the Worker in Pierre Part at 7:30am

St. Anne in Napoleonville at 8:30am (Confessions at 8am, Rosary following Mass)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - SUMMER 2017

St. Anne Church is having "Maker Fun Factory VBS: Created by God, Built for a Purpose" from July 10-14, 2017 for ages 3yrs to entering the 4th grade from 9AM - 11:30AM. Registration from June 5th - 30th. Contact St. Anne Church at 985-369-6656 or 985-369-2130 to save your spot!