

# Eleventh Sunday in the Season of the Year

## **MASSES & INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, June 11, 2016**

**6:00 P.M. MASS** – Claiborne Durio, LeRoy J. Fontenot, Pereda Fontenot, Jeremy Rider, Evelyn Manuel, Eve Smith Guilbeau, Joey James

**SUNDAY, June 12, 2016**

**7:30 A.M. MASS** – *Pro Populo* (For the People)

**10:00 A.M. MASS** – Stacey Beaubouef, Paul Thomas, Sr. & Deceased Fly. Members, James Sharp, John Essie Victorian, D.C. Reed, Weston Monceaux, Sr., Drew Granger, Helen Sonnier, Glen Sonnier, Wesley, Addison & Jordy Pitre, Ernest & Bernice Moore, Seth Chandler, Jean Manuel, Nelson “Tse Tse” Manuel, Leonard Beaubouef, Tush Strother

**MONDAY, June 13, 2016**

**6:30 A.M. MASS** – E. J. & Mary Hance

**TUESDAY, June 14, 2016**

**NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, June 15, 2016**

**6:30 A.M. MASS** – Linda LeJeune

**THURSDAY, June 16, 2016**

**5:30 P.M. MASS** – Elmo Smith

**FRIDAY, June 17, 2016**

**6:30 A.M.** – Joe Kent Bushnell

**SATURDAY, June 18, 2016**

**6:00 P.M. MASS** – Jeremy Rider, Hubert Bertrand, J.C. & Bertha Smith, Emily Adams, Helin McCauley Fly, living & deceased.

**SUNDAY, June 19, 2016**

**7:30 A.M. MASS** – *Pro Populo* (For the People)

**10:00 A.M. MASS** – Margaret Karam, James Yeagley, Stacey Beaubouef, Joseph Lee Gobert, Andrus Joseph Frilot, Ella May Frilot, Joseph (Joe) Guillory, James Sharp, Douglas R. Daigle, Wesley, Addison, & Jordy Pitre, Leonard Beaubouef, Tush Strother, Ernest & Bernice Moore, Joey James, Lucille Matt

**Last Week's Collection**

**\$5,547.00**

## **PRAYER LIST FOR APRIL, MAY, JUNE**

Keshon Artis, KeJon Artis, Enola Ballard, Marvin Banks, Phil Beard, Dianne Beaubouef, Charles Beaubouef, Gerry Beaubouef, Enola Bellard, Jerome, John & Josie Bergeron, Joan Bertrand, Alvin & Sonja Billodeaux, Bruce & Diana Brakel, Linda Beaubouef Cazes, Florence Cormier, Carol Deshotel, Pam Dequeant, Betty Dodd, Cindy Dowies, Glen Erwin, David Fontenot, Donald Fontenot, Mary Ophelia Fontenot, Paul Fontenot, Rodney Fontenot, Steven Fontenot, Verlis Fontenot, Cotreal Foster, Tim Germany, Elaine Giles Granger, Keith Granger, Neuban Guidry, Cathy Deshotel Guillory, Victoria Lynn Guillory, Harrison Harmon, Joseph Harmon, Mildred Harmon, Ester Harmon, Shirley Hebert, Jennifer Hibbs, Amanda Hooper, Jan Horton, John Jackson, Perella Jackson, Shenita Jackson, Joey James, Braden Johnson, Paul LaFleur, Michael LaGrange, Essie Langley, Shirley Manuel, Tina Morgan Lantier, Keith LeJeune, Lou, Joseph, and Adam LeJeune, Mitch LeJeune, Willie Mae LeJeune, Donnell & Patricia Lowe, Charles Mancil, Joy Mancil, Kevin Manuel, LuLu Manuel & Fly., Marlin Manuel, Pat Manuel & Fly, Trista Marler, Barry Martin, Brandy McCarty, John McNabb, Christina McNutt, Fran & Ronnie Meaux, Russell Meaux, Beau Montou, Kathy Montou, Glenn Morgan, Marvin Morgan, Odrey & Dorothy Montou, Charles Mosely, Abby Mussellwhite, Nicholas Odom, Devin Pelt, Sally Pitre, Jimmy Prudhomme, Ena Prudhomme Fly., Ashton Read, Sara Reed & Fly., Lynda Reed, Ervin Reed, Leonard Richard, Rev. Fred Russi, Evelyn Sandell, Tina Sapienza, Tucker Scimemi, Helen Shreeman, Caleb Simeon, Koltan Squier, Leah Squier, Margie Smith, Donald Paul Sonnier, Kelly Strother, Carl Tarver, Celeman Thomas, Maynard Topping, Matthew Truman, Danika Treweak, Ticky Family, Dollyanna Victorian, Zachary Villereal, Elizabeth Wilhelm, Glenda Williams, Robbie Willis, Earnest & Odella Wilson, Nicole Young

## **Allen Parish Libraries Summer Reading – Oberlin Branch**

Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M. – Gator Chateau

Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M. – Storyteller Ginette Evans

Snacks and drinks will be provided.

## **Leading the Rosary before Mass this Weekend**

6:00 P.M. – Haddie Goodly 7:30 A.M. – Lucy Brandon

10:00 A.M. – Deacon Norris Chapman

**Vocations Candle** – Mary Berry

**Vocations Cross** – Boobie & Jenny Manuel

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## **YOUTH ADORATION, MOVIE AND DINNER**

This Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> is youth movie night. It begins with Adoration from 6 to 7 P.M. then we move to the hall for dinner and a movie. We will watch the movie RISEN. All ages are welcome.

## **YOUTH EXCURSION DAY**

**5<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADES**

Join us for bowling at Petro Bowl then lunch at Gatti's Pizza in Lake Charles Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will leave the church at 9 A.M. & return by 3 P.M. There is no cost. Please call the rectory to sign up your child by Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Parents are needed to help chaperone and drive.

## **Glad Tidings Program**

Sunday, June 19, 2016 – **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Bishop Glen John Provost is joined by Father Jeffrey Starkovich, Senior Parochial Vicar of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, for a dialogue on the Gospel of Luke (9:18-24).

## **Annual SJoA Altar Society Summer Social**

On Saturday, June 18, 2016, the Altar Society members will meet in the Parish Hall at 5:30 to attend 6:00 P.M. Mass together. After Mass members return to the Hall for a Summer Social. Altar Society Members are to bring their favorite covered dish and a gift with a value of \$10 for White Elephant!! Door Prizes, too!

## **2016-2017 CCD Registration**

On Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, after each of the Masses in the Parish Hall, families should register for CCD for students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> grade. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate.

## **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**

A retreat for Healing after Abortion is scheduled for July 1, 2, & 3, 2016, at the Saint Charles Center in Moss Bluff. Financial assistance is available. For more information or registration contact: RV of SWLA 337-439-7400 ext. 317 or e-mail [rachels.vineyard@lodiocese.org](mailto:rachels.vineyard@lodiocese.org).

## **Fete-Dieu du Teche Eucharistic Boat Procession**

Monday, August 15, Feast of the Assumption. The day begins with Mass at 8am at St. Leo the Great in Leonville and the procession arrives in St. Martinville at 5pm, stopping along the banks of the Churches for the Rosary and Benediction along the way. More to come as we approach August 15! Follow activity on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Fete-Dieu-du-Teche-791548894286660/>

## **This Week @ SJoA**

- ❖ Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Maccabee Campaign (Reed Cemetery) at 5:00 P.M.; Ultreya at 5:00 P.M.; Solemn Holy Hour at 6:00 P.M.
- ❖ Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – K.C. Meeting at 6:30 P.M.
- ❖ Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Holy League: Holy Hour at 6:30 P.M.
- ❖ **Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – ADORATION 7:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

## **SAVE THE DATE**

### **Vacation Bible School**

July 25 – 29 from 9 AM to 12 PM...Volunteers needed

## FROM FATHER CONNER

### **Thank You!**

A special word of thanks to everyone who worked to make the reception last Sunday such a wonderful time. As usual, the Knights of Columbus and the Ladies Altar Society undertook much of the preparations. We thank them for planning, decorating, cooking, serving, and cleaning! It was a beautiful day, especially after so much rain. The time together was filled with the joy of friendship and love. I also want to thank each of you who brought side dishes and desserts and anything else. These are important expressions of charity. It is essential for us, moreover, to have times together such as these, where community life can be fostered and strengthened. This helps us in our walk with God and shows our fellow Catholics that we care for one another and desire spending time together.

### **Summer Chant Camp**

I urge parents to take advantage of the wonderful opportunity that we have right here in our backyard. I speak of the Summer Youth Chant Camp (June 27-July 1). The Second Vatican Council noted, amongst others, that sacred music (and thus, *singing* it) is “integral” to a solemn Mass (cf., *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 112). The Council said, moreover, that Parish Priests were to be solicitous in providing instruction about sacred music (SC 19). Finally, the Vatican II reminded us that each and every Catholic should be able to sing the unchanging parts of the Mass in Latin (SC 54). The Youth Chant Camp will, then, provide our young people with an excellent opportunity not only to receive solid instruction about sacred music, but also learn how to sing it. This Camp will be a time of learning, fun, and Christian fraternity. I sincerely hope that we will see what blessing it will be and take advantage of it. Scholarships are available for any child in need. Please call the Rectory to register.

### **Interview of Robert Cardinal Sarah**

Recently, Robert Cardinal Sarah, the Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, gave an interview about the urgent necessity of putting God back at the center of the Mass. (*What a novel idea!*) Pivotal to this, he notes, is for Priests to face toward the East (or toward the altar). Since we have Mass this way at SJoA, I thought you might be interested knowing that we are already doing (albeit on a very limited basis at present) what the Cardinal Prefect has asked all Priests to do. (Yes, you heard that correctly. He asked *all* Priests to face the East ... toward God ... at Mass.) Today I include the first half of the interview in the bulletin. Next Sunday’s bulletin will contain the remaining part. Please enjoy it, and give serious consideration to the reasons why Cardinal Sarah says *ad Orientem* is necessary at each holy Mass.

### **PUTTING GOD BACK AT THE CENTER OF MASS, Part I**

Several weeks ago, you discussed a desire to see “The Sacrament of Sacraments put back in the central place,” that is, the Eucharist. What is your reasoning?

I wish to engage a serious consideration on this question, with the goal of placing the Eucharist back at the center of our lives. I have witnessed that, very often, our liturgies have become like theater productions. Often, the priest no longer celebrates the love of Christ through his sacrifice, but just a meeting among friends, a friendly meal, a brotherly moment. In looking to invent creative or festive liturgies, we run the risk of worship that is too human, at the level of our desires and the fashions of the moment. Little by

little, the faithful are separated from that which gives life. For Christians, the Eucharist is a question of life and death!

### **How can we put God at the center?**

The liturgy is the door to our union with God. If the Eucharistic celebrations are transformed into human self-celebrations, the peril is immense, because God disappears. One must begin by replacing God at the center of the liturgy. If man is at the center, the Church becomes a purely human society, a simple nonprofit, like Pope Francis has said. If, on the contrary, God is at the heart of the liturgy, then the Church recovers its vigor and sap! Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger prophetically wrote, “In our relationship with the liturgy, the destiny of the faith and of the Church plays out.”

### **What remedy do you recommend to us?**

The recognition of the liturgy as the work of God implies a true conversion of the heart. The Second Vatican Council insisted on a major point: In this domain, the importance is not what we do, but *what God does*. No human work can ever accomplish what we find at the heart of the Mass: the sacrifice of the cross.

The liturgy permits us to go out past the walls of this world. To find the sacredness and the beauty of the liturgy requires, therefore, a work of formation for the laity, the priests and the bishops. It is an interior conversion.

To put God at the center of the liturgy, one must have silence: this capacity to silence ourselves [literally: “shut up”] to listen to God and his word. I believe that we don’t meet God except in the silence and the deepening of his word in the depths of our heart.

### **How do we do this concretely?**

To convert is to turn towards God. I am profoundly convinced that our bodies must participate in this conversion. The best way is certainly to celebrate — priests and faithful — turned together in the same direction: toward the Lord who comes. It isn’t, as one hears sometimes, to celebrate with the back turned toward the faithful or facing them. That isn’t the problem. It’s to turn together toward the apse, which symbolizes the East, where the cross of the risen Lord is enthroned.

By this manner of celebrating, we experience, even in our bodies, the primacy of God and of adoration. We understand that the liturgy is first our participation at the perfect sacrifice of the cross. I have personally had this experience: In celebrating thus, with the priest at its head, the assembly is almost physically drawn up by the mystery of the cross at the moment of the elevation.

### **But is this way of celebrating the Mass authorized?**

It is legitimate and conforms to the letter and the spirit of the Council. In my capacity as the prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, I continue to remind all that the celebration toward the East (*versus orientem*) is authorized by the rubrics of the missal, which specify the moments when the celebrant must turn toward the people. A particular authorization is, therefore, not needed to celebrate Mass facing the Lord. Thus, in an article published by *L’Osservatore Romano* June 12, 2015, I proposed that the priests and the faithful turn toward the East at least during the Penitential Rite, during the singing of the Gloria, during the Propers and during the Eucharistic Prayer.