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The Most Rev. Glen John Provost, D.D., M.A.
Bishop of Lake Charles

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHEDRAL PARISH**
Established December 8, 1869

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CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 31, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM (Anticipated)
Sunday	7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
Monday—Friday	12:05 PM
Extraordinary Form:	Sunday 5:00 PM High Mass
Monday	5:30 PM Low Mass
Tuesday—Friday	7:00 AM Low Mass
Saturday	8:30 AM Low Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday—Thursday 11:30 AM—Noon
Friday 11:00 AM—Noon
Saturday 3:00 PM—3:55 PM
30 minutes before all Weekend Masses

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Before 12:05 Mass on Tuesday

HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION
Thursday 11:00 PM—Midnight



7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states:

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord. They belong in their fullness to Christ, Son of David. They complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them. They make the faithful docile in readily obeying divine inspirations. (CCC, 1831)

The Catholic Church derives this information on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit from scripture:

The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And He will delight in the fear of the LORD, And He will not judge by what His eyes see, Nor make a decision by what His ears hear; But with righteousness He will judge the poor, And decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; And He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked. (Isaiah 11:2-4)



1. Wisdom

Wisdom is not the quoting of facts. Wisdom is a gift that allows a person to understand things from God's point of view. In other words, Wisdom allows a person to recognize truth. A person with the Gift of Wisdom is able to take this truth and use it to glorify God by choosing Godly solutions to problems.

2. Understanding

Understanding is the second gift of the Holy Spirit, and people sometimes have a hard time understanding (no pun intended) how it differs from wisdom. While wisdom is the desire to contemplate the things of God, understanding allows us to grasp, at least in a limited way, the very essence of the truths of the Catholic Faith. Through understanding, we gain a certitude about our beliefs that moves beyond faith.

3. Counsel

The Gift of Counsel is also known as a Gift of Right Judgment. Counsel, the third gift of the Holy Spirit, is the perfection of the cardinal virtue of prudence. Prudence can be practiced by anyone, but counsel is supernatural. Through this gift of the Holy Spirit, we are able to judge how best to act almost by intuition. Because of the gift of counsel, Christians need not fear to stand up for the truths of the Faith, because the Holy Spirit will guide us in defending those truths.

4. Fortitude

The Gift of Fortitude is also known as the Gift of Courage. Through this Gift a person is no longer afraid to stand up for God and His truths. A person who has the Gift of Fortitude will stand up for good against evil and is convicted to take a stand when the occasion arises.

5. Knowledge

The Gift of Knowledge allows a person to understand the meaning and purpose God has for him and to live up to this meaning. It differs from wisdom in that it is an action, not just a desire to live up to the ways of God. It differs from Understanding in that it is not just ability, it is a knowing.

6. Piety

Piety, the sixth gift of the Holy Spirit, is the perfection of the virtue of religion. While we tend to think of religion today as the external elements of our faith, it really means the willingness to worship and to serve God. Piety takes that willingness beyond a sense of duty, so that we desire to worship God and to serve Him out of love, the way that we desire to honor our parents and do what they wish.

7. Fear of the Lord

The Gift of Fear of the Lord puts God in the proper perspective. A person with this Gift understands the greatness and awesomeness of the Lord. They want to serve Him because of who He is. A person with the Gift of Fear of the Lord understands who they are and why they are here in relationship to God; In other words, everything they are is due to the wonder, love, grace, and perfection of God. They are totally dependent on the Lord as a child is to a parent. The Gift of Fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom. Once a person understands who God is and desires to please Him, they can begin to understand things from God's point of view or have Wisdom.

Source: www.stjmod.com/7-gifts-of-the-holy-spirit.html

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

O Lord Jesus Christ Who, before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit of Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, and the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord with the sign of Your true disciples, and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Summer Hours on Fridays through September 4

The Cathedral office as well as Diocesan offices – including the Administrative Offices in the Chancery Building, the Ministries Office in the Bishop Harold Perry Building, Office of Catholic Schools, Catholic Charities, and the Saint Charles Center – **will close at 1 p.m. for "Summer Hours" on Fridays from May 29 until September 4.**

Regular offices hours – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – will be in place Monday through Thursday each of those weeks. Normal Friday hours resume on Friday, September 11, 2020.

In loving memory...

Harold Lambert

who died on May 17, 2020

Leneta Boudreaux

who died on May 23, 2020

We pray that they will find peace and joy
in the presence of Our Lord.

We extend our sincere sympathy
to their families and to all who mourn their deaths.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn
the month of June for
Steve Theriot
Joselito Tolentino

Our parishioner, Mr. Roland Bodin, has generously donated crosses and crèches that he built from the kneelers that were taken out of the church during the restoration. All the money raised from the sale of these items will be donated to our Altar Society.

Crosses measure 6" x 3" - \$5. each

Byzantine crosses measure 4" x 5" - \$7. each

Crèches measure 9½" 7½" - \$25.

Call the Cathedral office at 436-7251 for more information.

Thank you to the many families who signed up for our Online Giving at our website:

immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

During these uncertain times you may also mail your donations or drop them in the mail slot on our office door.

Offertory Collections:

May 24, 2020...\$10,312

(Collection—\$7,278) (Online...\$1,865)

(Ascension...\$1,169)

MASS TO AVERT STORMS

Bishop Glen John Provost will be the celebrant of a votive "Mass to Avert Storms" Monday, June 1 – the first day of the Hurricane Season — in Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church beginning at 5:30 p.m. with concelebrants including the pastors of the coastal Cameron churches. At the conclusion of the liturgy, Bishop Provost will lead those in attendance in procession from the church to the Historic Shrine of Our Lady Star of the Sea.

The annual pilgrimage to the shrine provides those who make it with the potential of spiritual benefits as if they had visited the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome, due to the special affiliation the Cameron church has with the Basilica. The pilgrimage provides a plenary indulgence with the fulfillment of certain requirements, including recent confession, reception of Holy Communion, prayers for the Holy Father, and the recitation of the Creed.

The day is also to be observed as a "Day of Prayer and Fasting at the Beginning of the Hurricane Season" in the Diocese of Lake Charles, asking the intercession of Our Lady Star of the Sea for protection from storms and destruction. In addition, this year June 3, 5-6 are Ember Days in the Diocese of Lake Charles.

EMBER DAYS

By an ancient and immemorial practice of the Roman Church, each of the seasons in the yearly circle of the Earth around its star is sanctified by the Church on what are known as Ember Days, or in Latin *quatuor tempora*, meaning "the four times." On the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday of these four weeks — which were spread out roughly at the change of each season — both the clergy and the lay faithful would offer to God the tribute of prayer and fasting for three purposes: first, to thank Him for the blessings of the season just passed and to ask for blessings on the season to come; second, in reparation for sins and asking grace to reform life going forward; and third, for the sanctification of the clergy.

In a decree issued on the First Sunday of Advent in 2018 and effective on January 1, 2019, Bishop Provost urged Catholics in the Diocese to observe that time-honored tradition as days of prayer and fasting. Ember Days are the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday following the First Sunday of Lent; Pentecost Sunday; September 14 (the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross); and December 13 (the Memorial of St. Lucy) during the third week of Advent. The significance of the days of the week is that Wednesday was the day Christ was betrayed; Friday was the day He was crucified; and Saturday was the day He was entombed.





Congratulations to those who made their First Holy Communion. May Christ's life and love fill you today and every time you receive Him.



- Margo Elise Authement**
- Brice John Blessington**
- Ella Claire Broussard**
- Grady Warren Byrd**
- Camila Anslee Canzano**
- Scarlett Blair Carmen**
- Margo Allen Chance**
- Harrison Paul Citron**
- Henry Finn Crawford**
- Graham Parker Davis**
- Isla Camille DuRousseau**
- Henry Conrad Fain**
- Juan Andres Gamboa**
- Gabrielle Rita Gary**
- Zoie Claire Habetz**
- Cecilia Clare Hardey**
- Emma Clothilde Harrell**
- Anna Clare Hodges**
- Briggs Robert Hurt**
- Timothy Johnson King**
- Paul James LaBove**
- Ryan Turner Lacock**
- Caleb James LeBlue**
- Austin James McAtee**
- Sophia Marie McCain**
- Drew Mihn Pham**
- Joshua Lee Phillips**
- Patrick Fisher Pohorelsky**
- Cooper Guy Truth**
- Eden Katherine Vallette**
- Ramsey Charles Vincent**
- Jayne Katherine Williams**
- Cooper David Zeringue**



Confirmation

Please pray for our young parishioners who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend, Pentecost Sunday, at 1:00 PM: that God will enkindle in their hearts the fire of the Holy Spirit; that their parents and sponsors will witness, by word and example, the truth and mercy of Jesus Christ; that their Confirmation leaders will be strengthened by the Spirit.



A PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

Loving God, we thank you for all who graduate from grade school, high school and college this time of the year. You have blessed them during their years in school with wisdom, friendships, and skills. You continue to challenge them to make this world a better place because of their education.

Help them to look forward to their next steps: continuing in their education or entering the work world. Particularly help those who are seeking employment to find a job suitable to their education.

Give them faith and a sense of purpose in their next steps. Show them how to serve others in effective ways.

And may they be always be aware in everything they do that they will find fulfillment in doing your will, that you will be with them always, and that you will bring to completion the good work you have begun in them.

Amen.

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Your Cathedral Family is proud of your dedication, resilience and faith during these challenging times!



**Salus Populi Romani
Protectress and Health of the Roman People
Prayer against the Coronavirus**

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

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 the 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 and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

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 the passing of time. 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 stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

**+The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder
2nd Bishop of Lafayette**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

A Pre-Baptism class must be attended before the celebration of Baptism. These classes are held the 4th Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November. Arrangements for celebration of Baptism may be made by calling the parish office after having attended the Baptism Class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months before the wedding date by calling the parish office. An appointment must be made for a pre-marriage interview.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

An ongoing process of formation and education is provided for anyone who is interested in inquiring into the Roman Catholic faith. The RCIA process is available throughout the year to those who are seeking initiation into the church as well as for those non Catholics seeking more information about the Roman Catholic church. Information concerning participation in the RCIA process may be obtained through the parish office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

June 1—7

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10,
14, 16; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2;
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
Mk 12:28-34

Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161,
165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-
17, 22; Mk 12:38-44

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55;
2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18



The final airing of Bishop Glen John Provost's Holy Mass on Sunday will be this Sunday, May 31. The Mass will be televised on KPLC at 9:30 a.m.

The Mass will also be available for viewing on the following platforms online: on the Diocesan website; on www.facebook.com/lcdioocese; and www.youtube.com/lcdiocese. The online formats will also conclude May 31.

Several priests throughout the Diocese of Lake Charles will continue to live-stream their Masses on various church parish websites and/or Facebook pages as churches gradually reopen.

HOW TO KEEP IN TOUCH!



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The 25% capacity of the Cathedral building is 150 people.

We will not be taking reservations for Mass here at the Cathedral but please adhere to the social distancing and face mask guidelines. The Church will be sanitized after each Mass.

The 25% capacity of the Ave Maria Hall is 56 people.

The hall will be open for meetings with the following guidelines:

- ◆ Maximum of 56 people
- ◆ The kitchen and front bathrooms can be used
- ◆ Do not enter the office area or use other parts of the office building
- ◆ You must sanitize whatever you use (chairs, tables, countertops, etc.)
- ◆ Observe social distancing

The Ave Maria Hall will not be available for receptions at this time.

Please call the office at 436-7251 to schedule use of the Ave Maria Hall.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Given the circumstances, Bishop Provost is providing this prayer for the use of the faithful:

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if You are already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

(You may make this Act of Spiritual Communion any-time you need it and as often as you need it.)

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception offers a Holy Hour of Reparation each Thursday from 11:00 PM until midnight in the Church. Please observe social distancing.

"By His wounds we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5)



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, May 30...(4:00 p.m.)—Annette Pronia; Bernice & Peter Ciambotti; Ruth & Sam Timpa.

SUNDAY, May 31...(7:30)—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

(9:30)—Enos Miller Family; Ryan Skrnich; Dena & Fred Nodier; Peggy Guidry; Angel Infante.

(11:15)—Aladin Stutes Family.

(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)—Joy Gaspard.

MONDAY, June 1... (12:05)—Landri Kate Richard (living).

(5:30 p.m., Extraordinary Form)—Evert Wild.

TUESDAY, June 2...(12:05)—Pam Mathews.

WEDNESDAY, June 3...(12:05)—Kenny Loane.

THURSDAY, June 4...(12:05)—Jim Bailey.

FRIDAY, June 5.....(12:05)—Sue & Joseph Scurria.

SATURDAY, June 6...(4:00 p.m.)—Gladys & Delma Devillier; Julie Moon; Dr. Shirley "Jean" Mancuso; Hidalgo & Fazzio Families; Annette Pronia.

SUNDAY, June 7...(7:30)—"Pro Populo" (For the People)

(9:30)—Albert "Rabbit" Manuel; Edna, Sidney & J. H. Broussard; Concetta & Curtis Cardone; Curtis Cardone, Jr.; Larry Miller; Velma & Dalbert Burleigh; Emmadell Bodin Hay.

(11:15)—Mabel & Lee Trahan.

(5:00 P.M. Extraordinary Form)—Robichaux & Robert Families.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Sondra Abraham; Rosa Adams; Sam Ange, Jr.; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; James M. Bailey; Henry Barnatt; Gloria Bennett; Charles Benoit; June Benoit; Donald Blanchard; Robert Boudreaux; Melanie Bowles; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; Stephen Broussard; Turner Brumby; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Teresa Chapoy; Ada Cochran; Denise Collette; Thad Crouch; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Vickie Denison; Claudia Dyle; Charles Elter; Dee Elter; Bill Ferguson; Lamont Francisco; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Ty Griffen; Diane Hagerty; Gabriel Hardy; Michelle Hart; Mary Hebert; Stephanie Hinton; Brenda Hoback; Emery Hooper; Anne Hoyer; Jessica Hulin; Georgia Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Darrel Jones; Hattie Kadlubar; Janet LaBiche; Cheryl Lecompte; Helen Lecompte; Sarah LeCompte; James Leger; Michael Lee; Della Lemaire; Melanie Lupo; Elizabeth Louviere; Judy Marcantel; Jules Maust; Brett McCaughey; Barbara McCombs; Ray Miles; Elaine Morrow; Betty Mueller; Kenneth Newman; Ruth Ottenweller; Larry Parker; Chris Percle; Ben Perry; Clifford Raleigh; Oliver "Rick" Richard; William P. Richard; Taylor Rock; Marian Rome; Lathan Russell; Rene Russell; Michael & Marie Scimemi; Cammie Shaddock; Sue Spears; Jaxson Spikes; Chris Stemmann; Rob Stephens; Beau Styron; Darrell Sullivan; Theresa Theriot; Warren Thomas; Betty Trahan; Charlie Viccellio; David Walsh; Aly and Riley Wilkins; Gay Young; Martha Young.

If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 436-7251.

Please let us know if your loved one has recovered or is deceased.

Prayer Intentions for June:

Pope Francis: The Way of the Heart

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Bishop Provost: For the newly ordained priests and deacons, may their ministry be rich in service to the faithful and may their relationship with God deepen intensely and yield abundant fruit.