

The Transfiguration of the Lord

MASSES & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, August 5, 2017

7:00 A.M. MASS – Sr. Zélie Thérèse of the Redeemer

5:30 P.M. MASS – Jeremy Rider, Keith LeJeune, Fran Meaux, Benton & Yvonne Smith Fly., Elmo & Clara Smith Fly., Jerome, Joseph Bergeron, Annette Landry, Liv. & Dec. members of Barbara Murray Fly., Preston Bertrand, Dorothy Berry

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2017

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

10:00 A.M. MASS – Edward Maddox, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Carol Deshotel, Marvin Banks, Jeanette Hornsby, Members of St. Martha's Guild, Living & Dec. Members of Ladies Altar Society, Glenn & Helen Sonnier, Doughty, Margaret, Nancy & Peter Broussard, Juan H. Lucero Castellano, Juan H. Lucero Ruiz, Milagros Castellano Perez, Guihermo Consuegra Garicia, Manuela Travieso Rodriguez

MONDAY, August 7, 2017

6:30 A.M. MASS – Darrell Joseph Fontenot

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2017

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2017

NO MASS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017

6:30 A. M. MASS – Elmo Smith

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2017

6:30 A.M. MASS – Adam's High Class of 1967

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017

7:00 A.M. MASS – Sr. Zélie Thérèse of the Redeemer

5:30 P.M. MASS – Enola Mary Bellard (**1st Anniv.**), Martin Goodly, Jeremy Rider, John C. Durio, J.C. & Bertha Smith, Hubert Bertrand, Emily Adams, Elmo & Clara Smith Fly., Benton & Yvonne Smith Fly., Keith LeJeune, Sox Gordon, Jerome & Joseph Bergeron, Annette Landry, Savannah & Curley Gradney, Sr., Jack Berlinger, Liv. & Dec. members of Ladies Altar Society

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017

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

10:00 A.M. MASS – Edward Maddox, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Carol Deshotel, Marvin Banks, Jeanette Hornsby, Dreau Granger, Weston Monceaux, Sr., Liv. & Dec. members of Taylor & Remy Fly, Jennifer Sonnier, Jolyn Tatum Slate

Last Week's Collection

\$4,127.43

2nd Collection – Aid to Church in Central & Eastern Europe

\$328.19

PRAYER LIST

Mr./Mrs. Robert Andrews, Phil Beard, Charles Beaubouef, Quintan Bell, Jack Berlinger, Joan Bertrand, Alvin & Sonja Billodeaux, Bruce & Diana Brakel, Brandon Bridgwel, Douglas Briscoe, Lincoln & Louise Briscoe, Margaret Briscoe, Ambrose Bushnell, Bernice Bushnell, Helen Bushnell, Roxane Campbell, Kristin Carlton, Linda Beaubouef Cazes, David & Natalie Carrier, Ailene Chapman, Vivian Cole Fly., Florence Comeaux, Richard Cooper, Virginia Cottongin, Aiden Darbonne, Rynree Darbonne, Shaun Darbonne, Jackie Deville, Cindy Dowies, Jabe Doyle, Bryker Fontenot, David Fontenot, Don Fontenot, Mary O. Fontenot, Rodney Fontenot, Steven Fontenot, Verlis Fontenot, Tim Germany, Daniel Goodly & Fly., Freddy & Becky Gorman, Bruce Granger, Jr., Jennifer Granger, Linda Green, Todd Guillory, Victoria Guillory, Harrison Harmon, Joseph Harmon, Mildred Harmon, Ester Harmon, Sunni Hurst, Charlene Ireland, John, Shenita & Perella Jackson, Grady Johnson, Joey James, Brayden Johnson, Rudolph & Joyce Johnson, Paul LaFleur, Kristen Labauve, Essie Langley, Grayce LaRacca, Deanne LeBlanc, Dwain LeBleu, Tina Lantier, Craig LeJeune, Keith LeJeune, Lou, Joseph, & Adam LeJeune, Willie Mae LeJeune, Doc Lowe, Arlington Manuel, Benny Manuel, Brian Manuel, Kevin Manuel, LuLu Manuel & Fly., Pat Manuel & Fly., Reed McIver, Bonnie McNabb, Patricia Mikas, Rita & Billy Miller, Ray Marcantel, Trista Marler, Brandy McCarty, Christina McNutt, Russell Meaux, Clifford Montou, Glen Morgan, Carolyn Morgan, Frank Mougeot, Andrew Norwood, Nicholas Odum, Debbie & Phil Owen & Fly., Joey Owen, Howard Patin, Devin Pelt, Sally Pitre, Hannah Popillion, Linda & Don Potier, Jimmy Prudhomme, Ena Prudhomme Fly., Erin Ramos, Renaldo & Kathy Ramos, Ashton Read, Reid Redlich, Ann Reed, Cheryl Reed, Dora Reed, Gary Reed, Lynda Reed, Irving Reed, Sandra Reed, Octavia Reeves & Fly., Will Reid, Sharon, Richard, Jonathan, Hayley, Jayden, Ryleigh, Skylic, Jackson, Martha, Rusty, and Patsy

Rider, Salis Rider, Michael Roger, Ann Rooney, Vera Ross, Fr. Fred Russi, Evelyn Sandell, Tina Sapienza, Quentin Savoie, Sister Ann Margaret Savant, Tucker Scimemi, Helen Shreeman, Lois Singleton, C. Sonnier, Remy Spring, Kolton & Leah Squier, Barbara Strickland, Kelly Strother, Carl Tarver, Celeman Thomas, Matthew Truman, Katelyn Tunks, Dollyanna Victorian, Steve Vidrine, Joseph K. Vizona, Linda Voeller, Odelia & Ernest Wilson, Kimberly Worthy, Nicole Young, Theresa Young

Divine Intimacy Reading Guide

August 6 th – August 13	Entry Number
Sunday	252
Monday	253
Tuesday	254
Wednesday	255
Thursday	256
Friday	257
Saturday	258
Sunday	259

Vocations Candle and Cross – Bobby & Lucy Brandon

Fatima Movie Night

We will have a Fatima Movie Night on Saturday, August 12th at 6:00 P.M. in the parish hall. Refreshments will be served. All ages are invited to attend.

Wine Tasting Party

SJoA will have a Wine Tasting Party on Saturday, August 19th at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall featuring Matthew Beard: Banquet Chef at Coushatta Casino Resort. Tickets are \$10 per person and may be purchased at the rectory in advance or at the door. You must be at least 21 yrs. old to attend. Proceeds benefit the SJoA Annual Bazaar. Featured Wines: Harvest Select Riesling, Merlot, Chardonnay, White Riesling, Sauvignon and Moscato. Hors D'oeuvres will be served.

St. Vincent d' Paul School Supply Drive

St. Vincent d' Paul is in need of school supplies. They may be dropped off at the rectory.

An Introduction to Liturgical Theology

Father Ruben Buller will present "An Introduction to Liturgical Theology" on Tuesdays from 5-7 p.m. on Sept.12th, Sept.19th, Sept. 26th, Oct. 10th, & Oct. 17th at the Catholic Student Center at McNeese. The Cost is \$50. Email marlie.mudd@lcdioocese.org for more information.

Safe Environment

SJoA parish volunteers and CCD teachers need to update their Safe Environment Training on the diocesan safe environment website at safeandsacred-lcdioocese.org. Call the rectory for more information.

This Week @ SJoA

- ❖ Sunday, August 6th, Bazaar Meeting at 5:00 P.M.
- ❖ Thursday, August 10th - Latin Class at 6:00 P.M.
- ❖ **Friday, August 11th – ADORATION 7:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**
- ❖ Saturday, August 12th – Work Day at St. Joseph 8:30 AM – 12 PM

SAVE THE DATES

Marian Procession & Benediction

Sunday, August 13th at 6:00 P.M.

Latin Class

Tuesday, August 22nd at 6:00 P.M.

CCD Start Date

Wednesday, August 23rd

BAZAAR

October 21 & 22, 2017

Blessing of Cemeteries

Saturday, November 4th & Sunday, November 5th

FROM FATHER CONNER

CCD NEWS

Our CCD program begins a few weeks earlier this year ... but also *concludes* a few weeks earlier.

***** Classes begin Wednesday, August 23rd *****

4:00 – 5:20 pm	Grades 1-5	
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Youth group	<i>(Grades 7-12 may attend Youth Group)</i>
6:00 – 7:30 pm	Grades 6-12	<i>(Yes, it's okay to keep learning after Confirmation!)</i>

Registration fees for our CCD program remain unchanged from last year: **\$15.00** per student. This is substantially less expensive than pretty much all other parishes I know of. There is no charge to participate in Youth Group.

CCD REGISTRATION

We will register for CCD after each Mass on the weekend of August 19th & 20th. The students need to be registered by August 20th so that they can pick up their text books and be prepared for their first day of class ... meaning, ***have their homework done when they arrive on the first day.*** Please don't procrastinate. Our teachers put serious effort into their lessons. To delay registering your children and having them ill prepared for the first day is disrespectful *to our teachers.* Students may be registered before August 19th - 20th at the rectory during regular business hours. Please do not delay.

FROM A SERMON ON THE TRANSFIGURATION, by Anastasius of Sinai, Bishop

Upon Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed to his disciples a heavenly mystery. While living among them he had spoken of the kingdom and of his second coming in glory, but to banish from their hearts any possible doubt concerning the kingdom and to confirm their faith in what lay in the future by its prefiguration in the present, he gave them on Mount Tabor a wonderful vision of his glory, a foreshadowing of the kingdom of heaven. It was as if he said to them: "As time goes by you may be in danger of losing your faith. To save you from this I tell you now that *some standing here listening to me will not taste death until they have seen the Son of Man coming in the glory of his Father.*" Moreover, in order to assure us that Christ could command such power when he wished, the evangelist continues: *Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter, James and John, and led them up a high mountain where they were alone. There, before their eyes, he was transfigured. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. Then the disciples saw Moses and Elijah appear, and they were talking to Jesus.*

These are the divine wonders we celebrate today; this is the saving revelation given us upon the mountain; this is the festival of Christ that has drawn us here. Let us listen, then, to the sacred voice of God so compellingly calling us from on high, from the summit of the mountain, so that with the Lord's chosen disciples we may penetrate the deep meaning of these holy mysteries, so far beyond our capacity to express. Jesus goes before us to show us the way, both up the mountain and into heaven, and – I speak boldly – it is for us now to follow him with all speed, yearning for the heavenly vision that will give us a share in his radiance, renew our spiritual nature and transform us into his own likeness, making us for ever sharers in his Godhead and raising us to heights as yet undreamed of.

Let us run with confidence and joy to enter into the cloud like Moses and Elijah, or like James and John. Let us be caught up like Peter to behold the divine vision and to be transfigured by that glorious transfiguration. Let us retire from the world, stand aloof from the earth, rise above the body, detach ourselves from creatures and turn to the creator, to whom Peter in ecstasy exclaimed: *Lord, it is good for us to be here.*

It is indeed good to be here, as you have said, Peter. It is good to be with Jesus and to remain here for ever. What greater happiness or higher honour could we have than to be with God, to be made like him and to live in his light?

Therefore, since each of us possesses God in his heart and is being transformed into his divine image, we also should cry out with joy: *It is good for us to be here* – here where all things shine with divine radiance, where there is joy and gladness and exultation; where there is nothing in our hearts but peace, serenity and stillness; where God is seen. For here, in our hearts, Christ takes up his abode together with the Father, saying as he enters: *Today salvation has come to this house.* With Christ, our hearts receive all the wealth of his eternal blessings, and there where they are stored up for us in him, we see reflected as in a mirror both the first fruits and the whole of the world to come.