

MASSES & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

4:30 P.M. MASS – Fran Meaux, Evelyn Sandell, Rodney & Jerry bushnell, Angelle L. Durio, Linda LeJeune, John & Virginia Spears Fly., Keith LeJeune, Sonja Billodeaux, Freddy Gorman, Jennifer L. Manuel, Lou LeJeune, Harrison Harmon

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

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

10:30 A.M. MASS – Carol & Keith Deshotel, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Edward & Ora Peloquin, Wylene Taylor, Fr. Fred Russi, Clifford “Nookie”, Dorothy & Bryant Montou, Fr. Conner, Joseph J.G. Berry, Bernard Fontenot, Bernard Aguilloard

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

6:30 A.M. MASS – D.C. Reed., Jr.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

NO MASS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

NO MASS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019

NO MASS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019

8:00 A.M. MASS – Kyle Vidrine

4:30 P.M. MASS – Fran Meaux, Evelyn Sandell, Willie Mae LeJeune (**1st Anniversary**), Don Fontenot, Joseph Guillory, Francis S. Guillory, Jack Johnson, Sonja Billodeaux, Ophelia Frank, Jennifer L. Manuel, Berlinger, Horton & Marcantel Fly., Liv. & Dec., Lou LeJeune, Harrison Harmon

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

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

10:30 A.M. MASS – Alan Reeves Carol & Keith Deshotel, Leonard Beaubouef & Sons, Rodney & Jerry Bushnell, Joan Bertrand, Fr. Fred Russi, Clifford “Nookie”, Dorothy & Bryant Montou, Kyle Vidrine, Remy & Taylor Fly.,

Liv. & Dec. Lillian Fontenot

Last Weekend Collection **\$5,184.31**

Maintenance Fund to Date **\$29,669.50**

2nd Collection Next Weekend - BSA (A suggested contribution is \$25.00 per parishioner.)

Vocations Candle and Cross – Kenneth & Corinne Granger

PRAYER LIST

Mickey & Monique Abshire, Tyler Alexander, Robert Andrews, Glenn Baggett, Amy Bairnsfather, Phil Beard, Charles Beaubouef, Georgia Bell Baggett, Tyler Bellow, Jocie Bergeron, John O'Neal Bergeron, Michael Bertrand, Alvin Billodeaux, M/M Lincoln Briscoe, Margaret Briscoe, Ambrose Bushnell, Bernice Bushnell, Belle Carrier, David & Natalie Carrier, Teresa & Jackie Cary, Linda Beaubouef Cazes, Vivian Cole, Florence Comeaux, Albert Cooley, JoAnn Cormier, Brittany Courville, Jeane Daigle, Aiden & Renlee' Darbonne, Louise Guidry Darbonne, Carolyn Denison, Herman Deshotel, Donna Dunneho, Lonnie Duplechain, Elizabeth Enloe, Lois Evans, Noah Ferry, David Fontenot, Steven Fontenot, Agess Frank, Zaylen Frank, Tim Germany, James & Jill Gilbert & Fly., Elaine Giles, Tim Giles, Mary Ann Goodly, Phielomone Goodly, Becky Gorman, Dixie Granger, Vergie Granger, Jennifer Guidry, Juanita Guidry, Bob Haas, Paula Davis Hargrove, Joseph Harmon, Mildred Harmon, Esther Harmon, Jacque Hebert, Collin Henry, Dolores Holden, Gwen Holder, Bob & Charlene Ireland, John, Shenita & Perella Jackson, Joey James, LaNan James, Gina Johnson, Kenneth Johnson, Emily Johnson, Agnes Joubert, Debbie Kershner, Essie Langley, Theresa Langley, Fly., Jessica Lindsey, Brian Manuel, Jennifer L.

Manuel, Kevin Manuel, Marlin Manuel, Wilson Manuel, Larry Marcantel, Brandy McCarty, Christina McNutt, Edgar Miller, Josh Miller, Patricia Mikas, Natalie Montou, Beckie Moreaux, Janice Moreau, Brad Morgan, Clifton & Carolyn Morgan, Leah Morgan, Phylis Naquin, Paula Odom, Debbie Owen, Howard Patin, Sonya Pickett, Hannah Popillion, Dawn Prudhomme, Ena Prudhomme & Fly., Jimmy Prudhomme, Jane Craft Ray, Anne Reed, Brenda Dodd Reed, Dara Reed, Gary Reed, Linda Reed, Octavia Reeves & Fly., Leah Rexrode, Don & Debra Rider, Eugene Rider, Salis & Janice Rider, Ann Rooney, Pat Abshire Savant, Jona Sharp, Lois Singleton, Yvonne Smith, David & Delmar Sonnier, Elden Bada Sonnier, Fynlee Squier, Doris Stanley, Donald Taylor, Ken & Wylene Taylor, Patrick Thomas, Diana Tichy, Matthew Truman, Dollyanna Victorian, Kyle Vidrine Family, George Vihm, Myrtis Vihm, Gene Vizena, Hannah and Linda Voeller, Bruce Walker, Mary LaFleur Ware, Dwayne Warren, Linda Weldon, Nicole Young, Theresa Young

SJoA BAZAAR NEWS

Bazaar Meeting this Sunday, September 8th at 3:30 P.M in the hall. The 31st Annual SJoA Bazaar is October 26th & 27th at the parish hall. Information is posted on the SJoA Facebook page and website. Raffle Tickets will be on sale and available to take with you to sell after Masses beginning this weekend for \$2.00.

First Prize – Steer butchered and wrapped (ready March 2020)

Second Prize - \$200 Gift Certificate to Foreman's Boudin Kitchen and an Old Smoky BBQ pit.

Youth Group News

The Youth Group is selling Little Ceasars Pizza Kits. Deadline for orders to be turned in to Mrs. Corinne is October 11th. Kits will be delivered Monday, October 21st at 3:30 P.M. You may order from a youth member or at the rectory. Proceeds will be used to benefit youth activities throughout the school year.

This Week @ SJoA

- ❖ **Sunday, September 8th** – CCD at 9:00 A.M.; Holy Hour from 9:15 to 10:15 A.M.; Bazaar Meeting at 3:30 P.M.; Ultreya at 5:00 P.M.
- ❖ **Monday, September 9th** – Knights of Columbus at 6 P.M.
- ❖ **Wednesday, September 11th** – **No Youth Group or CCD**
- ❖ **Thursday, September 12th** – **ADORATION from 3 – 7 P.M.**
- ❖ **Saturday, September 14th** – Mass at 8:00 A.M. followed by Eucharistic Procession

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS THIS WEEKEND

It's time to update membership on the Pastoral Council. As such, we are having elections this weekend, Sept. 7th & 8th. The elections will take place just after each Mass at the parish hall. Parishioners 18 years and older may vote, and vote only once. The candidates are listed below. One person will be elected from Category I and one person from Category II. I am grateful to these parishioners for their willingness to assist SJoA in this capacity.

Category I. (Choose one)

1. Kristen Mancil
2. Janessa Ramos
3. Dana Thibodeaux

Category II. (Choose one)

1. Dan Guillory
2. Kurt Fontenot
3. Daryl Granger

TEACHINGS FROM THE *CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH*

Offenses against chastity

2351 *Lust* is disordered desire for or inordinate enjoyment of sexual pleasure. Sexual pleasure is morally disordered when sought for itself, isolated from its procreative and unitive purposes.

2352 By *masturbation* is to be understood the deliberate stimulation of the genital organs in order to derive sexual pleasure. Both the Magisterium of the Church, in the course of a constant tradition, and the moral sense of the faithful have been in no doubt and have firmly maintained that masturbation is an **intrinsically and gravely disordered** action. The deliberate use of the sexual faculty, for whatever reason, outside of marriage is essentially contrary to its purpose. For here, sexual pleasure is sought outside of "the sexual relationship which is demanded by the moral order and in which the total meaning of mutual self-giving and human procreation in the context of true love is achieved."

2353 *Fornication* is carnal union between an unmarried man and an unmarried woman. It is gravely contrary to the dignity of persons and of human sexuality which is naturally ordered to the good of spouses and the generation and education of children. Moreover, it is a grave scandal when there is corruption of the young.

2354 *Pornography* consists in removing real or simulated sexual acts from the intimacy of the partners, in order to display them deliberately to third parties. It offends against chastity because it perverts the conjugal act, the intimate giving of spouses to each other. It does grave injury to the dignity of its participants (actors, vendors, the public), since each one becomes an object of base pleasure and illicit profit for others. It immerses all who are involved in the illusion of a fantasy world. **It is a grave offense.** Civil authorities should prevent the production and distribution of pornographic materials.

2355 *Prostitution* does injury to the dignity of the person who engages in it, reducing the person to an instrument of sexual pleasure. The one who pays sins gravely against himself: he violates the chastity to which his Baptism pledged him and defiles his body, the temple of the Holy Spirit. **Prostitution is a social scourge.** It usually involves women, but also men, children, and adolescents (The latter two cases involve the added sin of scandal.). While it is always gravely sinful to engage in prostitution, the imputability of the offense can be attenuated by destitution, blackmail, or social pressure.

2356 *Rape* is the forcible violation of the sexual intimacy of another person. It does injury to justice and charity. Rape deeply wounds the respect, freedom, and physical and moral integrity to which every person has a right. It causes grave damage that can mark the victim for life. **It is always an intrinsically evil act.** Graver still is the rape of children committed by parents (incest) or those responsible for the education of the children entrusted to them.

2357 *Homosexuality* refers to relations between men or between women who experience an exclusive or predominant sexual attraction toward persons of the same sex. It has taken a great variety of forms through the centuries and in different cultures. Its psychological genesis remains largely unexplained. **Basing itself on Sacred Scripture, which presents homosexual acts as acts of grave depravity, tradition has always declared that "homosexual acts are intrinsically disordered." They are contrary to the natural law.** They close the sexual act to the gift of life. They do not proceed from a genuine affective and sexual complementarity. **Under no circumstances can [homosexual acts] be approved.**

2358 The number of men and women who have deep-seated homosexual tendencies is not negligible. **This inclination, which is objectively disordered,** constitutes for most of them a trial. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided. These persons are called to fulfill God's will in their lives and, if they are Christians, to unite to the sacrifice of the Lord's Cross the difficulties they may encounter from their condition.

2359 *Homosexual persons are called to chastity.* By the virtues of self-mastery that teach them inner freedom, at times by the support of disinterested friendship, by prayer and sacramental grace, they can and should gradually and resolutely approach Christian perfection.

2370 *Contraception:* every action which, whether in anticipation of the conjugal act, or in its accomplishment, or in the development of its natural consequences, proposes, whether as an end or as a means, to render procreation impossible" is intrinsically evil.

Divorce

2384 *Divorce is a grave offense against the natural law.* It claims to break the contract, to which the spouses freely consented, to live with each other till death. Divorce does injury to the covenant of salvation, of which sacramental marriage is the sign. **Contracting a new union, even if it is recognized by civil law, adds to the gravity of the rupture:** the "remarried" spouse is then in a situation of **public and permanent adultery.**

The Sunday Obligation

2181 The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor. **Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin.**

What We Believe...



Thank You! by Mr. Scratch

Hello, Sixpackers! My name is Mr. Scratch. Well, at least that's what I was called in Benét's *The Devil and Daniel Webster*. That Pretender called Me a liar and murderer, but I kind of like Mr. Scratch better. Anyway, I've taken over Joe Sixpack's column today (and he won't quit whining about it) because I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for all you do. Let me explain.

I've had a hard row to hoe over the eons, but My greatest victory was when I managed to send My Enemy to his death on the cross... well, it *was* My victory until he somehow managed to escape the grave and turned My victory into defeat. But I'm not easily discouraged, and what I've accomplished during the last century has been My greatest work. I have you to thank for it, because I've managed to convince you the Pretender isn't even relevant today. After all, how do you think I've managed to create the current cultural climate anyway?

When that Pretender walked the earth (which belongs to *Me, not him*), he founded the catholic church, which everyone called The Way in those days. The Pretender set up that ignorant fishermen and his successors to speak for him when he went back to his silly kingdom, and with him out of the way all of mankind became easy pickings for Me. I've done a wonderful job of gaining billions of friends since the Pretender left. My greatest feat was about 500 years ago when I split the Pretender's church and came up with Protestantism. (Oh, how I love reminding Luther of that every day!) I managed to get eight million souls in almost one fell swoop then.

My next truly great accomplishment was the post World War II era. Yeah, the war was great, but where I really had My victory was when I was able to attack the traditional family unit in the post war years of materialism. That allowed Me to make marriage disposable, which led to an entire pro-death mentality. But it was always difficult for Me to get to the culturally catholic people... until they got too comfortable in their land of plenty and materialistic ways, placing a far greater emphasis on *things* rather than the Pretender. That was when I was able to use political correctness, radical feminism, the pill, drugs, homosexuality and the free love ways of the '60s to wear you down.

I also managed to use the turmoil of the '60s to make teachers in the Pretender's church believe they were doing a great favor to children by teaching them more about petty garbage like love and equality instead of the greater things the Pretender wanted them to know and believe. And you bought it—hook, line and sinker. Yeah, I've accomplished a lot, and here is a list of things I want to thank you for in your aid to My cause.

- You rejected the Pretender's authority that he established in his church, rightly opting instead for your own opinions over his goofy dogmas. Good job! And I thank you.
- You began taking that stupid mass for granted, and you managed to forget just what it's really all about, so you don't even care whether you attend every Sunday and so-called holy day like the Pretender wants you to. Thank you.
- You stopped believing that the Pretender is really present in that cookie you're supposed to worship. Thank you.

- You've bought in to what I've told you about what is really right and wrong. You have helped Me make the wrong right and the right wrong, thus giving yourselves the sort of moral compass I want you to have. Thank you.
- You have discarded chastity in favor of doing what makes you feel good in the bedroom... or anywhere else you can get away with it without detection. Thanks!
- Modesty? *Heh-heh*. I love the way you dress these days. The more flesh you expose, the more souls I get. I'm loving it. Thank you. (Ladies, keep right on doing what you're doing!)
- Pornography, masturbation, homosexuality, transgenderism, adultery, fornication: you've let Me buy you for all eternity for nothing more than the price of lust. Thank you.
- I must admit failure when it comes to the slaughter of innocent babies. You still buy into the Pretender's rhetoric that it's wrong. So I tricked you on that one. I managed to sell you instead on artificial contraception. You see, all chemical contraceptives are abortifacient, so you're helping me murder millions of babies every year without even realizing ***you're killing your own children—flushing them down the toilet like so much waste. THANK YOU!***
- Using political correctness, I've managed to convince you that you're no better or worse than anyone else, so you commit many wonderful evils for me without a second thought—some big, some little. Because of that you receive the Pretender every week in communion with those evils dripping from your soul, but you never bother to go to confession. I'm loving it. Thank you for solidifying My hold on you.
- I also appreciate the way you show that Pretender so much incredible disrespect by leaving the silly mass right after receiving communion. Not only is that disrespectful, but you manage to let Me own a little bit more of you by not fulfilling your Sunday obligation. I really appreciate your impatience to get out of there, because it's one more mortal sin that allows Me to own you. Thanks.
- One of the biggest favors you do for Me is consistently being the deciding factor in the election of politicians who not only help Me murder babies in the womb, but also help Me to persecute those who still actually serve the Pretender in more ways than just giving him lip service. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!
- Let's see... what else do you do for Me? Oh, yes! You've decided it's judgmental to say it's wrong for people of the same sex to marry. You just make My job easier and easier. Thank you.
- Your arrogance is what I most appreciate. You convince yourselves that because you've been catholic all your lives or gone to catholic school that you know all there is to know about the Pretender's church and his teachings. *Praise Me, how I love you!* Thanks!
- You catholic husbands and dads are a great encouragement to Me as well. You have abdicated your role as spiritual leaders in your families. Do you have any idea how much easier you make it for Me to destroy the souls of your wives and children? Ooo, I couldn't ask for better allies than you. Thank you.

Since you and I make such a great team in this world I've created in My own image and likeness, I want to ask you to do Me a favor. I'll be forced next week to return this page to Joe Sixpack, and he'll be talking a lot about the things the Pretender wants you to hear. And that stupid guy wearing the weird collar who expects to be called father even though he's a celibate moron will probably tell you to meet him in the confessional. Well, just ignore them. Don't pay the least bit of attention to what they say. I can't do the things I need to do if they win you back from Me, and you know how *good* I make you feel when you do what I want. So pay them no attention whatsoever. Just remember Who loves you enough to make you feel good.

See you later in My realm,

Mr. Scratch

SAVE THE DATES

Ultreya

Every 2nd Sunday at 5:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall

Eucharistic Procession at SJoA

Saturday, September 14th following 8:00 A.M. Mass

Ember Days

September 18th, 20th & 21st

Diocesan Ember Day Mass at Prompt Succor (Sulphur)

Saturday, September 21st at 9:00 A.M.

SJoA Public Square Rosary

Saturday, October 12th at noon at the Farmer's Market

SJoA Church Bazaar

October 26th & 27th at the Parish Hall