

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 6:30 a.m.

*Weekday in Ordinary Time
Ezr 1:1-6 / Lk 8:16-18*

Julie Bradberry, Meriam LeBoeuf Acord, Michelle Denning, Fran Listi

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 6:30 a.m.

*Weekday in Ordinary Time
Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20 / Lk 8:19-21*

Julie Bradberry, Mary Etta Taylor, Dianne Cremaldi

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 6:30 a.m.

*St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
Ezr 9:5-9 / Lk 9:1-6*

Julie Bradberry, Liz Judice, Norman Hymel, Special Intention

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 6:30 a.m.

*Weekday in Ordinary Time
Hg 1:1-8 / Lk 9:7-9*

Julie Bradberry, Al Adams III fly. (L&D), Ruby Pete

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 12:10 p.m.

*Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 / Jn 1:47-51*

Julie Bradberry, Irene & Isaac Daigle

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25-28 / Phil 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32*

4:00 p.m. M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), Jamie & Brittani Head, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Dana G. Robin, Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Lee Nini fly. (L&D), Bobby Monceaux, Norman Hymel, Audrey Bileci

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:00 a.m. Bonnie Martin

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Donovan LeBlanc, Reparation for sins of abortion, blasphemy & pornography

6:30 p.m. Sonny Baudry

Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

He was not impressed.

As soon as he began asking questions, I just cringed on the inside. I knew it was not a good thing.

Not a member of the Catholic Church, he had never been exposed to the rosary. His first experience of this ancient prayer was more than not edifying, it was such a poor reflection of the Church and such a dishonor to this ancient and venerable prayer.

In an all too common practice, the people were rushing through the prayers. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, recently observed that some people reciting the "Glory be to the Father" sound like a flock of parrots.

St. Teresa of Avila once remarked that it seemed as if some people, supposedly engaged in prayer, seemed to forget to Whom they were speaking.

Some experiences are universal, some things do not change.

Prayer is a conversation with God. Praying together is not a spiritual coffee klatch or knocking back a few with the buds. Prayer is not an exercise in magic incantations. Prayer is the experience during which we ask God to lift our minds and hearts to Himself. The experience is meant to change us by helping us to enter into deeper union with God, the ultimate goal of human life.

Prayer takes effort, particularly engaging the memory, understanding and will.

The recitation of the rosary centers on the mysteries associated with the rosary, namely the joyful, sorrowful, luminous, and glorious mysteries. These are twenty events revealing something of the life of the Lord Jesus, especially as viewed through the eyes and heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Recalling these events with the Blessed Virgin Mary leads us to reflecting deeply upon these marvelous events and to an understanding of how these affect our lives.

A prayerful and repetitious recitation of the Hail Mary creates a certain calmness in the soul that leads us to a more heightened awareness of the very presence of God. The continued repetition of the holy name of Jesus keeps bringing us back to Him and our need for union with Him.

As you read these words, it becomes more apparent what a wretched and vile thing it is to rush through this prayer.

This approach, this so-called recitation of the rosary, tragically is duplicated in the celebration of the Mass. Mindless and heartless responses to the prayers and a rapid rendition of the readings are of benefit to no one.

Perhaps we should evaluate our approach to prayer by taking to heart the observation of St. Teresa of Avila. Are we really aware to Whom we are talking when we pray?

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Prayer Partners: Thanks to all of you who volunteered to be a prayer partner for the confirmation candidates.

Repeat Announcements

Retreat Opportunities: The Jesuit Spirituality Center, Grand Coteau, offers silent, individually directed retreats of three, five, or eight day duration beginning on Monday, October 2, or Thursday, October 5. For more information or to register, visit jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or telephone 337 662-5251.

Pray for the following priest each day: Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

September 25, Rev. Patrick Broussard
September 26, Rev. Paul Broussard
September 27, Rev. Richard Broussard
September 28, Msgr. Ronald Broussard
September 29, Rev. Theodore Broussard
September 30, Rev. Keenan Brown
October 1, Pope Francis

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Vanessa Clements, Onesime Richard, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Kim Beaver, Reese Grace Johnson, Roland Lege, Jr., Brooke Rhodes, Edna Alcina, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Frank Cavalier, Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Ana Rogers, BHL, Marble LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Adeline Maddix, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Bart Thibodeaux, Mike Keith, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry, Stacy Giroir, Sonny Gilmore, Laurie Hale, Theresa Henry, Connie Robichaux, Quinn Touts, Gloria Nini, Susan Cantrell, Denyse Millitello

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DATE/TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
September 30, 4:00 p.m.	Lisa Russo	Alison Wilson	Alison Wilson
October 1, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Blake Orgeron Donna Gisclair Brian Theriot	James Stewart Ann Theriot	