

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

Rom 4:20-25 / Lk 12:13-21

Julie Bradberry

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 / Lk 12:35-38

Julie Bradberry, Miles Liner

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

Rom 6:12-18 / Lk 12:39-48

Julie Bradberry, AML

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Weekday

Rom 6:19-23 / Lk 12:49-53

Julie Bradberry

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Weekday

Rom 7:18-25a / Lk 12:54-59

Julie Bradberry, Anise & Richard Goodroe, John Menard, Michelle Denning

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 / 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 / Lk 18:9-14

4:00 p.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Cody Cousins, Gary Melancon, Dana G. Robin, Mildred & Donald Green, In Thanksgiving

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:00 a.m. Calvin LeLeux, M/M Allie Adams IV, M/M Austin Adams & family, Liz Judice

10:00 a.m. M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, John Menard, Dale Chaisson, Grant Hebert

6:30 p.m. Marvin & Mary Grace Rentrop, Donald & Jean Thibodeaux

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**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

Last week was the memorial, feast day, to use the older word, of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, the Visitation Nun to whom Our Lord appeared in the Seventeenth Century, revealing the mystery of his Sacred Heart, the symbol of His love for humanity.

As a result of this revelation, devotion to the Sacred Heart spread rapidly. As you enter the church here, the altar to your left has a statue of the Sacred Heart. One of the parishes across the river, and many throughout our diocese, are named in honor of this great devotion.

Many years ago, moral rigorism was quite pervasive here in our diocese. My parents and uncle were influenced by this teaching. The practical expression of this false teaching was that people of their generation did not consider themselves worthy of receiving Holy Communion. Their understanding was that you could only receive Holy Communion immediately after going to confession. Consequently it was very rare that people received Holy Communion even if they went to Mass every day.

One should, of course, be properly disposed before presenting themselves for Holy Communion. The simple fact is that we are unworthy of so great a gift, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. But it is because of our weakness that the Lord gives Himself to us for our sanctification. The devotion to the Sacred Heart helped to restore this understanding, including the reception of Holy Communion.

As a result of the revelations entrusted to St. Margaret Mary, devotion to the Sacred Heart, to Our Lord's mercy and compassion, became associated with the practice of dedicating the first Friday of each month to the Sacred Heart.

In days long past, people were encouraged to attend Mass on the first Friday of the month. The devotion was fostered by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass, accompanied by the Litany of the Sacred Heart, the Consecration of the Human race to the Heart of Jesus, and the Act of Reparation for the offenses directed towards God.

Given that the Mass at that time was in Latin, these prayers, recited in English or French, helped to educate the laity in a better understanding of God as well as to inspire true devotion to Our Lord.

When the liturgical law allows, I do use the Mass of the Sacred Heart on the first Friday of the month. I actually have a practice of using that text on every Friday when allowed. I personally find great consolation in the devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Recently Bishop Deshotel wrote to the priests to encourage a return to some of the earlier practices of first Friday, particularly Benediction and the recitation of the Litany of the Sacred Heart. I am giving this some thought. I am just not sure about the dynamics, given that our Friday Mass is at 12:10 p.m.

After all, can we ever really exhaust our reflection upon the tenderness and compassion of our God manifested by the symbol of the Sacred Heart.

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**Special Collection:** The second collection this weekend is for the financial support of the missionary activity of the Church.

**Daily Mass:** Please note that there will be no daily Mass on Thursday and Friday, October 24 and 25. The weekend schedule of Masses remains the same. Fr. Michael Champagne of the Community of Jesus Crucified will celebrate the Masses that weekend. All Mass intentions will be fulfilled.

**Monsignor's Absence:** Monsignor Courville will be away from the parish from the afternoon of October 23 until the evening of November 8.

**Repeat Announcements**

**The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints:** The public is invited to an open house at their Temple at 10339 Highland Road, Baton Rouge 70810 from Saturday, October 26 until Saturday, November 2. For more information, contact them at batonrougetemple2019@gmail.com

**St. Landry Cemetery Tours:** Interpretive tours of this historical cemetery will take place on the half hour beginning at 6 and ending at 8 on the Saturday evenings and 2 and 3 on the Sunday afternoons of October 12, 13, 19, and 20. For more information, including restrictions and fees, telephone 337 942-6552.

**Director of Religious Education:** Miss Peggy Acosta, no stranger to many of you, has begun serving as the Director of Religious Education for the parish. She worked for many years as a teacher in the St. Mary parish school system and recently for some twenty years was the Director of Religious Education for Holy Cross parish in Morgan City. It is good for the continued growth of the program that we have the expertise of someone with so much experience in education in general as well as religious education.

**Pilgrimage Opportunity:** Fr. Mikel Polson will lead a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico from November 23 to 28. Please call 337 291-1933 to register.

**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.

- October 21, Rev. Herve Racivitch, SJ
- October 22, Rev. Hernando Ramirez, SJ
- October 23, Rev. Francis Renfroe, SJ
- October 24, Very Rev. Louis Richard, VF
- October 25, Rev. Michael Richard
- October 26, Rev. Rusty Richard
- October 27, Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, IJL, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, John Czajka, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, CJL, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Lee Nini, Jr., Marilyn Simmons, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Laurie Hale, Susan Cantrell, Linda DeHart, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Sawyer Allums, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Hunter Chaisson, Cohen Callas, Debbie Zorn, Eddie Hamlett, Richard Clark, Chris Rodrigue, Kristi Liner, Chad Arnaud, Mary Jack Geoffrey, Peter Scaramella, Janet Lee Slaughter, Jonathan Wainwright, Eddie Bradberry, Terence Donnelly, Nate Furlette, Ryan Bowman, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Terri Moore, Joel Norton, David LaCoste, Brendan Kidder, Laura Magee Larive, Pearl Lyons, Erin & Simon, Oscar "Sonny" Landry, Jerry Barrilleaux, Lonnie Michel, Mary Etta Race, Dr. Geoffrey Fleming, Shelby Baldree, Michael Naquin, Charlene Tholen

| DATE / TIME                                      | READERS                                         | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | ROSARY                        |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| October 26, 4:00 p.m.                            | Lisa Russo                                      | Barbara LeLeux                       | 3:30 p.m. Mary Catherine Gray |
| October 27, 7:00 a.m.<br>10:00 a.m.<br>6:30 p.m. | Prissy Davis<br>Laura Dozar<br>Monique Ratchiff | Briant Dozar<br>Belinda Boudreaux    |                               |