Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:11-12

August 9, 2020 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Weekend Mass**
- Sat. 4:00PM Sun: 7, 9, 11AM 5:30PM
  - Sunday 11:30AM Vien Hall

**Weekday Mass** Mon - Fri 6:30AM in church

**Reconciliation**
- Sat 2:30-3:30PM Sun 4:45-5:15PM
  - Before Weekday Morning Mass

**Sacraments: call to schedule 893-0244**
- Anointing of the Sick
- Baptism/Preparation
- Marriage 6+ months before date
- Funeral Arrangements Call funeral home and then parish

**Office Hours** Mon – Thurs 8AM - 12PM, 1-4PM
- Friday 8AM - 12PM

**Christian Service Center 337-893-9756**
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FROM THE PASTOR

Onward - 39 Years and Counting

This past Friday was my 39th Anniversary of Ordination. I was ordained here at St. Mary Magdalen on a warm Friday evening, August 7, 1981. Reflecting on that night has been part of my prayer this week. Today’s first reading from 1 Kings about Elijah standing at the mouth of a cave tells my story well. As a young man I often asked God for some clear sign that I was being called to priesthood. Like Elijah, I watched the wind, the earthquake and the fire, but God’s voice was not in those dramatic moments. Rather, it was in a quiet, whispering sound that my desire to be a priest was affirmed. Through friends and family, God nurtured and encouraged my vocation every step of the way.

Since its founding in 1843 by a Capuchin missionary, Père Antoine Desire Mégret, Abbeville has been a fertile garden where God has sown his seeds of a vocation, calling folks to various forms of religious service and lay missionary efforts. I tell people “it’s the water”, when I know it’s much more than that. This community has deep Catholic roots; there is a very strong faith life among the folks here at St. Mary Magdalen. This church, whose architecture physically attracted me to the Lord when I first learned how to ride a bike so I could come and serve as an altar server, is the very same church I now call “Home” as I enter into the sunset years of ministry.

Unlike St. Peter in today’s Gospel who walks on water for a spell, I’ve never been that fortunate. Nonetheless I know it’s been God’s love and help that has led me through various storms of life and been faithful to me. Coronavirus-2020 is only the latest of those storms. So I invite you to join me this weekend in praying for God’s perseverance to all those who feel called to religious or missionary life in our Church.

Let’s keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and not the waves.

Fr. Louis

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:12

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord said to Elijah: “Stand on the mountain; the Lord will be passing by” 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a.

Psalm 85 — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation

Second Reading — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, the patriarchs; from them comes the Christ Romans 9:1-5

Gospel — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified Mt 14:22-33

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, “Truly, you are the Son of God” Mt 14:33. Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments.

Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

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STEWARDSHIP

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Aug 2  Property/Liability Insurance $ 2,308
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Aug 9  Maintenance
Aug 15 Assumption of Mary
Aug 15/16 BSA Thank You

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Sanctuary Candle Burns in Memory of Todd Travasos
Blessed Mother Candle Burns For Mutual Respect Between All Races

SYMPATHY FOR THE FAMILIES OF
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John Randy Guillotte  Son of Amelia & John Husband
Mary Vincent Breaux  Mother of Vicki Foreman, Monica Camel, Mary Ann Broussard, David Simon, Nedia Simon, aunt of Deacon Billy
Robert Cleoper Scott  Husband of Grace, father of Shelly Doucette, Charlander Briggs. Sherell Charles
Elworth Petry  Husband of Mary Eva, father of Stanley Wright, Erica Trahan, Gralon & Eric Petry
George David Laird  Husband of Brenda, father of Bridgette, Brian, Bobby
Susan Gail Gary  Mother of Heidi Grederick
Beatrice Stelly Guidry  Mother of Drusilla Goom

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH
Bishop Douglas Deshotel has announced that the Diocese of Lafayette will celebrate the "Year of St. Joseph"!
150 years ago, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph as the Universal Patron of the Church. In light of this anniversary, Bishop Douglas Deshotel has announced a year of St. Joseph in the Diocese of Lafayette from August 16, 2020, until May 1, 2021. This year, we ask a diocese will meditate on St. Joseph’s life, befriend him in prayer, and seek his protection.

The Year of St. Joseph begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Deshotel at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Patterson on Sunday, Aug 16, 2020, at 9:00 AM. Later that evening, on Sunday, August 16, 2020, at 6:00 PM, the public is invited to Adoration & Evening Prayer with Bishop Deshotel at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette.

The year will close on May 1, 2021.

ILL - HOMEBOUND
Many homebound and ill parishioners are isolated and lonely. Reach out in prayer and friendship.
Erika & Gloria Abshire, Susie Bright, John Eman, Louise & Carroll Baudoin, Richard & Audrey Belaire, Paul & Audrey Bergeron, M/M Alan Bourque, Irene, Malise, Joey, Peggy, Adam, Marlene, Jimmy, Robert, P.J., Thomas & Bill Broussard, Deanna & Shelton Charpentier, Ed Collins, M/M Julia Couvillion, Georgella Curtis, Lorraine Danof, Mark DeRouen, Tina, Shirley Hardy Desormeaux, Lana Dore, Shirley, Mary Duhan, Maureen Duvall, Audrey Faulk, Gerald Flores, Annette, Jan, Melba Frederick, Kadyne Greene, M/M Buster Griffin, Mary Ann Guario, M/M Kenneth Harrington, Lana, Linda, Bernice and Lenis Hebert, Marie Cora Lee Howard, Margaret P. Jackson, Rose Labauve, Barbara LaPointe, Ora Laviolette, Leuen, Braden, John Lejeune, Carroll Lemaire, Audrey, Edith & Ray Lege, Vince Listi, Ezryn Lofton, Flo Lormand, Jean-Paul Marceaux, Maxine Massa, Danielle & Linda Menard, Delores Miller, Angela, Hazel & Betty Mouton, Judy Morgan, M/M Pete Mouledous, Mary Perry, Marjorie Pierce, Marie Prejean, Kay, & Sandy Richard, M/M Dudley Romero, Dawn & DeElla Roy, Bobbie Rider, Mike Russo, Mike Saunier, Maxine Schexnaider, Myrline Sellers, Arthurine Sirmon, Tookie Sonnier, Rosa Belle Stansbury, Yvonne, Jackie Stelly, Camille Vidos, Morris Tirpitz, Gloria Theall, Sheena Touchet, Olivia, Mary Trahan, Brenda Vidrine, Florine Vincent, Pat Weaver, Young Woods, all who are ill with Covid19.

THURSDAYS 7-10PM - ADORATION
Each Thursday we have Adoration in our Chapel 7-10PM. Thank you to all the volunteers. More are always welcomed to join this ministry. To sign up for an hour contact Mason Romero or call the office. mason@thriftywayrx.com

EWTV trip planned by St. Theresa Church
January 21-24, 2021
Information meeting August 13 at 5:30PM in Church after Mass. 893-5631 or lorettagayneaux@yahoo.com
COMING EVENTS

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**AUG 30 PARENTS’ MEETING 6:30PM**
Meeting will be held in church immediately after the 5:30PM Mass.
Jesus said, “Let the ...children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” Mt 19:14

**Come Lord Jesus Groups** - St Mary Magdalen has 50+ parishioners active in Come Lord Jesus We published a list of groups recently and left out Julie Mouledous’ group: Megan Bertrand, Jenny Brousard, Tobie Dartez, Courtney Lege, Paula Lemaire, Wanda Trahan, Paula Cass, and Valerie Deshotel.

Special thanks to Linda Woodruff for coordinating this ministry. Anyone interested can join a group or form a new group. Contact: Linda Woodruff  ldwlmnt50@hotmail.com  337-652-3347 or call the office.

**OCT 10TH FIRST COMMUNION @10AM**
Classes : Tuesdays Aug 18TH & 25TH @ 4PM
Practice: Thurs, Oct 8, 2020 @ 6:00PM
Renella renella@stmarymagdalenparish.org

**SAFE RETURN READY**
Office Opens - August 6th from 8:00 - 12:00
Students: A Group Aug 20th - B Group Aug 21st
Vermilion Catholic is eager to start the school year and get our students back in the classroom. It is our utmost priority to provide a safe and healthy environment for our faculty and staff.
Vermilion Catholic continues to strive to provide the best quality Catholic education for our students. Office 893-6636
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**OCT 1-4 WOMEN’S ACTS**
Several spots are still available for women to attend the retreat. Registration forms are on the website stmarymagdalenparish.org Ministries/ACTS
Contact the office with any questions. Please pray for the team and retreatants.

**AUG 10-16 READINGS OF THE WEEK**

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“Come,” Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa’s hand, “let us go for our people!” These were Edith Stein’s last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops’ condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism.

Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith’s search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila, which she read in one sitting, then declared, “That is the Truth!”

Edith was baptized and confirmed and entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne. Her name was Sr. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. She transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church. *Peter Scagnelli*

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**DAY’S SAINT/PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

Mon 8/10: St. Lawrence/ Fr. Thomas Vu  
Tues 8/11: St. Clare of Assisi/ Fr. Augustine Wall, SVdP  
Wed 8/12: St. Jane Frencases de Chantal/ Fr. Derrick Weingartner, SJ  
Thurs 8/13: St. Pontian & Hippolytus/ Fr. Kyle White  
Fri 8/14: St. Maximilian Kolbe/ Fr. Travis Abadie  
Sat 8/15: Assumption of Mary/ Fr. Lawrence Abara  
Sun 8/16: St. Stephen of Hungary/ Fr. Ambrose Akalawu, CSSp  
Saint of the Day  www.franciscanmedia.org

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**RCIA ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

Participants prepare for making the choice to receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. RCIA meets Tuesday evenings 6-7:15 PM, beginning September 22nd. Contact Renella or Sr. Carm at the parish office for information 893-0244.

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Mass Intentions Mon. Aug. 10, 6:30AM: Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Maria Pham Thi Huong, Rose Broussard, Dang Hiep, Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Nguyen thi Quet, Leah Broussard, Jimmy Broussard (Ann D.), Tran V. Hoc, Tran V. Giac, Tran Thanh Timmy, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, FamilyEwell Hebert, Rita Guarino, Souls in Purgatory, Cheryl Theriot Boudreaux, Beth & Corey Melebeck, Nguyen The Kha, Marlene Polombo, Hung Cao & Hoa Nguyen Family, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Susan Gail Gary, Beatrice Stelly Guidry, George David Laird

Tue. Aug. 11, 6:30AM: Joseph Broussard (BD), Nguyen The Kha, Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Jean Minas Baudoin, Maria Pham Thi Huong, Nguyen thi Quet, Dang Hiep, Tran V. Hoc, Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Tran V. Giac, FamilyHung Cao & Hoa Nguyen, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, All Souls in Purgatory, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Orphaned Souls & Souls in Purgatory, Tran Thanh Timmy, Michael DeValcourt, David Robert Guerra

Wed. Aug. 12, 6:30AM: Nguyen thi Quet, Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Nguyen The Kha, Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Tran V. Giac, Prayer Blanket & Special Intentions, Judith Ognibene, Jay Guidry, Maria Pham Thi Huong, Ken & Jackie Taylor, John Vidos, Tran V. Hoc, Roland, Maxine & Marshall LeBlanc, Cheryl Theriot Boudreaux, Stella Lequeux, Hung Cao & Hoa Nguyen family, Tran Thanh Timmy, Dang Hiep, Catalina Cao Thi Hat & Joseph Cao Viet Cong, All Souls in Purgatory, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Cheryl Theriot Boudreaux, FamilyHung Cao & Hoa Nguyen, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, Rita Guarino, Tran Thanh Timmy, Mary Vincent Breaux

Fri. Aug. 14, 6:30AM: Vincente Le Viet Minh, Phero Pham Van Mieng, Nguyen The Kha, Maria Do thi Cay, Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Joyce Lou Touchet Baudoin, Tran V. Giac, Giuse Pham Van Duoc, Maria Pham Thi Huong, Nguyen thi Quet, Maria Nguyen thi Nhan, Nghiem Nguyen Phanxico Xavier, Dominic Giac Tran, Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Ceba Lege & Arno Touchet, Tran V. Hoc, All Souls in Purgatory, Dang Hiep, Maria Mai Tran, Cheryl Theriot Boudreaux, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, FamilyHung Cao & Hoa Nguyen, Isabel Thu Kim Nguyen, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Giuse Andy Phrase, Beth & Corey Melebeck, Maria Quet Nguyen, Tran Thanh Timmy, Dominic Hoc Tran, Robert Cleopert Scott

Sat. Aug. 15, 4:00PM: M/M Sam Guarino Family, Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Giuse Pham Van Duoc, Nguyen thi Quet, Tran V. Hoc, Mike & P.J. Veezy, Annie, Leonard & Wayne Sellers, Nguyen The Kha, Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Phero Pham Van Mieng, Maria Nguyen thi Nhan, Ceba Lege & Arno Touchet, Tran V. Giac, Maria Pham Thi Huong, M/M Richard “Dicky” Broussard, George & Grace Veezy, Joyce Lou Touchet Baudoin, John E. Miller, Dominic Giac Tran, James & Elizabeth Dardeau, Vincente Le Viet Minh, Bob Love, Michael DeValcourt, Maria Mai Tran, Isabel Thu Kim Nguyen, Celie Haydell, Mary & James (dec.) Trahan, P.J., Barbara & Daniel Jude Broussard, Stella Lequeux, Rufus & Sallie Simon, Whitney & Rita Bonin, Giuse Andy Phrase, John Vidos, Tran Thanh Timmy, Rusty J. Trahan, Sr, Nicole LeBlanc, Maria Quet Nguyen, FamilyHung Cao & Hoa Nguyen, All Souls in Purgatory, Dibby Faulk & The Jules Broussard Family, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, Edias Monteaux (D. Ann), Josephine, Tony & Enid Guarino, Lilly Neveu Thibeaux & Dianne Demarcy, Dang Hiep, Dominic Hoc Tran, Larry Sellers, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Othon & Alma Trahan, Mary Ann & Rita (dec.) Guarino, Elworth Petry, Mary Breaux, John Guillotte

Sun. Aug. 16, 7:00AM: Gioan Baptist Pham V. Sac, Dang Hiep, George & Grace Veezy, Mike & P.J. Veezy, Nguyen thi Quet, Tran V. Giac, Kathryn Hatch, Mike & P.J. Veezy, Maria Nguyen T. Nhi, Chester & Joyce Thibodeaux & Helen Wyble, George & Grace Veezy, Tran V. Hoc, Maria Pham Thi Huong, Nguyen The Kha, Samuel G. Broussard, Theodule & Joyce Noel, Beth & Corey Melebeck, Mareaux Family

9:00AM: Judith Ognibene, Francis Xavier Cao Viet Thiet, Roy & Leenora Bertrand, FamilyHung Cao & Hoa Nguyen, Mary Ann Scalisi, Rusty J. Trahan, Sr, Do Thi Vui, Bui Huy Long, Nguyen Thi Cuc, Tran Dinh Can, Cheryl Theriot Boudreaux, Mary Romero Bertrand, Hugh & Georgina Lee Bertrand, Karen Bertrand, Catalina Cao Thi Hat & Joseph Cao Viet Cong, Roland, Maxine & Marshall LeBlanc, Roy & Leenora Bertrand, M/M Alpheus Sellers, Russell Sellers, Jeremiah James Broussard, Tran Thanh Timmy, Everett Nash, Ronald W. Sampay

11:00AM: For The Parishioners  11:30AM: Souls in Purgatory, Vietnamese Community

5:30PM: Orphaned Souls & Souls in Purgatory, Do Thang, Prejean & Lege Families, Sawyer Allums, Greco & Scroggin Families, Elworth Petry, All who have died from COVID
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