

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH**

- 1st wk. * Choir & Ushers
- 2nd wk. * Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies of Auxiliary
- 3rd wk. * Extra-Ordinary Ministry of Communion & Lectors
- 4th wk. * Youth
- 5th wk. * ALL Parishioners

WEEKLY MASS

Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:00 am Mass

Mon. July 15, 8:00 a.m.

Tues. July 16, 8:00 am & 5:30 p.m.
Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00 p.m. prayer through Patron St. Therese

Wed. July 17, 8:00 am

Thurs. July 18, 8:00 am

Fri. July 19, 8 am

Saturday, July 20,
3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation
4:00 p.m. Mass

(N.B. You can request Mass to be offered for you/your love ones, or any deceased person. Speak with the Pastor or call the office to schedule your mass intention).

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

Meeting for ALL COORDINATORS will be held every 4th Thursday of each month

Activities - Brushelle Scott

BINGO - Evangeline Platt

Bishop Faith Appeal - Shirley Ray

Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory
Donuts and coffee in the Education Building 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Environmental - Ina Chavis

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Dorothy Broussard

Finance - Janice Semien
finance meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Fund Raiser - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Horace Broussard

Lectors - Peggy Green

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenet

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - George Alexander
choir rehearsal are every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

Pastoral Council - Richard Scott
meetings held every 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Religious Education - Sonja Popillion

Socials - Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary * Parish Luncheon, the second Sunday of each month.

Youth - Felicia Richard

Attendance

Saturday: 30 Sunday: 47

Weekend Collection

Mail In	\$ 230.00
Blk/Ind grant	\$ 1,500.00
E-giving	\$ 200.00
Loose	\$ 84.00
Saturday	\$ 275.00
Sunday	\$ 789.00

Total Deposit \$ 3,078.00

**July Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::**

Peggy Green	1
Brenda Mims	1
Mona Richard	6
George Alexander	6
Stefanie Allison	6
Elvina White	6
Turquoy Riggs	10
Joise Curtis	10
Amiyah LeBlanc	12
Brent Hebert	12
Ronald Hebert	12
E'Retrious Gus	13
Lanier Robertson	16
David Riggs	20
Maria Riggs	23
Torian Riggs	28
Claudine Riggs	29
Lester Popillion	30

Happy Anniversary

Joe & Mary Ware	4th
John & Janice Semien	13th
Mormom & Ann Richard	25th
George & Cecilia Davis	27th
Deacon Julian & Gloria Richard	31st

**MINISTERS FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Rose Davis & Shirley Allison

Sun: Fred & Peggy Green,
Sonja Popillion & Kenneth Mason

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Sat: **1st Rdr.:** Peggy Green
2nd Rdr.: Earnett Mitchell

Sun: **1st Rdr.:** Horace Broussard
2nd Rdr.: Cindy Hampton

1st reader = responsorial & prayer of faithful
2nd reader = greetings & announcements

ALTAR SERVER:

Saturday: **Needed**
Sunday: **Needed**

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Richard Scott & Russell Bottley

Sunday: Mr. & Mrs. John Simien

Expenses for the Week:

Accountants <\$ 500.00>
Plant & Maint <\$ 152.28>

St. Therese Catholic Church

Served by The Missionary Society of St. Paul from Nigeria since 2000

1409 6th Street 77630
Email: sttherese1350@yahoo.com

Phone: (409) 883-3783
Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-252-5400

Fax: (409) 883-4918
Website: stthereseorangetx.org



Pastoral Team:

Rev. Donatus Mgbeajuo, MSP

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Deacon Julian Richard (409) 221-2743
Deacon Hazen Kenney (512) 791-0847

Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2019

“He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them”

Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:20 p.m. 3:55 p.m.

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Tuesday each month 5:30 p.m.-6:p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the pastor two (2) months in advance

Marriage:

Please call Rectory six (6) months prior to proposed date

SECRETARY

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
Rose Davis, Vice Chairman	883-0762
Steven Allison, Secretary	313-0586
Cecilia Davis	920-1136
Rose Bottley	886-1525
Charlis D. Rogers	988-8719
Adam Jacobs	883-9688
Albert Hebert III	746-2627

MAINTENANCE & GROUNDS

Joe Ware 886-5331

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sanja Popillion (409) 670-0808

FINANCE COUNCIL

Janice Semien	883-7126
Robert Gobert	(504) 232-5640
Sheila Arnold	313-2062
Andre' Robertson	882-0012
Tina Kindle	238-4447

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. July 14 - Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Coll:15-20 Cf. Jn 6:63c, 68c Lk 10:25-37

Mon. July 15 - Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Mt 5:10 Mt 10:34-11:1

Tues. July 16 - Ex 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Ps 95:8 Mt 11:20-24

Wed. July 17 - Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 See Mt 11:25 Mt 11:25-27

Thurs. July 18 - Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 Mt 11:28 Mt 11:28-30

Fri. July 19 - Ex 11:10-12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 Jn 10:27 Mt 12:1-8

Sat. July 20 - Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 2 Cor 5:19 Mt 12:14-21

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Within Reach

We natives are reminded of the uniqueness of our place when a stranger points out some characteristic of personality or land or speech that we have taken for granted. They marvel, and we look again. We had just never thought of our place or ourselves in quite that way. Or once we may have been aware of some quality of our life and place, but we just forgot what was within reach.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:10–14 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 69:14, 17, 30–31, 33–34, 36, 37 or Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11 SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15–20 GOSPEL: Luke 10:25–37

Comment

What is within reach is daily and taken for granted. But much that is far off and out of reach is exotic—as long as it stays far off, that is. The lawyer who stood up to question Jesus received a response that was too close for comfort. First, Jesus answered the lawyer’s question with a question of his own. It was an easy question, and the lawyer, of course, knew the answer. It was right out of the Jewish Scriptures. The first part, about loving God, was from Deuteronomy, the “second law.” The second part came straight from Leviticus, the book that details the myriad sacrificial and ritual laws prescribed for the priestly tribe of Levi. Clearly, the lawyer was at home in this discussion. He might even have thought that he could teach Jesus a thing or two. Confidently, the lawyer presses on, and Jesus answers the question “Who is my neighbor?” with a story we all know.

The problem with the story for the listeners that day was that the Samaritan as neighbor was just too much to swallow. The problem of the Samaritans in general hit too close to home. They were the hated ones, the infidels who occupied a large chunk of land that inconveniently cut off easy access between the north and south of Israel. This was a pain, because the roundabout route to Jerusalem from the south was long and arduous. And the Samaritan inhospitality was galling. So the resentment and daily irritation continued in a kind of mutual “in your face” coexistence that showed no sign of abating.

It is precisely a hated Samaritan who is the hero of Jesus’ story. He ministers to the helpless “enemy,” a Jew lying half dead on the roadside. And furthermore, the Samaritan’s “betters” pass on by and do not deign to aid their suffering fellow countryman.

After telling the story, it is Jesus’ turn to ask, “Which ... was neighbor?” The lawyer could not manage to get the word “Samaritan” out of his mouth, however. So “The one who treated him with mercy” would have to do as an answer. This answer is correct. The new law is to go out and “do likewise,” to be merciful, compassionate, toward the neighbor, who is anyone in need—even one’s worst enemy.

The first reading from Deuteronomy makes clear that the law of Moses is not just within reach, but within the heart. The entire book of Deuteronomy is set as a farewell speech given by the great lawgiver and law receiver, Moses. One does not have to go anywhere for the laws; one need only attend to the command that is indelibly written in the human heart. To seek to erase or suppress or repress the demands of this law of God is to betray one’s very self.

The second reading insists on the centrality, or better, the all-pervasiveness of Christ, who is in and above all. Paul is contending here with some hare-brained teaching, which confuses the place and power of angels, astral occurrences, and whatnot. Paul’s ecstatic hymn elegantly insists that Christ is the center and source of all life. So we are right back at the heart, right near home. We are being addressed exactly and precisely where we live.

Reflection

To act compassionately toward one’s neighbor—whether he or she is the sworn enemy or not—is the fullest and best reading of the law. It encompasses everything and everyone. In the story today, the sworn enemies, Jew and Samaritan, are united because the heart of the Samaritan is moved to compassionate action. In any moment in history we can name the neighbors who rub daily against each other and whose enmity seems never to abate. The mutual hardness of heart seems impermeable. Often, their sustained hatred is, sadly enough, based on religion. However, with equally painful results, the division can be ethnic or racial or economic. No matter; hate is murderous, and the anguish predictable.

Young Adult Conference * Unleash The Gospel * Being the Jewels of the Church!

The Office of African-American Ministry and the Office of Family Life Ministry are excited to welcome renowned speaker and facilitator Mr. Jesse Cox. This conference will cover issues facing today’s young adult in the Catholic Church, and how each of us can celebrate the jewel that we are. Friday/Saturday - August 16-17, 2019. St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica Center 700 Jefferson St. Beaumont, Tx 77701

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Mary Brown
David Jayce Carey
Courtney Chavis
Florence Craig
Therese Ferguson
Hollis Fain
Joe B. Forward
Ella Mae Garrett
Mary Gray
Beatrice Guillory
Mark Mitchell Jr.
James Mims
Westley Popillion
Mormon Richard
Alma C Thibodeaux



PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Arceneaux
George Davis
Mable Durio
Alberta Fontenot
Frances Freeman
Debra Glaude
Margaret Green
Myrtle Guillory
Ronald Hebert
Junior Henderson
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
John T. Nelson
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pillette
Herman Richard
John Richard, Sr.
Claudine Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mark Thibodeaux
Mary Ware
Joe Ware
John Warren

Save the Date

Give the gift of life

St. Francis Annual Blood Drive

Sunday,
August 11, 2019
8am -1pm
San Damiano Center



We invite your community to come out and perhaps save a life. We need your help support the blood drive!

Donate blood

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community
4300 Meeks Drive Orange, Texas 77632
PHONE: 409-883-9153

Copies of Fr. Donatus’s book “The Quest for and Notion of “Charismatic Priest” in the Catholic Church in Nigeria” is now available on amazon there are also copies available at the Rectory. Please pick up your copy!

Free Back to School Supplies for Orange County

Orange Christian Services * 2518 W Park Ave * 886-0938. Preregistration July 15-18, & July 22-25 10am-1:30 pm

Lamar State College Orange Student Center * 883-7750. Preregistration July 20, 2019 Saturday 8 am - 11 am

ALL parents or legal guardians must be present with children and must bring proof of child’s enrollment I Orange County School. You can bring student ID, report card, letter from the school

*** first come first serve Supply Date***
August 3, 2019 * 9am - 12 noon * Lamar State College Orange Student Center

Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : \$20,097 Paid: \$5,520.

As we deepen our commitment to the Gospel message, we come to understand that stewardship is a way of life when we act with love and justice. In Micah 6:8 we read: You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the Lord requires of you: Only to do justice and to love with goodness, and to walk humbly with your God.. Thank you for your contribution to BFA and your commitment to serving God’ people, as we look forward to the continued growth of our parish. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Shirley Ray or Fr. Donatus.

Attention Everyone



Everyone is welcome to join us at St. Therese every Tuesday

- 5:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:00 pm Devotional prayers through our Parton Saint Therese.
- 6:20 pm Benediction

Men’s Choir

All men are invited to join the male chorus. Rehearsal begins Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 7pm. If you would like to participate, please contact Gary Mims or Fr. Donatus. We look forward to a new beginning.

Attention

All RCIA coordinators, leaders, members, etc., there will be an RCIA Workshop Saturday, August 24, 2019 at St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica. Presenters are Bishop Fernand Cheri, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of New Orleans and Dr. Kathleen Dorsey-Bellow, Director at Xavier Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University both of New Orleans, La and Bryan Reising, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Diocese of Beaumont Everyone must complete and return registration forms by August 14. to LaWanna Sinegal PO Box 3948, Beaumont, TX 77704-3948. There is no charge for registration.