

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- 1st wk. - Choir & Hospitality
- 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 INTENTIONS**

*Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019 9:00 am Mass*

Mon. Sept. 30, 8:00 a.m.

**Tues. Oct. 01, 8:00 am & 5:30 p.m.**

*Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 p.m prayer through Patron St. Therese*

Wed. Oct. 02, 8:00 am

Thurs. Oct. 03, 8:00 am

Fri. Oct. 04, 8 am

Saturday, Oct. 05, 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 or living 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 Fontenot

**Mission & Retreat** - Cecilia Davis

**Music Director** - George Alexander  
choir rehearsals are held every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

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

**Religious Education** - Sonja Popillion

**Socials** - Brushelle Scott

**Youth** - Felicia Richard

**Stewardship** - Gary Mims

**Attendance last Weekend**  
Saturday: 24 Sunday: 54

**Last Weekend Collection's**  
2nd - Victims of Hurricane Dorian

Mail In	\$ 40.00
Hurri/Dorian	\$ 140.00
Comm/booklet	\$ 350.00
Loose	\$ 32.00
Saturday	\$ 320.00
Sunday	\$ 1,255.00

**Total Deposit \$ 2,137.00**

**September Birthday List**  
Happy Birthday to::

Ryaisha Daughtery	2
Ursula Johnson	3
Fabian Green	5
Debra Hawkins	5
Deborah Crosson	8
Monic Guillory	14
Jermaine Mitchell	15
Cindy Hampton	16
Darius Mitchell	18
Elizabeth Mitchell	18
Wayne Sparrow	19
Richellee Roberts	20
Rose Davis	22
George Davis	22
Justin Sparrow	22
Doris Gans	25
Jalen Jefferson	27
Chris Popillion	28

Happy Anniversary

Junior L & Deborah Henderson 25th

**MINISTERS SERVING**  
**OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Mr. & Mrs. Walter Davis

Sun: Fred Green, Elizabeth Mitchell  
Sanja Popillion & Dorothy Jacobs

**LECTORS:**

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:** Leo Jackson  
**2nd Rdr.:** Mona Richard

Sunday: **1st Rdr.:** Eva Platt  
**2nd Rdr.:** Gary Mims

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

**ALTAR SERVER:**

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

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:**

Saturday Russell Bottley & Richard Scott  
Sunday: Dorothy Broussard & Cecilia Davis

**Expenses:**

**Liturgy <\$ 28.44>**  
**Center Point <\$ 127.89>**  
**Spectrum <\$ 129.52>**

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**Pastoral Team:**

**Rev. Donatus Mgbеajuo, MSP**

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**Office Hours**

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



**The 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 29, 2019**

**“From the netherworld he saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side.”**

**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.-6:30 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

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Sanja Popillion (409) 670-0808

**FINANCE COUNCIL**

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

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Authority

There is just no accounting for the enduring existence of people with moral authority. They possess an integrity, sureness, and depth of spirit we cannot help but notice and admire. And we cannot help but follow. For all our planning and organizing, for all our voting for authorized leaders, we count ourselves blessed to have among us people of such moral authority. They are surely a gift from God.

**FIRST READING: Numbers 11:25-29    RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14**  
**SECOND READING: James 5:1-6    GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48**

## Comment

Moses was a surprising leader in many ways. He didn't want the job in the first place, and God appointed Aaron to help him out. So maybe Moses was disposed to receive help anywhere he could find it. It's a good thing, too, because God seems to be much more generous in gift-giving than many would wish—the seventy elders, for example, who received the gift of God's spirit, which made it possible for them to prophesy. Then word came to the honored elders that two unauthorized elders were also prophesying. Moses was not alarmed; on the contrary, he was delighted. Would that everybody were so gifted. Would that the people would rejoice in the generosity of God instead of being so cranky about it!

Jesus faces the same kind of problem in today's Gospel. Great miracles were being performed by people who didn't know Jesus, who were not his chosen few. Jesus is not unnerved by this news. His response echoes that of Moses. One who works miracles in Jesus' name can hardly be against him. Somewhere out there in the great, big world someone has caught the power of the Spirit and is acting for God, who sees all of this and smiles.

## Reflection

The Spirit is at work in the world, and we would do well to recognize it and rejoice. We must create institutions to serve, honor, and fulfill the human dignity God intends. And this means being open to the imaginative, lively Spirit. The first reading and the Gospel assume that the Spirit is at work in the world and the task of individuals and institutions is to promote that work, not to cage it, control it, or contribute to its demise.

The second reading warns us away from the Spirit-killing and soul-numbing actions and attitudes that always threaten. The warnings of James were true in the first century; they are true in this one: accumulation of money and possessions for their own sake is useless and not worthy of human endeavor.

We all know spirited people. They're the ones who brighten and enliven our lives and who challenge and disturb our lives. They are people for whom things deeply matter, and people who draw our attention to what really matters. These people come in all shapes, sizes, colors, genders, and races. We can find them within and outside of our faith communities. They seem to have God's ear and speak God's mind. We have a name for spirited people like these. We call them prophets. They are our hearts and souls. Prophets are Spirit-filled and Spirit-driven. They do not so much predict futures as remind us of our heritage, our past. They anchor us to our calling, God's promise, our dignity as children of God. They are the most conservative and progressive of voices. The prophets speak God's will; they do not coddle our whims.

We know the official leaders of our people. We know the authorities who are charged to help order our daily lives so that good work gets done and we are safe. But who are the Spirit-filled people we admire? Who claims the allegiance of our heart? Who speaks most strongly with God's voice? Do you? After all, Moses' wish is fulfilled: the Lord's Spirit has been bestowed on all.

## 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



## Awesome\*

When GOD wanted to create the fish, HE spoke to the sea, when GOD wanted to create the trees, HE spoke to the earth but when GOD wanted to create Man, HE spoke to Himself. Then GOD said, "Let US make Man in Our image, according to Our likeness.

If you Take a fish out of the water, it will die and when you take a tree off the ground, it will also die. Similarly, when Man is disconnected from GOD, he dies.

GOD is our natural environment. We were created to live in HIS presence. We must be connected to HIM because only in HIM there is Life.

STAY CONNECTED TO God.

Remember...

GOD without Man is still GOD but Man without GOD is Nothing.

## \*\*\*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

## Attention

St. Vincent De Paul will be handing out cleaning supplies, water, care packages and other items. All those who have been affected by Imelda please come to St. Therese Life Center the group will be here beginning Monday, September 30th while supplies last. If there is anyone that is available to volunteer to help with handing out care packages please call or come by the Life Center.

After undergoing training and been approved by the pastor, these Parish Members have been chosen to be "Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion," and a part of our Eucharistic team.

**Paul Thibeaux**  
**Albert Hebert III**  
**Mr. & Mrs. Lester & Sanja Popillion**

## \*\*\*Meeting\*\*\*

There will be a meeting for the Bereavement Committee Monday, September 30th at 6 pm in the Education Building. All members are ask to be in attendance

## Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : \$20,097 Paid: \$7,020.

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.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

George Davis  
Mable Durio  
Margaret Green  
Ronald Hebert  
Junior Henderson  
Stacy Johnson  
John King  
Ruby Milton  
John T. Nelson  
Clayona Pillette  
John Richard, Sr.  
Claudine Riggs  
Janice Semien  
Mary Ware  
Joe Ware  
John Warren

## NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. THERESE—THE LITTLE FLOWER

St. Therese, beloved friend, you promised to spend your time in heaven doing good upon the earth. WE come before you in our need. We believe that you listen to us and approach God for and with us. You are love in the heart of God. Please accept these petitions, hopes, needs and dreams that I have (pause for your petitions).

Please present them to our loving Father so that God may do what is best for us, for our loved ones, and for the fulfillment of God's Kingdom. Continue your shower of roses in our lives. We ask you, dear friend with the bold confidence and loving care. We make this prayerful petition in the name of Jesus and through the power of his Spirit.  
**AMEN.**