



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2020

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,
and what has not entered the human heart,
what God has prepared for those who love him,
this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure.
Offertory contributions for last week for St. Charles Borromeo were \$5,657.00.
St. Charles Church Building Fund \$1,139.00.
Offertory contributions for last week for Christ the King Mission were \$973.00.

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Joey Lalonde (7th Anniversary)
By: Raymond Lalonde & Family

Altar Flowers: In Memory of my wife Sherry, on our Anniversary, February 14th
By: Jim Burleigh



Six Steps to Easter, is our teen faith formation program. This program is for 6th grade through 10th grade and prepares them for life as a Christian and is required for entry into our Confirmation program by the time they are in the 11th grade.

Classes will begin on **Ash Wednesday, February 26th** and will meet each Wednesday through April 8th. Class times are 4:30-5:45 PM for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders and 6:15-7:45 PM for 9th and 10th.

The 2020 Flower Schedule will begin after Easter. Anyone who would like to sponsor Altar Flowers is asked to call the church office. Thank You!

Lenten Day of Reflection is scheduled for **March 7, 2020** at Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette, La. The cost is \$10 (Lunch Included). Talks begin at 11AM, Adoration begins at 3:15PM Concludes with an Anticipated Mass with Bishop Douglas Deshotel at 4:00PM. Space is limited, so please register ASAP. Register and pay online at <http://diolaf.org/christian-formation>. For more information, contact Nikki Sonnier at 261-5550.

Fr. Payne will continue to lead conversations on Pope Francis in 2020. The next three sessions will be held on Thursday from **10 AM until 11:30 AM** on the following dates: **February 20 and March 26, and on Tuesday, April 14**. In our first two "CONVERSATIONS ON POPE FRANCIS" we considered the influence of Jesuit or Ignatian spirituality on Pope Francis. Taking time to speak of what we had heard and knew of Pope Francis, we spent some time in reflection and prayer as he experienced it. Now we'll explore his and our concerns for whatever insights that he has on the way in which we appreciate and respond to the gift of the earth. The Holy Father presented his teachings about our life together and care for the earth in the document: On Care for our Common Home. This document will provide the material for our future "CONVERSATIONS ON POPE FRANCIS".

ASH WEDNESDAY is **February 26, 2020**
Masses will be celebrated at 6:15 and 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM. Ashes will be distributed during these liturgies only.

As a diocese, we will soon participate in the *Ash Wednesday* collection for **Catholic Charities of Acadiana**. We believe that any individual experiencing hunger in our community presents an emergency, one where our faith compels us to respond. With this core belief in mind, Catholic Charities of Acadiana operates St. Joseph Diner and FoodNet Food Bank. Please be generous on Ash Wednesday.

Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners are reminded that Opelousas hospitals do not have a Catholic chaplain. The area priests are called upon to visit the parishioners at the hospital. Sometimes the priests cannot respond immediately to emergency requests for the **Anointing of the Sick** because their schedules are full. If you are scheduled to have surgery and would like to receive the sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick**, please contact Fr. Derrick or Fr. Mark before going to the hospital. Thank You.

RENOVATION UPDATE: The focus continues to be on restoring the Bell Tower. The sides and rear of the church are being scraped and prepared for painting. Support beams and fascia boards around alcove near the A/C units and been replaced. Weather permitting, painting of the church will begin soon.

PLEASE be aware of the areas around the church that are marked "**OFF LIMITS**" by the **Yellow Tape**. This is a temporary barrier that serves as a warning to everyone **NOT** to cross.

FEBRUARY

Minister Schedule - February 15-16

Vigil-Lector Linda LeBlanc
Communion **Jim Burleigh**, Shirley McKinney,
 Theresa Cormier, Jackie Vautrot
 Patricia Burleigh
Altar Servers Vincent Compos, Maddy Campbell
 Bella Kimble

7:30-Lector Pauline Edmond
Communion **Murphy Riggs**, David Menard
 Perry & Brenda Kennerson
 Patrick Guilbeau
Altar Servers Darrell Burleigh, Jasper James

10:30-Lector Pamela Norfleet
Communion **Amy Taylor**, Denis Simon
 Kurt & Pauline Richard
 Nancy Bourque
Altar Servers Sophie Simon, Gardiner Simon

God's Housekeepers - February 22-23

Bobby & Janice Fox
 Denise Copeland Christine Guilbeau
 Dr. Charlie & Susie Dugal
 Don & Marie Dugal



*Please continue to pray for
 peace around the world.
 Pray for **all** world leaders
 and especially for our men
 and women in military service.*

Coming Events

S 15 9AM-12 Noon Children's Ministry
 M 17 7 PM KPC Meeting
 T 18 6 PM Chimes Choir Practice
 W 19 8 AM SIS School Mass
 9 AM Pro Life Rosary
 10 AM Bible Study-St. Charles Chapel
 TH 20 10 AM Conversations on Pope Francis
 Fr. Payne, St. Charles Chapel
 T 25 Mardi Gras
W 26 Ash Wednesday; Masses at 6:15,
 8:00 AM, 7:00 PM
 9 AM Patriotic Rosary



CHOICE

"If you choose you can keep the commandments," Sirach tells us. God "has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand" (Sirach 15:15, 16). This is a great mystery: God does not control us so completely that we cannot choose our own path. We have certain boundaries, of course, but we can choose our way within those boundaries.

In today's reading from Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us of our freedom and our responsibility for our lives. He calls us to look beyond the words of the commandments, all the way to their meaning. Look beyond the adultery to the selfishness that poisons our love. Look beyond the murder to the anger that eats away at our compassion. Look beyond the perjured testimony to the lies and deception that drive our behavior.

Our vocation is to choose life for ourselves, and to choose a path through our part of the world that helps make life possible and more abundant for others as well.

Senior Citizens will gather at **Thensted Center** on **Friday, February 28th at 10:00 AM.**

THENSTED CENTER "BINGO" is scheduled for **Saturday, March 7th 11:00AM-4:00PM.** (Lunch begins at 11AM/Bingo begins at 12PM) Lots of food and drinks (Red Beans & Rice, Nachos, French Fries & Sweets available) Come play and win great prizes! Regular Bingo (3 cards for \$1.00 or \$.50 each) Special Bingo Games \$1 each game. For more information, call 662-5838.

You are cordially invited to participate as one of the 300 readers for a 20-minute time slot reading the Bible cover to cover. "**Jubilee of the Word Marathon**" is a reading of the Bible in many languages non-stop for 100 hours by 300 readers in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Holy Ghost Catholic Church & 300th anniversary of the City of Opelousas, La.

Beginning **Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020** at **12:30pm** reading continuously until **4:30pm** on the **First Sunday of Lent, March 1, 2020.** Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Opelousas, La. 942-2732 or fetieduduteche@gmail.com

Christ the King Mission News

Lectors: Donald Dugas Frances Richard



Feb 19 6 PM Rosary & Healing Mass
 Feb 20 6 PM Adult Choir Practice
 Feb 26 Ash Wednesday
 Feb 27 6 PM Adult Choir Practice
 Mar 5 6 PM Adult Choir Practice
 Mar 12 6 PM Adult Choir Practice
 Mar 14 9AM-12 Noon CCD-Bellevue
 Mar 18 6 PM Rosary & Healing Mass