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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00-4:00 | FRIDAY 8:00-12:00 || PHONE: (985) 537-6002

MASS, CONFESSION, & PRAYER TIMES

Saturday | 6:00 pm [Vigil Mass]

Sunday | 9:00 am

Confession is available for 30 minutes prior to Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 2nd | Armond & Leota Dominique, Edgar & Albertine Dominique, Leon & Louise Matherne, Edward, Sr., Irene & Ernest Davaine, Chiasson Family, Mike Boudreaux, Eschette Family

Sunday, October 3rd | CJ”Nuch” Dufrene, Irene & Kim Dufrene, Conard Robichaux Family, Richard & Elma (DA) Griffin, Cheryl & Mallory, George Guidry (B), Gussie & Virlie Champagne & Fam., Walter & Isabel Guidry & Fam., Brett” Spike” Dominique

**All Mass Intentions that were submitted for bulletins that did not come out between August 29th and this week have been prayed for on their respective days. No intentions were forgotten or left out of the Masses for which they were intended.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Shirley Champagne, Todd Dufrene, Hayden Schrader, Wayne Delatte, Emmagrace Delatte, Molly Breaux, Lori Robichaux, Leann Dufrene, Jessica Danos Swan, Barbara Dufrene

Please call the Parish Office at 537-6002 to add or remove names from the Sick List.

COLLECTION TOTALS WILL RETURN

St. Anthony is sustained by the generosity of its parishioners through time, talent, and treasure. Thank you for all you do!

CLEANUP & HOUSING RESOURCES

Crisis Cleanup Hotline: Anyone can call and put in a request for cleanup services that don't require special permits, such as small tree removal, "muck and gut" of homes, etc. Simply call (844) 965-1386. More info at <https://www.crisiscleanup.org/survivor>

Lafourche Parish Emergency Housing: Anyone can request temporary emergency housing by calling 9855377603 or filling out the online form at <https://www.lafourchegov.org/emergency-housing>.

Terrebonne Parish Emergency Housing: They are working on an online form soon. We will forward when this is available. They can call Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, or their District councilman, until then. The following information will be needed:

- Name
- Address
- Contact number
- How many in household
- FEMA/Insurance status

YOUTH FORMATION

If you are a parent of a child in our Youth Formation program, please continue to keep an eye on your email and Remind App. We will do our best to get Youth Formation up and running as soon as is possible and will send information as we can.

SAINT FRANCIS PET BLESSING

We are still hoping to have our annual Pet Blessing on Monday, October 4th after the 5:15pm Mass. We will meet in the Prayer Garden for 6:15pm. All pets are welcome; please make sure those that are not brought in carriers are leashed.

LIVING ROSARIES

On October 6th and 7th, we will host two living rosaries at both of our parishes. Our living rosary at Saint Anthony will be at 6:30pm on October 6th; and our living rosary at Saint Hilary will be at 6:30pm on October 7th. Come and celebrate the Month of the Rosary with us!

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jon 1:1-2:1, 11	Jon 3:1-10	Jon 4:1-11	Mal 3:13-20b	Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2	Jl 4:12-21
Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8	Ps 130:1ab-2,	Ps 86:3-4, 5-6,	Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4&6	Ps 9:2-3, 6 & 16,	Ps 97:1-2, 5-6,
Lk 10:25-37	3-4ab, 7-8	9-10	Lk 11:5-13	8-9	11-12
	Lk 10:38-42	Lk 11:1-4		Lk 11:15-26	Lk 11:27-28

But we as Christians have hope, even in those darkest of places. Saint Paul tells us what the source of that hope is in many ways, but speaks particularly well to it in his letter to the Romans:

We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. -Romans 8:28

Another way to say this might be that “God writes straight with crooked lines”. Simply: *God works everything for good*. He is God! Nothing can derail his plans for us, not even the worst of storms, or the most devastating of losses. When we say “yes” to him, with complete abandon and trust, he will move mountains for us; the mountains that stand in the way of our sainthood. It’s all down to whether or not we will participate.

Basically, every single moment, the joyful ones, the horrible ones, the ones you want to happen and the ones you dread...they’re all opportunities, precious, purposefully placed in our way. We may hate them and we may fight them, but the truth is that they are a grace. These moments can come and we can mourn, cry, scream, and even question the Lord in them, so long as we don’t give up hope in him. Each one is one more chance to cultivate our sainthood, to prepare ourselves for salvation and heaven. It’s up to us to decide how we’ll encounter them, and how we’ll let the Lord in during them. Because everything is grace.



THE 27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 3, 2021

Everything is Grace

Saint Therese of Lisieux, whose feast day we will celebrate soon on the first of October, has made this phrase famous through her autobiography. But what does it mean? Aren’t there things that happen in this world (like, perhaps, a devastating hurricane, the loss it leaves in its wake, etc.) that are easily categorized as bad things? The answer to that is, of course, a resounding yes. In this fallen world, there are indeed bad things that happen, bad things that either can or cannot be avoided.