



**November 4, 2018 • Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The readings are fairly simple and straightforward. Do just these two things—love God with your whole self and love your neighbor as yourself—and you will be saved. Deuteronomy and the psalm emphasize the importance of loving God with our whole selves. Hebrews reminds us that Jesus loved us as he loved his Father and so he offered himself for our sins. Mark says that loving God completely must also be accompanied by loving our neighbor. Jesus loved his Father with his whole soul, his whole mind, his whole strength. The love between God and Jesus makes them one. Everything hinges on the completeness and the inclusiveness of that love.

## LOVE

We all love rules to measure our actions and assure us that we have done enough. Today we are given two rules that offer us none of that. These rules require us to focus only on love: love of God and love of neighbor.

There are not seven or ten. There are just two. You must love God but you must do it with your entire being. Everything you are must be focused on and reflect loving God. And then you must love your neighbor. The first is key to the second.

Unless we understand how God loves both the lovable as well as the unlovable, we will never be able to love ourselves or any other creature or creation as God loves them all. The Gospels remind us that Jesus sought the broken, the marginalized, the unwanted to teach us how God loves. If everything about you is about loving a God who created and redeemed you, then you love as God loves. If you love as God loves, you recognize the weakness in yourself and in the world yet you still love that broken self and broken world as its Creator does. That is the only measure of success that matters.

Today's Readings: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

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### Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.  
Monday, Tuesday & Fridays 8:00 a.m.,  
Thursdays 6pm (Chapel)

### Confession:

Saturday 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

### Baptism:

First Sunday of the Month. Baptismal seminar is required for first time Parents and Godparents.

### Marriage:

Contact Pastor at least eight (8) months before making arrangements.

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## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:00 AM Calvin Picou

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:00 AM Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

No Mass

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

5:30 PM Rosary  
6:00 PM Judy Guhman (Living)

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

8:00 AM Herman Kelone, Sr., Alvin Dufrene, Sr.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

5:00 PM  
Albert & Dorothy Laque, Joyce Matherne, Ray Montet, Murphy Candies, Jr., Murphy & Mitte Cortez

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

**8:00 AM** People of St. John

### 10:00 AM

Evelyn & Norris Boudreaux, Hector E. Hock, Sr., Becky Flanagan, P. J. Hock, Patricia Hock, Catherine Hock, Una, Ulysse & Paul Breaux, August & Pearl Verda, Kerry & Huey Rivet, Ellis & Elma Griffin & Family, Wilfred & Lydia Lirette, Patricia Picard, Joseph & Etta Lochbaum, Henry Tuzin, Lola Sue Brownlow, Roy Landry, Judy Guhman (Living), Special Intentions

### Sanctuary Lamp

Week of: Oct. 28th—Nov. 3rd

In memory of:

*Herman Kelone, Sr., Alvin Dufrene, Sr.*



### Pray for the Sick



Ian Alexander, Beverly Boudreaux, Carol Bourgeois, Judy Guhman, Chris Kirkpatrick, Ella Lirette, Garrett Lirette, Gerner Matherne, Merril Matherne, Albert Melancon, Brenda Naquin, Lisa Richoux, Brenda Savoie, Nicole Veillon, Janet Weber, Grant White

### PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared from the loss of life and property during this hurricane season.

## Weekly Offerings

October 28, 2018:..... \$1,964.00

### November 4th-10th

#### It's National Vocation Awareness Week

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life. Some remain as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week. During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or consecrated life.

#### The Main Catholic Vocations

A vocation is a call from God to pursue holiness in a specific way, involving a public and permanent commitment.

**Marriage**—Most people are called to marriage—a vowed union of a man and woman who promise to love their spouses and to joyfully welcome children.

**Priesthood**—Priests bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus through preaching and the sacraments. They are ordained to devote their lives to serve the people of God.

**Consecrated Life**—Both men and women make vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience when they join orders such as the Franciscans, Benedictines, Dominicans, etc.

## Scripture Readings Summary for November 10th & 11th

### First Reading

1 KGS 17:10-16

A widow from outside Israel trusts Elijah and gives away what little she has, and she is greatly rewarded.

### Second Reading

HEB 9:24-28

Having taken away sin once for all by his sacrifice (on the cross), Jesus now "appears before God on our behalf" until his return.

### Gospel

MK 12:38-44

Jesus denounces the scribes who love the external comforts of their positions, and who use their "closeness to God" to pressure the needy for lavish gifts. Jesus contrasts their self-interest with the generous faith of the widow who gives all that she has.

With humble hearts, St. John the Baptist joyfully proclaims the mercy of God.

### Remember Our Dead

Please pray: That all the faithful departed whom we remember this month may rejoice in the presence of God, we pray to the Lord.

### Memorial of the Dead

In remembrance of your loved ones during the month of November, please enter the names of your loved ones into the binder of the Memorial of the Dead.

### November 6th Parish Council Meeting

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend the meeting.

### November 8th Council of Catholic Women Meeting

The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All women of the parish are invited.

### November 12th Veterans Memorial Service

A Veterans Memorial Service will be held on Monday, November 12th by the St. Gertrude Veterans Memorial at 10:00 a.m. with the HHS ROTC. This year's service will include the explanation of the folding of the flag.

All are invited to attend this service to honor our veterans.



### Thanksgiving Baskets



A list of non-perishable items needed for the Thanksgiving Baskets will be available on the table at the entrance of the church.

These items will be distributed to the needy in our community.

These items will be collected **through November 18th.** Your donations can be placed in the box in church or brought by the children to the Monday night religion classes. If you prefer, you may also make a monetary donation. For more information, please contact Karen Boyer at 758-2284 or Betty Meacham at 758-3285.

### School of Religion

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### Class Times

Elementary—5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.  
High School—6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

### CCD Schedule

November 5th—Class  
November 12th—Class  
November 19th—No Class  
**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
November 26th—Class  
Reconciliation for students



### Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to the following young people of our parish who recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation through the ministry of Archbishop Gregory Aymond:

*Noah Blanchard, Alex DeJean, Cassidy Dunn,  
Jacob Hogan, Emma Holleman, Jonathan Kramer,  
Trent Naquin, Madelyn Williams, Lexus Touchard*

A special thank you to all who helped in their preparation for this very important occasion in their lives.



## Ministry Schedule—November 10th & 11th, 2018

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Darlene Landeche	Celeste Chiasson, <b>DARRELL CHIASSON</b>	Trent & Trista Naquin	Kirk Matherne
Sunday 10:00 AM	Clarence Savoie	Debra Frickey, Kent Frickey, <b>Volunteer</b>	Madison Johnson Alayna Blanda	Noah Blanchard Madeline Blanchard

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