

ALL SAINTS DAY

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Let us rejoice in all the men and women, blest in the eyes of the Lord, who celebrate the heavenly liturgy. They stand in God's holy place and sing of the love the Father has bestowed upon them through the blood of the Lamb.

Annunciation Catholic School

All ACS Staff will attend the Archdiocese of New Orleans Virtual Day of Reflection Retreat on Tuesday, November 3rd. ACS will be closed on this day.

Annunciation's Annual Blessing of the Pets will be held on Thursday, November 6, at 2:00 P.M. Parents are invited to bring the family pet to this event that honors St. Francis of Assisi. We will have a very downscaled version of the Scholastic Book Fair at school this year. It will be held November 16-20 in the Velma LeMaire Library.

We encourage parishioners to participate in our Crusader Prayer Chain. There is a bucket in the vestibule of the church with the first names of all our students. You are invited to take one (or more!) names to pray for individually throughout the school year. If you would like to have a student pray for *you* by name, simply write your name on a blank slip of paper and place it in the parishioner bucket. ACS students will select from the bucket and add you on their own prayer list. All parishioners are invited to join our prayer chain. We look forward to the future, when we can share in activities together to strengthen the bond between our church and our school.

Respect for Life

That we may come to realize that God's command to love our neighbor extends to all people, no matter how weak, ill or small, We pray to the Lord

COMMUNION OF SAINTS ALIVE

**“See what love the Father has bestowed on us in letting us be called children of God! Yet that is what we are.”
1 John 3:1**

When my son was a seminarian, he had major knee surgery on All Saints Day morning. As we returned to his dorm room from the hospital, I was privileged to see the “communion of saints” in action. A group of seminarians visited him for the purpose of making him laugh. Two others stopped by to pray the Divine Office with him in the evening. Another seminarian dropped in to pray a rosary with him. Yet another kept him supplied with food and drink. Several left him their phone numbers with instructions to call at any hour of the night. One of the priest brought him Holy Communion. The living saints in his seminary community took care of his every spiritual, social, and physical need.

As powerful as is this earthly “communion of saints...we who live...in no way have an advantage over those who have died”. This is because, as Jesus so clearly stated to those who disputed the resurrection of the body, “all are alive for God”. In the Mass and in our prayers, we saints who are living in Christ share an unbroken fellowship with the saints who have died—“through Him, with Him and in Him”. Thus the seminarians who prayed with my son invoked the prayers of several canonized saints in heaven. These young men requested prayer support from these saints with just as much confidence as they would have talked to a living seminarian standing in the room. We are all connected in the Body of Christ, “Neither death nor life...will be able to separate us from the love of God that comes to us in Christ Jesus, our Lord”.

Prayer: Father, May I relate to every member of your family, whether in heaven or on earth, as You would have me do.
Promise: “Beloved, we are God's children now.” 1 Jn 3:2
Praise: All Saints in heaven and still here on earth, pray for us.

Please Pray for those on the Parish Prayer List:

Danny Augustine, Anne Atkinson, Patty Bailey, Mary Barber, Mickey Bergeron, Rhody Bertoniere, Dale Boler, Ray Bonnett, Tim Blansett, Buddy Breland, Linda Brennan, James Brignac, Mary D. Brignac, Margie Brown, Teresa Busby, Newell Bush, Troy Carney, Louise Clocksin, Kelly Chighizola, Marette Corkern, Charles “Bud” Crain, Kay Crowe, Alex Diaz, Andy Daley, Merle Daley, Stella Dicharry, Gary Duncan, Diana Pepe Earles, Buddy Green, Linda Haaga, Vic Haik, Carolyn Hardy, Freddie Hartfield, Mike Henley, Gary Holloway, Sylvia Hughes, Aline Hymel, Perry Keen, Walter Landrum, Denise Langston, John Lee, Kathleen Lemoine, Steve Lindsoe, Billy Lott, Julie Lott, Ann Martin, Mary Mayfield, Brittany Mitchell, Marie Mizell, Sarah Mizell, Marty Paige, Ruby Penatallo, Rhonda Penton, Val Perry, Huey Pierce, Tammie Pierce, Pat Pounds, Ethel Quirk, Emanuel Rachel, Kathleen Rachel, Tommie Jean Rayburn, Wayne Rhoden, Dick Saba, McKenna Scroggs, Sheryl Shelby, Joyce Starett, Elizabeth Stewart, Jerri Stewart, June Stewart, Dudley Talley, Phillip Talley, Sidne Tate, Diana Thibodeaux, Gloria Tullier, Colby Wheat, Shirley Wheat, *Alfred Widmar*, Chuck Williams, Sharon Williams

Mass Schedule

<u>Monday</u> 8:00 AM 3:00 PM	(November 2, 2020) Comm. Serv. – Church Rosary – Church
<u>Tuesday</u> 8:00 AM	(November 3, 2020) Mass – Church
<u>Wednesday</u> 8:00 AM	(November 4, 2020) Mass – Church
<u>Thursday</u> 8:00 AM	(November 5, 2020) Mass – Church
<u>Friday</u> 8:00 AM 8:30 AM	(November 6, 2020) Mass – Church 1st Friday Dev-Church
<u>Saturday</u> 8:00 AM 8:30 AM 3:00 PM 4:00 PM	(November 7, 2020) 1 st Sat. Dev-Church Mass-Church Confessions Vigil Mass – Church
<u>Sunday</u> 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	(November 8, 2020) Mass – Church Mass – Church Confessions <i>(en Español)</i> Mass <i>(en Español)</i>

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 31st 4:00 PM
Mickey Paduda, EJ and Dody Champagne, John Underwood, Lawrence Wille, Welfare of Jo and Leo Mickenheim, Sr., Welfare of Millie Underwood, Patty Sue Stevenson, Welfare of Father Lawrence Phelps, Wayne Planche and Glenda, David Arceneaux, Welfare of Tommie Jean Rayburn, Welfare of Kristen Nicholders

Sunday, November 1st 8:30 AM
Earl Hughes, Betty Scroggs, Irma Lee Callender, Lawrence Wille, Welfare of Newell Bush, Edward Ratcliff, ACS Dean of Students and School Staff, Welfare of Tommie Jean Rayburn, Welfare of Roger Holloway, Welfare of Jerri Stewart, Welfare of Vic Haik, Welfare of Winston Broom Birthday, Welfare of Jo Mickenheim Birthday

10:30 AM
Annunciation Catholic Church Parishioners

Tuesday, November 3rd 8:00AM
Lawrence Wille, Sarah Parker

Wednesday, November 4th 8:00AM
Lawrence Wille

Thursday, November 5th 8:00AM
Lawrence Wille, David Arceneaux, Gilly Charbonnet

Friday, November 6th 8:00AM
Lawrence Wille,

Saturday, November 7th 4:00PM
Mickey Paduda, EJ and Dody Champagne, John Underwood, Margaret and Bobby Bush, Lawrence Wille, Welfare of Millie Underwood, Vanessa Ronquille and Morris Fabiano, Welfare of Marty Paige, David Arceneaux, Welfare of Diane Moran, Welfare of Jamie Pierce, Leonard Mayfield

Sunday, November 8th 8:30AM
Earl Hughes, Betty Scroggs, Irma Lee Callender, Lawrence Wille, Irma Lee Callender, Welfare of Newell Bush, Edward Ratcliff, Gilly Charbonnet, Welfare of John Crowe, Leonard Mayfield, Welfare of Jo and Leo Mickenheim, Sr.

10:30AM
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Last Week's Collection
October 24th and 25th 2020
Loose-Checks & Cash \$1,675.00
Envelopes \$2,705.00
Total: **\$4,380.00**

Funds needed to operate:
\$6,299.00

Amount under Weekly Budget
\$1,919.00

Thank You for Your Generosity!!!

SHOWING UP

One of the most frustrating things in the spiritual life can be our seeming lack of progress. We pray we go to Mass, we confess, we read books—and yet we seem to have little to show for it. It is easy to get frustrated, to give up and to put our spiritual life on the backburner.

Here's the thing—the spiritual life is a struggle. It is not the work of the day or a moment or a single decision. Yes, God can sometimes work miracles of conversion that changes a soul in an instant. But for most of us, that is not how we make progress. We grow by showing up, day after day after day. We mature by never quitting, despite frequent falls, discouragement, darkness or failure.

The most talented athletes did not achieve their skill overnight. They put in long hours and disciplined themselves until they were exhausted. And they can never stop doing so or they will

lose everything they have gained. Likewise, we become spiritual athletes through diligent practice—by showing up and putting in the hard work. And we can never quit doing so.

A wise man once said that our efforts, spiritually speaking, are like so many zeros strung together. They don't add up to anything. But then, when we least expect it, God adds a one in front of our countless zeros, making our pitiful efforts more valuable than we can imagine. Take confidence: Each rosary, each Holy Communion, each confession is bearing fruit, though it is often hidden from our eyes. By doing these things, we are tilling the soil of our soul so God can plant the seeds of true maturity.

In the spiritual life, there is no such thing as a waste of time. God sees our efforts and our goodwill. He loves us, and by grace he will help us reach the goal. So never tire. Never give up. Keep pressing on no matter how fruitless your labors seem. Show up day after day after day—and one day, God just might make you a saint.

-Fr. Bru

Sanctuary Lamp
Our Sanctuary Lamp burns
For the Repose of the Soul of:
Leonard Mayfield