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problems and intercede for those in need. Often times, in our prayer, we don't give Him time to respond, or we expect Him to respond in our time frame. Prayer, however, is a two-way street. St Augustine says, "Your prayer is the word you speak to God. When you read the Bible, God speaks to you; when you pray, you speak to God."

Over the next few weeks, I'm going to share with you the insights of Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation, *Verbum Domini* (The Word of God), and share with you different ways we as Catholics can dive into Scripture that we may hear the Word of God speak to us.

### ***This week's Scripture readings***

<u>Mon 2/4</u> <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i>	Hebrews 11:32-40 Psalm 31:20-24 Mark 5:1-20
<u>Tues 2/5</u> <i>Agatha Virgin, Martyr</i>	Hebrews 12:1-4 Psalm 22:26-32 Mark 5:21-43
<u>Wed 2/6</u> <i>Paul Miki, Priest, Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs</i>	Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15 Psalm 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18 Mark 6:1-6
<u>Thurs 2/7</u> <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i>	Hebrews 12:18-19, 21-24 Psalm 48:2-4, 9-11 Mark 6:7-13
<u>Fri 2/8</u> <i>Jerome Emiliani, Priest/Founder Josephine Bakhita, Virgin</i>	Hebrews 13:1-8 Psalm 27:1, 3, 5, 8-9 Mark 6:14-29
<u>Sat 2/9</u> <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i>	Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21 Psalm 23:1-6 Mark 6:30-34
<u>Sun 2/10</u> <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 138:1-5, 7-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

**Website**  
www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
First Friday of every month  
9:30 am - 4:30 pm (Benediction)

**Charitable Outreach**  
Friends of St Francis  
(985) 515-2944

**Religious Education**  
Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

**Youth Ministry**  
Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

**Bulletin Deadline**  
Tuesday, noon.

**Please pray for:**  
Special Intention, Lauren Authement, Renée Bergeron, Linda Boos, Paula Davis, Ann Estave, Bonnie Evans, Fr Peter Hammett, Ed Hannan, Darlene Hartman, Tra-Lynn Hartman, Bonnie Henderson, James Jambon, Henry and Tina Lirette, Jean Lugo, Cheryl Morse, Juanita Muhs, Tina Nunenmacher, Jules Owen, Jessica Patridge, Bertha Pitcher, Matthew Schrider, Tommy Seal, Nick Tullier, Jenna Varnado, Lori Voss, Watson, Family, Christian Wood, Genevieve Zeringue, Sid Zeringue

*Names remain on the list for three months. To add or keep someone on the list, call our office, 839-4040, or email [holyfamilychurchfranklinton@yahoo.com](mailto:holyfamilychurchfranklinton@yahoo.com).*

### **Stewardship Report**

regular collection      \$ 2,312.00  
building fund            \$ 160.00

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Fourth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary  
Time

# HOLY FAMILY

Catholic Church ♦ Franklinton, LA

February 3  
2019

*My brothers and sisters: Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. — 1 Cor 12:31*

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**Weekend Masses**  
Saturday Vigil: 5 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am,  
and 3 pm (en español)

**Weekday Masses**  
*no Mass on Monday*  
Tuesday, Wednesday: 5 pm  
Thursday, Friday: 9 am

**Confessions**  
Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 pm  
and by appointment

**Marriages**  
Contact Fr Kyle at least six months before your anticipated date.

**Baptisms**  
Contact Fr Kyle when you are ready to have your child baptized.

### **From our Pastor: THE WORD OF GOD - Part 1**

As Catholics we can be afraid to touch the Scriptures. We might have been told not to, because we might come up with some heresy. It was a reaction to the *sola Scriptura* ("only Scripture") concept of our Protestant brethren. We as Catholics hold that we receive God's revelation through Scripture and Tradition, as opposed to only in Scripture. This reaction of previous generations stifled the spiritual life of the Church. Countless saints, especially from the early Church, spoke of the importance of Scripture. St Jerome went so far as to say, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

When we open the Bible, we encounter the Word of God speaking to us. We wonder why we never hear God speak, when in fact, we do, every Sunday when the readings are read. He is speaking right to us, sometimes to exactly what is going on in our lives.

We live in a world today that believes that God does not exist, and if He does, He surely doesn't act or speak in our everyday situations. We believe, rather, that God is living and active, that He constantly is acting to bring us closer to Him. We believe He is present in every situation, good and bad. But, the thoughts of the world are strong and come to us at all sides, with most TV we watch, in the music we listen to, in the books we read, and in the films we see. For our faith to remain strong we need to maintain and grow our relationship with Christ, who pulls us out of darkness into His own wonderful light. A relationship demands conversation, both speaking and listening.

We've got the speaking down pat. We pray the rosary, do our devotions, pray the Divine Mercy chaplet, or pray a particular novena. We pray the prayers at Mass. We share with God our

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**Coffee Social!** next Sun 2/10, 9:30 am, in the hall

### Upcoming events

- 2/5 Scripture Study 6 pm
- 2/6 St Joseph Altar meeting 10 am
- 2/6 Y-Prep 6 pm
- 2/6 CYO 7 pm
- 2/8 Rosary 8:30 am
- 2/9 Confessions 3:30-4:15 pm
- 2/10 Coffee Social 9:30 am
- 2/10 CCD 9:45 am
- 2/12 Altar & Rosary 10 am
- 2/13 Y-Prep 6 pm
- 2/13 CYO 7 pm
- 2/14 Friends of St Francis 9:30 am



### Were you married in 1969?

The Archdiocesan 50th Anniversary celebration will be held at 3 pm on Sunday, June 2, at St Philip Neri in Metairie. Couples must register through their own parish, so call our office before 4 pm on Thurs 3/28 to beat the deadline. Congrats, and thank you for the way your faithful love reminds us of Christ's love for us, His Church. We pray that the Lord will give you many more happy years together!

### Retreat opportunity

The Archdiocesan Retreat Center in Metairie will offer an overnight retreat March 8-10, 2019: *The Road to Emmaus: God's Loving and Merciful Desire for Encounter With Us*. This would be a wonderful start to your Lent! Call 504-887-1420 for info.

### Mass Intentions

- 2/2 5 pm †Shirley LeBlanc  
†Marie Rouse Aucoin
- 2/3 8:30 am Our Parishioners
- 2/3 11 am †Diane Gennusa  
†Mary Lou Gennusa  
†Hilda and Erole Kreamer  
†Jimmy Richoux  
†Torry Richoux  
†F. and A. Vahle  
Sid Zeringue
- 2/3 3 pm †Gregory Newman
- 2/5 5 pm †Gregory Newman
- 2/6 5 pm †Bertha Pitcher
- 2/7 9 am †Souls in Purgatory (JV)
- 2/8 9 am †Brandi Sander

### New faces welcome as St Joseph Altar gears up

The San Giuseppe [St Joseph] Committee will meet in the hall on Wed 2/6 at 10 am to plan this year's St Joseph Altar. Anyone interested in helping with the altar is invited. All are welcome—Italian ancestry not required! Questions? Call Judy Gilardi, 985-839-2562.

Scripture Study meets  
this Tues 2/5 6 pm  
in the library

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn  
February 3 - 9  
in memory of  
**Mary Lou Gennusa**  
by request of  
Frank and Debby Gennusa



An Event with  
**SCOTT HAHN &  
MATTHEW LEONARD**

WISDOM *for Our* LENTEN JOURNEY  
THE HOLY FAMILY AND YOUR FAMILY



Join best-selling author Dr. Scott Hahn and Journey Through Scripture host Matthew Leonard this Lent for a presentation on the importance of cultivating a holy family.



**TICKETS** ~~\$50~~ **SPECIAL HOLY FAMILY PRICE \$30**  
*Includes lunch catered by Benedict's Plantation.*

**REGISTRATION AND INFO:**  
**Holy Family Church Office 985-839-4040**