

Thirty-Third
Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time

HOLY FAMILY

Catholic Church ♦ Franklinton, LA

November 17
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"Your redemption is near at hand." – Luke 21:28

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am,
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

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Marriages

Contact Fr Kyle at least six months
prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

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

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis
985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

Youth Ministry

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, noon.

From Our Pastor:

IN DIALOGUE WITH GOD THROUGH HIS WORDS REFLECTIONS ON POPE BENEDICT'S LETTER *VERBUM DOMINI*

We all know the feeling of being speechless. Even those who have the gift of gab and can carry on a conversation with a brick wall know what it is like to be bereft of speech. In dialogue with God we find it easy to tell him what we want, what is bothering us, to let him know about our current cross. However, as I pointed out last week, he wants to go into deeper conversation with us, to delve into the depths of an aching soul and to talk about our desires and whether they are pure or need purifying, to delve into why something is bothering us and where we need his grace, to go into the reason he allowed this particular Calvary to occur out of love for us. Deep conversation, though, is difficult and often we cannot find words to express well what we're thinking and feeling.

Pope Benedict says this is one reason why Scripture is so important. "The word of God draws us into a conversation with the Lord: the God who speaks teaches us how to speak to him," (VD, 24). Not only does Scripture speak to us of God's word, it can also become our words to him. Pope Benedict especially mentions the Psalms, "where God gives us his words to speak to him, to place our lives before him, and thus make life itself a path to God. In the Psalms we find expressed every possible human feeling set masterfully in the sight of God; joy and pain, distress and hope, fear and trepidation: here all find expressions," (VD, 24).

Think about how we are trained to communicate our emotions. Primarily, it happens in our family environment. Children learn to communicate feelings the way their parents do, for better or worse. Then, as we age, we learn from our peer groups and the wider community, es-

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You are cordially invited... Save the date!

Sister Theresa invites you to her Holy Trinity Hermitage for an Open House/Day of Gratitude for God's Providence, Sat 12/7. Bring a lawn chair and an appetizer or dessert to share. The day will begin with praying the Liturgy of the Hours for Midday at noon, and conclude at dusk with a bonfire and Advent Vespers. Sr Theresa's hermitage is located at 30226 Woodrow Magee Rd, Franklinton, and her phone number is **985-373-3241**.



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pecially through mediums of art, like music and film. All of this relating is to human persons, who are equal in dignity. However, communicating emotion "in the sight of God," as Pope Benedict says, is a different skill, a different way to communicate.

The Psalms, and really all of Scripture, then, gives us a vocabulary and style in how to pray. They are a teacher in how to enter into dialogue with God. This is one reason the Jewish people used the Psalms so often in their communal prayer, and we do as well. We learn how to speak to God by using the words he gives us, just as we learned to speak by imitating the words of our parents gave us. "In this way our word to God becomes God's word," (VD, 24).

This doesn't mean we lose our originality in conversation with God. The deeper we enter into the dialogue of listening, receiving, and responding, the greater connections are made and the greater facility we have with this "new language" called prayer. The deeper we enter into this dialogue "our whole existence becomes a dialogue with God who speaks and listens, who calls us and gives direction to our lives. Here the word of God reveals that our entire life is under the divine call," (VD, 24).

To: Kyle

HEY Y'ALL: IT'S **OPEN SEASON** ON TURKEY [TAGS]!!

THIS WEEKEND IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO **SNAG A TAG** FOR TURKEYS AND OTHER ITEMS TO MAKE UP HOLY FAMILY'S THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED. THE MORE PEOPLE TAKE PART, THE MORE FAMILIES CAN BE TOUCHED. DEADLINE TO RETURN FOOD ITEMS IS **SAT 11/23**.

WHAT'RE YOU LOOKIN' AT?



Please keep bringing in your

- ✓ peanut butter
- ✓ canned tuna
- ✓ financial gifts

for the Help Center Food Bank!

Please make checks out to Help Center, or place a cash gift in a marked envelope, and place in our collection.

Holy Family's response has been fantastic!

Thank you!

And speaking of Thanksgiving...

Eucharist / 'yook (ə) rəst / (noun): [based on Greek *eukharistos* 'grateful', *eukharistia* 'thanksgiving', 'gratitude']

Our word **Eucharist** means **to give thanks**. An especially fitting way to celebrate Thanksgiving Day (Nov 28) is to join your church family in the Eucharist here that morning. Mass on Thanksgiving Day is at **9 am**. Please bring the bread and wine you'll use for your Thanksgiving dinner to be blessed during Mass.

ATTENTION, CCD PARENTS: CHRISTMAS PLAY NEWS

If your child would like to be in the Christmas play on Dec 15, practices will take place on Wednesdays, 4-4:45 pm, in the church. Questions? Contact Alanna Bernard, 985-515-7905.

Parish Breakfast

next Sun 11/24
9:30 am

Y'all come!

Is your last name **Burris, McGuire, Rome, or Talley?**

You have an unclaimed 8x10 in our office.

Pickup hours:
M-Th 8-4, Fri 8-1.

All are welcome to join in praying the Rosary every Friday morning at 8:30 in the church.

Start an Advent wreath for your family

The Advent wreath is an old tradition that remains popular in Christian families. The devotion is usually incorporated during the family meal or family night prayers. It is rich in meaning and easy to implement, and can be either handmade or purchased.

Resources are available at <http://www.usccb.org>; search "Advent wreath."

(And go buy your candles before they sell out!)



Car radio not doing it for you?

Crazy-early Christmas hype stressing you out?

Tune in to Catholic Radio, WQNO 690 AM (or WPYR 1380 AM if you get Baton Rouge stations better) for an engaging mix of local and national Catholic programming.

The Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Nov 21

We read of Mary's birth and of her presentation in the Temple only in apocryphal literature (non-Scriptural documents). The traditional account tells us that her parents, Anna and Joachim, offered her to God in the Temple when she was 3 years old. This was done in faithfulness to a promise made to God while they were yet childless.

Although we have no reliable documented history, the Church has traditionally celebrated this liturgical feast, and so, sees this event as historical fact. Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose to reveal to us. It unpacks the events of the Immaculate Conception and of Mary's birth by emphasizing the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond. From the beginning of her life, she was dedicated to God, and sanctified by Him for her unique role in His saving work. She herself became a temple greater than any made by hands when the Son of God came to dwell in her in a marvelous manner. One of her titles, *Theotokos*, the *God-bearer*, captures this wonderful reality.

At the same time, Mary's holiness teaches us, her children, that we too are created by God, and sanctified by His sacramental grace, in order that we might share in His saving work. How? By being *Christ-bearers* to the world as our personal vocation calls us to. As Mary was, let us be faithful to prayer, sensitive to the direction of the Holy Spirit, and generously obedient to His call. May the attitude of each of our hearts be "I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

They not only shaped the life of the Church, they changed the course of western civilization.

WHO WERE THESE PIVOTAL PLAYERS?

Journey with Bishop Robert Barron to explore the lasting influence of Saints Francis, Thomas Aquinas, Catherine of Siena, and others, as well as other influential figures like Michelangelo and G.K. Chesterton. Our parish journey begins on Thurs 1/16/20. This study series, at the reasonable cost of \$25 for your materials, covers three "semesters" — Spring and Fall 2020, and Spring 2021. To see more of what this outstanding program offers, visit www.pivotalplayers.com. The study group will be coordinated by Sid Zeringue, sid_zeringue@yahoo.com or 839-5146. So that we can order in time to begin on schedule, please register before Fri 12/13. Our office has registration/order forms.

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Mass Intentions

11/16 5 pm Special Intention (M)
Special Intention (V)
†Mary Ann Cole
†Judy Jenkins
†Kathleen Ketry
†Shirley LeBlanc
†Donel Tullos
†Kaye Varnado
†Souls in Purgatory

11/17 8:30 am †Royce Arthur
Diane Gill
Jan LaBorde
†Katie Westmoreland McCain
†Meaghan Millette
†Catalina Samanamud
†Brandi Sander
†Elton Thomas
Andrew Zeringue
†Genevieve Zeringue

11/17 11 am Our Parishioners

11/17 3 pm Aidan Ibarra

11/19 5 pm †Meaghan Millette

11/20 5 pm †A.L. and G.M. France

11/21 9 am †Genevieve Zeringue

11/22 9 am †Brandi Sander

Upcoming events

11/16-17 Thanksgiving turkey tags available at all Masses

11/16 Confessions 3:30-4:15 pm

11/17 CCD 9:45 am

11/20 Deanery Meeting 11:30 am

11/20 Christmas Play practice 4-4:45 pm

11/20 Y-Prep 6 pm

11/20 CYO 7 pm

11/21 Men's Prayer Group 5:30 pm

11/21 RCIA 6 pm

11/22 Rosary 8:30 am

11/23 Food Drive deadline 12 pm

11/24 Parish Breakfast 9:30 am

11/24 CCD 9:45 am

11/24 Comida después de la Misa en español 3 pm

11/28 Thanksgiving Day - Mass 9 am

11/29 Rosary 8:30 am

11/30 Confessions 3:30-4:15 pm

12/1 Rosary at the Prayer Garden 9:45 am

The current monthly calendar is always downloadable at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/bulletins, where it's dated the 1st of the month. You will find printed copies on the shelf in the back of the church and on the table in the office hallway.

Next week's special collection

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

For a description of the ministries supported by this collection, see enclosed flyer. Envelopes are available on the bookshelf.

Please pray for:

Baldassaro Family, Leo Baracco, Christine Bernard, Harvey Bienvenu, Linda Boos, Susan Corkern, Ann Cowart, Briley Davis, Paula Davis, Craig Estave, Douglas Ferrante, Diane Gill, Miriam Gonsoulin, Voncile Griffith, Charmaine Hebert, Katie and Renée Herbert, Louise Hotard, Camren Johnson, Fr Aelred Kavanaugh OSB, Jan LaBorde, Larry Lambremont, Scott Lee, Henry and Tina Lirette, Denise Malbrough, Linda Marra, Mary Melvin, Jacob, Kalob, and Milton Morel, Darlene and Hubert Neal, Mickey Power, Ruby Price, Mary Rasch, Dannel Rome, Tommy Thiebaut, Nick Tullier, Cody Westmoreland (deployed-Afghanistan), Kayla Whitney, Joe Williams

Names stay on the list for three months. To add someone, call 839-4040, place a note in the collection, or email holyfamilyfranklinton@arch-no.org.

Sing to God
with gratitude
in your heart.

*St Paul, letter to the
Colossians, 3:16*

Saint Cecilia,
patron of music
and musicians,
pray for us!

*St Cecilia's feast
day is November 22*

The Sanctuary Light will burn
November 17-23
in memory of
Michael D. Maddox
by request of A Friend



This week's Scripture readings

Mon 11/18 1 Maccabees 1:10-15,41-43,54-63
Rose Philippine Duchesne Ps 119:53,61,134,150-158
Virgin, Religious Founder Luke 18:35-43

Tues 11/19 2 Maccabees 6:18-31
Ordinary Time Psalm 3:2-7
Weekday Luke 19:1-10

Wed 11/20 2 Maccabees 7:1,20-31
Ordinary Time Psalm 17:1,5-6,8,15
Weekday Luke 19:11-28

Thurs 11/21 Zechariah 2:14-17
Presentation Psalm 50:1-2,5-6,14-15
of Mary Matthew 12:46-50

Fri 11/22 Hosea 2:16-17, 21-22
Cecilia 1 Chronicles 29:10-12
Virgin, Martyr Matthew 25:1-13

Sat 11/23 1 Maccabees 6:1-13
Clement I, Pope; Psalm 9:2-4,6,16,19
(Blessed) Miguel Pro, Martyr Luke 20:27-40

Sun 11/24 2 Samuel 5:1-3
Solemnity of Our Psalm 122:1-5
Our Lord Jesus Christ, Colossians 1:12-20
King of the Universe Luke 23:35-43

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