

October 18, 2020

**FOCUS:*****Our primary allegiance is to God.***

Our allegiance to country – be it the United States or another nation – is important, but never more important than our allegiance to God. Our primary identity is not as citizens of a particular country, but as children of God. It is God to whom we belong, first and foremost. This is the message of today's readings.

Our first reading from Isaiah is about Cyrus, king of Persia, to whom the Lord gave power to subdue the Babylonians. Cyrus then allowed the captive Israelites to return to Jerusalem. This rebellion was accomplished, not for the sake of Cyrus or his kingdom, but for God's glory. Of primary importance is not belonging to the Babylonians or Persians, but belonging to God and knowing that there is none other besides him.

In the Gospel, Jesus' opponents try to entrap him on the question of taxation. Jesus' response is, *repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.* Caesar's image and inscription are on the Roman coin. Thus, they belong to Caesar.

Jesus does not ask, but the next question is implied: Where do we find God's image and inscription? The answer is, in us, his children. God created us in his image and inscribed his law on our hearts. No matter what their allegiance to Rome, Jesus' message to his opponents is that they belong to God. Caesar may claim the coins to be his own, but he cannot claim people; they are claimed by God.

We are God's, we belong to him. We must repay to God what belongs to God. How do we do this? We do this by giving God our very selves: loving him with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. We do this by giving God the best we have to offer: our first fruits of time, talent, and treasure. We do this by giving God our primary allegiance: putting God first, before nations or kingdoms, political or economic systems, institutions or ideologies.

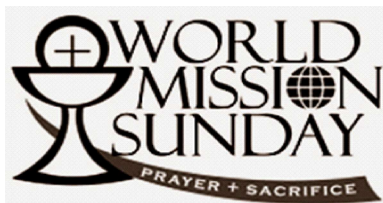
Participating in the Eucharist, we are united with Christ and one another in offering our very selves to God. The grace of the sacrament strengthens our unity and allegiance to the One to whom we belong, now and forever.

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### STEWARDSHIP REPORT October 10 & 11, 2020

#### WEEKLY GOAL TO MEET ANNUAL NEEDS: \$6,500.00

Weekly Collection -	\$3906.00
Building Fund -	\$ 721.00



**TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** – We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Please place your envelope or donation in the collection basket.

### PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES

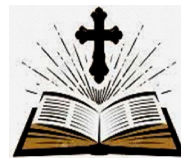
*Our Father in Heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season and protect us and our homes from all disasters. Our Lady of Prompt Succor hasten to help us. Amen!*

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sat, 10/17</u>	- 4:00pm	- K.C. SILVER ROSE MASS Paul Fournier, Wayne Riche', Nellie Giroir (B)
<u>Sun, 10/18</u>	- 8:00am	- Dale Lirette
<u>Sun, 10/18</u>	- 10:30am	- CATECHISTS MASS – Donald Burnett
<u>Mon, 10/19</u>	- 6:30am	- Liturgy of the Word
<u>Tue, 10/20</u>	- 6:30am	- Dale Lirette
<u>Wed, 10/21</u>	- 6:30am	- Rachel & Lula Chiasson
<u>Thu, 10/22</u>	- 6:30am	- Fernando, Sr., Lilia & Grandparents
<u>Fri, 10/23</u>	- 6:30am	- Myra Blanchard, Harvey Perque
<u>Sat, 10/24</u>	- 4:00pm	- Pam Daigle
<u>Sun, 10/25</u>	- 8:00am	- Harold Cade
<u>Sun, 10/25</u>	- 10:30am	- Donald Burnett (DA-10/23)

### WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sat, 10/17</u>	- Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 12:8-12
<u>Sun, 10/18</u>	- Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21
<u>Mon, 10/19</u>	- Ephesians 2:1-10; Luke 12:13-21
<u>Tue, 10/20</u>	- Ephesians 2:12-22; Luke 12:35-38
<u>Wed, 10/21</u>	- Ephesians 3:2-12; Luke 12:39-48
<u>Thu, 10/22</u>	- Ephesians 3:14-21, Luke 12:49-53
<u>Fri, 10/23</u>	- Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 12:54-59
<u>Sat, 10/24</u>	- Ephesians 4:7-16; Luke 13:1-9
<u>Sun, 10/25</u>	- Exodus 22:20-26, 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10, Matthew 22:34-40



**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY COUPLES** – Couples that signed up for the Wedding Anniversary Celebration will receive their Anniversary Certificate at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Please confirm that you will attend via email, [stanthonybayoublack@hdiocese.org](mailto:stanthonybayoublack@hdiocese.org) or calling the office, 985-872-0922.

**MASS ATTENDANCE** – It is vital that we stay within the guidelines of the state regarding places of worship. **\*\*You must wear a mask. \*\*Remain 6 feet apart (social distancing). \*\*No physical contact outside your household. \*\*** The 10:30am Mass will be live-streamed on our website and FB page.



This Sunday morning at the 10:30am Mass, Father will present the teachers for our Youth Formation Classes and bless them with a special prayer. We want to welcome and thank all those that have dedicated their time and talent to teach our children as they continue on their Faith Journey. **Kindergarten**-Brandy Dombrowski & Susan Porche **1<sup>st</sup>**-Kim Chafin **2<sup>nd</sup>**-Nicole LeBouef **3<sup>rd</sup>**-Deanna & Michael Breaux **4<sup>th</sup>**-Kayla LeBlanc **5<sup>th</sup>**-Donna Hill **6<sup>th</sup>** & **7<sup>th</sup>**-Mary Massey **8<sup>th</sup>** & **9<sup>th</sup>**-Gia Champagne & Sondra Harris **10<sup>th</sup>** & **11<sup>th</sup>**-The Confirmation Team will be listed in the bulletin next week.  
**Coordinators**-Mary Massey and Kayla Adams

### SANCTUARY CANDLE

burn this week IN LOVING MEMORY of

♥ **Gable & Rita Duplantis, Daspit, Duplantis, Hebert & Rodriguez families** by Betty & Clarence Hebert ♥ **Gilbert, Uraine, Albert & Billy Joe Trahan** by W. L., Rita & Carroll Trahan ♥ **John, Della, Warren, Eula, Will, Ronald and Emmett Rodrigue, Arthur and Marie Hebert** by Rodrigue Family ♥ **Logan Naquin, Trey Marmande, Gerald & Judith Duplantis** by the Chafin Family ♥ **M/M Joseph Dufour, M/M George Darsey, M/M Harold Favret, Sr., Harold Favret, Jr., Charles Favret & Marie Hyland** by Linda D. Favret ♥ **Neal, Linda, Theresa & Reynold Hebert; Giroir, Fauchaux & Hebert Family** by Janis Hebert & Hebert Family ♥ **Pierre LeBlanc, Ann Gill, Terri Lambert, Nell Kay & Curtis Marcello, Sr., Tenny Moore, Bubba McNeal, Aull & LeBlanc Families** by Kaye LeBlanc ♥ **Ryan & Marc Pitre, Viella & Nolan Rogers** by Carol Antill ♥ **Ted & Violet DeYeide Borowski, John Ford Sr., Betty Lockwood, Carin Lapeyrouse Schreiber, Borowski, DeYeide, Dison and Ford family** by James & Stefanie Ford ♥ **Victor & Beau Tedesco & Tedesco and Boudreaux Families** by Madelyn Tedesco ♥ **BeBe Breaux, Stanley, Sr., Eva, S.P., Jr., Betty Hebert & Sons, Breaux, Trahan, Giroir, Blanchard & Hebert Families** by Virdie and Bubba Breaux ♥ **Begue & Hebert Families, Ellen Monterio, Cody Antill & Dale Bergeron** by Ann & Gary Hebert ♥ **Bonnie, Rene & Marguerite Guidry, Ernest, Ertell & Emil Joller** by Ulysse & Miriam Guidry ♥ **Davis, Jr. & Michael Arceneaux, Iris Gaston Talbot, Vicki & Christopher Steib & Rena Hebert** by Shelia Arceneaux ♥ **Ed & Dolly Richard, Lucy Porche, Louis & Lois Authement, June Fischer, Sylvia & Reed Folse, Dot & Junel Marcel** by Ed & Elaine Richard ♥

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Sat, 10/17** 4:00pm - Vigil Mass - Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Mass

**Sun, 10/18** 8:00am - Mass  
9:15am - RCIA in the Parish Office  
10:30am - Mass - Catechists Mass  
6:30pm - Youth Formation Classes **8<sup>th</sup>** & **9<sup>th</sup>** Graders (In Person; Hall)

**Mon, 10/19** 6:30am - Liturgy of the Word  
5:30pm - **K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (HOME FAITH FORMATION)**  
6:30pm - **4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Grade (In Person; Hall)**

**Tue, 10/20** 6:30am - Mass  
9:30am - Bible Study

**Wed, 10/21** 6:30am - Mass

**Thr, 10/22** 6:30am - Mass

**Fri, 10/23** 6:30am - Mass

**Sat, 10/24** 4:00pm - Vigil Mass

**Sun, 10/25** 8:00am - Mass  
9:15am - RCIA in the Parish Office  
10:30am - Mass



**DON'T FORGET: ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE** for parishioners with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. DONATING IS SIMPLE, SAFE, AND COMPLETELY SECURE. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit [stanthonymbayoublack.weshareonline.org](http://stanthonymbayoublack.weshareonline.org). If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish office at 985.872.0922.

### ST. FRANCIS de SALES CATHEDRAL

#### DAY OF PRAYER

#### FOR OUR COUNTRY



St. Francis de Sales Cathedral will host a Day of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from **9:00am until Benediction at 4:45pm on Wednesday, October 21, 2020.** The

rosary will be prayed at each hour. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3:00pm, Benediction at 4:45pm, Holy Mass at 5:30pm. Please consider signing up for an hour! If you cannot stay the hour, please stop by for a visit. We need adorers before the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day so that Our Lord is never alone. **Please spread the word! Everyone is invited!** To sign up for an hour or for more information call St. Francis Cathedral Rectory at 876-6904.

Join us in praying for our Country!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Please mark your calendars

**Sun, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>** - 11:30am - Blessing of the Cemetery (following the 10:30am Mass)

**Mon, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>** - 6:30am - Mass - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

**Wed, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00pm - Annual Memorial Mass

**Sat, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>** - 4:00pm - Vigil Mass - In Honor of Our Veterans

**Sun, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>** - 10:30am - Mass - In Honor of Our Wedding Anniversary Couples

**Wed, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>** - 6:30am - Mass

**Wed, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00pm - Thanksgiving Vigil Mass

**Thr, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>** - 8:00am - Thanksgiving Day Mass - Office Closed

**Fri, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** - No Mass - Office Closed

### YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

#### CLASS SCHEDULE

**October 18<sup>th</sup>** - 6:30pm - 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade (In Person)

**October 19<sup>th</sup>** - 5:30pm - K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (HOME FAITH FORMATION)

**6:30pm** - 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Grade (In Person)

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**October 25<sup>th</sup>** - 6:30pm - 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade (HOME FAITH FORMATION)

10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grade (In Person)

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Please note the schedule above is a "projected plan" and might change due to the unknowns of the pandemic. Any changes will be properly communicated to the parents. St. Anthony Church will continue to adhere with the guidelines proposed by the State, CDC and Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux to ensure everyone's health and safety. In the end, it is your decision as parents as to what is best for your children.

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