

November 8, 2020

**FOCUS:****Seeking wisdom because we believe in Christ transforms us and prepares us for eternal life with him.**

Our readings today provide some guidance for living in these uncertain times, but the message is not about being prepared for safeguarding our physical well-being. It is an encouraging message about preparing ourselves for that wondrous time when the Lord shall return and we will live forever with him in heaven.

In the Book of Wisdom, we hear three things that are comforting, especially as they relate to the Gospel. First, *She [Wisdom] is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her.* Simply put, wisdom is not difficult to obtain. In sincerely seeking wisdom, we will recognize it and gain it.

Next, *Taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence.* Just thinking about wisdom will change us. It will not only enlighten us, but perfect us in our ability to make good choices and take right action.

Finally, *Whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care.* The Book of Wisdom tells us that if we consistently seek God's wisdom, we will find hope in what we learn. This hope allows us to be free from care because we learn to trust that our loving God is with us no matter what the future holds, and he waits to welcome us into his Kingdom at the end of our lives.

What we learn from Wisdom has pertinent application to Jesus' words in today's Gospel. The parable of the wise and foolish maidens provides a lesson about the importance of making wise choices each and every day. The oil represents these choices – if we live our lives consistently seeking wisdom because we believe in Christ and seek to grow in love for him, it transforms us. We become more like Christ. As we imitate his care and compassion for others, especially the most vulnerable, our lamps will overflow with the oil of our loving deeds and choices. Our oil will not run out. We will be prepared. We will have enough to keep our lamps lit and be ready to greet the Lord when he arrives.

In this uncertain and ever-changing world in which we live, and in the midst of so much that we cannot control, one thing is certain and ought to fill us with relief, peace, and consolation: Christ will come again! With God's help and the grace of the Holy Spirit, we pray: for wisdom; to make wise choices; and to keep our lamps full for the time when the cry will arise, *Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!*

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**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.**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

- Sat, 11/7** – 4:00pm – Wayne Riche', M/M Joe Daspit  
**Sun, 11/8** – 8:00am – Annie Miller (DA)  
**Sun, 11/8** – 10:30am – **In Honor of our Couples celebrating Special Anniversaries,**  
 Ray & Betty Waguespack
- Mon, 11/9** – 6:30am – Liturgy of the Word  
**Tue, 11/10** – 6:30am – Fernando, Sr., Lilia & Grandparents  
**Wed, 11/11** – 6:30am – All Veterans, Nelson Trahan (B)  
**Thu, 11/12** – 6:30am – Myra Blanchard, Harvey Perque  
**Fri, 11/13** – 6:30am – Dale Lirette  
**Sat, 11/14** – 4:00pm – Breaux, Trahan & Crochet Families  
**Sun, 11/15** – 8:00am – Jean Miller (B – 11/14), Walter Chauff (B)  
**Sun, 11/15** – 10:30am – Donald Burnett

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT – NOVEMBER 7 & 8, 2020****WEEKLY GOAL TO MEET ANNUAL NEEDS: \$6,500.00**

Will be posted next week due to early printing of the bulletin

**Wednesday, November 11, 2020**

**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!

**ST. ANTHONY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

will have their General Meeting  
 on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

- TODAY – MAINTENANCE BUILDING FUND** – Donations will be accepted at Masses this weekend. Please place your envelope or check in the basket marked for the second collection. Thank you for your continued support.
- OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup> & 15<sup>TH</sup> – BAYOU CATHOLIC** – Monies received next week will be used to supplement the operations of the Bayou Catholic, which is a monthly publication used to educate, guide, inspire and challenge local Catholics to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please place your envelope or check in the basket marked for the second collection. Thank you for your continued support.

**WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Sun, 11/8** – Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13  
**Mon, 11/9** – Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22  
**Tue, 11/10** – Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Luke 17:7-10  
**Wed, 11/11** – Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19  
**Thu, 11/12** – Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25  
**Fri, 11/13** – 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37  
**Sat, 11/14** – 3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8  
**Sun, 11/15** – Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30



**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

- Sat, 11/7** 8:00am – First Saturday Mass  
4:00pm – Vigil Mass – In Honor of Our Veterans
- Sun, 11/8** 8:00am – Mass  
9:00am – RCIA in the Parish Office  
10:30am – Mass – In Honor of Our Special Anniversary Couples  
6:30pm – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)  
6:30pm – 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grades (In Person @ Hall)
- Mon, 11/9** 6:30am – Mass – All Soul's Day  
5:30pm – K – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades (In Person @ Hall)  
6:30pm – 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)
- Tue, 11/10** 6:30am – Mass  
9:30am – Bible Study
- Wed, 11/11** 6:30am – Mass
- Thr, 11/12** 6:30am – Mass  
6:30pm – K. C. General Meeting
- Sat, 11/14** 4:00pm – Vigil Mass
- Sun, 11/15** 8:00am – Mass  
10:30am – Mass  
6:30pm – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades (In Person @ Hall)  
– 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)



**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)**
- Tues, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>** – 6:30pm – **Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting**
- 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. 11<sup>th</sup>** – **Veteran's Day – Thank You to all who served, are serving, and made the ultimate sacrifice for our Country!**
- 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

**SANCTUARY CANDLE** burn this week  
IN LOVING MEMORY of



♥ **Donald, Walter & Stella Chauff, Robert, Yvonne, & Richard Gagnon, Jeannie Hampton** by Carmen Chauff ♥ **Edgar Breaux, Jr., M/M Anthony Blanchard, M/M Alcide Hebert, Adams, Hebert, Blanchard Families** by Tina & Evance Adams, III ♥ **Irvin, J., M/M Irvin Hebert, Sr., Howard & Gladys Arceneaux, Betty & Dudley Hebert, Wilson & Anne Crochet, Carl & Rita Blanchard and A. P. Hebert**

by Earline Hebert ♥ **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 Viridie 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 ♥ **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 ♥

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE**

- November 8<sup>th</sup>** – 6:30pm – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)  
6:30pm – 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grades (In Person)
- November 9<sup>th</sup>** – 5:30pm – K – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades (In Person)  
6:30pm – 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)
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- November 15<sup>th</sup>** – 6:30pm – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades (In Person)  
10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grades (Home)
- November 16<sup>th</sup>** – 5:30pm – K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grades (HOME)  
6:30pm – 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grades (In Person)

**November 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> and November 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>**  
– NO YOUTH FORMATION CLASSES

**SANCTUARY CANDLES FOR 2021** – We would like to have the form for Sanctuary Candles for 2021 filled out so that the 2021 information can be set up. Please **PRINT YOUR INFORMATION** and be sure to **INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER.**

**2021 MASS INTENTION SHEETS** are available in the back of Church. Please fill out and return as soon as you can. Please **PRINT YOUR INFORMATION** and be sure to **INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER.**

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