



SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUN 10 – 16

- Monday** – Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34
– **Blessed Joachima**
- Tuesday** – Acts 11:21b-26; Mt 5:13-16
– **Saint Barnabus**
- Wednesday** – 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
– **Blessed Jolenta (Yolanda) of Poland**
- Thursday** – 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26
– **Saint Anthony of Padua**
- Friday** – 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
– **Saint Albert Chmielowski**
- Saturday** – 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37
– **Saint Marguerite d'Youville**
- Sunday** – Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15
– **Saint John Francis Regis**
The Most Holy Trinity

PRAY FOR: Mona Escobar, Ray Duthu, Beryl Toups Odom, Linda Lee, J.A. Foret, Jason Chaisson, Christina Sparks, Edrith Boudreaux, Dale Boudreaux, Ursula M. Breaux, Ray Marcello, Barbara Toups Miller, Susan Laperouse, Melinda Fabre, Sheryl Leaber, Evelyn Ruckstuhl, Deacon Lee Crochet, Selma Ferjani, Dee Belanger, Ray Laperouse, Holden Sawyer, and for all prayer shawl recipients.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially Kathie Doyle Folse.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers on the Altar were donated in loving memory of **Mr. Allen & Mrs. Margie Belanger** by *Dr. John Dagate*

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Church

In Loving Memory of Ernest, Betty, and Sadi Mabile
by *Mark, Tobi, and Rhea' Mabile*

GOSPEL COMMENTARY

“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.”

Pentecost [from the Greek word for “fiftieth”] is the day the Apostles discerned and accepted the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim Jesus Christ to people from many nations, cultures, languages and religious beliefs. The people listening to them came from many countries heard the Apostles in their own tongue. Amazing! More amazing is that people with a variety of religious beliefs came to believe in Jesus. Later Paul wrote to Christians in Corinth, a seaport city with people from many nations, cultures, languages and religious beliefs. He told them something so obvious we often forget it: Each of us is a person with a unique array of talents, abilities and gifts that God has given to us to use for ourselves and for others - material wealth, intelligence, artistic talent, athletic ability, the gift of music, and many others. God intends for us to enjoy them ourselves and to share them with others. How are we doing with that?

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday – June 2

Envelopes (235).....	\$10,040.00
Loose	\$ 2,093.10
Total	\$12,133.10

Sunday – May 26

Envelopes (239).....	\$10,697.78
Loose	\$ 2,044.42
Total	\$12,742.20

May Online Giving.....	\$ 1,395.00
May Building Improvement Fund....	\$ 223.91

PARISH NEWS

ARE YOU REGISTERED??

Are you officially registered here at St. Francis? If you are not sure or you want to be registered – please call (985-876-6904), email (rvowell@htdiocese.org), or go online to the church website – www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org and download the Parish Membership Form. Those that may have attended for years but are not officially registered will not be included in our Guide Book due to the way we have to query the data. Please also call or email the church office to update your address, phone, or email address.

CATHOLIC KORNER

Last week we learned that if we live according to the 8 Beatitudes – then we will be happy. Celebrating makes us happy! Time to celebrate! Did you know that the feast of **Pentecost** is often referred to as the birthday of the Church? It is called that because **Pentecost** is when the apostles went out among the people and began spreading Jesus’ message, thus establishing the beginning of the Church.

Pentecost (Greek for 50th day) is celebrated by Christians 50 days after Easter, and marks the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. After receiving the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, the apostles immediately went out and preached Jesus’ message to everyone—even those who spoke other languages.

“Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city, until you are clothed with power from on high” [Lk. 24:46-49]. This “clothing with power” comes with the delivery of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.

The symbols of **Pentecost** are the flame, wind, and the dove, which represents the Holy Spirit. The color of **Pentecost** is red and the priest wears red vestments on this day. Parishioners are also invited to wear red on this day. Red decorations as well as celebrations are appropriate, similar to any other birthday.

PRAYER

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.
Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



Find out more next week when we talk about the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

*Do you have a particular question you want answered?
Send in your questions to rvowell@htdiocese.org to have answered here!*

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

RCIA – The Rite of Christian Initiation

For Catholics who have been Baptized, Confirmed and made First Communion but then drifted from the faith, the way they return is through the Sacrament of Penance. Catholics who were baptized but never received Confirmation and/or Eucharist also participate in a period of formation. The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) provides a welcoming and informative atmosphere for individuals interested in becoming Catholic and those who have been baptized but not catechized in the faith or received other sacraments. This process of spiritual enlightenment enables the participants to grow in faith and knowledge of the Catholic Church. The Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation takes place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday when the Elect receives the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Now the person is fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

Call the church office at 985-876-6904 to inquire or sign up. If you are interested in volunteering with RCIA by facilitating a session, please call the church office.

HELP NEEDED

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - HERITAGE MANOR

Are you looking for an awesome ministry opportunity? Heritage Manor needs you! It takes about 30 minutes each Sunday and begins at 10:15am. You will be giving Catholic residents the Body of Christ. They also need assistance on Wednesdays, Mass is celebrated at 10:00am, volunteers arrive a little earlier to determine hall scheduling. If you are interested, please contact Cathy at the church office – 985-876-6904.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE Weekend of June 15-16, 2019

Commentators

- 4:00 PM** Jude Fanguy
- 7:00 AM** Denise Dover
- 9:00 AM** Lawrence Breaux
- 11:00 AM** Ernie Perry
- 5:30 PM** Ginny Hamilton

Lectors

- 4:00 PM** Yvonne Fanguy
- 7:00 AM** Jerry Dover
- 9:00 AM** James Watkins
- 11:00 AM** Lawrence Robinson
- 5:30 PM** Christa Duplantis Prather

Ministers of the Eucharist

- 4:00 PM** Mary Anne Rodrigue, Anita Pearson, Judith Archila, Bernita Guidry, Volunteer, Volunteer
- 7:00 AM** Richard Guidry, John Breaux, Gail LeCompte, Dolly Duplantis
- 9:00 AM** Nellie Chemin, Dale Norred, Holly Champagne, Kathy Lovell, Clayton Lovell, Volunteer
- 11:00 AM** Norman Simon, Craig Bella, Jane Lirette, Abigail Lirette, Volunteer, Volunteer
- 5:30 PM** Curtis Briggs, Jenny Briggs, Sallie Preston, Gina Danos, Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

- 4:00 PM** Alice Kelley, Scott Kelley, Will Seibert
- 7:00 AM** Richard Guidry, John Breaux
- 9:00 AM** Josie Schwab, Juliana Schwab, Evan Adams
- 11:00 AM** Caroline LeRay, Ellen LeRay, Gracelyn Ramirez
- 5:30 PM** Alexander Cosky, Miriam Cosky, Emma Bennett





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD WINNERS

In conjunction with the Diocese's 40th anniversary celebration in June 2017 an annual presentation of a Diocesan Service Award to exemplary lay men and women in each of the church parishes of our diocese in appreciation of their many contributions of time and talent to the life of their church parish was initiated. The recipients were honored here at St. Francis Cathedral on Sunday, May 26 with a Prayer Service, Award Presentation, and Reception. Congratulations!!

Diocesan Service Award winners:

This award is in recognition of their service to St. Francis giving of their time and talent consistently and unselfishly.

1. Mark Laperye
2. Carla Exnicious

Diocesan Youth Leadership Award winners:

This award is the highest honor and achievement in Youth Ministry that a Junior or Senior in high school can receive.

1. Braeden Parfait
2. Anissa Holekamp

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH VISITING NEXT WEEKEND

Father Robert N. Sherry of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. For more information visit www.CrossCatholic.org.



ALTAR SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Altar Society is on Wednesday, June 19 at 2:00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Youth Center. All members, active and inactive, are invited to attend the meeting.

THE TIE-IN – ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Pentecost Sunday – Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives. **Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.**



DO YOU LOVE FREE BOOKS?

Titles like these are all free for you to read and available on FORMED.

Love: A Fruit Always in Season, Daily Meditations by Mother Teresa

Angels (and Demons) by Peter Kreeft

boys to MEN by Tim Gray and Curtis Martin

Fatima for Today by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, C.F.R.

Rome Sweet Home by Scott & Kimberly Hahn

And so many more – all free on FORMED. It is easy to sign up.

To sign up go to: go to our church website, <http://www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/>, click on FORMED, click on FORM

ED under the Register Here heading, click on Register Now, enter the requested information including email and password (that you will create).

FORMED also has an app for Apple or Android mobile devices! Go to the App Store or the Google Play store to download the FORMED App.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

- WITH FR. JAY BAKER

- MARCH 26 TO APRIL 4, 2020

Ready to travel from Bethelhem to Nazareth to Tiberias to Jerusalem (and many more points between) with Fr. Jay as your spiritual guide? This is a trip you don't want to miss! Hurry – space is limited. To receive a brochure including the reservation form – visit the church website <https://stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/> or call the church office 985-876-6904.

PRAYER FOR THE 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.



YOUTH NEWS



2019 STEUBENVILLE ON THE BAYOU - JUNE 14-16, 2019

The Catholic Youth Conference "Belong" 1 John 3:1 will be held at the Houma Terrebonne Civic Center. Please pray for all participants and volunteers.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JUNE 24-28, 2019

Mark your calendars – VBS will be June 24-28, 2019 from 9am-noon. Registration is open until June 10, 2019. The cost is \$25, which includes the cost of a t-shirt. VBS is open to children ages 4 through 6th grade. Look for the green registration form at the back of Church.

COMMUNITY NEWS

2019 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL – UPDATE!

The goal of the Cathedral of St. Francis is \$85,000. Thus far, the Cathedral of St. Francis has pledged \$57,357.80, with \$43,566.89 paid thus far from 151 pledges. We have achieved 67.48% of our pledged goal. You can give online at www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal, return your personalized commitment cards at Mass, or mail your commitment to the Diocese in the provided envelope.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND – Sept 9-18, 2019

Join Rev. Edmund Akordor, Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Norco, LA, for a 10 Day pilgrimage to the Holy Land "Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus" September 9-18, 2019. For more information, please visit <http://www.nativitypilgrimage.com/sacredheart-norco/>

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING - GLOBAL SOLIDARITY

Jesus tells us to love our neighbors, even though they may be different from us. That means those neighbors who live next door and those who live on the other side of the planet. Jesus reminds us that we are all part of God's great family.

Today, as we celebrate the power of the Spirit in the church, the scriptures remind us that the Spirit is a social Spirit – a Spirit that leads us to solidarity with each other, the whole world, and all its people. The Spirit does more than make individuals feel good or different. The Spirit breaks down barriers between peoples. The Spirit changes behavior and moves us into community. The Spirit calls us into action. The coming of the Spirit transforms the Christian community. Fear is replaced by courage. Peace is proclaimed. The power to forgive sins is present. Those who were afraid now speak up boldly. Thousands hear the message in their own language.

The coming of the Spirit is reflected in our social values. In a world of racism and fear of immigrants, the Spirit speaks to people of every nation under heaven. In a world of fear, doubt and confusion, the Spirit inspires people to open the doors and speak out especially about issues of justice and peace.

In a world of selfishness, competition, and control, the Spirit gives out gifts that are shared for the benefit of all especially those who are poor or in need. In a world of economic problems, the Spirit reminds us that the things of the world are meant to be shared by all and are to be used for the common good. In a world where the environment is abused and overused, the Spirit calls to reform how we live and to use the earth with care and love.

The gifts of the Spirit are for liberation. The Spirit is an inclusive spirit who desires to set everyone free. Maybe the greatest manifestation of the spirit is when people have the grace to identify with the needs and struggles of the world, to listen to those who are poor or oppressed, and to speak up for justice.

LIFT ADULT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE – SEPT 27-29, 2019

Friday, Sept. 27-Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019. The conference begins at 6pm on Friday, September 27 and ends on Sunday, September 29 at noon. Anyone and everyone 18 years old and up are invited. It will be held at the Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center. For individual or group registration and more information visit: <https://www.lift316.com/adult-conference-details> (Early registration and group discounts available)