

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUN 24 – 30**

- Monday** - Is 49:1-6; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
- **Nativity of St. John the Baptist**
- Tuesday** - Gn 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
- **Blessed Jutta of Thuringia**
- Wednesday** - Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20  
- **Blessed Raymond Lull**
- Thursday** - Gn 16:1-12, 15-16; Mt 7:21-29  
- **Saint Cyril of Alexandria**
- Friday** - Ez 34:11-16; Lk 15:3-7  
- **Saint Irenaeus**
- Saturday** - Acts 12:1-11; Mt 16:13-19  
- **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul**
- Sunday** - 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62  
- **First Martyrs of the Church of Rome**  
**Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**AFTERTHOUGHTS**

In the Gospel today, we see two responses to the same situation. The disciples are overwhelmed by the needs of the crowd (food and lodging are “scarce” in that deserted place), so they ask Jesus to **dismiss** the crowd to fend for themselves. But how did Jesus respond? Living out the very “**abundance**” of God, He gives thanks for the 5 loaves and the 2 fish – *as little as it seemed* – and in the end, there was more than enough for everyone! So, are you a person of “scarcity” or a person of “abundance”?

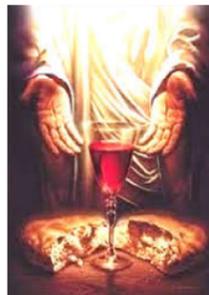
**PRAY FOR:** Mona Escobar, Ray Duthu, Beryl Toups Odom, Linda Lee, J.A. Foret, Jason Chaisson, Christina Sparks, Edrith Boudreaux, Dale Boudreaux, Ursula M. Breaux, Ray Marcello, Barbara Toups Miller, Susan Laperouse, Melinda Fabre, Sheryl Leaber, Evelyn Ruckstuhl, Deacon Lee Crochet, Selma Ferjani, Dee Belanger, Holden Sawyer, Lynn Paul Lirette, Sherman Brown, Mary Lee Boudreaux, Airman Wesley Speyrer, Ernest Robichaux, Nancy Rivere and for all prayer shawl recipients.

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, especially Richard Braud & James “Jimmy” Boudreaux.**

**GOSPEL COMMENTARY**

*“... He said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to give to the crowd.”*

None of the Gospels tell the exact details of how four or five thousand men, plus women and children, are fed with a few loaves and fish. The Church teaches us that the miracle of the multiplication of loaves and fishes was a prefiguration of the Body and Blood of Jesus. But let us consider another miracle just as great. Jesus knew the Semitic ethic that required people to share with others. He knew people carried food and wine under their garments, but refrained from taking it out for fear others had brought their own. Note that Jesus blessed the loaves and fish and gave them away. He did not keep any for himself. Did people see his generous act and decide to share what they had with one another? In the context of God’s gifts to us of reason and free will - the ability to choose to be generous or not to be generous, what is the greater miracle: multiplication of loaves and fish, or multiplication of generous hearts? Which makes us a greater witness to the Real Presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Eucharist?



**STEWARDSHIP REPORT  
Sunday – June 16**

Envelopes (247).....	\$ 9,768.00
Loose .....	\$ 2023.07
Total .....	\$11,791.07

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY  
OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES  
- BUCKETS**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Francis de Sales distributes funds for rental and utility payment emergencies weekly. Under certain conditions, it assists the needy to acquire other items that might be needed from the St. Francis de Paul Thrift Store. Funds are limited to persons in the geographical boundaries of the parish with parishioners being favored. On months having five Sundays, there is a bucket collection to help St. Vincent de Paul Society maintain this charitable work of mercy to the neediest in our parish.

**The next bucket collection is next weekend, June 29 and 30.** Please be generous so that we can continue to help those in need. For more information about how you may individually assist or if you would like to join the St. Vincent de Paul Society, please contact Murke Trahan at 985.217.0593. Thank you for your generosity in advance. **YOU CAN ALSO DONATE ONLINE - CHOOSE THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND.** Look for this button

**St. Francis de sales - ParishSOFT On-Line Giving**

on our church website.  
<http://www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/on-line-giving.html>

**HELP NEEDED**

**LECTORS/COMMENTATORS**

We are called to proclaim the Word! We are called to evangelize! A great way to do that is to serve as a lector or commentator at Mass! Training is provided - as well as an annual workbook for lectors, which helps with interpretation of the readings and pronunciation of the words. Please contact the rectory (985-876-6904) if you are interested in joining this holy and necessary ministry!

**BOX TOPS AND COMMUNITY COFFEE**



St. Francis de Sales School is collecting Box Tops and Community Coffee proof of purchase labels. Please drop them in the box located in the vestibule, by the church office, mail them to the church office, or send them with your child to school. Look for these labels:



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRI-PARISH COMMUNITY PHARMACY**

The St. Vincent de Paul Tri-Parish Community Pharmacy recently relocated to 201 Canal Street, Houma, LA 70360. The mission of the St. Vincent Pharmacy is to serve the less fortunate of the area of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux by providing them with maintenance medicine they otherwise cannot afford and do not receive through assistance from government aid, Veteran’s benefits, or insurance.

**The pharmacy is still in need of volunteer pharmacists and pharmacy techs.**

For more information about the services of the pharmacy or to volunteer, please contact the pharmacy at 985-872-2253.

**CATHOLIC KORNER**



Last week we learned that the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord.

**The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ** is a Eucharistic solemnity, or better, the solemn commemoration of the institution of that sacrament. It is the Church’s official act of homage and gratitude to Christ, who by instituting the Holy Eucharist gave to the Church her greatest treasure. This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus’ suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist.

At every Mass, our attention focuses on the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is on the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion, which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

**Find out more next week when we talk about Saint Junipero Serra, Priest whose feast day is July 1.**

*Do you have a particular question you want answered?  
Send in your questions to [rvowell@htdiocese.org](mailto:rvowell@htdiocese.org)  
to have answered here!*

**MINISTERS SCHEDULE  
Weekend of June 29-30, 2019**

- Commentators**
- 4:00 PM Jude Fanguy
  - 7:00 AM Rebecca Vowell
  - 9:00 AM James Watkins
  - 11:00 AM Wendy LeBouef
  - 5:30 PM Bubba Watkins
- Lectors**
- 4:00 PM Yvonne Fanguy
  - 7:00 AM Jody Duet
  - 9:00 AM Jerome Zeringue
  - 11:00 AM Jenni McNabb
  - 5:30 PM David Haddad



- Ministers of the Eucharist**
- 4:00 PM Mary Anne Rodrigue, Anita Pearson, Judith Archila, Bernita Guidry, Volunteer, Volunteer
  - 7:00 AM Cathy Duet, Dolly Duplantis, Gail LeCompte, Carla Exnicious
  - 9:00 AM Nellie Chemin, Dale Norred, Holly Champagne, Tammy Blanchard, Volunteer, Volunteer
  - 11:00 AM Norman Simon, Craig Bellam Bill Blanchard, Ellen Blanchard, Volunteer, Volunteer
  - 5:30 PM Gina Danos, Sallie Preston, Curtis Briggs, Jenny Briggs, Volunteer, Volunteer

- Altar Servers**
- 4:00 PM Marley Johnson, Misha Johnson, Brady Hazelton
  - 7:00 AM Alice Kelley, Scott Kelley
  - 9:00 AM Jordon Champagne, Grace Champagne, Claire Klingman
  - 11:00 AM Licia Pizzolata, Aida Pizzolata, Emilie Joller
  - 5:30 PM Emerson Paulk, Presley Nelleton, Kenny Bowen

**SECOND COLLECTION – JUNE 30, 2019  
– PETER'S PENCE**

The Peter's Pence Collection derives its name from an ancient custom. In ninth-century England, King Alfred the Great collected money, a "pence," from landowners as financial support for the Pope. Today, the Peter's Pence Collection supports the Pope's philanthropy by giving the Holy Father the means to provide emergency assistance to those in need because of natural disaster, war, oppression, and disease. You can donate by dropping your donation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection next weekend, online via [www.peterspence.va](http://www.peterspence.va), or mail your donation directly to Peter's Pence Collection, The Apostolic Nunciature, 3339 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008.

**SANCTUARY LIGHTS  
Church**

**In Loving Memory of Joel, David & Hedi Bergeron**  
*donated by Fr. C. Paul, Carol & Carroll Bergeron.*

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

**In Loving Memory of David Brommeland Gonzalez on his birthday,**  
*Love Mom and Brothers.*

**PARISH NEWS**

**THE TIE-IN – ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ** – Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ we hear Jesus ask his disciples, "Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?" And he shows them how by the multiplication of the five loaves and two fishes. **Today, we you donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul know that the multiplication of the loaves and fishes will happen again and the hungry will be fed.**

**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 ([rrowell@hdiocese.org](mailto:rrowell@hdiocese.org)), or go online to the church website – [www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org](http://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.**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to have Mass said in honor or in memory of someone please complete the purple form in the vestibule, contact the church office at 876-6904, or email [rrowell@hdiocese.org](mailto:rrowell@hdiocese.org). The usual stipend is \$3.00 per person per Mass. Please call or email to have your loved one(s) added to the July list of Mass intentions by **June 25, 2019**. You can still submit Mass intentions after this date and they will be prayed for – they just won't be listed in the bulletin.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND  
WITH FR. JAY BAKER  
MARCH 26 - 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.

**ONLINE GIVING**

**You have an opportunity to help St. Francis de Sales earn up to \$2,000 in Youth Scholarship money by signing up and setting up reoccurring giving ParishSOFT Online Giving.** For every 25 new recurring givers the parish receives a check for \$200 with the maximum amount of \$2,000 per parish. Sign up is easy and free – see below for more information.

**Need assistance? Not sure how to get started?** Guides to getting started, setting up your donor profile, setting up one-time gifts or reoccurring ones – all are located on this page. To get started – Look for this button on our church website - <http://www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/on-line-giving.html> - once you click on Online Giving:

**St. Francis de sales - ParishSOFT On-Line Giving**

**YOUTH NEWS**

**NEW CHILDREN'S BULLETIN**

Please find the new Children's Bulletins near the regular bulletins at the entrances.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JUNE 24-28, 2019**

VBS will be June 24-28, 2019 from 9am-noon. Please pray for all children and volunteers that will be participating in our Vacation Bible School this week.

**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 \$57,434.80, with \$4,488.89 paid thus far from 153 pledges. We have achieved 67.57% of our pledged goal. **The remaining to reach our goal is \$27,565.20.** You can give online at <https://hdiocese.org/bishopsappeal>, return your personalized commitment cards at Mass, or mail your commitment to the Diocese in the provided envelope.

**NOVENA TO ST. ANNE – JULY 17, 2019**

The St. Anne Association's annual Novena in honor of Saint Anne will begin July 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Calvary Grotto Shrine in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Thibodaux with a Mass, followed by prayers and meditation. Each day thereafter prayer and meditation will begin at 6:30 pm. On the 10th day, which is the feast day of Sts. Anne and Joachim (July 26) a closing Mass is celebrated at the shrine.

Saint Anne is the patron saint of mothers, grandmothers, women who desire pregnancy, women in labor and women who want husbands, to name a few. Countless miracles have been reported in the past which members attribute to the intervention of Saint Anne, including women who have found husbands and couples who conceived children.

All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Joanie Lirette (985) 637-6906 or Connie Richard (985) 447-6559.

**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/>

**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)

**MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Servers should be mature enough to understand their responsibilities and to carry them out well and with appropriate reverence. Boys and girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older are sought for this awesome service.

Servers carry the cross and the processional candles. They hold the book for the priest when he is not at the altar. They also present the bread, wine, and water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts. They assist him when he receives the gifts from the people, wash the hands of the priest, and assists the priest and deacon as necessary.



Servers receive proper formation before they begin to serve. The formation includes instruction on the Mass and its parts and their meaning, the various objects used in the liturgy (their names and use), and the various functions of the server during the Mass and other liturgical celebrations.

If you are interested in being an Altar Server, please call the church office at 985-872-6904.

**NEW REGISTERED MEMBERS**

Please extend a warm welcome to all of our newly registered members since the beginning of the year– some have been with us a while and we thank you for *officially* registering and some are new and we thank you for being here! We hope you all feel like part of the family.

Please remember that from when we walk into Church and walk out we should radiate Jesus' love. Please turn around, smile, say hello, and introduce yourselves before or after Mass.

*Troy and Roxanna Foret & Family  
Sissy Reeves*

*Margaret Monteiro*

*Gabe, Manning, & Reese Orellana*

*David and Alayna Lottinger & Family*

*Matt and Lori Benoit & Family*

*Joshua and Sarah Ruskey & Family*

*Rachael Mollere & Family*

*Christopher and Katie LaCoste & Family*

*Louis and Stacy Touns, Jr. & Family*

*Michael and Jennifer Sartin & Family*

*Lane Touns and Ashley Dausat & Family*

*Jake and Tristen Dominique & Family*

*Gregorio and Naiby Gonzales & Family*

*Tenner and Lacey Cenac & Family*

*Michael and Katherine Glover & Family*

*Don and Eileen Keller & Family*

*Edward and Linda Fleniken*

*Trinity and Lauren Lafosse & Family*

*Ryan and Michelle Folse & Family*

*Joseph and Heidi Cehan*

*Silas Guidry and Kayla Domangue & Family*

*Jarred and Jennifer Danos & Family*

*Floyd and Toni Parfait, Jr. & Family*

*Austin and Melanie Hebert & Family*

*Joan Price*

*William Safley and Brooke Saunier*

*Ricky and Jamie Guy, Jr. & Family*

*Brian and Katherine Hebert & Family*

*John and Christy Jaccuzzo & Family*

*Lee and Kristi Ledet & Family*

*Leandro and Kimberly Moreira & Family*

*Kacy Dyer & Family*

*Aaron and Alexa Sherrill & Family*

*Candace Chauvin & Family*

*Emily Fanguy Taylor and Mary Edna Fanguy and Family*

*Brent and Rebecca McNamara & Family*

*Jeremy and Kristi Andras & Family*

*Chris and Brandi Rhodes & Family*

*Eric and Andrea Bordin & Family*

*Jake and Rebecca Bortelon & Family*

*Lorna Joller Warren & Family*

*Lynn and Allison Dupre & Family*

*Jennifer Himel & Family*

*Michael and Mary Istre*

*Ross Valure and Jenny LeBoeuf & Family*