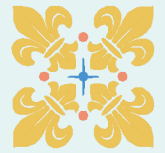


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THE NEWS-BULLETIN FOR THE TRIPARISHES OF ST. JOSEPH, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI



The Ascension of the Lord, June 2, 2019

ST. JOSEPH

76950 Gum Street
 Grosse Tete, LA 70740

HOLY MASS:

Sunday: 9:00am

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

11140 Highway 77
 Maringouin, LA 70757

HOLY MASS:

Saturday: 4:00pm

Tuesday — Friday: 8:30am

ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

3523 LA. Highway 78
 Livonia, LA 70755-0128

HOLY MASS:

Sunday: 11:00am

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MISSION

4324 Railroad Avenue
 Fardoche, LA 70732

THE TRIPARISH PASTORAL CENTER

Located at Immaculate Heart of Mary

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225.625.3513 : fax

225.308.9726 : emergency

pastoralcenter@triparishes.org : email

www.triparishes.org : web

THE MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 2, 2019

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
 Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

DEVOTIONAL LIFE IN THE TRIPARISHES

MON	Post-Mass	Prayer for the Gifts of The Holy Spirit	
TUE	Post-Mass	Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help	
	9:00am	The Holy Rosary	Home of Ruby Hafford
	4:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	St. Joseph Parish Hall
WED	Post-Mass	Devotion to St. Joseph	
	6:00pm	The Holy Rosary	St. Catherine of Siena Mission
THU	Post-Mass	Litany of Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim / Vocations	
FRI	Post-Mass	Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for These Intentions the Week of June 2, 2019

Immaculate Heart of Mary: in loving memory of Walter Harris
St. Joseph: in loving memory of Josephine Thompson
St. Frances: in loving memory of John Kelson James Bonaventure by Beverly Lejeune
St. Catherine: in loving memory of Randall Andre



A VOCATION VIEW

After the Risen Lord ascended into heaven, his disciples continued his work on earth. Blest are the ones found working when he returns. Am I being called to priesthood or religious life? If you feel a call to a Church vocation, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, framerrick@gmail.com, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

YOUR STEWARDSHIP TO OUR PARISHES FOR MAY 26, 2019

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Offertory Collection \$2,731.00

St. Joseph

Offertory Collection \$1,298.00

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Offertory Collection \$1,929.00

Second Collection June 2, 2019
 Catholic Communication Campaign

THOUGHTS ALONG THE WAY

FR. CHRISTOPHER DECKER

The celebration of the Ascension of The Lord is always a time to renew once more a desire in our hearts to be both lifted up into the life of the Trinity and to resolve ourselves to following the mandate of Jesus, namely to go and “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

His mission to the apostles to “make disciples” extends to us as well. The Lord is relying upon your and my efforts to witness to what God has done in our lives. This might be by our words to be sure, but often others can see that we have met the Lord in the way we live our lives – the actions that flow from our belief in Jesus promise to go to The Father, prepare a place, and return for us.

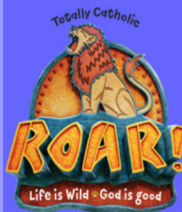
The old adage rings true: “You can’t give what you don’t have.” In order to make disciples, we must continually follow the path that Jesus has laid down for us. Over the summer months, it can be tempting to put our faith life “on vacation” and maybe turn down the volume on our prayer life since our daily regimen tends to soften during when we’re not rushing around with kids, schedules, and half eaten breakfast burritos. However, it’s during these easier-going times that we can make the opportunity to really focus on living the faith we profess on Sunday. In the regular rhythm of prayer: spiritual reading, Scripture study, (or a FORMED.org video or audio presentation! It’s free! Go to triparishes.formed.org and sign up!), prayer with our family or spouse, the Holy Rosary, a favorite Novena, and of course our obligation to Sunday Mass and regular use of the Sacrament of Confession, we find an identity not simply as one who knows what Jesus did, but we once again see that we are disciples of the Crucified and Risen one. And this witness is contagious! Others can perceive often what we cannot and long to come to know Jesus as it seems we as disciples do. If you’re “digging in” these summer months not just to relaxation, but also to recommitment to life in Jesus, I promise you’ll also be ready to share with joy when another friend or family member seems hungry for faith.

Be not afraid, because Jesus also makes this promise to his apostles: “Behold, I am always with you, even to the end of the age [or literally ‘the consummation of all things’].” You’ll receive the guidance you need if you simply pray earnestly: “Jesus, ascended to the Father, send your Holy Spirit to my heart to reignite my desire to be disciple.”

Pax Christi,

Made for Greatness!
Youth and Young Adults in our TriParishes

TriParish Vacation Bible School



This year our VBS programs will be at St. Frances from July 8th—12th and at Immaculate Heart of Mary from July 15th—19th. You can register online at www.triparishes.org/vbs. Cost is \$10 per child. We are also looking for volunteers, who can also register online.



INSPIRATIONAL SERVICE CAMP

This is a week long camp from Monday, June 24th, through Saturday, June 29th. This is a week of prayer, sacrifice and service. For more information or if interested call Peggy at the Parish Office. Deadline to register is June 13th.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE—SAVE THE DATE—JULY 27, 2019

WINE—Women in the New Evangelization. Ignite your Spirit! Join joyful women for a day of inspiration, faith, fellowship & fun. Speakers: Kelly Wahlquist, Teresa Tomeo & Gloria Purvis. Conference will be held at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in St. Amant, LA on Saturday, July 27, 2019. Early Bird registration ends June 27th and the cost is \$55. After June 27th the cost will be \$65. Register online at CatholicVineyard.com.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Why settle for a "Good" Marriage...When you can have a "Great" Marriage. You can make the leap from just "good" to "GREAT" on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The weekend is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, the internet & phones and focus their attention only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend can offer! The next weekend in Louisiana is scheduled on June 21-23 at the **Bishop Robert E Tracy Center in Baton Rouge**. You can register online at www.LAMS-wwme.org or by calling Matt & Gail Quinn at 813-548-1655.

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TRIPARISHES GRADUATES



The Ladies Auxiliary Court 119 of Saint Peter Claver would like to acknowledge our TriParish Graduates of 2019. There will be a reception at Immaculate Heart of Mary in their honor after Mass on Saturday, June 8.

Forms are at the entrances of each church.

Please fill one out and return as soon as possible.

ST. JOSEPH

Knights of Columbus

Meeting Wednesday, June 5th, at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Donut Breakfast on Sunday, June 9th, following the 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

Senior Pot Luncheon will be cancelled for the summertime.

Addiction Recovery is having a fundraising event at the Lions Club in Rosedale on Sunday, June 9, 2019 from 10:00am to 1:00pm. They will be selling B-B-Que dinners for \$8.00 a plate.

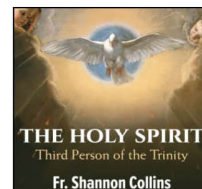
FORMED PICK

**The Holy Spirit:
Third Person of the Trinity**

By Fr. Shannon Collins

**Renew Your
Relationship
with the Spirit**

Drawing upon Scripture and Tradition, Fr. Collins explains the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and how he he wants to work in the lives of believers.



"A great reminder of how the Holy Spirit is active in our lives."
—Laurette, Essex Junction, VT

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RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) is celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary on Saturday from 3:00—3:45pm. If you'd like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation outside the scheduled time, please call the office to arrange a time with the priest.

MARRIAGE Couples are asked to contact the priest at least six months before the desired date.

BAPTISM Celebrated on the 3rd weekend of each month. A Baptismal Seminar is required before a baptism can be properly scheduled. Please contact the parish office during early months of pregnancy.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK Please call the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick.