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



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 27, 2021

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
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The Mass Readings for The Week of June 27, 2021

Monday: Gn 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-4, 8-11; Mt 8:18-22
 Tuesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20;
 Jn 21:15-19
 Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18;
 Mt 16:13-19
 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5;
 Mt 9:9-13
 Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
 Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10;
 Mk 6:1-6a

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
TUE	9:00am	The Holy Rosary—Home of Ruby Hafford
TUE	4:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group—at St. Joseph Parish Hall
WED	Post-Mass	Devotion to St. Joseph
WED	5:00pm	The Holy Rosary at St. Catherine
WED	6:00pm	The Holy Rosary at St. Joseph Church
THU	Post-Mass	Litany of Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim / Vocations
FRI	Post-Mass	Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Mass Schedule



Please note updated Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Maringouin

Sunday at 9:00am at St. Joseph in Grosse Tete

Sunday at 11:00am at St. Frances in Livonia

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for these Intentions the Week of June 27, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary: in loving memory Rhonda Pourciau

St. Joseph: in loving memory of Benny David

St. Frances: in loving memory of Anthony “Tadon” Miletello by St. Frances Ladies Altar Society

St. Catherine: in loving memory of Bernice Sanders

In Memoriam

Anthony “Tadon” Miletello died June 16, 2021 and was interred at St. Frances Cabrini Cemetery.

*Eternal Rest Grant unto him O Lord,
 And Let the Perpetual Light Shine upon him.*

Thoughts along the way

Fr. Christopher Decker

Greetings all!

It's with sadness that I write this final bulletin article to you as pastor of St. Joseph, Immaculate Heart of Mary, and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini parishes. As I leave, I'm reminded of the good work that The Lord has begun in The TriParishes long ago. Catholics in our area have long sought to live the Sacramental life. Even before there was a parish, there were small settlements where The Mass was offered and priests would pirogue to and fro ministering to the needs of the people.

Along the ridge of Bayou Grosse Tête in the waning days of the Civil War, a chapel was erected for The Catholic Faith to flourish and grow, most notably among the enslaved peoples whose descendants continue to profess that same Creed that would have been on lips of their ancestors at Mass. I've always found it fascinating that even though the parishes have different dates of foundation and differing circumstances that brought about their establishment, there has always been a shared desire to know and serve God among our people. Each priest, whether itinerant missionary, resident pastor, or young assistant getting the first taste of ministry, has brought a unique way that Sacred Tradition which was first handed down from Jesus to his Apostles is passed on to our people.

I have found it edifying to encounter the rich faith that dwells in your hearts. It is humbling to see the handwriting of so many priests not only in the parish sacramental registers, but also in the way the Faith is lived out in so many of our families. I can only hope that I have contributed, however briefly, to that living book of shared faith. Know that as I travel a little farther up the bayou to New Roads that I go with a deeper love for God that you have passed on to me.

There have been challenges as our parishes and priests together seek to forge the difficult path into the future with fewer clergy. But there have also been tremendous signs of hope I have witnessed, even as COVID-19 threatened to halt our spiritual growth. I'm grateful for your witness, for your commitment to your families, and for your desire to continue to allow that seed of faith planted in our communities long ago to flourish no matter the hardship. I beg your prayers for my ministry in my new assignment and I promise you that you'll be in my heart and my prayers as well. Though sad to leave you, I proclaim firmly: Jesus Christ is our only Hope and so we forge ahead into a future filled not with woe, but with the hope He brings to those who trust in Him!

Pax Christi Sit Semper Vobiscum!

Fr. Chris



We, the TriParish, express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for what you have been to us as a pastor. May the Lord make his face shine on you as you continue your journey. Let us support each other in prayers through our transition. We are going to MISS you!



We will start doing some work around St. Frances. Come out and support your church. It will be from 8:00am till 1:00pm.

July 24th Parish Hall
 August 28th Rectory
 September 25th Prayer Garden
 October 23rd Cemetery

TriParish Catechism



Looking for Catechism Teachers for all 3 Parishes. Please pray on this and see if God is calling you to this ministry. Call Peggy at the Parish Office if interested.

St. Joseph Upcoming Functions



Once again we are able to plan for our St. Joseph Family Festival which will be held on Sunday, September 19, 2021. We welcome feedback on any new ideas or changes to the existing forum. This is also a time when students can plan to earn service hours. Call the office if interested.



St. Joseph Senior Potluck Luncheon will resume on Wednesday, July 7th, at St. Joseph Parish Hall starting at 11:30am. All Seniors are welcome.

Your Stewardship for June 20, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary	
Offertory Collection	\$890.00
On-Line Giving	\$65.00
St. Joseph	
Offertory Collection	\$1,158.00
On-Line Giving	\$125.00
St. Frances	
Offertory Collection	\$1,990.00
On-Line Giving	\$688.00

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PICK OF THE WEEK

June 27, 2021

WATCH

THE BIBLE COLLECTION - PAUL THE APOSTLE

We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lives, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching. This week we celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, each of whom spread the Gospel to the nations in the earliest days of the Church. In honor of Paul, the Apostle of the Gentiles, enjoy this film the Bible Collection!



LEARN

LECTIO: PETER: EPISODE 1: PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP



The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter in this Lectio series.

LISTEN

SET ALL AFIRE

It is no stretch to say that Peter and Paul set the world afire with the Gospel message. In honor of these apostles, enjoy this one-of-a-kind presentation that includes seven segments covering some of the most important topics in the Church today. Taken from many of our most powerful talks, these segments are sure to inspire you to set all afire for Christ and His Church.



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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.