

St. Charles Borromeo Church

Sunday, July 26, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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“The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls.” (Matthew 13:45)

What are you looking for in life? Everybody is searching for something. Children long for a special toy or game. Teenagers look for a boyfriend or girlfriend or success at school. Working people might be seeking out the next big career opportunity. People of any age could be wanting financial security or peace of mind.

Today’s Gospel introduces us to someone who is also a seeker: a merchant on a quest for fine pearls. Like many of us, this merchant is searching for something specific. And in the midst of his search, he finds something far more wonderful than what he expected: one single pearl of surpassing value, a “pearl of great price” (Matthew 13:46). Seeing it, he gives up the search for those “fine pearls.” He commits himself fully to obtaining that one beautiful pearl—so much so that he sells everything else so that he can buy it.

Surely the merchant wasn’t able to sell everything all at once. There were probably times when he doubted himself. But he kept at it, day after day, item after item, until he finally had it—the pearl of his dreams. At last he was content!

Jesus says this merchant shows us what the kingdom of heaven is like. It is made up of people like us, searching for happiness. In some ways, the things we seek *can* make us happy. But finding Jesus and being part of his kingdom far surpasses the happiness that anything else can give. In him we find the answer to our deepest longings for love and reconciliation. For security and fulfillment. For purpose and meaning.

Make no mistake: things we long for can often be good things. But remember the merchant. There was nothing wrong with the pearls he was trading in. Yet he sold all of them for that one pearl of great price.

“Lord, help me to see you as a priceless pearl worth everything in my life.”

The Word Among Us – Daily Meditation (July 26, 2020)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon....., 7/27 - NO MASS

Tues...., 7/28 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Ian Gravois (B); Joseph Boudreaux (B); Rev. Msgr. John G. Keller (DA)

Wed...., 7/29 – 7:30 A.M. Mass – *Feast of Saint Martha*: Special Intention; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Rene Naquin (B)

Thurs...., 7/30 – 7:30 A.M. Mass – *Feast of Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*: George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Matthew Landry (B)

Fri....., 7/31 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass – *Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest*: Philip Barrios; Marguerite Zeringue; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Mary W. Robichaux (B); Silus Claude Gervais (B)

Sat...., 8/1 - 7:30 A.M. – First Saturday Mass: For all Priests and Religious; Deacon Brent Bourgeois (B); George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; William "Bill" Nezzio

Sat...., 8/1 - 4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass of the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Leona Adams; Deacon Brent Bourgeois (B); Richard Ray; Allen Duet (B); Claude & Annie Richard; Ames & Valerie Rodriguez; Augustin Cecil Zeringue; Boudreaux, Bourgeois, & Dupuis Families; Ces & Rena Zeringue; Yvonne & Charley Plaisance; Gene Nichols; Mike & Nita Zeringue; Dolores Plaisance Babin; Charles & Nell Zeringue; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; Donatien & Kate Danos; Earline & Theogene Gaubert; Jeannie Gaubert; Eunice & Philip Ledet Sr.; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Gibson Legendre Sr.; Gilbert "Chief" Knoblock; Tammy Knoblock Touns; Harris & Louise Stevens; Johnny, Lydie & E.J. Quatrevingt; Typhy Jr. & Todd Rodrigue; Helen & Freddie Dudoit; Hugh & Irene Rodriguez; Jared Falgout; Ruth & Charlie Brown; Jeanne Foret; Josephine & Roy Foret & Allen; Jules Quatrevingt; Lydia F. Folse; M/M Alcide Barrios & Family; A.J.; Roy & Philip; M/M Thomas Aupied & Family; Marcel (DA) & Rose Richard; Marguerite & Euel J. Zeringue; Philip & Inez Marse; Philip Ledet III; Richard LeBlanc; Rogers Dufrene Sr.; Ronnie Sampey; Roy Bourgeois; Ilson & Annette Mire; Eddie & Bessie Bourgeois; Ruth Marie Trosclair; Edward Trosclair Sr.; Sally Thibodaux; Scuddy & Velma Hebert; Betty Ann Hebert; Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Tyler Hebert; Warren LeBlanc; Willard Chauvin Sr.; William "Bill" Nezzio

Sun....., 8/2 - 7:30 A.M. – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ann T. Boudreaux (B-8/3); Anthony "A.J." Vesich III; Aupied & Guillot Families; Benson Plaisance Jr.; M/M Benson Plaisance Sr.; Dave Folse (B); Frank & Edna Weimer; Fred & Ruby Hebert; Freddie Pierce; Gabriella W. & Wilson J. Melancon; Guy Thibodeaux (B); Helen Schexnaydre; Joy Lynn Naquin; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Jules Quatrevingt; Edward Comeaux Jr.; Linda Kliebert; Louis & Inez Devillier; Patricia & Cherry Devillier; Marguerite Thibodaux; Harry Becnel; Milton Ledet; Annie & Jessie Pierce; Roy & Octavia Ledet; Olga Robichaux; P.J. Zeringue; Joyce Zeringue; Philip & Goldie Weimer; Rieth & Boudreaux Families; Romy Morvant; U.G. & Marie Landry; Betty Arabie; George Landry; Verdun Family; Wilbur J. Brown; Ethlyn "Toot" Brown

Sun....., 8/2 - 10:00 A.M. – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Joseph Lagarde Sr.; Dorothy (Dot) Lagarde; Beverly L. Breaux; Stephen Gossen; Coleen Cuneo; Betty Lou A. Babin; Mary Tassin; Lannie Pino; Anidas "Connee" Rivet; Bob Morrow; Charles Mallett; Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; David "L.J." Lagarde Jr.; Gabrielle Claire Robichaux (B); Gaudet & Matherne Families; Gaudet & Theriot Families; Gilbert A'cuna; Irvin & Marie Prejeant; George & Bernice Whitman; K.C. Toups, DVM; Kerry Robichaux; Mary & Dave Robichaux; Mike Arabie; Myra Blanchard; Nolan "Pip" Bourgeois; Toudell Guidry Bourgeois; Poor Souls in Purgatory; Joseph E. Blanchard Jr.; Ray Weimer Jr.; William "Bill" Champagne; Billy Champagne; William "Bill" Lyles

Friendly Reminder!

- ❖ You are invited to join us for the celebration of Mass Tuesday – Friday at 7:30 A.M. in the Chapel. The guidelines for the weekend Masses also apply to the weekday Masses. Weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook. ***The dispensation of the Sunday Obligation to attend Mass continues to be in effect until further notice.***
- ❖ **MASS INTENTIONS** – Be assured that all requested weekday Mass Intentions continue to be offered by Fr. Carl & Fr. Glenn even though they are not announced before Mass.
- ❖ **CONFESSION** – Confessions are heard every Saturday from 3:00-3:45 P.M. in the Chapel, or you may call Fr. Carl to schedule an appointment.

DATES, TIMES & PLACES

❖ **24/7 – Perpetual Adoration (Chapel)**

Mon..., 7/27 - **NO MASS**
Tues..., 7/28 - **7:30 A.M.** - Mass (Chapel)
Wed..., 7/29 - **7:30 A.M.** - Mass (Chapel)
Thurs..., 7/30 - **7:30 A.M.** – Mass (Chapel)
Fri..., 7/31 - **7:30 A.M.** – Mass (Chapel)
Sat..., 8/1 - **7:30 A.M.** – First Saturday Mass (Chapel)
3:00 – 3:45 P.M. – Confessions (Chapel)
4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass
Sun..., 8/2 - **7:30 A.M.** – Mass
10:00 A.M. – Mass

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHURCH) IN MEMORY OF: (7/24-30)
Annie Pierce (DA-7/24)

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHAPEL) IN MEMORY OF: (7/24-30)
Deceased Members of KC Council #12060

MISSALETTES IN MEMORY OF: (7/24-30)

Joy Lynn Naquin

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT (July 18-19, 2020)

\$2,338.00	Envelopes
<u>270.00</u>	Loose
\$2,608.00	Total



Add'l. Maintenance: \$155.00

St. Anthony: \$.00

take note

PLEASE AND THANK YOU! During this time of uncertainty with many not attending Mass, you are asked to please remember your church parish by continuing to support the church financially. You may mail or bring your contributions to the Administration Office. If you are presently attending Mass, there is a box available in the church to place your offering. This thoughtful consideration on your part is *greatly* appreciated, as it helps us to maintain our budget during this trying time. ***May God bless you for being a faithful steward!***

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (7/27):	Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
TUESDAY (7/28):	Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
WEDNESDAY (7/29):	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Jn 11:19-27
THURSDAY (7/30):	Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53
FRIDAY (7/31):	Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
SATURDAY (8/1):	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
SAT/SUNDAY (8/1-2):	Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21



BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field..."

(Matthew 13:44)



“The kingdom of God is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.”

Would we sell all of our possessions to go buy a “treasure” we found in a field? Would we sell some of them, and which ones would we sell? Such a treasure would have to be more valuable than the possessions we sell. What treasure could possibly be worth more than billions of dollars? It is something we all want. It is something we all can have. It is something that will last forever. It is eternal life in an intimate relationship with the Almighty and Eternal God who created us. That is the Greatest Treasure. Jesus has already secured it for us. We must be careful not to lose it. If we are aware that everything we have comes from and belongs to God, and He wants us to use it for our own benefit and enjoyment, but not get so attached to anything that we cannot let it go or use it for the benefit and enjoyment of others, we will gain the Greatest Treasure. Do we want it? What are we doing to make sure we do not lose it?



And God said...

Come to the silence, life is so loud - And your soul needs a break from the clock and the crowd.

Come to the silence, And let my love start, To heal all life's hurts, And comfort your heart.

Come to the silence, Be calm and be still, Just rest in my arms - for today, that's my will.

Come to the silence, In search of my peace, Gently your doubts and your fears will all cease.

Come to the silence - Here, take my hand, Have you forgotten, that I understand?



ATTENTION, YOUTH FORMATION PARENTS!!

St. Charles Borromeo Youth Formation Registration for 2020-2021 is opened now through August 31, 2020. You may send your registration form by mail, bring it to the Administration Office, or place it in the Collection Box found in church.

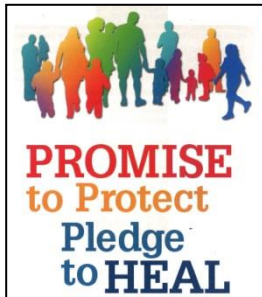
PLEASE NOTE: E.D. White Students in 10th grade in the school year of 2020-2021, MUST register and MUST attend the Youth Formation Program here at St. Charles Borromeo in order to Confirm here.

Registration Forms are available on our website (www.stcharlesthobodaux.org) and in the foyer of the church.



COMMUNITY MEALS TO SHUT-INS – CANCELLED!

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, Community Meals to Shut-ins have been cancelled for the rest of this year. The meals will resume when all is safe for everyone involved.



DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX OUTREACH LINE

In response to the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is offering an Outreach Line (formerly known as the Child Protection Contact Line).

**Diocesan Outreach Line/Victims Assistance
(985) 873-0026 or (985) 850-3172**

For more information, visit www.htdiocese.org/safe-environment



HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

“Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.”

QUOTE:

“Take a second to thank God for all the problems you don’t have.”

