

St. Charles Borromeo Church
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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
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“You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition.” (Mark 7:8)

Given their strict attention to hand washing, these Pharisees and scribes would probably feel right at home in our pandemic-conscious world! Of course, they were concerned about religious purity, not personal hygiene, but we can all relate to how meticulous they were.

Still, Jesus rightly called their purity practices what they were: “human tradition” (Mark 7:8). Nowhere in Scripture does God command his people to be so rigorous in cleansing themselves or their household items. Instead, what began as a precaution among priests gradually morphed into a litmus test for every Israelite. If you didn’t wash your hands just so, you were impure. It meant your faith was defective—or worse, *you* were defective.

Litmus tests can make things clear and simple, but the Pharisees were using them in the wrong way. To determine what was pure and impure, they needed to focus on what was lurking in their own hearts, not what was contaminating them from the outside. As Jesus warned them, it is “the things that come out from within”—our own sinful inclinations—that defile us (Mark 7:15).

Our rules for hand washing today are aimed toward preventing disease, but we can easily fall into the same habit as these Pharisees did. We can focus more on what’s on the “outside”—the culture or the actions of other people—rather than facing the sinful desires in our hearts. After all, it’s painful to see just how capable we are of falling into sin. It’s easier just to apply a litmus test to the sins of the people around us.

Jesus came to save us from sin, and we can count on him to give us the grace to deal with whatever is “within” us. Today, ask the Lord to search your heart. Ask him to help you see ways in which you are susceptible to sin—and ask him to keep cleansing you.

“Jesus, purify my heart today!”

The Word Among Us – Daily Meditation (August 29, 2021)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon...., 8/30 - NO MASS

Tues...., 8/31 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – Alex Plaisance (B); Finnick Jude Gravois (B); George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Helen Richard; Jan & Matthew Wandstrat (WA); Lucas Loupe (B); Ray Weimer Jr.; Shawn Robichaux (B-8/30); Tarlton David (DA); Sal Yenni

Wed...., 9/1 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – Euel J. & Marguerite Zeringue; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Mary Plaisance (B); Special Intention; Sal Yenni

Thurs...., 9/2 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – Dawn Z. Schexnaydre (B); George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Verdie Knoblock (DA); Sal Yenni

Fri....., 9/3 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – *First Friday; Feast of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church*: David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Philip Barrios; Sam Jones; Special Intention; Sal Yenni

Sat...., 9/4 - 7:30 A.M. Mass – *First Saturday*: For all Priests & Religious; Calvin Boudreaux Sr.; Cathy Thibodeaux; Rene Naquin; Patricia Barras; Ralph & Jeannie Zeringue; Nelson Verdun; Dale Thibodaux; Harold & Kathleen Dore; Vivian Thibodaux; Sam & Leoma Glorioso; Priscilla Dufrene; Joel Quatrevingt; Mary Boudreaux; Joyce Ann Arceneaux; Betty Duet; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois

Sat...., 9/4 - 4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass of The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Leon Dufrene; Abdon (DA), Elizabeth & Gerald Portier; Chad Crochet; Alcee & Emily Zeringue & Family; Ames & Valerie Rodriguez; Augustin Cecil Zeringue; Bessie Guidry Gaudet (B); Beulah Foret Pertuit (B-8/31); Boudreaux, Bourgeois & Dupuis Families; Calvin Gaudet; Carl Trosclair (B); Carroll Acosta Sr.; Ces & Rena Zeringue; Yvonne & Charley Plaisance; Mike & Nita Zeringue; Dolores Plaisance Babin; Gene Nichols; Charles & Nell Zeringue; Clifford Gautreaux; Donatien & Kate Danos; Dr. Philip Bergeron; Myles Bergeron; Earline & Theogene Gaubert; Jeannie Gaubert; Elvina Darby & Rose; Euel J. & Marguerite Zeringue; Frances Danos & Rawl; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George P. Fontanille Sr.; George, Louise & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Harris & Louise Stevens; Johnny, Lydie & E.J. Quatrevingt; Harris LeBlanc Jr.; Hugh & Irene Rodriguez; Irma Simon (B); Jeff & Celeste Brown; John Bennett; Jules Quatrevingt; Louis & Inez Devillier Family; Lula "LuLu" Zeringue; Tammy Zeringue; Mark Thibodaux; Melissa L. Luft (B); Milfred, Aurelien & Marie Degruise; Nell France; Pat Yates (DA); Philip Ledet III; Ruth, Charlie & Gerald Brown; Ralph Melancon; Barbara Melancon; Wilson J. & Gabriella W. Melancon; Ray Champagne; Rev. Glenn Lecompte (B); Richard Babin; Richard E. LeBlanc Jr.; Ricky Zeringue; Roland Paul Knoboch Jr.; Roy & Josephine Foret & Allen; Roy Bourgeois; Ilson & Annette Mire; Eddie & Bessie Bourgeois; Sally Thibodaux; Special Intention; Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Susan M. Trahan; Tyler Hebert; Warren LeBlanc; Willard Chauvin Sr.; William "Bill" Champagne; Billy Champagne; William "Bill" Nezzio; Zeringue & Danos Family; Sal Yenni

Sun....., 9/5 - 7:30 A.M. – The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Aupied & Guillot Families; Benson Plaisance Jr.; M/M Benson Sr.; Romy Morvant; Boudreaux & Rieth Families; Calvin Boudreaux Sr.; Connie Labauve; Dalton Arceneaux; Frank & Edna Weimer; Harry Becnel; Marguerite Thibodaux; Helen Schexnaydre; Joy Lynn Naquin; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Jules Quatrevingt; Edward Comeaux Jr.; Leon Dufrene; Linda Kliebert; M/M Jessie Pierce Sr.; M/M Roy Ledet; Milton Ledet; Mary Delcambre Arcement (B); Olga L. Robichaux; P.J. & Joyce Zeringue; Philip & Goldie Weimer; Rosa Comeaux;

U.G. & Marie Landry; Betty Arabie; George Landry; Verdie Knoblock; Wilbur J. Brown & Ethlyn "Toot" Brown; Elizabeth, Abdon (DA-9/4) & Gerald Portier; Chad Crochet; Sal Yenni

Sun....., 9/5 - 10:00 A.M. – *The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:* Beverly Alleman Girardot; Calvin Boudreaux Sr.; Calvin Gaudet; Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; David "L.J." Lagarde Jr.; Dorothy "Dot" Rago; For more Vocations to the Priesthood; Freddie Pierce; Gaudet & Matherne Families; Gaudet & Theriot Families; Grace Louanna Clement (B-9/6); Irvin & Marie Prejeant; George & Bernice Whitman; Jake Matherne (DA-9/6); Joseph E. Blanchard Jr.; Poor Souls in Purgatory; Joseph Lagarde Sr.; Dorothy "Dot" Lagarde; Beverly L. Breaux; Stephen Gossen; Ronny Gossen; Betty Lou Babin; Coleen Cuneo; June Lecompte; K.C. Touns, DVM; Kerry Robichaux; Larry Clement; Leonard Caillouet; Marie Kern Bernard; Randy H. Parro; Gatewood "Pot" Folse; Mary W. & Dave J. Robichaux; Michael Lirette Sr.; Myra Blanchard; Nolan "Pip" Bourgeois; Toudell Guidry Bourgeois; Parrish Hebert; Special Intention; Ralph Champagne (B); Ray Weimer Jr.

PLEASE NOTE:

September 9th is the Feast of St. Peter Claver, who is often invoked to intercede for racial harmony and peace. The USCCB has designated the Feast of St. Peter Claver as a special day of prayer for peace in our communities and for racial harmony, healing, and reconciliation. A Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, September 9th at 7:00 PM at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Houma.** Everyone is invited!

DATES, TIMES, & PLACES

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

Mon..., 8/30 - **NO MASS**

6:00 P.M. – Youth Formation Parents' Meeting - Grades 9th-11th (*Church*)

Tues..., 8/31 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass (*Chapel*)**

Wed..., 9/1 - **7:30 A.M. - Mass/Novena (*Chapel*)**

10:00 A.M. – Rosary (*Chapel*)

Thurs..., 9/2 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass (*Chapel*)**

Fri..., 9/3 - **7:30 A.M. – First Friday Mass (*Chapel*)**

Sat/Sun..., 9/4-5 – Catholic University of America Collection

Sat..., 9/4 - **7:30 A.M. – First Saturday Mass (*Chapel*)**

3:00 – 3:45 P.M. – Confessions (*Chapel*)

4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass

Sun..., 9/5 - **7:30 A.M. – Mass**

10:00 A.M. – Mass

Mon..., 9/6 - *Administration Office closed for the Labor Day Holiday!*

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHURCH) IN MEMORY OF: (8/27-9/2)

Bobby Richard & Family

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE (IN CHAPEL) IN MEMORY OF: (8/27-9/2)

Deceased Members of KC Council #12060

MISSALETTES IN MEMORY OF: (8/27-9/2)

Joy Lynn Naquin; Beulah & Freddie Pertuit & Family; Joyce & Allen LeBlanc

ALTAR BREADS IN MEMORY OF: (8/27-9/2)

Beulah & Freddie Pertuit & Family

PASSED FROM THIS LIFE SEEKING GOD'S MERCIFUL LOVE: (8/18/2021)

George P. Fontanille Sr.

PLEASE NOTE:

Beginning October 1st, the price of a case of candles will be going up. Due to increasing costs and delivery charges, the cost will be \$30.00 a case. Individual large candles can be purchased for \$2.50 each. Thank you for understanding.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT (August 21-22, 2021)

\$3,526.00	Envelopes
349.00	Loose
<u>310.00</u>	Online Giving
\$4,185.00	Total

St. Anthony: \$30.00

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA COLLECTION (SEPTEMBER 4-5)

Next weekend we will have the Catholic University of America Collection. Catholic University of America is a national research University with over 5,700 Undergraduate and Graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washing, D.C. For more than 130 years, we have lived out our mission to discover and impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research. Catholic University scientists, engineers, nurses, philosophers, theologians, historians, architects, social workers, musicians, artists, and scholars in all fields embrace both reason and faith as they apply the inexhaustible resources of the Catholic intellectual tradition to help solve the problems of contemporary life and enrich the culture around us. You can learn more at www.collection.catholic.edu

There will be a second box available in Church for you to place your donations.

SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNER

"WE ARE BACK" ... with our first KC Dinner in 18 months! The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner on Sunday, September 26th. Tickets are \$8.00 and are available at the Administration Office and in the Church foyer after all Masses starting the weekend of Sept. 4th-5th. **Would you be interested in helping the KC's with their ticket sales?** You could possibly check with people at your work, extended family members, people outside our church parish, and other organizations. We have a great meal at a very good price. We appreciate any help you can give with our ticket sales. If you are interested, please contact David Champagne (985-859-8397). Thanks for your support.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (8/30):	1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
TUESDAY (8/31):	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:331-37
WEDNESDAY (9/1):	Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
THURSDAY (9/2):	Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
FRIDAY (9/3):	Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
SATURDAY (9/4):	Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
SAT/SUNDAY (9/4-5):	Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." (Mark 7:20)

IMPORTANT YOUTH FORMATION NEWS!

- There will be a meeting for Parents of Students of 1st-8th grades on Sunday, August 29th at 2:00 P.M. in Church.
- There will be a meeting for Parents of Students of 9th-11th grades on Monday, August 30th at 6:00 P.M. in Church.
- ***YOUTH FORMATION CLASSES!***

Youth Formation schedules are completed. Schedules will be posted on our website and forwarded by email to all parents. A copy of the Schedule is available in the foyer of the Church, the Administration Office, and on the Church website.

The first class for 9th-11th grades will be Sunday, September 19th from 8:45-9:45 A.M. The first class for 1st-8th grades will be Monday, September 20th at 6:00 P.M.

HEED THE CALL!! SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING RENEWAL

All who have been previously Safe Environment trained are reminded to renew their training if you wish to continue to be involved with the Youth and/or any Church activity.

Visit the online Safe Environment Training website to begin your training: <https://safeandsacred-htdiocese.org>. If you require assistance to complete training, you may call the Administration Office and schedule a time to come by and complete the training.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNOUNCEMENT!

Sick and can't work? Need help paying rent/utilities? Our caseworker is prepared to help you from getting evicted or disconnected! Fill out the Online form at <https://www.catholiccharitiesht.org/rentandutilities>

MATTHEW 25

Matthew 25 is a parish volunteer response program within the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, created to help those in need during a time of adversity. In preparation for the current hurricane season, we are asking for your help in identifying people within our community who may need assistance.

Do you know of anyone in our community that would require assistance during the event of a disaster? If you, or someone you know, would benefit from this service, please contact David Champagne, our Matthew 25 Coordinator at (985)859-8397 or call the Administration Office.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE LAFOURCHE PARISH CLERK OF COURT

The Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court is seeking poll workers in the St. Charles Community. If you are a registered voter in Lafourche Parish and can complete a short training course, your neighborhood needs you! Election Day Commissioners make \$200.00 per election.

Interested parties may complete the training at the following link: www.lafourcheclerk.com/certification-for-commissioners/. For more information or assistance with the course, please call (985)447-4841.

HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, our God in the flesh! As You saved Your apostles from perishing in a storm by calming wind and wave on Your command, so now keep us safe and sound during hurricane season. Grant us favorable and benign weather. Protect us from the unpredictable elements of nature. Spare us from storm, flood, fire, illness, injury, disaster and sudden death. Preserve us from all evil and harm, for we, though sinful, are nonetheless the work of Your hands — and You, together with Your Father who has no beginning and Your holy, good and life-giving Spirit, are our God, in whom we live, move and have our being, now and ever, and for ages and ages. Amen.

QUOTE:

"God, help me to see myself the way You see me!"