

The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: “Have you ever participated in various trust exercises, where you have to place your faith in others around you? Maybe it was falling backwards with your eyes closed while the person's voice speaking to you seemed to drift further away. Maybe it was jumping from a height into people's arms that didn't seem strong enough to catch you. These activities were supposed to show you the meaning of trust and help grow that trust in you for your comrades. Sometimes it Worked. Other times, some prankster would actually let you fall, and then you learned to trust no one. So much for building up our ability to trust. Trust is important, especially in our relationship with Jesus. He calls us all the time and asks for us to trust. However, because of doubt or a desire to follow our own will, we choose to disregard his request. After objecting to Jesus' request to lower his net into the water, Peter was humbled when he caught so much fish that the net began to tear. Peter was a fisherman by trade. Surely he knew what the catch was probably going to be that day. But Jesus asked him to follow his will. Peter wanted to follow his own. Peter realized that his trust from then on should be in the Lord. Do you sometimes think your generosity will bear little fruit? Do you wonder if your surrender to God in stewardship living really amounts to much at all? Trust

Readings for the Week of February 10th, 2019

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
 Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35 [31b]/Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
 Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26



Prayers for the Sick: Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend Laverne St. Julien, Morris St. Julien Sr., Jaiden Gardner, Sylvania Cormier, David Bernard Sr., Mary Jane Jacquet, Shavawna Flugence, Gustavia Thibeaux, Reginald Brown, Florena Landry, John Albert Ledet, Andre' Serio, Roy Brown, Lisa Trahan, Charles Lee, Wilfred Flugence, Mayola Williams, Lorena & Lester Mouton, Elsie Harris, Mrs. Louvenia L. Gibson, Barbara Leon and those in the following nursing homes:

Landmark of Acadiana: Elise Jeanbaptiste

Maison de Lafayette: Dorothy Lavan

The next Baptismal class will be held on **Monday, May 6th** at 7pm in the Bishop Perry Learning Center. The actual baptism will take place following the 5pm vigil mass on **Saturday, May 11th**. Parents are required to bring a copy of the baby's birth certificate and a \$25 registration fee to the church office by noon on Monday, May 6th, 2019.



Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson (**Happy Heavenly 8th Birthday**), Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr. & Ethel Mae Decuir, Clifton H. Daigre Jr., Antoine M. Cormier, Michael J. Daigre, Oliver Provost Sr (**Happy Heavenly 75th Birthday**). Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members

Sun. 8:00 a.m.: Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members

Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson, Gregg Haynes, the deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, Mae Helen Bernard, Elton Bernard and Jenny Bernard. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group B** that cleaned the church on February 9th, 2019. The next group is **Group C:** Cynthia Jacquet and Pamela Sebillé – February 16th, 2019.

St. Anthony – February, 2019: (Group B) Theresa Cormier, Laura Chretien, Lilly Faye Jones, Diann Darby, Beverly Rixner and Jaleesa Richard.

~ Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated! ~

PSR (Parish School of Religion) Corner:

Classes are on Saturdays from 9am – 12 Noon

1st – 5th Grade Mar 9, 2019
 Apr 13, 2019
6th - 11th Grade Feb 16, 2019
 Mar 16, 2019
 Apr 6, 2019

1st Communion Retreat 8am—Noon Apr 27, 2019
1st Communion Confession 9am—10am May 4, 2019
1st Communion Practices Apr 27th & May 4th, 2019
Confirmation Retreat TBA

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2019

Mardi Gras Ball — February 23rd, in the BPLC. Contact Mona Darby for information

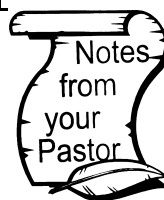
MASS THEMES for Black History Month:

February 3rd: Living the Dream—Building Bridges as our Paths to Success
 February 10th: Service—Our Local and Faith Communities
February 17th: The Challenges Facing our Youth & the Gifts they Possess
 February 24th: How Music Helps to Respond to Daily Challenges

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
Saturday February 16, 2019 5:00pm	Melvin Brown Bertha Brown	Helen Ledet Linda Alfred Barbara Thomas Michael Rabon		Gertrude Batiste John Bernard Sr Russell Flugence Terry Flugence
Sunday February 17, 2019 8:00am	Rose Mary Lee Lilly Faye Jones	Rose Lee Eddie Chretien Alton Celestine Donald Mitchell	Jarvis Berard	Loucinda George
Sunday February 17, 2019 10:00am	Asia Davis Jori Jordan	Gaynell Kimble Paul Kimble Carolyn Flugence Shawvana Flugence	Tylan Davis Javen Harrison Daemyn Harrison	Ervin Flugence Eugene Martin Shaun Davis George Thomas

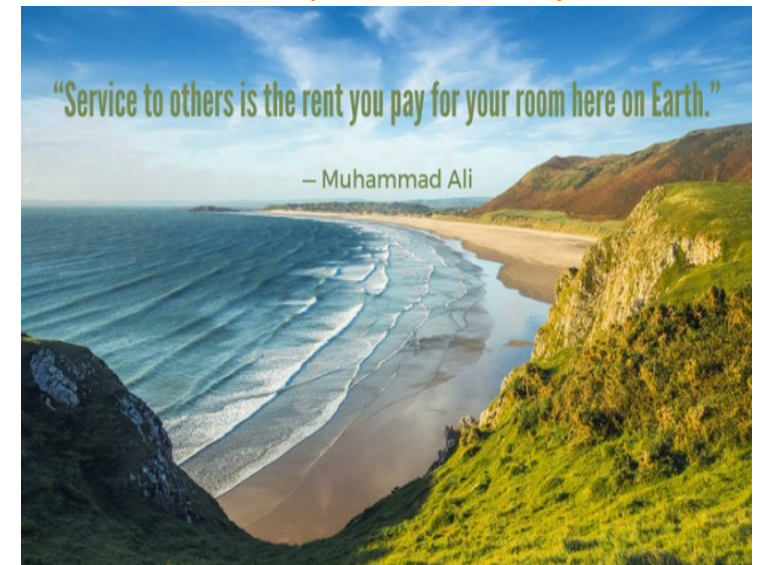
Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

PASTORS CORNER



Today we celebrate the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the 2nd Sunday of Black History Month. Our theme is “Service.” It gives us an opportunity to focus and reflect on our history, recognize the courage and contributions of black men and women who helped shape our history, and the bridges they built for us to climb. As we climb those bridges we realize we have much to do and continue to do. As we move from the shadows of our ancestors, we must continue to give honor to their legacy. This legacy is founded on God’s Word and our American Constitution. These are the fundamental values we must continue to strengthen to drive the darkness that surround us. Many of us have come to realize that this darkness cannot be driven out by darkness, but only by the light of freedom, equality and justice. This is our task at the moment and in the future. Each of us has a responsibility to contribute something positive. We owe it to ourselves, community and culture. Each of us should be accountable. To Whom? To Ourselves and to our Culture. On the positive side, we must take advantage of the educational resources, be wise in our moral judgment and use and develop our gifts in a demanding, challenging and developing and changing world. Finally and most important resist anyone and anything that will destroy and take advantage of us as a person. As we build our bridge let it enrich us and the culture of who we are as a people. This happens when we serve and are a people of service like our elders. They were men and women of service, courage service in hostile, unjust and

Inspirations from Those Before Us



The Web Site for St. Joseph/St. Anthony is: stjostant.org

Our Giving

February 2nd & 3rd, 2019

St. Joseph: (147 Envelopes out of 213) **1,732.00**
St. Anthony: (46 Envelopes out of 84) **966.00**
\$2,698.00

“No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord your God has bestowed upon you.”



Our Church Community is in need of a Volunteer Safe Environment Coordinator and DRE for 6th-11th Grade. Please contact the church office or pastor .