



“Some Saducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus ...” In this Sunday’s Gospel, the Saducees avoid their real question. Is there a resurrection from the dead or not? Rather than ask this question point blank, the Saducees try to prove their

point through a roundabout, unrealistic scenario. Jesus cuts straight to the question behind the question, citing Scripture passages relating to the resurrection. The Saducees are trying to trick Jesus. While we may not intend to stump God, our doubts and questions may have more in common with the Saducees than we care to admit. Doubts are part and parcel of life in a fallen world. Still, there are different ways we can word our doubts to ourselves, God, and others. When we’re struggling, truly struggling, about some article of faith, do we admit it? Or do we cloak it with other, obtuse questions to hide the nature of our concern? Have you considered leaving the Church over the hypocrisy of some of her members and leaders? Perhaps the real question is: “How can a place blessed by God and instituted by Christ have this evil in it? Can I reconcile with the concept that an institution has an admixture of good and bad? What do I expect from others, from myself? What responsibility do I have to try and remedy evil in an institution I’m part of?” Perhaps you’ve wondered about the nature of romantic love, and if God is love, does He really care so much about the details of this particular scenario? Perhaps the real question is: “Can my mind wrap around the concept of a God whose law seems — on the surface, in this situation — to make people unhappy? What is the relationship between the moral law and human flourishing?” These aren’t easy questions, but they are more honest ones. This week, don’t be afraid of your deeper questions! Bring them to God, to someone you trust, and to yourself.

Readings for the Week of November 10th, 2019

- Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
- Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10
- Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
- Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-9
- Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25
- Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-
- Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8



Prayers for the Sick: Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend Emelda Harris, Morris St. Julien Sr., David Bernard Sr, Mary Jane Jacquet, Shavanna Flugence, Gustavia Thibeaux, Reginald Brown, Florena Landry, John Albert Ledet, Andre’ Serio, Roy Brown, Lisa Trahan, Barbara Leon, Charles Lee, Mayola Williams, Lorena & Lester Mouton, Mrs. Louvenia L Gibson, Hazel Allen, Wilfred Thompson, Edward Lawrence, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, Lorita Jeanbatiste, Florence Jacquet, Albert Sam Jacquet and those in the following nursing homes:

Maison de Lafayette: Dorothy Lavan

Camelot of Broussard: Sylvania Cormier



The next Baptismal class will be held on **Monday, February 3rd** at 7pm in the Bishop Perry Learning Center. The actual baptism will take place following the 5pm vigil mass on **Saturday, February 8th**. 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, February 3rd, 2020**.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr. & Ethel Mae Decuir, Mildred Davis, Harrison Green (4th Anniversary), Cleveland Harris Sr, deceased members of the Roy family, Clifton H. Daigre Jr, Elmo J Cormier, Nicholas W Cormier and for all VETRANS (Living & Deceased), who served to protect our country. 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.: Deceased family members & friends of St. Anthony and for all VETRANS (Living & Deceased), who served to protect our country. 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 and Anderson families, Anne Lasseigne, Harold & Velma Flugence, Celina Ozenne, deceased members of the Flugence, Broussard, Ozenne & Thompson families, Willie & Helen Ryes, Albert Ryes, Georgia Anthony, M/M Howard & Agnes Broussard, Howard Broussard Jr, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, Ramona Harris, Lillian Vivian Francis, deceased members of the Harris family, the deceased members of the Billeaud family, deceased family members & friends of St. Joseph and for all VETRANS (Living & Deceased), who served to protect our country. Special Inten-

God’s Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group C** that cleaned the church on November 9th, 2019. The next group is **Group A:** Marie Francis, Gaynell Kimble and Jennifer Harris— November 16th, 2019.

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

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!

PSR (Parish School of Religion) Corner:

Classes are on Saturdays from 9am – 12 Noon

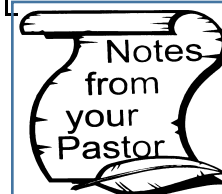
1 st – 5 th Grade	6 th – 11 th Grade
Dec 14, 2019	Nov 16, 2019
Jan 11, 2020	Dec 7, 2019
Feb 8, 2020	Jan 4, 2020
Mar 14, 2020	Feb 1, 2020
Apr 18, 2020	Feb 29, 2020
	Mar 21, 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2019

- ◆ **Wednesday, December 4th :** Papa Noel’s Market—Downtown Broussard from 5:30pm—8:00pm.
- ◆ **Broussard Christmas Parade:** Sunday, December 8th at 1:00pm
- ◆ **Angola Bus Trip:** Sunday December 8th. The buss will leave from St. Paul Church, Simcoe & St John at 7:30am. Call (337) 261-5545 to reserve your seat
- ◆ **GET OUT THE VOTE GUMBO:** Wednesday, Nov. 13th at 6:30pm in the BPLC. **FREE**

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY November 16, 2019 5:00pm	Melvin Brown Bertha Brown	Cathy Sigur Patty Derouen Linda Johnson Harold Anderson	Raymond Sigur, Jr	Harold Johnson Michael Rabon Curtis Sebille Linda Alfred
SUNDY November 17, 2019 8:00am	George Hebert, Jr Tonya Hebert	Rose Brown Rose Mary Lee Marie Decuir Jeanette Mitchell	Jarvis Berard	Loucinda George
SUNDAY November 17, 2019 10:00am	Helen Ledet Jennifer Harris	Liz Sharlow Tim Sharlow Delores Sias Alzina St. Julien	Jordan Semien	Eugene Martin Paul Kimble Alton Bernard 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, as we celebrate the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, We also celebrate and welcome the Billeaud family, with our Faith Community of St. Joseph and St. Anthony as we celebrate a liturgy of gratitude in memory of our elders with great gratitude. As we celebrate the Eucharist today, our prayer is for strength from the Holy Spirit to continue to build healthy and wholesome relationships in our community. In the gospel a critical experience in all of our lives come up again, relationships. One thing we know relationships are involved and important in all of our lives. For the Sadducees, it was no different. One thing we know and realize relationships sometimes cause conflict. The Sadducees bring up an age-old question in today’s gospel and posed this question to Jesus. As is His approach Jesus rarely answers a question directly. He usually tells a story. With this response Jesus answers the Sadducees with His response, “the children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage.”

Relationships, for us, ARE about the living. It is that experience that connect us. With others. This connection is made possible by trust. This trust cuts through the core of our being. It connects us in a special way. That gives us the opportunity to communicate issues that impact our lives daily, how we live and relate to one another. When this is present it allows us to begin to realize we can try and take a stab of resolving a conflict or two, heal some old wounds, let go of some old hurts and revitalize our own life. Thus, the insight of using prayer and a few good friends who are faithful that we trust to partner with us on our journey, make a good retreat, find someone to be my spiritual director.

Now we realize the Sadducees were after much foolishness. Today, many are like them, arguing for argument sake with no realistic goal in mind. Our goal today in relationship building means we take a risk and we may be rejected, but we realize all of us need others in our life. NO ONE CAN DO IT ALONE. MANY FAIL. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN WE SHOULD NOT TRY! JESUS TRIED TO BUILD A RELATIONSHIP WITH JUDAS BUT FAILED BUT HE SUCCEEDED WITH PETER.

THIS WEEK LET US ALL BE LIKE PETER. ~ Rev Thomas James ~

Moving into The Spirit of Christmas

Feast of St. Andrew—Christmas Novena



St. Andrew, Apostle
1st Century
crucified on an X-shaped cross

Novena Prayer
(15 times per day, 11/30-12/24)

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God! to hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

Prayed for Special Intentions

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

Our Giving

November 2nd & 3rd, 2019

St. Joseph: (97 Envelopes out of 213) **\$1,726.00**

St. Anthony: (49 Envelopes out of 84) **672.00**

\$2,398.00

“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.”

NEW CHRISTMAS TRADITION
Beginning December 1st,
Read one chapter of
The Book of Luke in the Bible
each evening.
There are 24 chapters.
On Christmas Eve you will have read
an entire account of Jesus's Life
and wake up Christmas Morning
Knowing WHO and WHY
We Celebrate!!