

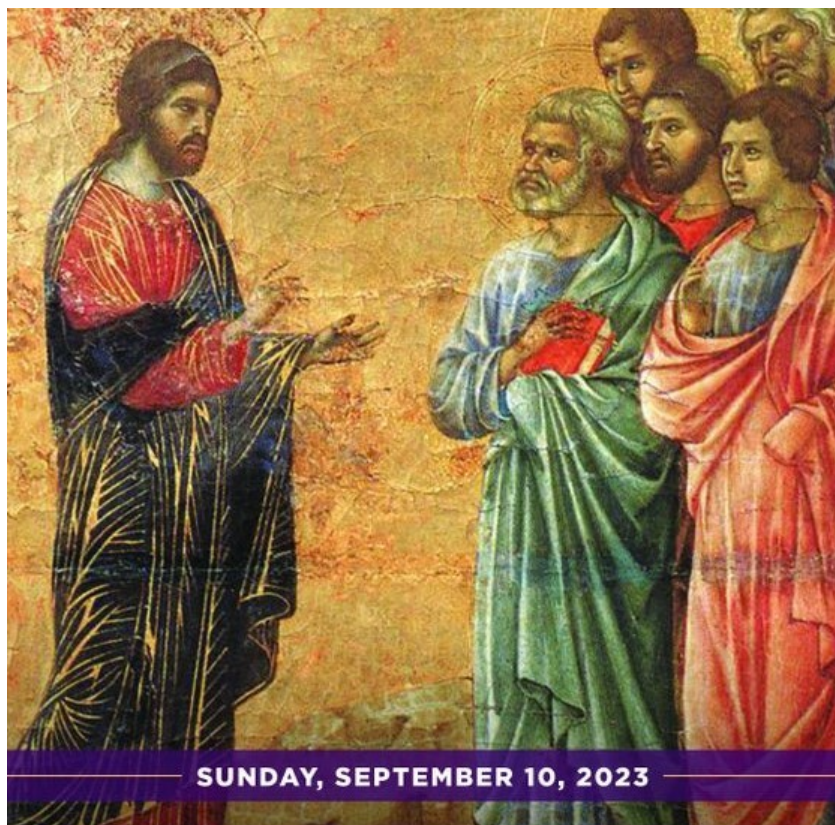
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. ANTHONY MISSION CHAPEL

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.” - Mt 18:15

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the Church office to schedule Baptisms

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the Priest 6 months prior to the wedding date. NO wedding date should be planned, till after the Marriage Preparation has been completed.

Funerals

Please call the office to inform of the death of a church member and to schedule an appointment to plan the Funeral. Only after meeting with the Secretary, should one contact the funeral home with the final arrangement.

Office Hours

Monday & Friday 9:00 a.m.–12 noon
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Tuesday **CLOSED**
(Parishioners: For any emergency or sacramental needs please contact Fr. Richard, SVD at (337) 714-9327)

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: St. Anthony 8:00 a.m.
St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.
Monday - Thursday - Friday 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Weekdays following weekday masses or by appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Ryszard Zawadzki, S.V.D.
(337) 714-9327

Deacon: Daniel Foster

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Ms. Peggie M. Bellow

Maintenance: Mr. Terry Flugence

Musicians: Mr. Harris Flugence
Ms. Carla Bernard

Trustees: Mr. Daniel Foster
Mrs. Dianna Darby

Victims Assistance Coordinator:
Mr. Joe Pisanco, Jr. (337) 298-2987

Meetings

Ushers Association: Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.—Bishop Perry Learning Center
Adult Choir Practice: Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Come Lord Jesus Group: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: 2nd Sun of the month

Mission Statement

“As a community inspired by the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and our ancestral heritage, we the parishioners of St. Joseph and St. Anthony profess to proclaim God’s goodness. And through our faith and commitment to the Holy Word we join together in spirit, truth, love and service working together for the good of our church parish.”

GOSPEL MEDITATION



“What are you supposed to do about the bad behavior of the people around you? You know who I’m talking about. That family member,

friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything’s fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?

Jesus’ strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord’s strategy, “If your *brother* sins against *you*...” Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against *you*? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren’t our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others’ sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

— *Father John Muir*

Mass Intentions

Saturday 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, Caroline Keefe, Colleen Faul, Michael Keefe, Donna Clair Lewis, M/M Walton & Lillian Lewis, Lisa Trahan, David Clay and Willis Thibeaux.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.: Melton Celestine (*1st Anniversary*), Clifton Celestine and Howard Celestine.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson, deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, Lionel Ryes, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, deceased members of the Flugence & St. Julien families, Jordan Porter, M/M Velma & Harold Flugence, M/M Joseph & Delores Porter Sr, Jimmie Billeaud and all deceased & surviving members of his family, Paul Domingue Sr, Junius Domingue, Mariah Elaire, Lester Mouton, Mary Ann Washington and Marie Mary Mouton.



Prayers for the Sick:

Merciful Jesus, onto Your Compassionate Heart we recommend:

Charles Lee, Gustavia Thibeaux, John Albert Ledet, Mark Tauriac, Mayola Williams, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, Edna Nickerson, Shavawana Flugence, Katherine Gregoire, Julius Gregoire, Victor Jackson, Christopher Trailer, Deacon Daniel Foster, Sylvia Cormier and Mary Alice Cormier.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die,"
and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked
from his way,
the wicked shall die for his guilt,
but I will hold you responsible for his death.
(Ez 33:8)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading:

Love does no evil to the neighbor;
hence, love is the fulfillment of the law. (Rom 13:10)

Gospel:

"If your brother sins against you,
go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If
he listens to you, you have won over your brother."
(Mt 18:15)

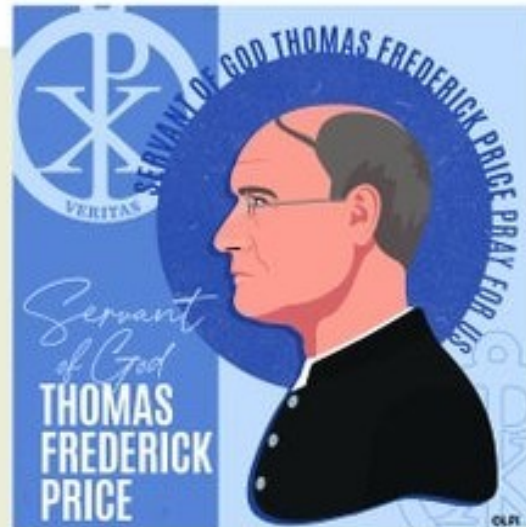
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Our personal relationship with Christ is important,
yes — but thank God, that is not all there is to
being a Christian. We depend upon the support,
the encouragement, and even the correction of
the rest of the Body of Christ.

Observances for the week of September 10, 2023

- Sunday:** 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Grandparents' Day
- Monday:** Patriot Day
- Tuesday:** The Most Holy Name of Mary
- Wednesday:** St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church
- Thursday:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Friday:** Our Lady of Sorrows
- Saturday:** Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop,
Martyrs
- Next Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

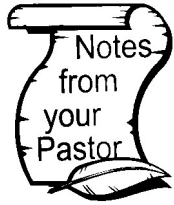


Saint of the week

Servant of God Thomas Frederick Price survived severe illness and a shipwreck as a young man before becoming a priest. He cofounded the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, better known as Maryknoll, and led the institution's first mission to China.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, You so inspired Father Thomas Frederick Price with love for You and zeal for the Gospel that he dedicated his life to serve You and Your Church, first in North Carolina, his home state, and then in the foreign missions. Grant that by his example we may grow in holiness and into a deeper union with Our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to be authentic witnesses of the Gospel and proclaim the Holy Name of Jesus throughout the Diocese of Raleigh and to all the people and in all the places we are sent to love and serve. If it be according to Your will, glorify Your servant, Father Thomas Frederick Price, by granting the favor I (we) now request through his prayerful intercession (mention your request here) I (we) make this prayer confidently through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



PASTORS CORNER

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Love and Truth

I think even the most devout, the most pious Catholic reading this could summon to mind, if asked, one or even two examples of Catholic teaching for which they have desperately looked for a loophole.

Don't worry, I won't make you share with the group. But bring it to your mind now: the doctrine you once resented, or perhaps still do. The commandment you don't fully understand, the one you bristle against. The rule you find the hardest to follow. The belief you hate explaining to your friends.

If it disappeared from scripture or dropped out of the catechism, would your life really be easier? Would you be happier?

I am thinking of mine. For a long time, I searched high and low for a way around this particular teaching. I read books and Scripture and tradition, I prayed and reflected and tried to argue with myself. For a time, I gave up complying with it entirely. I threw it to the wind, with a shoulder shrug and a self-satisfied assurance to myself that God, being a loving father, does not want his child to be unhappy.

But reader: I was miserable. I was so, so miserable, and I stayed that way until I finally accepted that God is, indeed, a loving father, and desires nothing less than the unhappiness of his children. And so, to ward it off, he has given us the truth, and asked us to share it amongst ourselves like a cherished heirloom, a priceless inheritance.

To share truth, you must show love. To show love, you must share truth. One demands the other. Because this is what Christ does for us, and this is the mission of the Church in this world. Loosening and binding. Bearing witness. Giving testimony. Speaking truth, and in speaking truth, showing love.

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. — Psalm 95

Inspirations for Your Week

Jesus is right there with you in the middle of your storm.

Bigger blessings come after the storm. Do not be afraid. Every plant grows after the rain



Our Giving

Sept 2nd & 3rd, 2023

St. Joseph: (96) Envelopes)	\$1,669.00
St. Anthony: (36) Envelopes)	<u>397.00</u>
	\$2,066.00

2nd Collections:

Building Maintenance:	458.00
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TOTAL:	\$2,524.00
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Stewardship Quotes

“You do not need to take out a loan to have more love to give. There also is no limit to the love you have been given to share. However, it is the one gift that we sometimes treat with the least respect. We hold back love due to sins of pride, prejudice, and apathy. We distort and manipulate love for our own gain and selfish desires. We can find ourselves placing more importance on the things for which we have taken out loans than the love that is eternal.” ~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS~

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY September 16, 2023 5:00pm	Lesia Handy	Cynthia Jackson		
SUNDAY September 17, 2023 8:00am	Theresa Cormier			Lucinda George Eddie Chretien
SUNDAY September 17, 2023 10:00am	Gaynell Kimble	Barbara 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!!

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies that cleaned the church on September 9th, 2023. Please let us know if and when you might be available to help clean our church.

St. Anthony — September, 2023: (Group C): Anne Date, Marie Decuir

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ANNUAL CHURCH FAIR:** October 6th—7th and 8th, 2023.
- The BPLC will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday this month from 3:30pm—6:30pm to accept fair packets and donations.



Parish School of Religion:

Classes are on Saturdays

9am – 12 Noon

K– 11th Grade

Eucharistic Devotion



*The Diocese of Lafayette is planning a **Eucharistic Rally on October 5th, 2023 from 6:00-9:30pm at the Cajundome Convention Center. Dr. Ralph Martin will be the keynote speaker. It will begin Mass at 6:00pm, celebrated by Bishop Deshotel with Fr Alex Albert as the homilist. Food will be provided after Mass, followed by the Keynote address, then Adoration and Benediction. Please save the date and plan to attend!***

"What wonderful majesty! What stupendous condescension! O sublime humility! That the Lord of the whole universe, God and the Son of God, should humble Himself like this under the form of a little bread, for our salvation"

"...In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood." **- St. Francis of Assisi**