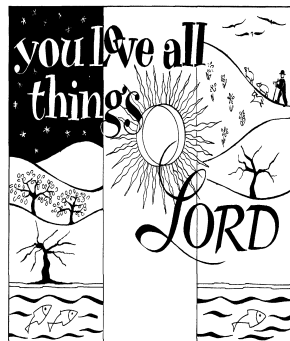


GETTING TO KNOW US

Many of us, if we were asked whether or not the goal of our prayer and spiritual life was to get to know God better, would most likely answer, "Of course." But how many of us would think that another purpose of our prayer and spiritual life was for God to get to know us better? We think of God as the One who views the whole universe as a grain of sand. How can God get to know us better? The author of Wisdom reminds us that the Lord is a "lover of souls" (Wisdom 11:26)—and lovers, if they do nothing else, are always seeking out their beloved, wanting to know them better, knowing yet overlooking their faults, wanting nothing but to love them more and more.

In today's Gospel Jesus embodies this God whose imperishable spirit is in all things. Not only does he allow the extreme sinner Zaccheus to speak with him, but Jesus seeks him out, up in a tree. And then—losing his head with love for his brother in the faith of Abraham—Jesus becomes a part of his life by insisting that Zaccheus take him into his own house, the house he lived in through ill-gotten, sinful gains as a tax collector. Wisdom and Luke both tell us that God is willing to walk right into our frail sinfulness in order to know us better, love us more, and bring us in forgiveness to salvation.



Mass Intentions For The Week



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Monday, 11/1

9AM: Irene D. Thompson, Frank & Lois Domingue, Burl Colomb, Melvin Hector Family, George Baudoin, Walter & Aimee Pellerin, Douglas Baudoin, J. B. Guillory, Merlin Billeaud, Troy Babineaux, Vincent & Hazel Mayard, Kelly Perrin, Wally Romero, Ulyesse & Eve Baudoin Family, Nathan LeJeune, Annie & Nores Dubois, Charles Stelly, Joanna & Frank Bourgeois, Dudley & Lula Lapoint, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Bu Hue, Dwayne Thevis, Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Thevis Family, Mr. & Mrs. Caliste Touchet Family, Mr. & Mrs. Jay Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. Billy Hoffpauir, Mike Alesi, Jack Hudson

Tuesday, 11/2

5:30PM: Bob Buniva & Parents, Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Pere, Gloria Eleazar, Mr. & Mrs. Anton Zager, Dallas Faulk, Peter John Mayeux, Glenn Laviolette, Tim Meaux, Ted Harrington, Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Harrington, Allen Comeaux, Carolyn Laviolette Hays, Aline Cormier, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Bu Hue, Mike Alesi, Frank Rieber, Jack Hudson.

Wednesday, 11/3

9AM: Mike Alesi, Troy Babineaux, Iola Cornibe, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Bu Hue.

Thursday, 11/4

9AM: Mike Alesi, Troy Babineaux, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Bu Hue.

Friday, 11/5

9AM: Gene Segura, Aline Redmond, Carolyn Redmond, Joanna & Frank Bourgeois, Glen Richard, Edward & Rita Norton, Vladas, Cicilija & Algis Kasparavicia.

Saturday, 11/6

4PM: Nugier Perrodin, Bob Buniva & Parents, George Baudoin, Walter & Aimee Pellerin, Douglas Baudoin, Ulyesse & Eve Baudoin Family, Rene & Miles Arceneaux, Mr. & Mrs. Caliste Abboud Family, Mr. & Mrs. Gordy Simon Family, Mr. & Mrs. Espare Abboud Family, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Arceneaux Family, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Spell, Nina Breaux, Peter John Mayeux, Mr. & Mrs. Dudley Bourgue, Mr. & Mrs. Theonise Duhon, Delta Duhon, Dr. J. L. Wood, Gail Wood, Rena Mouton, Louis Breaux, Marion Sandefur, Laura G. Rhodes, Jean Jones, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Noi Anna.

Sunday, 11/7

9AM: For the Parishioners.

11AM: Elmer & Betty Luquette, Frances Hill, Glenn Laviolette, Brooks Bernard Family, Doug Guillory, Mr. & Mrs. Lefiad Simon, Gerladine Saunier, Johnny Theall, Dennis Goulas, Margo St.Julien Simien, Luna Mazurkiewicz. Lincoln Bordelon, Lisa Ann Duplechien Trahan, Pierre S. Simon, Doris Schexnider, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Noi Anna, Mike Alesi.

5PM: Dan Domingue, Troy Babineaux, McBride & Capel Families, Hazel & Ebon Reed, Earl Young, Sr., Earl Young Jr., Travis Chesnut.



Daylight Saving Time ends next weekend. Please remember to turn your clocks back!

Sunday, November 7th; 2:00 am

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40 or any readings taken from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Wednesday

Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10

Friday

Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday

Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17; 2 Thes 2:16 —

Church Offerings

October 24th Offerings \$ 13,637.00

Thank you for your generous spirit of giving!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

They are Called

"He calls them to *lead* your holy people in love, *nourish* them by your word and *strengthen* them through the sacraments. Father, they are *to give their lives* in your *service* and for the salvation of your people as they strive to *grow* in the *likeness of Christ* and honor you by their *courageous witness* of faith and love."

--Preface to the Liturgy of the Chrism Mass

On Sunday, October 31, 2010, Catholic parishes throughout the United States will show support for their priests. The last Sunday of October is designated as Priesthood Sunday; a one-day celebration of the priesthood organized by parish lay leaders and coordinated by the USA Council of Serra International.

Priesthood Sunday was established in 2003 to provide a way for Catholic communities to express appreciation for the devoted priests who serve them so faithfully. Such a celebration is increasingly relevant in light of the declining number of priests in the U.S. Only about 4,000 of the 19,000 parishes in this country currently have more than one priest. Many priests serve two or more parishes by themselves.

RITE OF ACCEPTANCE



During the year, especially the period before or at the beginning of Advent, parishes celebrate a special ceremony called the **Rite of Acceptance**. Those who have expressed a desire for Baptism declare their intention before the assembly and the community officially accepts their request.

These candidates, through regular gatherings, have already begun their journey by sharing with members of the Christian community. Now they are publicly and officially received as catechumens. From this time on they are embraced as part of the family of faith and the community takes responsibility for them as they continue their journey. They are preparing for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist. Please remember these brothers and sisters in your prayers. We will hold the Rite of Acceptance on **November 14th at the 11:00 am Mass**. Copyright © 2008 Resource Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS DAY

Monday, November 1st

Communion of Saints

Please note *All Saints Day* is *Monday*, and we will celebrate mass as usual at **9:00 am**. We will not have any additional masses.

RESPECT LIFE

Communion of Saints



The upcoming Solemnity of All Saints Day and Feast of All Souls Day remind us of our unity with the Saints in heaven and those who have died, together forming one family in Christ. In praying for them and asking them to pray for us, we express respect for the dead which is part of respect for all human life which comes from God.

All of us belong to the communion of saints, we who have been baptized...we who draw life from the gift of Christ's Body and Blood through which he transforms us and makes us like himself. -- Pope Benedict XVI

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Here at Holy Cross we honored all in our faith family who have died in the past year on **Saturday, October 30th at the 4 pm**.

One of the best ways to teach children how we respect the dead is to visit a cemetery. Ideally, we visit the graves of our own family members and other loved ones and remember and retell stories about them, especially how their Christian witness has influenced our life. In our mobile society when we cannot accommodate this visit to the grave of a loved one, we can adapt our ritual in our home environment to uphold and honor their memory.

Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Receive their soul and present them to God the Most High.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Loving and faithful God,
you promised that in every
Generation you would provide
shepherds for your flock.

We ask you to raise up men who are
generous in their service, willing to offer
their lives and all their gifts
for your glory and for the good of your people.

May our faith today be our legacy for the
next generation. We ask this in the
name of Jesus and through the Holy Spirit
who lives and reigns with you,
now and forever. Amen

~ Adult Faith ~
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Question of the Week



Gospel Reflection Luke 19: 1-10 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel Reflection

The incident in today's gospel may well be a God's eye view of each one of us! We are all "little" like Zacchaeus, trying to see Jesus from a distance, and often getting ourselves up into trees or into other difficult situations and needing Jesus to come by and call us back down to earth, back down to an honest relationship with him. "When you come down from there, and admit your need," says Jesus, "we'll talk heart to heart."

Question of the Week: What tree do you need to come down from in order to be closer to Jesus?

Children's Question: What would I have done if I were in Zacchaeus' shoes?

Come be *Immersed in Christ* this Advent

Immersed in Christ is a new five week Advent study that helps us become Christians who are conscious of being Christ in the world: devoted to discipleship, and committed to living out our baptismal anointing as prophets, priests and stewards of Christ's Kingship. The study will be held on Tuesdays in the Old Library in the building behind the Religious Education bldg. from **7:00 PM – 8:30 PM, Nov. 23rd- Dec. 21.** To register please calling **John Schexnaildre** at **337-984-9636 ext 233** or the Adult Faith Formation office at **337-654-9671.**



Exposition of The Most Blessed Sacrament will be held on **Thursday, November 4th** after the 9:00 am mass until 12noon.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Cross supplies drivers for *Meals on Wheels* in Broussard, and they are *in need of drivers*. If you can spare a few hours to deliver once a month or are willing to be a standby driver, please contact **Dennis Broussard, 225-5980.**

STM OPEN HOUSE

St. Thomas More Catholic High School invited you to Experience More at their annual Open House.

STM Open House for prospective students and their parents will be held on Thursday, Nov. 4. Continuous tours from 5:00-7:00 pm, last tour begins at 7:00 pm. For more information please contact the Admissions Office at STM, 988-3700 ext. 126 or melanielauer@stmcougars.com

~ Religious Formation ~

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CONFIRMATION

All Confirmation candidates are reminded there are no classes this Sunday.

ATTENTION: 9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

On **Sunday, October 31st** because of Halloween, classes will be held at **4:00 pm**

FAMILIES ON THE MOVE

Thank you so much for your generous contributions after all Masses last weekend. We will be able to provide Christmas gifts for some of the needy children of our area.



KAIROIS COOKIES ARE DUE NOVEMBER 1ST & 3RD



Please start baking now! Needed are 200 dozen cookies! If your child is in the Religious Formation program, directions were sent home. Anyone else who would like to participate can call **984-9636 ext. 223** for more information. If everyone bakes a few dozen cookies we will meet our quota. Cookies can be brought to the Calais Center..

ATTENTION: 9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

On **Sunday, November 7th** the 9th and 10th graders in both the Religious Formation program and Catholic schools will have a Mass at 5 p.m. At this Mass the Spiritual Gifts of Fortitude and Wisdom will be bestowed on the 9th and 10th grades respectively.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween takes its name from being the eve of the holy day of All Saints on Nov. 1. The word "Halloween" comes from the word "hallow" or "holy." Halloween has its origin in pre-Christian times and there is no direct connection between this day and any Christian tradition. Traditional practices associated with Halloween are delightful and earthly, but they are not Christian practices. **There is no reason, however, why they should not be enjoyed by young and old alike.** Adapted from Catholic Customs & Traditions



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> 2nd Offering St Vincent de Paul Rev. Jude Halphen	1 NOVEMBER All Saints Day <i>Not a Holy Day of Obligation</i> <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> Pope Benedict XVI	2 All Souls Day <i>Grief Share 9:30am</i> Bishop Michael Jarrell	3 <u>The Great Adventure</u> <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> Msgr. Russell Harrington, VE	4 <u>Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</u> <u>Susan Castille</u> <u>"Jonah, the Pouting Prophet"</u> 9:30-11:30am RCIA Rev. T.J. Hebert	5 Friday Morning Prayer Group 6:30am-7:30am Msgr. Michael Herpin	6 Habitat work on site Rev. Matthew Higginbotham
7 <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> <u>9th & 10th Grade Mass</u> <u>Confirmation Class</u> Rev. Kenneth Howard, SSJ	8 <u>Ladies Altar Sodality Meeting</u> <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> Rev. Thomas James, SVD, VE	9 Rev. Stanley Jawa, SVD	10 <u>The Great Adventure</u> <u>Religious Formation Classes</u> Rev. Ryszard Kalinowski, SVD	11 <u>Susan Castille</u> <u>"Jonah, the Pouting Prophet"</u> 9:30-11:30am RCIA Rev. Donavan Labbe	12 Friday Morning Prayer Group 6:30am-7:30am Rev. Keith LaBove	13 Habitat work on site Rev. Paul LaFleur

~ Please pray daily for our priest ~



JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

Will visit our Diocese in January 2011 as follows:

January 22th St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Crowley, 7:00 pm

January 26th Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church, Opelousas, 7:00pm

January 27th St. Pius X Catholic Church, Lafayette 7:00 pm

January 28th St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Abbeville 6:30 pm

January 29th St. Edmond Catholic Church Lafayette, 6:30pm

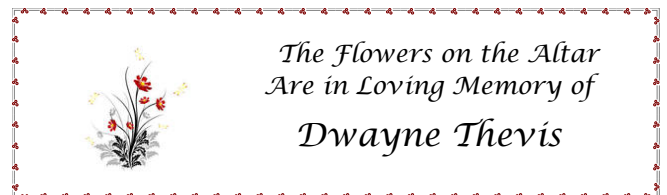
John Michael Talbot will lead a Holy Spirit-filled evening at each location. All events are no charge, but an offering will be taken, attendees are asked to be generous. He will also sell his CD's and books at each event.



- Nov. 1** Holy Hour for Vocations & Spiritual Renewal of All Priests 6-7pm
- Nov. 2** Food for the Journey 11:30am
- Nov. 4** Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Habitat on site building continues every Saturday. If you have not yet signed a volunteer sheet and you would like to volunteer, please drop by the church office to fill out the necessary papers. **Someone will contact you as your skills are needed.**



HOLY MASS & HEALING SERVICE

Alan Ames is an internationally known Catholic evangelist who has been graced with the gift of healing, a close union with Jesus in His passion, and a mystical prayer life he has shared globally the past **15 years, in 50 countries on 6 continents!** There have been **1,000's of documented spiritual and physical healings.** Alan will be sharing his ministry **Nov. 7th at 5:30pm, St. Peter Roman Catholic Church, 102 North Church St., in Carencro, 337-896-9408.** For a complete list of Alan's 5 scheduled nights in our area please visit: www.alanames.org

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