

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

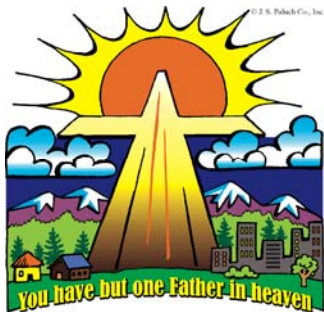
Celebrating 45 Years As A Family
A Year Of The Grace Of Mission

GOD IS IN CHARGE

"Who do you think you are?!" today's readings demand. We are brought up short, put in our place, given a dose of reality. Who is God? Who is in charge? Who is the greatest?

We begin with a passage from the prophet Malachi, one of the latest prophets, who wrote after the Jews returned from Babylon. Calling the people to task in God's name, he condemns the divisions and false teachings that have arisen, reminding them that all were created by the one God. Paul tells the Thessalonians the same thing, but in a positive way—praising them for remembering that it is God who is at work within them.

Finally, the Gospel presents Jesus speaking out against hypocrisy and vainglory. "You have but one teacher . . . you have but one Father" (Matthew 23:8, 9). We are firmly put in our place. God is in charge. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th

On this special day, Priesthood Sunday, we join together in praying for our Pastor, **Father Blessing** and **all priests**, in praising God for their courage and their generosity.

Let us make our appreciation known. A simple note, a smile or a phone call to assure him of our loving care and gratitude for his presence in the life of our faith community will go a long way to serve the greater good of our wonderful and growing Catholic Church.

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



The Sanctuary Flowers
Are in memory of
Dwayne Thevis

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Monday, 10/31 Anticipated Mass

6 PM: Betty & Carol Ingerman, Hazel Mayard

Tuesday, 11/01 All Saints Day

9:00 AM: Maurice & Geraldine Lantier, Elrida Breaux, Dallas Faulk, Jack Hudson, Sarah Savoie, Paul Lawrence Miers, Mr. & Mrs. G. J. Roussel, Deceased Members of Dommert Family, Conrad Breaux, Zachary Neice' Breaux, Bill Endris Family, Frank Domino, Sr., Pesson Family, Deceased Members of Freddie & Pam Vincent Family, Kelly Perrin & Parents

12:10 PM: J. T. McBride, Annie & Nores Dubois & Family, Constant V. Lahaye, Jr., Dwayne Thevis, Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Thevis, Mr. & Mrs. Caliste Touchet & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Mayard

6:00 PM: Frances Mary Constantine, Howard Blessing, Jr.

Wednesday, 11/02

9AM: Jack Hudson, Bob Buniva & Parents, Ted Harrington, Mr. & Mrs. Theo Harrington, Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Pere, Gloria Eleazar, Mr. & Mrs. Anton Zagar, Deceased Members of Truax Family, Charlene Campo, Vincent Campo, Constant V. Lahaye, Jr. Melba Huckaby, Carolyn Laviolette Hays, Aline Cormier, Glenn Laviolette, Alex Broussard, Sr.

Thursday, 11/03

9AM: Iola Cornibe, Judy Darnell Valadie

Friday, 11/04

9AM: Aline Redmond, Carolyn Redmond, Edward Trahan

Saturday, 11/05

4PM: Bob Buniva & Parents, Nina L. Breaux, Peter John Mayeux, Conrad Breaux, Mrs. Bruno "Boo" Kidder, Laura G. Rhodes, Jean Jones, Della Hanks, Bob Shiflet

Sunday, 11/06

9AM: For the Parishioners.

11AM: Mr. & Mrs. Lefiad Simon, Elmer & Betty Luquette, Sadie Smith, Murphy Langlins, Constant V. Lahaye, Jr., Kyle Michael Borges, Evelyn Nauck, Kenard Lege, Lolita Olsen, Mr. & Mrs. Theonise Duhon, Delta Duhon, Dr. J. O. Wood, Gail Wood, Mr & Mrs. Dudley Bourque, Frances Mary Constantine, David Mouton, Dailey Berard, Margo St. Julian Simien, Howard J. Blessing, Jr.

5 PM: Kelly Perrin

Church Offerings

October 23rd Offerings \$15,252.50

Thank you for your generous spirit of giving.

PRAYING WITH OUR BLESSED MOTHER Annunciation and Incarnation

The **Angelus** is a **prayer** that recalls the Mystery of the Incarnation (Christ's Birth) and the Annunciation (Mary's yes to God through the angel), and is prayed at noon. Here at Holy Cross we keep the tradition of ringing the chimes-bells at noon to call us to pray the Angelus.



The Angelus

Call: The angel spoke God's message to Mary,
Response: and she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
Hail Mary...

Call: "I am the lowly servant of the Lord:
Response: let it be done to me according to your word."
Hail Mary...

Call: And the Word became flesh
Response: and lived among us.
Hail Mary...

Call: Pray for us, holy Mother of God,
Response: that we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let Us Pray

Lord, fill our hearts with your grace;
once, through the message of an angel
you revealed to us the incarnation of your Son;
now, through his suffering and death
lead us to the glory of his resurrection.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS



Take time to walk around the church noting the frames on the walls. They are some of the new text we will be using **beginning in Advent**.

Thursday, Nov. 3rd

After the 9:00am Mass-Noon



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

November 1st

Vigil of the Solemnity of All Saints

Monday October 31st, 6:00 pm
(we **will not** celebrate 9 am mass)



Solemnity of All Saints

Tuesday, November 1st 9:00 am, 12:10 pm, 6:00 pm
(the 6 pm mass replaces our regular 5:30 pm mass)

In the liturgical celebrations of All Saints and All Souls we are reminded over and over that we are the Church, the Body of Christ. Our faith tells us that we are connected to one another in and through our Head who is Jesus. The Mystical Body of Christ is the Church: we who are on earth as well as those who have died. We believe that our prayers for others constitute an act of love and concern for them.
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Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of the Word please take a look at the Sign-In forms in the sacristy and sign up for the upcoming Holy Days that you are available to serve. **Greeters** please call or e-mail Elsa.



YOUTH TEEN CHOIR

We welcome the Youth Teen Choir to the Sunday 5 pm Mass. The choir is under the direction of Wayne Hebert and is always open to new members. All are welcome! Please speak with Wayne Hebert after mass.

CHILDRENS CHOIR

The Holy Cross Children's Choir invites the youth of our parish to unite their voices in sung prayer! Children's Choir is for boys and girls in 3rd - 8th grades. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 5:30 - 6:30pm. Claire Bernard continues as our choir director. Please call Claire Bernard at 988-6104 for more information or Elsa Mendoza at the administrative office (984-9636 x213).

To Request Prayers Please
Call The Church Office At
984-9636 ext. 211





Question of the Week

Matthew 23:1-12

What does it mean when Jesus says about the religious leaders of his day, "their words are bold but their deeds are few?" Recall people in your own life who have brought you closer to God.

Question for Adults: What does Jesus say about service? About humility? How will you act so that your life can be a message of faith to everyone you meet?

Question for Children: How can you be of service to others and live out the message of Jesus?

Men's Scripture Study, Discussion and Prayer Group

Are you interested in being a part of a men's scripture study, discussion, and prayer group? Groups of 5 to 10 members are forming to meet at a mutually agreeable time and place weekly or bi-monthly. Anyone interested in hearing more details are invited to attend an informational meeting on **Wednesday, November 9th** at **6:30pm** in **Conference Room A** of the **Annex Bldg.** at **St. Pius X**. For more information or to register please contact **Shawn O'neill** at **235-0047**.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes will be held this **Sunday, October 30^d** for all students at **6 p.m.** in the Big Room. **Mr. Joel Sandridge** will be the speaker for the evening. Parents are invited to attend the talk.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES SCHEDULE



There will be a change in the class schedule for **this week only**:

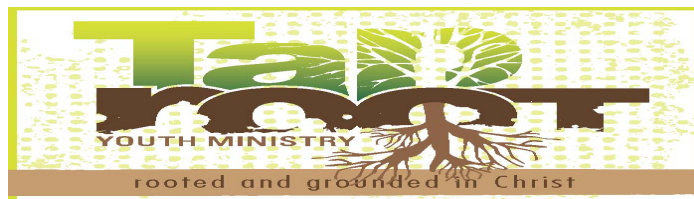
Sunday: Normal classes for P-k, K, 9th, 10th and Confirmation students

Monday NO classes due to Halloween: Parents are to work with their children in teaching the lesson scheduled for the week. Jr. High parents are to work with their children on the Saints Lesson plan that was sent home on October 24th.

Wednesday: Normal classes for students in 1st through 6th grades

THANK YOU

The parish of Holy Cross responded generously to the collection of **Change for God's Little Ones** after all Masses the weekend of October 23 and 24. There will be enough to make sure that there will be **Christmas gifts for some of the needy children of our area.**



Want to get involved or offer support?
please contact Travis Cummings 225-235-4529
or Josh Thomas 337-652-9880.

Email taprootyouthministry@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

LASS 5th QUARTER OF THE SEASON

Friday, Nov. 4th
MISSION HALL (GYM)
9:00pm-12:00pm

7th-12th grade are invited, bring a friend!

JUNIOR HIGH (7th and 8th grade)

Sunday, Nov. 6th & Sunday, Nov. 27th
MISSION HALL (GYM)
4:00pm-5:00pm, followed by 5:00pm Mass

HIGH SCHOOL (9th-12th grade)

Wednesday, Nov. 2, Wednesday, Nov. 16th
And Wednesday, Nov. 30th
MISSION HALL (GYM)
7:00pm-8:00pm

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 **Wisdom meeting room** in **Bldg. D** from **7:00pm – 8:30pm, November 22- December 20**. The cost of the two workbooks is \$15.00. You can register by calling the church office at **337-984-9636** or the Adult Faith Formation office at **337-654-9671**. **Alternately, you can register online.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GUMBO COOK-OFF



The Holy Cross KC's are hosting their District Gumbo Cook-Off on **Sunday, November 6**. Each council's gumbo team will prepare a Chicken and Sausage Gumbo. Holy Cross KC's will provide a potato salad and rice with the Gumbo. Gumbo sales will begin at **12:00pm-2:00pm**-or till Gumbo is sold out. The KC's are asking for a \$7.00 donation for the Gumbo dinner.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 <i>Religious Ed Class</i> Rev. Allen Breaux	31 <i>Anticipated Mass</i> 6:00pm NO Religious Ed Class  Rev. John "Buddy Breaux"	1 <i>Bible Timeline</i> 9:30-11:30am All Saints Day <i>Mass Times</i> 9am, 12:10pm, 6pm <i>Teen Choir Practice 7pm</i> Pope Benedict XVI	2 <i>Gospel of Matthew</i> 9:00-11:00am <i>Adult Choir Rehearsal</i> <i>Religious Ed Class</i> Bishop Michael Jarrell	3 <i>Susan Castille</i> 9:30-11:30am <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>Bible Timeline</i> 6:30-8:30pm <i>Children's Choir Rehearsal</i> Rev Michael Bouzigard, SJ	4 Rev. Joseph Breaux	5 Rev. Joseph Brennan
6 <i>Religious Ed Class</i> Rev. David Broussard	7 <i>Religious Ed Class</i> Rev. Henry Broussard	8 <i>Bible Timeline</i> 9:30-11:30am <i>Teen Choir Practice 7pm</i> Rev. Ken Broussard	9 <i>Gospel of Matthew</i> 9:00-11:00am <i>Adult Choir Rehearsal</i> <i>Religious Ed Class</i> Rev. Paul Broussard	10 <i>Susan Castille</i> 9:30-11:30am <i>Bible Timeline</i> 6:30-8:30pm <i>Children's Choir Rehearsal</i> Rev Rex Broussard	11 Rev. Richard Broussard	12 Msgr. Ronald Broussard

Pray for a priest each day: Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. *Amen*

HONORING YOUR CREATIVITY

There is something sacred and holy and godlike about creative work. Many Scripture passages speak of God's need to create and we who are created in the image and likeness of God share in the creative activity of God.

This is a great time to consider how we affirm and express God's gift of creativity within us. Where are the outlets for your creativity? What's the single most creative part of your work? How do you express your creativity outside of your work? (Adapted from *Loving Your Job, Finding Your Passion* by Joseph G. Allegretti)

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats



A Journey to Healing for Anyone Hurting After Abortion
 A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat is an opportunity for any man, woman, couple, grandparent or sibling who struggles with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion.

Participants re-connect on a spiritual level with the children who have been aborted and give them honor and dignity through many special exercises as well as in a memorial service.

Those who journey through their grief allow God to transform their experience into one that brings hope, liberation and peace.

When: November 4-6, 2011

Time: Friday, 6:00 p.m. - Sunday, 3:00 p.m.

For more information about the retreat weekend and/or to register please contact: Karol or Trista @ 337.261.5607 Diocese of Lafayette, Office of Pro Life Apostolate

Events Around the Diocese

"Food for the Journey"

The Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette presents "Food for the Journey", a monthly lunchtime speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. Our speaker for **Tuesday, November 1** is **Rev. Robert Seay, OFM**, Pastor of St. Paul the Apostle Church and Good Hope Chapel, Lafayette. Please join us at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1801 W. Pinhook Road, beginning at about 12:00 noon. An optional lunch buffet is available beginning at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$12.00 and includes meal, drink dessert and tip. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron (654-8682).

"Holy Hour for Vocations"

Please join us for our monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" on **Monday, November 7**, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 406 E. Pinhook Road. All are invited to attend!

Grief Workshop

Sarah Brabant, Ph.D. will speak on death and grief issues at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Maurice from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2011. Dr. Brabant is the author of the book, "**Mending the Torn Fabric: For Those Who Grieve and Those Who Want to Help Them**". This presentation is suitable for both those who are grieving and those wishing to help them. No registration are fees. For information, please contact Janeth Harrington (337-258-0078 or JHarrington@diolaf.org).

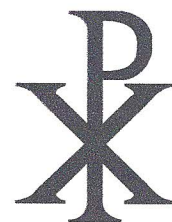
"The Moving Vietnam Wall - The Wall That Heals"

The local Chapter 504 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, along with the VA Coalition and Chapter 141 of the Vietnam Veterans Association, are sponsoring **The Moving Vietnam Wall** exhibition in Lafayette on November 17-20 at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, 2300 N. University Avenue, Lafayette. Also known as "The Wall That Heals", this traveling wall is a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial that touches Americans with its message of honor and healing. Twenty-four hour viewing begins with the Opening Ceremony on Thursday, November 17, at 12:00 noon, along with continuous reading of 58,272 names of deceased Veterans inscribed on the Wall. For additional information or to volunteer to help, please call Tom Grote (266-7136 or 984-5876) or email twgrote@cox.net.



Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 6th

**INTRODUCTORY RITE
GLORIA**



**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead and the life of the
world to come. Amen