

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 27, 2021



## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Obligation has been dispensed in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux at this time.

**Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM** | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion

**Sunday 8:00 AM** | in church

**Sunday 10:30 AM** | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion

**Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday** | 5:30 PM

**CONFESSION** | Prior to all masses

**ADORATION** | Tuesday 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL** (Stephensville)  
Saturday 4:00 PM Confession prior to mass.

**Father Brice Higginbotham** | Pastor  
**Father Brett Lapeyrouse** | Parochial Vicar

Talitha  
Koum

Little girl,  
I say to you

**ARISE!**

MARK 5:41

**READING I WISDOM 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the netherworld on earth, for justice is undying. For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world, and they who belong to his company experience it.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13**

**R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

**R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. At nightfall, weeping enters in, but with the dawn, rejoicing.

**R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

**R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

**READING II 2 CORINTHIANS 8:7, 9, 13-15**

Brothers and sisters:

As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also. For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality.

As it is written:

*Whoever had much did not have more,  
and whoever had little did not have less.*

**GOSPEL**

**MARK 5:21-43**

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him. There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. She said, "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction." While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES

### **Entrance Antiphon**

O, come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

### **Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### **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.

### **The Nicene Creed**

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.

### **Offertory Antiphon**

The angel of the Lord will encamp around those who fear him, and he will rescue them: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### **The Mystery of Faith**

A - We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.  
B - When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.  
C - Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

### **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us (Repeat)  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

### **Communion Antiphon**

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, says the lord.

# PARISH NEWS

## DAILY MASS JULY 5 8 AM

As is our custom for holidays, the daily mass on Monday, July 5 will take place at 8 AM instead of 5:30 PM.

## COME HOME TO HOLY CROSS!

As we transition back to normal operations following the pandemic, the livestreaming of Masses will discontinue as of July 1. Thus the in-car mass and communion option will not be offered as of that date. The Diocese will continue to stream mass on Sundays at 9 AM on the Diocesan Facebook page and YouTube. If you are unable to attend mass, contact us to be placed on the Homebound Communion list. We want to ensure that you can receive communion if you are not well enough to attend mass.

## MARRIAGE CELEBRATIONS

On Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 3:00 PM at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with couples who have lived the commitment of sacramental marriage for 25, 40, 50 or 60+ years. If you would like to take part, please call the Holy Cross Parish Office (985-384-3551) to register by July 30, 2021.

## ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA DIOCESAN MASS

The annual Mass to celebrate the sainthood of Kateri Tekakwitha, patroness of American Indian Catholics, will be held on Friday, July 9, 2021 at 6:30 PM at Holy Family Church, Dulac, LA. All are invited to participate in this culturally American Indian Mass.

## VOUNTEER ORIENTATION

New and existing volunteers are asked to attend a re-orientation meeting after the daily 5:30 PM Mass on Wednesday, July 7 (approximately 6:15 PM). This meeting is necessary as we determine how best to move forward with new mass protocols following the pandemic. Please try to attend if you are a current volunteer or wish to help out in the future.



TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND CONSECRATED LIFE

Good and gracious God,

You call all your children to a life of holiness and to faithfully follow you.

You continue to provide for the needs of the faithful, calling men and women by name to lead your Church.

Bless our parish, Holy Cross, and the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as priests and in consecrated life

Inspire us to know you better and to hear your call.

We ask all of this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Calendar of Events



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PARISH REGISTRATION



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Central Catholic High School 985-385-5372  
Peter Boudreaux | Principal

ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL  
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### SACRAMENTS

*Baptism:* 3rd Sunday of each month.

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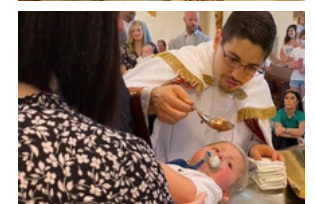
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**"The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you: The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace."**

**- Numbers 6:24-26**

## The Mass: Liturgy of the Word II

We spoke last week about the glory of the salvation story on display for us during the readings of the Mass. So what is our response to such a presentation of majesty and wonder? The only rational response is to open our hearts in an act of complete vulnerability and to praise God with unabashed song. We sing the Psalms in return, enumerating our wonder, our sorrow, our humble joy at being the chosen people of God. For there is no greater news, nothing so breathtakingly beautiful as these words! “How sweet are thy words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!” (Psalm 119:103). We sing praises in the way that the Blessed Virgin Mary did; in the way Saint Joseph and the Apostles did; in the way Jesus himself did. And we sing the highest praise, “Alleluia!”, as we hear the words come from the lips of Christ himself in the Gospel message. For therein lies the culmination of his love and his work on our behalf.

### REFLECTION

- Do I see the Liturgy of the Word as something to rejoice this intensely over? Or am I just waiting for it to be over?
- Do I respond with joy, even if I don't feel like I'm a “good singer”?

This week, do your best to see how deeply God loves you in the Scriptures, and respond with all your heart when called upon to do so.



“To commune with God in prayer, to praise Him, to thank Him, to supplicate Him, to pour out to Him in chant our heart's joys and [com]plaints, we can find no words more fitting than those which God Himself has put into our mouth and inspired through His ‘Holy Spirit, who within us beseeches Heaven in our behalf with unutterable groanings’ (cf. Rom. 8:26).”

-Nicholas Gihl

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, JUNE 26

George Williams Family, M/M Curtis Verret, Jason Hotard, Joe Young, Paul & Marie Vella, Louis J. "Billy" & Pat Adams Family living & deceased, Patience LaFleur Bryant, Rowena LaFleur, Michael S. LaFleur, Huey Landry, Margaret Bergeron, Rudy Mendoza  
St. Rosalie: Jerry Acosta, Sr., Brandon J. Terry

### SUNDAY, JUNE 27

Donald & Leona Smith, Smith & Wilma Alpha, Hal Thomas, Max Griffin, Gracie Andrews, Blake James Melancon, Marie Nguyen, Marie Thi, Dominico Hien, Dominico Nguyen, Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, Ernestine Kiff, Helen Stephens, Beverly Vella, Jay Morell, Jr., Carolyn Barbier, Lena Hamilton, Margaret Bergeron, Ronald Falgout, Sr.

### MONDAY, JUNE 28

Holy Cross Parish, Charlie Roy, Charlie Garber, Ridley Blanchard, Edgar Barousse, Sonia Hebert, Margaret Bergeron, Ronnie Ratcliff, Nick LaRocca, Beverly Vella

### TUESDAY, JUNE 29

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, Sonia Hebert, Ridley Blanchard, Stephanie Fremin, Ronald Leonard, Edgar Barousse, Jay Morell, Jr., Margaret Bergeron, Beverly Vella

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

Marie Nguyen, Marie Thi, Dominico Hien, Dominico Nguyen, Nicholas LaRocca, Jr., Jay Morell, Jr., Donna & Lowell Hall, Catherine Brown, Alfred Charpentier, Louis J. "Billy" & Pat Adams Family living & deceased

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ashlee Jimenez, Jerry Acosta Jr., Gwen Trahan, Ronald & Debbie Leonard, Gary Vining, Jane Webster, Lucy Lacasse, Carol Bergeron, Herverd Martin, Rella Fontenot, Andrea Turner, Ferris and Margaret Romaine, Bobby Acosta, Ellen Ruiz, Gunnar Tisdale, Pearl Haase, Alanna Sloane, Myrl Barrouse, Earline Suire, Marjorie Barras, Judy Solar, Lee Anne LeBlanc, Frances Gilmore, Brian Melancon, Louis Tamporella, Jr., Hope Johnson, Ethan Marcel, Darla Marcel, Vera Judycki, Jo Ann Price, and everyone affected by Covid-19.

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE (985-384-3551) OR REPLY TO THE WEEKLY EMAIL TO PLACE SOMEONE ON THE SICK LIST.

## MASS VOLUNTEERS

### WEEKEND OF: JUNE 26-27

#### SATURDAY 5:30PM

Lector: Lisa Thibodeaux  
Bulletins: Keith Thibodeaux  
Usher: James Hale

#### SUNDAY 8:00 AM

Lector: Marie Minton  
Bulletins: Marie Minton  
Usher: Thaddeus Marcell

#### SUNDAY 10:30 AM

Lector: John Russo  
Bulletins: Maria Barbier, Judy Russo  
Usher: David Irwin

### WEEKEND OF: JULY 3-4

#### SATURDAY 5:30 PM

Lector: Linda Arceneaux  
Bulletins: Melina Michel  
Ushers: Melina Michel

#### SUNDAY 8:00 AM

Lector: Tony Saleme  
Bulletins: Ray Prestenbach  
Ushers: Thaddeus Marcell

#### SUNDAY 10:30 AM

Lector: Claire Guarisco  
Bulletins: Lynette Aulds  
Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

June 19-20

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