FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Obligation has been dispensed in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux until further notice.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion for at risk parishioners Sunday 8:00 AM | in church Sunday 10:30 AM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion for at risk parishioners

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | 5:30 PM

CONFESSION: St. Jude Chapel prior to all masses

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

ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL (Stephensville) No masses at this time.





JULY 12, 2020

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READING 1

ISAIAH 55:10-11

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You have visited the land and watered it; greatly have you enriched it. God's watercourses are filled; you have prepared the grain.

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Thus have you prepared the land: drenching its furrows, breaking up its clods, Softening it with showers, blessing its yield.

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You have crowned the year with your bounty, and your paths overflow with a rich harvest; The untilled meadows overflow with it, and rejoicing clothes the hills.

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

The fields are garmented with flocks and the valleys blanketed with grain. They shout and sing for joy.

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

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ANTIPHONS in Ordinary Time

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

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.

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

READING 2

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know

that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

WEAR A MASK

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 13:1-9

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."



SOCIAL DISTANCING

• Hand sanitizer is available. You may also bring your own sanitizers. Please clean your area before and after mass.

· Please receive Communion on your hand, holding it out flatly so that the priest can distribute without contact.

• There will be no offertory procession. Place your offerings in the designated baskets as you arrive or depart Mass. As always, you may set up recurring payments on our website holycrossmc.org or use PayPal or Venmo @holycrossmc to support the church.

• We respectfully ask that there be no congregating after Mass. Please depart immediately after Mass is concluded.

ROMANS 8:18-23

The Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist I

The Offertory begins the part of the Mass known as the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We have prepared for this first by hearing and responding to the Word of God. Now, we prepare for the Consecration by bringing up those gifts which are to be offered to God as a sacrifice on the altar. We bring forth bread: the fruit of the earth. the work of human hands. Bread is a sign of our humanity, is a sign of our humble origins, springing, as we did, from the clay. It is also a sign of hard work: to knead bread and shape the dough is a toiling process. Next, we bring wine. Wine has always been a sign of divinity. It is also a labor to make wine, but during the process of fermentation, something occurs which no man can devise, and that which is created is rendered special and precious. Good wine is worth the wait, and worth its weight. Wine used can be red or white; this is allowable because, as one might guess, red wine most closely symbolizes the human blood of Christ, who was made man. White wine, however, is a sign of the divinity in the Blood of Christ. Thus, both are acceptable. Water is another possible offering to be brought forth. Water, says Father Aaron Williams of Jackson, MS, "is an earthly element...water is unaltered. In this way, water is a symbol of our humanity, and with it all our sins and failings...Incidentally, when water is poured into the chalice...it completely dissipates into the wine, just as Christ's Blood totally washes away our sins."

These, plus the monetary offerings of the people (also a sign of our labor), are all the physical elements to be offered at this point in the Mass, but they are not the only things we offer. We are called to place our own hearts on the altar as well: all our joys, sorrows, sins, failings, triumphs, and simple moments go onto the paten, or into the chalice, to be mingled with the sweet Body and Blood of our Lord, and completely consumed in sacrifice for our sanctification.

"To participate means to share in the task of another. Here [at the offertory] that other is the priest. He is there not for himself but for the congregation. By means of the words he speaks and the gestures he makes in the power of his office, something happens — through Christ. Everyone present is called upon to share in that happening. The priest responds to it, not privately for himself but for all. And again all are invited to share in his invocation, celebration, adoration, pleading, and thanksgiving. The celebrant's actions radiate in all directions far beyond his personal life. This is so primarily that all may — and should — enter into them." -Romano Guardini, Meditations Before Mass

REFLECTION

- What can I offer up to the Lord during this point of the Mass?
- What lies in my deepest heart that Jesus wants me to give to him?
- He is about to offer all of himself to me; can I do the same?

Jennifer Ely and Brice Higginbotham, Liturgia, (Unpublished).

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SACRAMENTS Baptism: Performed 3rd Sunday of each month. <u>Matrimony:</u> Couple must register and make arrangements at least 6 months prior to marriage. Please check website and call office for all sacraments.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 11

Patience LaFleur Bryant, Michael S. LaFleur, Rowena LaFleur, Harold Smith, George Williams Family, M/M Curtis Verret, Jason Hotard, Zack Turner, Sherry Williams, Joe Young, Jerrel Frederick, Haidee Hebert, Alice Guzzetta, Logan Sr., Irene & Gwen Fromenthal, Norbert & Elise Templet

St. Rosalie: Brandon Terry, Howard Thibodaux, Rosemary Cutrera, Nolan J. Rhodes

SUNDAY, JULY 12

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Mike, Jonathan, Rudy & John Percle, Alfred/Percle Families & Judy Aucoin, Donald & Leona Smith, Smith & Wilma Alpha, Hal Thomas, Max Griffin, Gracie Andrews, Murray & Margie St. Romain, Rodney St. Romain, Pat St. Romain, Blume Roy & Thelma Roy Brassette, David Family, Willie & Julie Bradberry, Justin Trimm, Jude Hebert, Ronnie Trimm, Carolyn Barbier, Oswald Verret, Vernice Verrett, Mary Besse, Kenneth David, Alice Guzzetta, John B. & Tracie Hover Family, Sam & Charleen Lorenzo, Roland J. Barras, R.L. & Edith LeBlanc

MONDAY, JULY 13

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc, Dr., Jerry Fabre

TUESDAY, JULY 14

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, Jerry Fabre, Carlo Gagliano, David Robicheaux, Alice Guzzetta, Anne Provost

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Maria Nguyen Thi Kem, Maria Nguyen Thi Hieu, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Dominico Nguyen Van Hien, Phero Nguyen Van Loc

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Shonet Vedros, Nelda Comeaux, Antoinette Spinella, Bernie Hunter, Jerry Acosta, Jr., Aline Bertrand, Lois & Lester Fryon, Dot Myers, Calvin Blanco, Irma Blanco, Betty Boudreaux, Todd Watson, Jr., Orelia Degraffenaried, Delannie Howard, Ruby Beadle, Leslie LaBatut, Diana Greenwood, Roger Liner, Ray LaHoste, Ethan Marcel, Richey Garrett, Becky Gaudin, Steve Johnson, Jay Morell, Evelyn B. Willis, Caroline Noble, Michael McAdams, Sr., Lawrence Pennison, Edward Cedotal, Chantel Cortez, Rick Cuvillier, Betty Guidry, Red Cuvillier, Jessica Guidry, Emmett Matassa, Yvonne Verret, Bill Darce, Nikki Fromenthal, John Thompson, Evelyn B. Willis, Gerald Barbier, Heidi Darby, Lenn & Debbie Leonard, and anyone affected by Covid-19 virus



Collections for July 4-5 will be reported in the July 18-19 Bulletin



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PARISH NEWS



Logan Barry Naquin Son of Philip and Holly Naquin

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

Confirmation Sunday, August 16, 2020 5:30 PM Mass

NOTE NEW TIMES!

Final Class and Practice for Confirmation Sunday, August 9, 2020 2:30-5:30 PM Reconciliation will be offered. Practice with Sponsors 4:30 PM All are invited to conclude the day together

at 5:30 PM Mass

In response to the *Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People* from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse.

In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious, or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux to call our outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line.

DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX OUTREACH 985-873-0026

CHARTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES FOR MASS

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.

Preface Dialogue Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit. Priest: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them up to the Lord. Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right and just.

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.

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS to the priesthood & 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 by 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.

