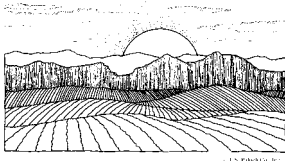


Blessed  
are the  
peacemakers



# Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 3, 2008

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure  
**Our collection for this past weekend was \$6,463.36.**  
(For 2006-2007 our average weekly expenses were \$7,360.00.)

**Registration Meeting for First Reconciliation and First Communion** is scheduled for **Thursday, February 7th at 7:00 P.M.** in St. Charles Chapel. To register a child you must fill out a completed registration form, bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate, and give a book fee of \$10 for each Sacrament. First Communion dates are April 20th and April 27th.

## DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Family Life Ministry is again sponsoring the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Celebration to honor couples who have been married 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years. ONLY the above mentioned years will be honored. The celebration will be held on **Sunday, March 9, 2008, 2:00 pm**, St. Peter Church, 108 Peter Street, New Iberia. Bishop Michael Jarrell will celebrate the special Mass and will give certificates, suitable for framing, to all couples being honored. A reception will follow the Mass at St. Peter Church Parish Hall, located behind the church. Couples who wish to be honored must register no later than Friday, February 22nd. Registrations will not be accepted at the door prior to the celebration. For more information or to pre-register, please call Family Life at 337-261-5653.

**Senior Citizens** will gather at Thensted Center on **Friday, February 8th at 10:00 AM**.

## LENTEN RESOURCES

You can find much help for your personal Lenten prayer, for the young people in your family, and for all of our Lenten celebrations at the following website that is sponsored by the Loyola University Press, at the Jesuit University in Chicago.

<http://www.findinggod.org>.

## GUIDED PRAYER

During Lent and Easter time we will offer a program of Guided Prayer for persons who would like to deepen their prayer life during these liturgical seasons.

The program will begin on **Monday, February 11th**.

Participants will commit to daily prayer and will meet on Mondays from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM for sharing and guidance.

The last meeting will be on Monday, March 31st.

If you are interested in participating, please give us your name and phone number so that we can begin to plan. We will contact all who register in order to give you details of where we will meet and a plan for the seven weeks of guided prayer.

Fr. Jim Lambert, S.J.

## RCIA: Adult Sacrament Preparation

Classes have begun. If you or someone you know is interested in joining this group, please call to speak with Fr. Jim Lambert.

### Activities of the Week February 3rd-10th

M	4	4:00 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T	5	Mardi Gras Holiday
W	6	Ash Wednesday-Masses at 6:15 a.m. 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Six-steps to Easter Classes at 4:30 & 7:00 pm
TH	7	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice Ladies KPC Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
F	8	Senior Citizens gather at Thensted 10 AM Ladies of KPC Annual Fried Fish Dinners 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
SA	9	8:00 AM Religion for Grades 1-6

### Minister Schedule-February 9-10

**Vigil** -Lector Shirleen Louviere & Janice Fox  
Communion Kalina Cormer, Caro Louviere,  
Jo Burleigh, Pat Sonnier, Mary Menard  
Altar Server Megan Miller

**7:30**-Lector Patrick Miller & Gwen Miller  
Communion Amy Lowery, Gary Dubroc, Joe Landry  
Jeanne Boast, Melba Courtney  
Alter Server Taneshia Cormier

**10:30**-Lector Barbara Broussard & Simon Broussard  
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Keith & Ginger  
Myers, Lorraine & Naomi Marks  
Altar Server Hunter Myers, Andrew Smith

### Church Cleaners for February 9-10

Natasha Williams Tommie Miller  
Diane Meche Shanda Guidry  
Denise Auzenne

**Reminder: Altar Society Social/Dinner** is scheduled for today, **February 3rd** at 3:00 P.M. in the Knights of Peter Claver Hall (Gymnasium).

Ladies Auxiliary will have their Annual **Fried Fish Dinner** on **Friday February 8th**. Dinners will be served 4:00-8:00 P.M. at the KPC Hall. Tickets are \$6.00 each and can be purchased from any Lady or Gwen Miller at 662-3072.

Anyone who is interested in joining one of our **Church Cleaning Groups**, is asked to call the church at 662-5279. The groups rotate and each group cleans once every 5-6 weeks.

**Food for Seniors/Pink Card Commodities** will be distributed on **Monday, February 4th: Bellevue** area at Christ the King Church Hall **9:00-10:00 a.m.**

**Grand Coteau** area at Grand Coteau City Hall **9:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon**

**Sunset/Cankton** area at the Community Center **1:30-3:00 p.m.**

All are invited to come and learn more about the work of **Catholic Relief Services** and Global Solidarity and meet Thomas Awiapo, Senior Program Officer, CRS Ghana on **Tuesday, February 12, 2007** at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculata Center, Marian Hall, Diocese of Lafayette, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA. 70501.

### THE CHOSEN REMNANT

Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant."

Time to Prepare...Fr. Keith LaBove, a specialist in ethics and morality, will conduct a seminar on the US Bishops recent document, **Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship**. This is open to all citizens who desire to prepare to make informed voting decisions in the light of the Catholic Church's teachings. The event will be held **Saturday, February 16th** from **9:00-11:30 A.M.** at Immaculata Center, Diocese of Lafayette, 1408 Carmel drive, LA.

For more information or to register, call the Office of Justice and Peace at 261-5545

**Friends Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, February 9, 2008** at the Community of Jesus Crucified, 421 1/2 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, La. The day begins at 9 AM and ends at Noon with the celebration of Holy Mass. Everyone is invited.

**Pilgrimage to Alabama.** Our Lady Queen of Peace Church is sponsoring a pilgrimage to Birmingham, Cullman, Hanceville & Irondale, Alabama; **Thursday, April 10-Sunday, April 13, 2008**. Pilgrims will visit the EWTN studio, the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of the Angels, Saint Bernard Monastery, and the Ave Maria Grotto. For more information, call 291-1933.

# Parish Pastoral Council

St. Charles Borromeo Church, Grand Coteau, LA

The Pastoral Council is an important structure in our parish community's life. Its members represent the whole congregation. Through its regular meetings and the activity of its various commissions the Council advises the Pastor in the pastoral care of our parish faith community. We must ALL be involved, to some extent, in the work of the Parish Pastoral Council.

This report is to inform you of the Council's structure and goals for 2008. You are invited to participate in the activities of the various commissions. Meeting dates will be in Sunday Bulletins.

## **THE PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Members of the council, and Trustees, are listed on the front page of the Sunday Bulletin.

Officers are:           Chair - Janice Fox     Secretary - Amy Lowery  
                                  Vice-chair - Deborah Alpough

Scheduled meetings:   January 8, March 11, May 13, July 8, September 9, November 11

## **EVANGELIZATION COMMISSION**

Chair:                 Janice Fox

Goals for 2008:       Establish a program to welcome and orient new parish members  
                                  Reach out to newly bereaved families and assist as needed

## **FACILITIES COMMISSION**

Chair:                 Andy Dakin

Goals for 2008:       Install a weather covering over the handicap driveway and the north  
                                  side-entrance of the church.  
                                  Install a new Church Sign for the main entrance on Church Street

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMISSION**

Chair:                 Perry Kennerson, Sr.

Goals for 2008:       Increase parental involvement in the Religious Education Programs  
                                  Develop student service projects that relate to our community

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION**

Chair:                 Linda Walker

Goals for 2008:       Work with Grand Coteau Elementary and Sunset Elementary schools to  
                                  provide all school age children of our community with quality uniforms  
                                  and supplies  
                                  Work with the Lafayette Community Health Agency to establish at the  
                                  Thensted Center a "Neighborhood Pharmacy" so that qualifying persons  
                                  in our community can obtain free prescriptions

## **WORSHIP COMMISSION**

Chair:                 Deborah Alpough

Goals for 2008:       Actively recruit and train persons for the ministry of acolyte (altar  
                                  servers) in our parish liturgies. Adults, teens, and younger men & women  
                                  will be supported for this important service.