



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2009

As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure.
Our offertory collection for last Sunday was \$7,451.53.
(For 2008-2009 our average weekly expenses were \$6,612.00.)

Bulletin Sponsor: In Celebration of Hazel James' 99th Birthday

By: James Children, Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren & Great-Great-Grandchildren

Altar Flowers for August 29-30

In Memory of Peter & Velma Smith

By: The Family

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a “**Year for Priests**” beginning with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 19, 2009. Also, the Pope has declared St. John Vianney to be the Universal Patron of Priests on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the death of the Cure d’Ars (August 4, 1859). Here is a beautiful prayer that we can pray for priests during this special year.

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to our call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf:

Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will.

O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Safe Environment Initial & Continuing Education Class is scheduled for Monday, **August 31st at 6:30 PM**, for all staff and volunteers, including those who volunteer in the Bellevue program.

Christ the King Bazaar will be held on **September 5th-6th**. Barbecue Dinner Tickets are being sold after masses and are available at the Church Office or by calling Carlton at 942-8254.

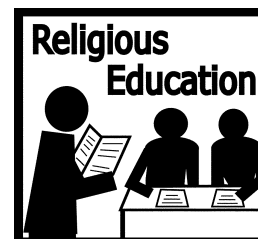
Chicken \$5.50; Pork & Fried Turkey \$6.50
Lots of food including sweet dough pies and boudin. There will be a teen dance on Saturday & Sunday evenings. There will be live Zydeco music on Sunday afternoon, bingo, and games for the children. Come enjoy a day of fun & fellowship.

On Saturday, 9-05-09, there will be a Vigil Mass in Bellevue at 4:00 PM. There will be NO Sunday Mass.

Registration for Confirmation 2010

is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 16th at 6:00 PM** in St. Charles Chapel. Requirements are:

1. Candidates must be at least 16 yrs. of age and have completed 4 years of Jr. High & High School Religion Instructions (7,8,9,10 grades).
2. Candidates should be practicing their religion by regular participation in the Eucharist.
3. A completed form, a fee of \$40 and a copy of the candidate's baptismal certificate must be presented at this Mandatory parent/guardian and candidate meeting.



Minister Schedule-Aug. 29-30

Vigil -Lector Ivy Lavergne & Jim Burleigh
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Juanita Comeaux
Mildred Boast, Linda LeBlanc, Jo Burleigh
Altar Server Nicholas Smith, Meghan & Emma Bush

7:30-Lector Stephanie Richard & Joe Landry
Communion Deacon Sam Henry, Pemella Williams
Paul & Lolita Henry, Darrell Burleigh
Altar Server Taneshia Cormier, Carlie Pierre,
James Charles

10:30-Lector Bub & Peggy Harper
Communion Barbara Broussard, Margie McClendon
Tim Trant, Nancy Bourque, Naomi Marks
Altar Server Hunter Myers, Conner Andries,
Armand Olivier

Church Cleaners for August 29-30

Earline Taylor Lou Santillo Susan Dugal
Michael & Margie McClendon

CCD Director Needed

Kathy DeGlandon who has done a great job as our parish CCD Director will leave in early September. We are most grateful for all that she has accomplished with our Religious Education Program.

We are searching for a new director. If you are interested, please call the parish office. If you know of someone who might be interested, please tell them about this opening and have them call the office, or **you** give us their name and phone number.

Gratitude

The parish staff extends a special **“Thank You”** to all merchants who use our bulletin. We appreciate the confidence you have in this medium. Through this participation, our parish receives our weekly bulletins free of charge.

BLESSED

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.

Activities of the Week Aug. 24-29

M 24 4:30 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 25 6:00 PM 7:30 Chimes Choir Practice
W 26
TH 27 5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
FR 28

HOUSEHOLDS IN GOD’S SERVICE

In the ancient world, “household” was a wide-reaching concept. When Joshua today speaks of his household serving the Lord, he meant not just those people who lived inside his walls or those related to him by blood or marriage; he meant slaves or servants and their families, and anyone indebted to him in any way. Even his livestock and other possessions would be consecrated to service of God. In our world, we value allowing individuals their freedom to choose how they live, and wouldn’t think of offering our pets to the service of God. But, as we discern our vocation as disciples baptized into Christ, we can come to realize how far-ranging the “households” of our lives still are: how we act toward our spouses, children, roommates or anyone we live with; our behavior with neighbors; or in public as we encounter many “strangers” every day in stores or traffic who suddenly are “next door” to us. How can we use our time, our resources, or gifts for selfless reasons rather than personal gain? No matter what life our witness to the Good News calls us to, we all have a “household” that must be consecrated to service of the Lord our God.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from tragedies like those in the past whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Prepare for Hurricanes

The state of Louisiana has a useful information web site. Please look at <http://www.getagameplan.org> for help in making preparations.