



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2008

Turn to the Lord for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure
Our offertory for this past weekend was \$6,332.19.
(For 2007-2008 our average weekly expenses were \$6,509.00.)

**Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Mrs. Edna Stewart
By: Hazel James & Family**

**Bulletin Sponsor for Weekend of 9-14-08: In Memory of Joseph Nelson Dugas, Jr.,
Frank & Anna Bell Butler, Shawana Denise Dugas & Pearl Bruno**

Altar Flowers

**September 27-28 In Memory of Octavia McClellan & Rita Alpough
By: Carl & Deborah Alpough & Tina**

September 28th is "Family Sunday". Here are ten tips for better mealtimes together as a family.

- 1) Commit to a set time for meals (daily, weekly, or according to your schedule).
- 2) Turn off the TV, computers, & handheld games, and don't answer the phone.
- 3) Use prayer to mark the transition from busyness to mealtime. Be mindful of those who do not have enough to eat today.
- 4) Slow down enough to taste and enjoy your food.
- 5) Hold one conversation at a time. Everyone gets a chance to speak. You can disagree, but you can't be unkind about it.
- 6) Encourage laughter.
- 7) Practice manners, such as saying "please" and "thank you", and asking politely for people to pass the salt. Everyone stays at the table until they are excused to leave.
- 8) Give everyone a role in preparing or cleaning up.
- 9) Regularly invite guests to your table. Welcome them as you would welcome Jesus. Treat your family members the same way.
- 10) Always end with a quick expression of gratitude to God, and of thanks to the cook!

ONE MORE REQUEST

O Thou who has given us so much, mercifully grant us one thing more--a grateful heart.

A new **minister schedule** has been completed. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers are asked to please pick up their copy on the table at the entrance of church.

Today is **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**. We pray for all who participate in our St. Charles Parish program at either the Grand Coteau campus or the Bellevue campus.

May God bless all our students and help them to grow in their knowledge of and love for Jesus.

May God guide and bless our teachers, assistants, and staff in their most important ministry.

May God inspire our parents to come with their children to Mass each Sunday.

And may God help all of us to give good example to others by our faithful Christian lives.

Activities of the Week September 22-28

M 22	5:00 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice 6:30 PM KPC Joint Meeting
T 23	6:00 PM 7:30 Choir Practice
W 24	6:00 PM Confirmation Registration
TH 25	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
FR 26	

Minister Schedule-September 27-28

Vigil -Lector	Darryl & Kalina Cormier
Communion	Caro & Shirleen Louviere, Ada Barry Margie McClendon, Mildred Boast
Altar Server	Nicholas Smith
7:30 -Lector	Patrick Miller & Joseph Landry
Communion	Gary & Cheri Dubroc, Melba Courtney Sr. Betty Renard, Pemella Williams
Altar Server	Carlie Pierre
10:30 -Lector	Denise Moore & Naomi Marks
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Doris Etienne Andy & Kim Dakin, Natasha Williams
Altar Servers	Morgan Boone, Armand Olivier, Jillian Lyons

Church Cleaners for September 27-28

Barbara Broussard	Jeanette Williams
Vickie Meche	Irene Lavergne
Barbara & Stephanie Senegal	
Genevieve Ray	Wilda Richard

Registration for Confirmation 2009

is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 24th** 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 candidate's baptismal certificate must be presented at this Mandatory parent/guardian and candidate meeting.

Please Note: If you are not able to attend this meeting, you must come to (or call 662-5271) the Religious Education Office Monday (22nd) - Friday (26th); 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Books will be ordered on Friday afternoon, and we will order only for registered candidates.

Growing in Faith

Please look at our parish web-site (www.st-charles-borromeo-org) for the September issue of the GROWING IN FAITH series. There is also a link to the "For Your Marriage" resource that you might find very helpful.

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

Food for Seniors/Pink Card Commodities

will be distributed on **Monday, September 22nd:**

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.

Bellevue area at Christ the King Church Hall

9:00-10:00

Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House

announces the following Retreats Scheduled:

Mid-Week Retreats for Women

November 3-5, 2008

Weekend Retreats for Women

October 16-19, 2008

November 13-16, 2008

Married Couples Retreat

October 24-26, 2008

For information and to register, call 662-5410.

KPC Benefit Dance

There will be a benefit dance held at the Knights of Peter Claver Hall on **October 11th** from 10 PM to 2 AM. Come one, come all and support this worthy cause and enjoy an evening of dancing, food, drinks and plenty of fun. This event will feature Patrick Henry and the Liberation Band. Tickets are \$20 per couple.

KPC: A Special Joint Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 22nd at 6:30 PM in the KPC Meeting Room. All members are asked to attend.