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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2009

Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure.
Our offertory collection for last Sunday was \$5,386.50.
(For 2008-2009 our average weekly expenses were \$6,612.00.)

Bulletin Sponsor: Honoring Lady Cornelius Richard on her 100th Birthday
By: KPC Ladies Court #34

Altar Flowers for October 10-11
In Memory of Alvin (Black) & Shirley Breaux
By: Barbara Burleigh & Janice Fox

A Unity Mass is scheduled for **Sunday, October 25th at 10:15 A.M.** This Mass will be held in front of the Church, under the oak & pine trees. Accommodations for the elderly and handicapped will be provided. Please bring your lawn chairs. Refreshments will be served following Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us. On the October 24-25 weekend, we will celebrate **ONLY** this **ONE MASS**.

Bishop's Services Appeal

Jesus tells us "It is more Blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35) Jesus knows that our act of generosity will bring healing and grace to the darkest corners of our communities, to people who are suffering and to people who have not yet heard or embraced the Good News of Salvation.

There are a number of priorities and needs facing our Diocesan Church that no one parish alone can address. Some require the strength and resolve of our entire Catholic Community working and sacrificing together as One Body. That is why every parish participates in the Bishop's Services Appeal, so that through our collective efforts, we can build the Father's kingdom by advancing the work of the church. **Please respond generously.**

St. Charles Church will hold a **Rosary Rally** on **Saturday, October 10th at 10:30 A.M.** The procession will begin at the Office of Religious Education and process to St. Charles Church. All are invited to participate.

EXPANDED PARKING

The parking area on the east side of St. Ignatius School has been expanded. If we all park as previously printed in the bulletin, there should never be a problem with a car being blocked in. Also we will keep the road open for emergency vehicles (fire and ambulance). Thank you for your cooperation.

Today is Respect Life Sunday.

Please observe the table at the entrance of the church. Much information is available. Please continue to pray, especially for the rights of the unborn and for women to make the right choice-**LIFE!**

A Prayer for Life

O God,

You adorn creation with splendor and beauty, And You fashion human lives in Your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of Your hands, and renew among us, Your people, a readiness to protect, nurture, and sustain your precious gift of life.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen.

St. Charles Cemetery is in the process of building a **Columbarium** for Cremated Ashes. This unit will be placed on the north side of the Mausoleum next to the Retreat House. If you are interested in seeing a pictured sketch, and or purchasing a niche for ashes, please phone Darrell at the church office.

Minister Schedule-October 10-11

Vigil -Lector Mildred Rubit & Shirleen Louviere
Communion Mary Menard, Caro Louviere, Lou Santillo, Jim Burliegh, Linda LeBlanc
Altar Server Nicholas Smith, Jacob Pitre
Emily Bourque

7:30-Lector Patrick Miller & Joe Landry
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Melba Courtney, Jackie Savoie, Stephanie Richard
Sr. Betty Renard
Altar Servers Taneshia Cormier, Carlie Pierre
James Charles

10:30-Lector Irma Lavergne
Communion Marie Eaglin, Doris Etienne, Julia Key
Janice Kilchrist, Nancy Bourque
Altar Server Lauren & Lindsey Bourque, Alexis Eaglin

Church Cleaners for October 10-11

Bernadelle Thibodeaux Juanita Comeaux
Wilbert & Margaret Thomas
Leola Guilbeau Betsy Douglas Valerie Pyle



The **20th Annual St. Ignatius School Rainbeau Festival** will be held **Sunday, October 18th** on the SIS school grounds in Grand Coteau. The activities will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the 1st annual "Chasing the Rainbeau" 5K Run/Walk through the winding streets of beautiful Grand Coteau. The entry fee for the 5K is \$20 if received before Oct. 2, (includes a t-shirt) or \$25 if received after Oct. 2 (no t-shirt) The family fun begins at 10:00 a.m. with Bingo, game booths, silent auction, plant booth, sweet shoppe, concessions and music entertainment by a DJ. All are invited to attend. A raffle drawing will be held for a chance to win \$1,500. Tickets are \$1 and can be purchased from any SIS student or from the school the day of the festival. Please contact the school office at 662-3325 for additional information. Please come out and support our local Catholic school.

On Sunday, October 18th, we will celebrate our Sunday Masses, 7:30 & 10:30 a.m. in the St. Charles Chapel. St. Ignatius School will hold its Annual Rainbeau Festival on the school and church grounds.

Altar Servers are asked to please pick up a copy of the new schedule on the table at the entrance of church.

HE EMBRACED THEM AND BLESSED THEM

Today Jesus stresses how children embody the reign of God. They are trusting and loving and have hearts that are open to love. They are joyful when they are made aware of God's love for them, and are eager to return that love. This is the model Jesus holds out to us if we want to welcome the reign of God. We need to have open, loving hearts. We must drop our defenses, however we came by them, and welcome Christ's love for us with joy. This is impossible for us on our own. Only the grace of God will enable us to do this, but that grace is freely and generously given. We have only to accept it.

Thensted Center News: DID YOU KNOW?

Now that school has resumed our Senior Citizens have again begun their bi-monthly gatherings at Thensted Center.

Children in need of help come twice weekly for after school tutoring.

We have received a grant from EF&SP (Emergency Food & Shelter Program) for our mentally challenged clients in the Money Management Program.

Each month Thensted sponsors the Angel Food Ministries which is growing in popularity.

We are looking forward to have the entire building restored, thanks to a very generous donor.

Special thanks goes to United Way, Acadiana Arts, the Department of Education Summer Feeding Program, to individual donors and our two outstanding volunteers from Notre Dame University for making our summer program a real educational experience and a huge success.

Please keep all our donors and the Staff in your prayers. We remember you too!

Religious Ed Commission Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, Oct. 6th at 6:00 PM.**

Seven Mile Community Yard Sale
Grand Coteau to Arnaudville, Hwy. 93 East
Saturday, October 17, 2009 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Vendors are welcome! For more information call Janice Fox at 662-3058 rpfox@centurytel.net

Activities of the Week Oct. 5-Oct. 10

M 5 4:30 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 6 6:00 PM 7:30 Chimes Choir Practice
6:00 PM Religious Ed Commission Meeting
W 7
TH 8 5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
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