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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 25, 2009

*The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are glad indeed.*

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure.

Our offertory collection for last Sunday was \$5,383.52.

Collected for World Mission Sunday was \$311.00.

(For 2008-2009 our average weekly expenses were \$6,612.00.)

**Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Alcide & Mary Charles**

**By: Allan & Lillie Charles**

**Altar Flowers for November 1-2**  
**In Memory of Mrs. Thelma Stelly**

**The Anointing of the Sick** will be celebrated at the **4:00 P.M.** Vigil Mass on **Saturday, November 7th.**

Persons of any age who are chronically ill, and elderly persons (even in good health) can receive this sacrament for healing, and for the Lord's help in bearing the crosses of diminished energies. The sacrament will be celebrated during the Mass.

**Thensted Center is in need of your help!**

Over the recent months, several families have come for assistance. The food pantry is now depleted. Can you help by donating? The following items are needed:

Frozen Meat, Sugar, Cereal, Rice, Coffee

Toiletries - Soap, Toothpaste, Shampoo, etc.

Household Cleaning Supplies

Any donation you can give will be deeply appreciated. *Thank You!*

**October is Pro-Life Month**

Please observe the table at the entrance of the church. Much information is available.

**Pro-Life Rosary** will be prayed on the **SECOND** and **FOURTH** Wednesdays of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Daily Mass Chapel. We will pray the Rosary this **Wednesday, October 28th** at **9:00 A.M.**

Senior Citizens will meet at **Thensted Center** on **Friday, October 30th** at 10:00 A.M.

**All Saints Day is Sunday, November 1st.**

Masses will be celebrated at regular Mass times. Cemetery Services will be held at 3:00 PM.

**African American Catholic Youth Congress**

is scheduled for **Saturday, November 21, 2009** at St. Thomas More High School in Lafayette, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Pre-registration by 10-31-09 is \$30; includes lunch, T-shirt and other memorabilia. Late registration is \$35; no lunch, no T-shirt. Registration forms must be must be mailed in with payment. Any teen interested in attending is asked to call Peggy Jones at 230-6354.

The Catholic Diocese of Lafayette' Radio & TV Office is recording our First ever **Unity Mass** which is scheduled to air Sunday, January 3, 2010 as the Special First Sunday Mass of the Month on KATC TV-3 @ 10:30 a.m.

**Schools of Sacred Heart Open House Schedule**  
**Academy of the Sacred Heart**

Pre-K 3, Pre-K4 and Kindergarten (Play Day)  
Nov. 10 at 9 a.m. (RSVP)

**St. John Berchmans School**

Grades 1-8-November 5th at 9 a.m.

Pre-K3, PreK4 and Kindergarten (Play Day)  
Nov. 12 at 9 a.m. (RSVP)

For further information, please contact the school at 662-5275.

### **Minister Schedule-October 31-November 1**

**Vigil -Lector** Ivy Lavergne & Shirleen Louviere  
**Communion** Caro Louviere, Juanita Comeaux, Jim Burleigh, Warren Norton, Mildred Rubit  
**Altar Server** Nicholas Smith & Maddie Jenkins

**7:30-Lector** Paul & Pemella Williams  
**Communion** Sr. Betty Renard, Stephanie Richard Cherie Dubroc, Melba Courtney, Darrell Burleigh  
**Altar Servers** Taneshia Cormier, Carlie Pierre, James Charles

**10:30-Lector** Mary Claire Trant & Kurt Richard  
**Communion** Margie McClendon, Janice Kilchrist Tim Trant, Julia Key, Marie Eaglin  
**Altar Servers** Cody, Caitlyn, Caleb Williams

### **Church Cleaners for October 31-November 1**

Denise Baloney                      Shanda Guidry  
Diane Meche                        Tommie Miller  
Natasha & Caitlin Williams  
Perry & Brenda Kennerson

**Thensted Halloween Celebration on Thursday, October 29th 5:00-7:00 PM**  
**JOIN US FOR HALLOWEEN!**

**St. Catherine, Arnaudville, La. Fall Fest October 31st-Halloween Night**

Serving Gumbo in the Church Hall 4pm-8pm  
\$5.00 a bowl. Bring the kids for fun and music.  
**Sunday, November 1st-All Saints Day**  
Annual Bar-B-Que Dinner from 9am-2pm.  
Dinners are \$6.00 each.

**Friends Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, October 31, 2009** at the Community of Jesus Crucified, 421 1/2 Carmel Dr., Lafayette, LA. 70501. The day begins at 9:00 AM and ends with celebration of Holy Mass at 12 Noon. Fr. Kevin Bordelon is our guest speaker and his presentation is "Overall View of the Catholic Roots of Our Culture On A National and Local Level." Other topics will be presented concerning the history of our Catholic faith.

### **National Adoption Month**

Adoptive Families and Birth Parents are invited to Mass for National Adoption Month on Sunday, November 15th at 11 a.m., Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette. Covered dish luncheon afterwards.

### **THE HOPE AND PROMISE OF REDEMPTION**

The prophet Jeremiah prophesies the end of the Babylonian exile. He describes how the weak and sorrowful people now return with joy. These are the scattered people of God: the blind and the lame, the mothers and pregnant women. They shall be led along an easy road so that no one will stumble. The Lord's kindness and mercy are on all these weak and broken people.

Here and in Psalm 126 we find the most lovely poetic images of God's love and care for us. "Those that sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / they shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves" (Psalm 126:5-6). Although God had to punish Israel for their many sins, God never forgot them, scattered as they were, and brings them all back to the land of their ancestors, there to flourish and be joyful again. We can see in this the hope and the promise of our own redemption, gathered from the far corners of the earth into the great banquet of God.

**The Jesuit Spirituality Center in Grand Coteau, Louisiana is pleased to offer in 2009...**

**Individually directed retreats:** Nov. 9-18, Dec. 7-16

**"Discerning God's Will: The Ignatian Way of Discernment"** - Saturday, Oct. 31. Presented by Fr. Mark Thibodeaux, this workshop will explore St. Ignatius' "Rules for Discernment of Spirits".

**Early Christian Iconography**—Sun. Nov. 1-Sat. Nov 7, 2009. Under the guidance of an instructor from the Prosopon School of Iconology, students will learn the practical and theoretical aspects of the iconographic tradition.

**An Advent Retreat—"Maranatha: Come Lord Jesus"** Thur., Nov. 19-Sun., Nov. 22, 2009 presented by Sr. Noel Toomey, O.P. This silent retreat will review the three great "Comings" of God into our world, into our lives, into our hearts.

**For an application form, visit** [jesuitspiritualitycenter.org](http://jesuitspiritualitycenter.org) **or call 662-5252.**

### **Activities of the Week October 26-November 1**

M 26 4:30 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice  
T 27 6:00 PM 7:30 Chimes Choir Practice  
W 28  
TH 29 5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice  
FR 30  
SA 31  
SU 1 **All Saint's Day Services at 3:00 PM**

# Unity Mass

St. Charles Borromeo Church, Grand Coteau, LA - October 25, 2009

## ENTRANCE HYMN: "We Gather Together"

We gather together to sing the Lord's Praises, to worship the Father through Jesus his Son.  
In this celebration, all sing with jubilation! We are his holy people whose freedom he won.

We greet our Lord present within our assembly We hear the good news announced clearly to all.

With songs of rejoicing our praises we are voicing, as we invoke God's blessing and answer the call.  
Since Christ is the vine and his people the branches, In him we give praise to the Father above.  
Christ brings every nation the wonders of salvation, that all may grow in knowledge, in faith, hope, and love.

## CREED and MISSION STATEMENT:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, the creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## OFFERTORY HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far; and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

## COMMUNION MEDITATION HYMN: "Praise to the Lord"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation.  
All you who hear, now to his altar draw near, joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and defend thee. Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that has life and breath come now in praises before him!  
Let the "Amen" sound from his people again. Now as we worship before him.

## CLOSING HYMN: "Holy God We Praise Thy name"

Holy God, we praise thy name. Lord of all we bow down before thee.

All on earth thy rule acclaim. All in heav'n above adore thee.

Infinite they vast domain, everlasting is they reign. (Repeat this last line.)

Hark! the loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising.

Cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,

Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord." (Repeat this last line.)