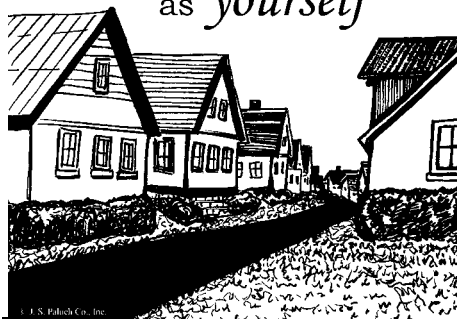


Love your neighbor
as yourself



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2008

“You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
and with all your mind.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure
Our offertory for this past weekend was \$6,464.68.
(For 2007-2008 our average weekly expenses were \$6,509.00.)
Collected for World Mission Sunday was \$451.00.

Altar Flowers

November 1-2 In Memory of Thelma Guilbeau & Jamie Guilbeau

By: Darryl & Kalina Cormier

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of **Frank & Tootsie Barry** and **Pete & Therese' Delahoussaye**
By: Willie & Ada Barry

All Saint's Day is Saturday, November 1st.

Because All Saint's Day falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

Cemetery Services will be held at 4:00 P.M.

Confessions in the Church will begin at 4:15, followed by Mass at 5:00 P.M.

A reminder of the time change back to Central Standard Time on **Saturday, November 1st.**

For **Saturday, November 8th**, the Vigil Mass will begin at **4:00 PM**; and the confessions will begin at **3:15 PM**.

The Confirmation Class of '09 is sponsoring a Food Drive at Janise's Supermarket as part of their service to the community. On November 1, 2008, 8am-12pm, students will be at the store collecting canned goods and nonperishable food items, which will be donated to the Thensted Center. At the same time and place, students will be sponsoring a Toy Drive for our parish youth. Please donate an unwrapped, new toy for children ages 5-12 for the confirmation students to distribute at Christmastime. Thank you for supporting our parish youth in this worthwhile cause.

The **African American Catholic Youth Congress** will be held on **Saturday, November 22, 2007** at St. Thomas Moore Catholic High School in Lafayette. ALL youth ages 13 and up are invited to attend. Please contact Paula Jordan at (337) 351-4532

A Candidate Chart for Conscientious Catholics
Are you looking for accurate and clear information on the positions of Presidential Candidates related to our Catholic Social Justice tradition? Please look at the web-site for "NETWORK" - a National Catholic Social Justice Lobby. Go to www.networklobby.org and select "A Candidate Chart for Conscientious Catholics".

Activities of the Week October 27-31

M 27	5:00 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 28	6:00 PM 7:30 Choir Practice
W 29	
TH 30	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
FR 31	Happy Halloween!
SA 1	All Saint's Day Services at 4:00 PM Followed by Mass at 5:00 PM

Minister Schedule-November 1-2

Vigil -Lector Ivy Lavergne & Mildred Rubit
Communion Caro & Shirleen Louviere, Dyanne LeBlanc, Mills & Jackie Vautrot,
Altar Server Megan Miller

7:30-Lector Melba Courtney & Stephanie Richard
Communion Theresa Cormier, Joe Ewell Meche Perry & Brenda Kennerson, Joe Landry
Altar Server Taneisha Cormier

10:30-Lector Mary Claire Trant & Barbara Broussard
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Tim Trant, Frank & Avis Domingue, Angela Boone
Altar Servers Armand Olivier, Hunter Myers, Jillian Lyons

Church Cleaners for November 1-2

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

Since Pope Benedict has named this year as the Jubilee Year of St. Paul, the North Region, of the Diocese of Lafayette is offering a series of four talks on the Life and Teachings of St. Paul on the Tuesdays of November from 7:00 to 8:00 P.M. Msgr. Paul Metrejean will give these presentations in the Lady of Mercy Catechetical Hall in Opelousas. Topics covered will be:

Nov. 4 Introduction to the Life & Letters of Paul

Nov. 11 "In Christ Jesus" A Basic Theme in Paul's Letters

Nov. 18 The Two Adams: Law and Grace, Flesh and Spirit, Death & Life

Nov. 25 The Day of the Lord — Paul's Teaching on the Second Coming and the Resurrection of the Body.

Everyone is welcome. Invite your friends!
Call 942-4174 for more information.

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

Grades 5-11 November 2nd at 2 p.m.

Grades 1-4 November 5th at 9 a.m.

Pre-K3, Pre K4 and Kindergarten (Play Day)
November 12th at 9 a.m.

St. John Berchmans School

Pre-K-7th grade—November 6th at 9 a.m.

For further information, please call 662-5275.

A Prayer for our Nation as we Prepare to Elect our Leaders

O God, we acknowledge you today as Lord, not only of individuals, but also of nations and governments. We thank you for the privilege of being able to organize ourselves politically and of knowing that political loyalty does not have to mean disloyalty to you.

We thank you for your law, which our Founding Fathers acknowledged and recognized as higher than any human law.

We thank you for the opportunity that this election year puts before us, to exercise our solemn duty not only to vote, but also to influence others to vote—and to vote correctly.

Lord, we pray that your people may be awakened. Let them realize that while politics is not their salvation, their response to you requires that they be politically active.

Awaken your people to know that they are not called to be a sect fleeing the world but rather a community of faith renewing the world.

Awaken your people to a commitment for the rights and dignity of each person—especially those who are most vulnerable, the unborn and the frail elderly. Help us to elect leaders who will work to build a country where the hungry and the homeless are assisted, the immigrant is welcomed, the environment is protected, and all legitimate paths to peace are pursued.

Lord, we rejoice today that we are citizens of your kingdom. May that make us all the more committed to being faithful citizens on earth.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BALANCE

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

BORN TO LOVE

We were born to love, we live to love, and we will die to love still more.