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Sat. 3pm & Wed. 4:30pm

*Daily Masses*  
Tues. 7:00am  
Wed. 4:30pm  
Confessions & Adoration  
5:30pm Mass



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**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 13, 2017**

*Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.*

— Psalm 85:12

**NOTHING TO FEAR**

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. “Because God gets lonely for his people” was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today’s Gospel, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don’t turn to God for saving help until we’re in a bind. Peter’s role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter’s faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying “Lord, save me!” is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God’s hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

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For Our Future...  
by Fr Joe Vu

Last two weekends at the Masses that I celebrated, I gave y'all a summary of the changes that will be expected in our parishes in the upcoming months. But a number of people said that they couldn't hear exactly what I said, so here it is: Fr. Paul Gros, before he left, had put together a "Combined Advisory Committee" which has representatives from each of our four churches to help with the transition especially with the Mass schedules. For your convenience, this is the summary that was published in the recent Catholic Commentator:

The Shared Pastorate of St. Anne Parish in Napoleonville, St. Philomena Parish in Labadieville, and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Plattenville: These 3 church parishes are currently being served by 2 priests, namely 1 pastor and 1 parochial vicar (associate pastor). Toward the goal of further collaboration between the churches along Bayou Lafourche, and given the very real possibility that this will eventually become a 1 priest configuration, a new Mass schedule will be implemented effective July 1, 2017, reducing the total number of Masses between these 3 church parishes from 6 to 4. At present, these 3 churches will retain the service of 2 full time priests.

Fr. Trey Nelson, who is the chairman of the Diocesan Task Force, said that he would connect with me as soon as he can. For the time being, I am not sure when that is going to be, or what the new Mass schedule is going to be. What I can promise is that we will continue to have at least one Sunday Mass at every parish for the time being. The disclaimer that I have is "for the time being." You know as well as I do that we need people in our churches for it to stay open. The analogy is that if you owned a restaurant, it doesn't matter how nice your restaurant looks or how much you love to cook; if you don't have customers coming in your restaurant, you won't be keeping it open for long.

With that being said, we already have two examples of church parishes closed or in the process of being closed in the Diocese of Baton Rouge. St. Pius X closed earlier this year. St. Louis King of France will be closed within the next year. Now it hits home for me with that church closing, because that's where I went to school as a child, and that's the church that I attended on a weekly basis. So I know the feeling. But for us, I am going to ask that y'all start to invite your children, grandchildren, friends to come to Mass. Here's the

hope, if we fill the four Masses to capacity, we will be forced to have to add Masses. It's when attendance drops, people stop coming to Mass and be involved, that we have to cut down Mass times, reduce the number of priests, and if needed, close parishes. This is your spiritual home. Please help me, help you maintain it for our future, our children, and our children's children.

### LORD TEACH US TO PRAY

This week end we learn what is prayer, what is fear and who Jesus is.

**Prayer:** The gospel tells that Jesus went up to pray. But the gospel does not tell us what Jesus prayed. Prophet Elijah was seeking God on the mountain. Jesus often went to pray. We do not know what he prayed. From his teaching how to pray, we know that in prayer you seek God and his kingdom. You come to know who God is rather than you praying for something from God.

**Fear:** The gospel tells us that the disciples were traveling in a boat. The sea was rough and heavy wind was blowing against them. In the fourth hour of the night the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water. They thought that it was a ghost. They were so afraid. Most of us have some fear or another. Fear of snakes, fear of insects, fear of roaches, fear of wild animals, fear of strangers, fear of failure, fear of night, fear of public speaking, fear of singing, fear of unknown future, fear of death, fear of punishment..... the list is endless. What are you are afraid of? Most of the fears you have, there is no logic or reason. Yet you are afraid of them. These fears stop you from knowing who you are and what you can do or achieve. You believe your fears to be true, very strong and unconquerable powers. They are lies. They are false. These fears are the biggest blocks of your life.

When you pray, you realize what are your fears, limitations and problems. Prayer also fills you with knowledge of who you are. Prayer fills you with knowledge of God. Knowledge of God fills you with courage. Peter got courage to walk on the water as long as he was looking at Jesus. But when he saw the mighty waves of the sea and wind, fear came into him and he began to sink in the sea.

The gospel concludes that when Jesus got into the boat, the sea and wind were calm. Then the disciples knew Jesus was the Son of God. The wind and sea obey him. Prayer will lead you to the knowledge of who Jesus is and who God is. Where there is God and Jesus, there cannot be any kind of fear. It is not possible for fear and God to be together. You have either fear or God. You cannot have God and fear at the same time. Pray and know what is the dominant fear(s) you have. Face the fear. You can overcome your fear(s). Jesus is with you. Faith is when you surrender your life to God.

Fr. Juel Kandulna IMS



**PSR NEWS!**

**Remember to register your child/children for PSR 2017-2018.**

**Please contact Mrs. Kathy (369-2130) if any questions or for registration form.**

**LATE FEES APPLIED AS OF JULY 1ST.**

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**Teacher's Dinner & Planning Meeting**

Sunday, August 20th

6:00pm Youth House

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**PSR Parent Meeting**

August 21st

7:00pm St. Anne Hall

At least one parent must be in attendance.

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**10th & 11th Graders & Parents**

**Session 1** for all 10th and 11th Graders and Parents is scheduled for August 27th at St. Elizabeth Parish Center at 2:30pm. All students and at least one parent must be in attendance.

You should have received a mailing for this event. Please contact the office (369-2130) if you have not.

**ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION CELEBRATION**

August 13, 2017

Youth House

2:30pm-6:30pm

**Rosary**

Sept. 2	4:00pm St. Anne	Darla Campo
Sept. 3	7:30am St. Anne	I.C. Ladies Altar Society
Sept. 3	9:30am Assumption	Cindy Decoteau

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Mass Schedule**

**Monday, August 14th**

**St. Philomena Church**

5:30pm Vigil Mass

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**Tuesday, August 15th**

**St. Anne Church**

NO 7:00am Mass at St. Anne

**St. Anne Church**

12:10pm

**Assumption Church**

6:30pm

**Tuesday, August 15th Church office closed**



**August 2017**

*Frances Elizabeth Blanchard*



**Baptism Seminar: Tuesday, October 3, 2017**

**7:00pm**

**LOCATION**

Landsmann Center

405 Franklin Street, Napoleonville

Parents are to contact Mrs. Kathy Landry prior to the Baptismal Seminar at 369-2130. Please call the church office to schedule baptism.

**St. Elizabeth Church**

Paincourtville

Sunday Mass at 6:00pm

**St Anne's Day of Caring**

Dear Parishioners, I am asking for help on Saturday, August 19th to do a general clean up on St Anne's church grounds. I am hoping that you can join me to help keep our campus clean and inviting for yourselves and others. We will begin at 7:45am (If you have prior commitments, say a Hail Mary for us.), and here are some things that will need attention:

- Statue of St. Therese in Courtyard (She's turning green)
- Pressure wash steps in front of rectory (it's dark green almost black)
- Pressure wash steps around church
- Clean out sacristy
- Clean/Organize storage shed
- Wash Cassocks for altar servers (they are getting a little smelly)
- Wash down condenser units (Church and Rectory) and check air filters
- Removing the fig tree stump next to the rectory (I will need a few men, a couple of strong teenage young adults will be a great help).
- Move Treadmill outside of rectory to storage (after it's cleaned out)
- Clean PSR classrooms for students

I'll need the following equipment:

- Pressure Washer (x4)
- 3/4" water hoses (x4)
- Water line splitters
- Chain-saw
- Towing chains (at least 15 feet)
- Old rags

I am inviting parishioners from all three parishes (St. Anne, Assumption, and St. Philomena) to cooperate on this project. I am also asking our young children and teenagers to be involved also. Lunch will be provided at noon.

**-Fr Joe**



**The Sanctuary Candle...**  
*burns this week in memory of:*

**Assumption Church**

Scott Traigle

**St. Anne Church**

Joseph & Loysie Aysenne

**A Prayer for Our Soldiers**

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind & author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love & compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor & praise, now & forever. Amen.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Sat., Aug. 12 4:00pm St. Anne Church**  
P.J. & Nellie Daze, Gary LeBlanc, Katherine Martinez,  
Mike Clement, Lester & Genevieve Falterman, Judy Rotolo,  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Rotolo Sr. & "Baby Lou", Kenneth Acosta,  
The Wilbert Family, The Sterling Boudreaux Sr. Family,  
Boyd & Lena Marks, Bryan P. Baldwin, Jimmy Naquin,  
Philip "Buddy" Vitale, Leonard, Shirley & Robin Guedry,  
Edward Barbier, Gus & Fleurange LaBarre,  
Dominick & Elma Cavalier, Enola Vedros
- Sun., Aug. 13 7:30am St. Anne Church**  
"For The People"
- Sun., Aug. 13 9:30am Assumption Church**  
Oscar, Edith & Wayne Boudreaux, Scott Traigle,  
Charles & Debbie Boudreaux, Maurice & Hattie LeBlanc Family
- Mon., Aug. 14 5:30pm Vigil Mass St. Philomena Church**  
**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- Tues., Aug. 15 12:10pm St. Anne Church**  
**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
The deceased members of our church community
- 6:30pm Assumption Church**  
**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Scott Traigle
- Wed., Aug. 16 7:30am St. Philomena Church**
- Wed., Aug. 16 4:30pm St. Anne Church**  
**Adoration & Confessions**  
**5:30pm Mass**  
Joe Wilbert
- Sat., Aug. 19 4:00pm St. Anne Church**  
"For The People"
- Sun., Aug. 20 7:30am St. Anne Church**  
Oscar, Edith & Wayne Boudreaux, Herbert "Herb" Smith,  
The Talbot & Templet Families, James "Dave" Blanchard,  
Lenny LeBlanc, Earl & Doris Arboneaux,  
Frere, Maudrey, Gerald & Melanie Bailey
- Sun., Aug. 20 9:30am Assumption Church**  
Allen Daigle, U.B. & Jeffrey Simoneaux, Susan S. Brown,  
Tommy Guillot, The Arthur LeBlanc Family, Nell Caballero

**SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**  
**August 19 & 20, 2017**

<b>MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS</b>	<b>Saturday 4:00 pm St. Anne Church</b>	<b>Sunday 7:30am St. Anne Church</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30am Assumption Church</b>
READERS	Ronald Blanchard Allison Gravois	Wanda Daigle Stephanie Carlos	Elizabeth Coleman Teetsie Simoneaux
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Colette Gravois Tatty Gaudet Cari Leonard	Tilt & Wilma Breaux Laurie Gauthé	Pat & Donald Verrette Teetsie Simoneaux
ALTAR SERVERS	Grant Guillot Hayden Thibodaux	Trinity Chevis Kenzlee Landry Kristina LeBrun	Chance Borne Karleigh Daze
USHER CAPTAINS	Achille Boudreaux	Bob Daigle	Doug Guillot
SACRISTANS	Dolores Bergeron	Wanda Daigle	Pat & Donald Verrette
<b><u>Monday, August 21, 2017</u></b>	<b><i>Money Counters</i></b> 9:00am	<b>Landsmann Center</b>	Bobby Guillot Kim Torres Darla Campo Fran Arceneaux

**MASS SCHEDULE for Aug. 15 & 16, 2017**

**Tues., Aug. 15 (12:10pm/St. Anne Church)**

**Reader:**

Jane Templet & Wanda Daigle

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Betty Jane LeBlanc, Don & Diane Bergeron

**Sacristan:** Betty Jane LeBlanc

**Tues., Aug. 15 (6:30pm/Assumption Church)**

**Reader:**

Marvin Schwartzenburg & Kate Thibodeaux

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Barbara Clement, Agnes Sternfels, Marvin Schwartzenburg

**Sacristans:** Barbara Clement & Agnes Sternfels

**Wed., Aug. 16 (4:30pm Adoration/Confessions)**

**(5:30pm Mass)**

**Reader:** Jo Giambrone **Eucharistic Minister:** John Giambrone

**Sacristans:** John & Jo Giambrone

**St. Anne Flower Ministry**

Pat Bourgeois/Julie Loland Aug. 19/20

**Assumption Flower Ministry**

Brigid Gonzales Aug. 20

***Stewardship of Treasury***

***July 29 & 30, 2017***

**St. Anne**

Offertory: \$6,975.00

M&R: \$1,528.00

**Assumption**

\$2,443.00

\$ 873.00

**TOTAL: \$11,819.00**

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