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OCTOBER 16, 2022
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses

- Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
- Sunday: 8am, 10:30am
- Weekday Mass: 8:00am (Chapel)
(Monday-Friday, Rosary after)
- First Tuesday
(of the Month) Anointing of the Sick & Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
(after 8am Mass)
- First Friday:
(of the month) 8:00am(Chapel) Mass & Devotion To Sacred Heart

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm
- Sunday: 7:15 - 7:45am
9:45-10:15am
(Other times by Appointment)

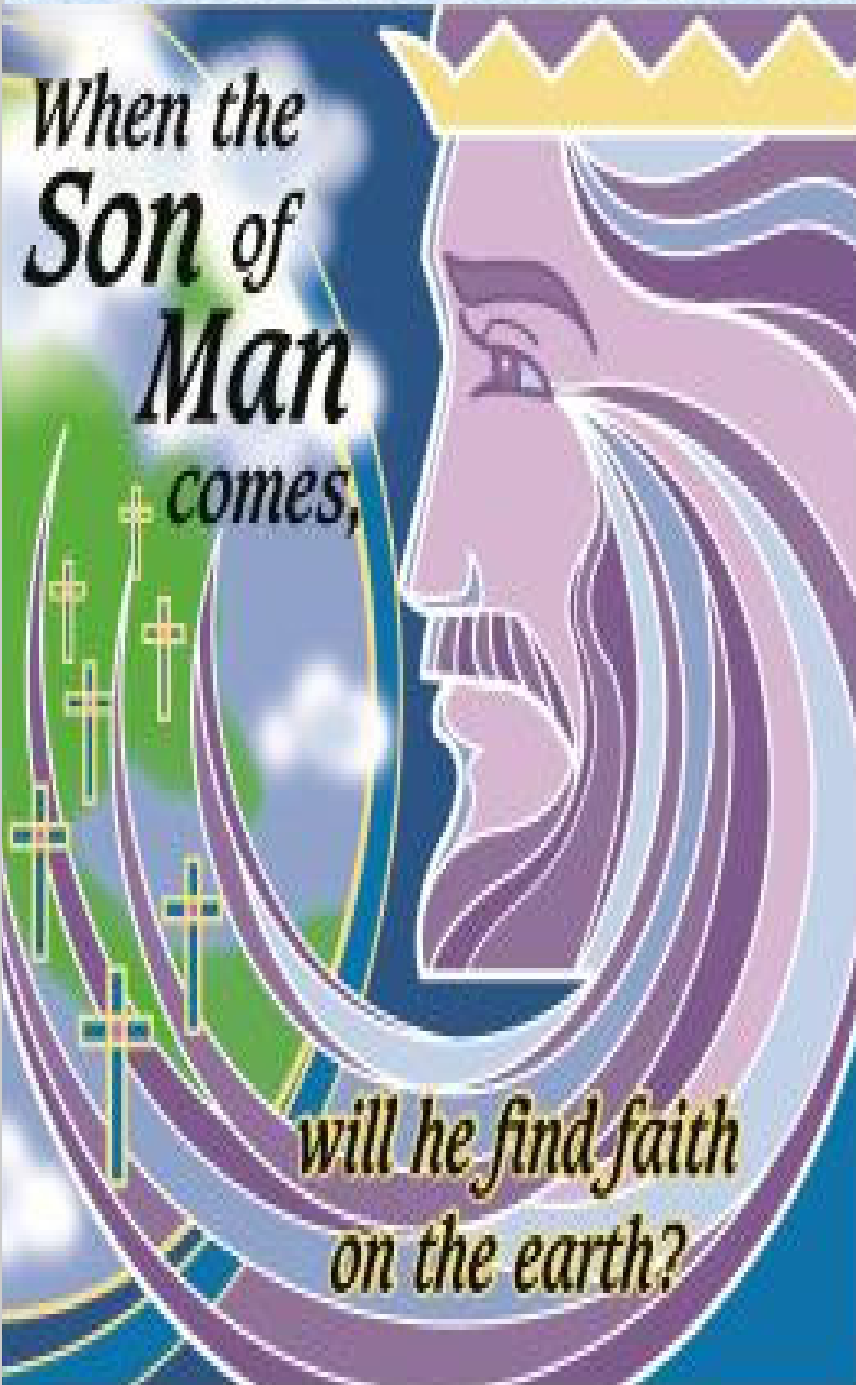
Adoration

- Tuesday: 8:00am-6:00pm
- Friday: 8:30am-9:30am

Office Hours

- Mon-Friday 8:30am-12:30pm
- Wednesday 8:30am-12:00pm

Secretary Linda Bellocq



Today's Readings

First Reading (Exodus 17:8-13)

In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel. Moses, therefore, said to Joshua, "Pick out certain men, and tomorrow go out and engage Amalek in battle. I will be standing on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." So Joshua did as Moses told him: he engaged Amalek in battle after Moses had climbed to the top of the hill with Aaron and Hur. As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight. Moses' hands, however, grew tired; so they put a rock in place for him to sit on. Meanwhile Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other, so that his hands remained steady till sunset. And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

Psalm (Psalm 121:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8)

R. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains, whence shall help come to me? My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

R. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

May he not suffer your foot to slip; may he slumber not who guards you: indeed he neither slumbers nor sleeps, the guardian of Israel.

R. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord is your guardian; the Lord is your shade; he is beside you at your right hand. The sun shall not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

R. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord will guard you from all evil; he will guard your life. The Lord will guard your coming and your going, both now and forever.

Second Reading (2 Timothy 3:14-4:2)

Beloved: Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work. I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power: proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.

Gospel (Luke 18:1-8)

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither fear God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'" The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says. Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Gospel Reflection

By presenting the parable of the persistent widow and unjust judge, Jesus underlines "the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary." "Constancy in prayer is Faith in action". Jesus presents this widow as a model of the trust and persistence with which his disciples are to pray. Prayer is not a way to force God to do our will.

The judge accepts that he has a wicked reputation though his duty is to protect the law, the weak and the defenseless. The second person of the parable is the widow. She is a symbol of a defenseless person, exposed to abuse and a victim of exactions, who cannot appeal to anyone except to the Lord. Moved by the pitiable condition of such people, the book of Sirach says: "Do not offer God a bribe, for he will not accept it, and do not place your hope in a dishonest sacrifice. For the Lord is a judge, and he is completely impartial. He will not show favoritism to the detriment of the poor, and he listens to the cries of the oppressed. He does not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or that of the widow when she pours out her complaint. Do not the tears of the widow stream down her cheeks as she cries out against the one who has been their cause? The one who serves God wholeheartedly will be heard; his petition will reach the heavens."

One day this unjust judge decides to solve the case of the widow not because he realizes his misbehavior but he is tired and annoyed by the insistence of the woman. He says: "this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me." God is the unjust judge in the parable but Jesus introduces Him to draw the attention of the listeners to convey a particular message. The disciples of Jesus were facing the same condition of the widow. At the time, injustice was widespread in oppressive political, social, and religious systems. Therefore, the message of the parable is to pray. The evangelist reminds us as Jesus has told to inculcate the belief that it is necessary to pray always, without ceasing.

Prayer is the greatest means to keep our head straight even in our crisis. Prayer is not always the monotonous repetition of words but the real expressions of one's heart. Jesus calls the attention of the disciples "when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words" (Mt 6:7). True prayer consists in maintaining a constant dialogue with the Lord. Dialogue with him helps us evaluate our failures, successes, problems and the persons we encounter with Jesus. We also examine with him our thoughts, feelings, reactions and plans.

The persecuted Christian community represents the widow of the parable and her spouse Jesus is taken away. It is this community that awaits his coming, even though she may not know the day or the hour of his return but each day, she is pleading: "Come Lord Jesus" (Rev 22:20). A major temptation of Christians is discouragement and distrust in the face of a long wait for the Spouse who delays and tolerates injustice.

The last sentence: "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" does not refer to the end of the world but to the saving arrival of Christ in this world.

All Saints Day & All Souls Day

All are encouraged to offer Masses for your near and dear departed ones on All Souls Day, November 2nd. As we did the previous years, we are going to offer Novena Masses (9 Masses continuously from November 2-10) for all departed souls. Envelopes are available in the pews and Vestibule.

All Saints Day Mass

November 1 8am Chapel

(November 1)

2pm: Bayou Coco
3pm: St. Joseph
4pm: Mass in Cemetery

All Souls Day Mass

November 2 8am Church

Respect Life Month

Respect Life Sunday

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives. During October, please reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. To help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it, please visit the website:

www.respectlife.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday October 15
4pm- Morgan Bennett †

Sunday October 16
8:00am Vernon, Merle & Charles Haas†
10:30am- Parishioners

Monday October 17
8:00am- Clara & Edison Hoda†

Tuesday, October 18
8:00am-

Wednesday October 19
8:00am-

Thursday October 20
8:00am-

Friday October 21
8:00am- Doris Antoine†

No Mass

This Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
October 18, 19, & 20th
It is Convocation for the Priests.
Adoration on Tuesday will be as usual
From 8am-6pm

Special Collection

Hurricane Ian Relief

Next weekend
Special Collection

World Mission Sunday

Trunk or Treat!
October 30, 2022 - 4PM - 6PM

Annunciation Catholic Church

CYO Fundraiser
Hotdogs with Fixins, Nachos & Cheese, Popcorn, Cotton Candy, Pickles & Drinks

Hotdog w/ drink \$3
Nachos w/ drink \$3
Hotdog or Nachos \$2
Popcorn, Cotton Candy, Pickles and Drink \$1

*Treats, Food, Fun and Fellowship!
Come out and enjoy the Fun & Festivities!*

All are Welcome!

Claiborne Hill Receipts

We appreciate dropping off your Claiborne Hill receipts!
Thank you for your support.
YTD \$516.32

Financial News

Insurance	\$50,596.75
Diocesan Support	\$16,244.79
School Supplement	\$29,225.07
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$189,488.23
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$285,554.84
Amount needed each Week	\$5,491.43
Last Sunday Collection	\$3,275.26
Shortfall	-\$2,216.17

Church Cleaning
Team 5 this week

Prayer Request

Jennifer Albritten
Judith Amm
Johnny Banks
Emilee Battaglia
John Battaglia
Stacey Battaglia
Bill Blaisdell
Earline Blanchard
Gene Breazeale
Ernest Brown
Ida Brown
Claude & Linda Burke
John Byrnes
Robert L. Cassell
Kay Cerisier
Garland Cuevas
Rosalind & Cynthia Dautz
Mary Dempsey
Cheryl Deschamp
Jean Dohm
Rennan Duffour
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen, Tessa,
JoAnn, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo
Howard Edwards
Lois Forest
Ivan Garza
Peggy Glynn
Christine Green-Wood
Amanda Jones
Jim & Mary Kenney
Donald Koenenn
Linda Koenenn
Shelly Koenenn
Andy Ladner
Barbara Ladner
Janice Ladner
Shelia Ladner
Willard & Cecile Ladner
Patsy Ladner
Jean Lee
Walter Lonbourg

James Lovett
Layla Mallett
Jim McDaniel
Charles Meador
Kathleen Micell
Shannon & Carol Moragas
Barbara Moran
Cleopatra Moran
Sonny Moran
Warren Moran
Belinda & Kenny Morgan
Patrick Murphy
Bernadine Necaize
Bernell Necaize
Janet Necaize
Tyrone & Faye Necaize
Wilmah Necaize
Christopher Nugent
Louis Nunez
Timothy Odom
Joy Patin
Jameson Gerard Patin
Trudy Pecoul
Larry Phillips
Judy Richieu
Brooke Rolison
Tina Roundtree
Carla Santiago
Larry Santinelli
Karrie Schultz
Jason Schable
Caleb Schwartz
Sonny Schwartz
Jerry Shavers
Mike Shubert
Maura Strong
Rose Tebo
Josie Thomas
Shaylynn Whitfield
Adrian Wilson

Pray for our Troops

Amir Darwis _____ US Army National Guard
Darrell Little _____ US Army
Devin Nelson _____ US Army
Brandan Witt _____ USAF
Evan Cameron _____ USAF
David Arceneaux _____ USAF
Lance Cuevas USAF
Christopher Abney US Navy

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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