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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 27, 2023

I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" --Matt. 16:13-20)



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekdays:
Tuesday: 6:00PM
Wednesday-Friday: 8:00AM

Adoration/Healing Mass

The 1st Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday - Friday: Thirty minutes Adoration before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and Sunday: Thirty minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

Baptism: Infant Baptism is celebrated the 3rd Sunday of the month. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months. Parents **and** godparents **must** attend a one hour Baptism preparation class prior to the scheduled Baptism. For other guidelines and details, please call the parish office.

Matrimony: Call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor. Diocesan guidelines require an initial interview at least 6 months before the wedding date. Please call the parish office for further information.

R.C.I.A.: This is a process for anyone who wishes to become Catholic. Please call the parish office for further information.

Mass Intentions **August 26th 4:30PM** Stephen Gary (RIP) by The Family; Gustavia Scypion Adams (RIP) by Langston Adams; Joyce Yowman Death Anniversary-RIP) by Bernadette Brown; Theresa Barnes (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Narcisse & Barnes Family



August 27th 9:00AM For All Parishioners
August 29th 6:00PM
August 30th 8:00AM
August 31st 8:00AM William L. Joseph (RIP) by Adline Harris
September 1st 6:00PM Stephen Gary (RIP) by The Family
September 2nd 4:30PM Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Charles Brown (RIP) by The Duroseau Family; Warren Guidry, Sr. (5yrs. Death Anniversary-RIP) by Melainie Guidry & Children; Mary Fontenot (Happy Heaven Birthday-RIP) by Viola Valsin & Lillie Jones

Collections

August 19th & August 20th

9:00AM	**$2,751.82**
4:30PM	**$1,308.00**
Mail	**$2.156.47**
Totals	**$6,216.29**



Happy 49th Wedding Anniversary
Danny & Tanyun Fontnette

We have received the Appeal for Catholic Ministries 2023 update for July. To date, we have received $35,675 in pledges. Of that amount, payments of $24,560 have been received. We are $13,393 short of reaching our goal of $37,953. If you have made a pledge, thank you and please continue to make your payments. If you have not, please consider making a pledge or giving a one-time donation. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Stewardship Committee.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —Isaiah 22:19-23
God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.
Psalm —Psalm 138:1-3,6,8
God's kindness is forever.
Second Reading —Romans 11:33-36
Paul sings praise to God..
Gospel —Matthew 16:13-20
Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.



Happy Birthday
Curtis Clark

Save The Date
Bishop Guillory 80th Birthday
Friday, September 1, 2023
St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Mass and Reception at 6pm
Come help Bishop Guillory
Celebrate his 80th Birthday
He will be very happy to see you. Bring someone with you. It will be a good food and good time.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 10:27; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 5:10; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; 1 Jn 2:5; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42a, 44; Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Lk 21:36; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 13:34; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; cf. Eph 1:17-18; Mt 16:21-27

"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

Meetings

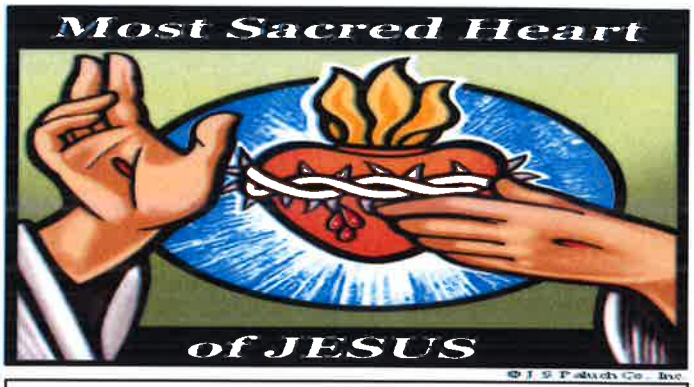
-4th Degree will meet on Sunday, August 27th at 2:00pm at the KPC Hall.

-KPC Ladies Auxiliary Cartagena Court #2 will meet on Thursday, August 31st at 4:30pm at the KPC Hall.

-Altar Society will meet on Wednesday, September 6th at 5:00pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building. If anyone is interested in becoming a member you are also welcome. Please contact Mrs. Sheresse Conner-Seales at (832)704-1092 for any further information.

-Sr. Usher Society will meet Sunday, September 10th after 9:00am Mass in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader. In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do. The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.



Save The Date
Neches River Eucharistic Flotilla
September 16, 2023

Bishop Toups has called upon our Southeast Texas Catholic faithful to renew and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament during this Eucharistic Revival. To support this three-year revival, Bishop Toups has endorsed the efforts by Stella Maris-Diocese of Beaumont to host a Eucharistic flotilla on the Neches River with four stops. You are invited to join us at one or more of the stops.1. 9am, Collier's Ferry Park, 5390 Pine Street, Beaumont, 2. 11:15am, Maritime Administration Beaumont Reserve Fleet Dock, 2600 AMOCO Road, Beaumont, (For security purposes, the Maritime Administration asks that you register. You will need to have a valid government issued ID to enter. 3. 12:30pm, Hunter Barber's Dock (please park at Port Neches Park, 601 Grigsby, Port Neches, you will be shuttled to the location), 4. 1:30pm, Marine Fueling, 9000 Yacht Club Road, Port Arthur

Prayer to Saint Monica
Exemplary Mother of the Great Augustine,
You perseveringly pursued your wayward son
Not with threats but with prayerful cries to heaven.
Intercede for all mothers in our day
So that they may learn to draw their children to God.
Teach them how to remain close to their children,
Even the prodigal sons and daughters
who have sadly gone astray.
Dear St Monica, troubled wife and mother, many
sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime.
Yet, you never despaired or lost faith.
With confidence, persistence, and profound faith,
you prayed daily for the conversion
of your beloved husband, Patricius,
and your beloved son, Augustine;
your prayers were answered.
Grant me that same fortitude, patience,
and trust in the Lord.
Intercede for me, dear St Monica,
that God may favorably hear my plea.
(mention your intention here)
Grant me the grace to accept His Will in all things,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND. NEXT WEEKEND THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA.

Fr. Anthony will bless those celebrating a birthday in August. Next weekend he will bless singles, widows and widowers who lost a spouse in September.

See our Bulletin Board in the Vestibule for announcement/information in our community and local area.

IF YOUR FAMILY OR FRIEND IS ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND HE/SHE GETS WELL OR PASSES. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DELETE HIS/HER NAME. THANKS



Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Kenya Avila, Juliana Barnes, Emma Bonton, Diane Bowd, Aletra Bowman, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Bernadette Brown, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Martin Charles, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Bernadette Dames,Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Herman Dugay, Yourmae Duplechain, Henry Dwin, Vincent Fertitta, Ronald Fontenette, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, Carolyn Francis, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zacchaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Harrison Hill, Jr., Fay Hines, Gladys Wilson-Hollins Donnette Eulain-Jackson, Yvette Jacquet, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Lucien Lavallais, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Johanna Lewis, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Dorothy McClarin, Mabry McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Bernard Mouton, Jr., Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Dallas Oliver, Donald Oliver, Rita Oliver, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, Margie Provost, JoAnn Pugh, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Jayden Spencer, Lillie Stewart, Michella Sulldan, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Iris Waymon, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., Tadarell Woods, and Hazeletta Younger .

Sick & Shut-In

For the Sick and Homebound Parishioner who may need Confession. Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office for the Priest at (409)985-5104. Also, if you want or know someone that need to be added to the prayer request list.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer Group

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer Group will meet every third Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in the Sacristy. All parishioners are invited to join this prayer group as we praise and honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We will be using the red My Treasured Sacred Heart Prayer Book. If you have not purchase a book check with the Parish Office, if you plan to join us.



Sacred Heart Church is in great need of volunteer counters. Please sign up at the Parish Office.



Parish Social Service Ministry is available to assist anyone in the parish that needs help with electric, gas, or water bills. Other services are available based on the parishioners need. All assistance provided is confidential. We are now in our 7th year of service to the parish and the community. If you would like to know more about Parish Social Ministry, please take home a brochure located in the vestibule.



Parish Social Service Ministry is collecting Jell-o monthly for the United Board of Missions. The box is still located in the vestibule. This will be put in the low income bags given to members of the community who apply through United Board of Missions. Please be generous. If you have any questions, you can contact Brenda Broussard or Sheryl Alpough.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

September 1st-First Friday Adoration
Adoration-5pm/Mass-6pm
Cynthia Sinegal
September 2nd & September 3rd

LECTORS

SAT.	**4:30PM**	**Cynthia Sinegal**
		Leroy Leopold
SUN.	**9:00AM**	**Tanya Robertson**
		Paul Landry

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

SUN.	**9:00AM**	**Herbert James**
		Rodney Broussard

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