Calendar

Monday

October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels Zec 8:1–8 Mt 18:1–5, 10

Tuesday

October 3 Weekday Zec 8:20–23 Lk 9:51–56

Wednesday

October 4 St. Francis of Assisi Neh 2:1–8 Lk 9:57–62

Thursday

October 5 *Weekday* Neh 8:1–4a, 5-6, 7b–12 Lk 10:1–12

Friday

October 6 *Weekday* Bar 1:15–22 Lk 10:13–16

Saturday

October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary Bar 4:5–12, 27–29 Lk 10:17–24

Sunday

October 8

Twenty-Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 5:1-7
Phil 4:6-9
Mt 21:33-43

Dear Padre,

Why do we offer Mass for a specific intention? Aren't Masses offered for the intentions of all present?

The Eucharist makes present, in this moment, the memorial sacrifice of Christ; the source of the Church's life and the focus of the Church's prayer (see the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [Sacrosanctum Concilium], 10). Mass always includes the intentions of a local community as well as the needs of all people throughout the world. In the eucharistic prayer, we pray for the community and those "scattered throughout the world."

What does a renewed liturgical practice mean for specific Mass intentions? Canon law speaks of applying the Mass for anyone living and dead (see Canon 901). The practice also has roots in history, especially during medieval times, when participation at Mass was at a low. Asking the priest to remember an intention kept people active and connected their needs to those of the wider Church. Vatican II stressed active participation in its liturgical renewal, so



asking specific intentions needs a renewed understanding.

Special intentions provide a value—we become aware of others' needs and troubles. If we are aware of how these troubles affect a member of our parish, we can not only pray for that person but reach out and help. However, the Eucharist does not give grace only to those named in special intentions. The grace God gives through the Eucharist is meant for the

whole Church. God's grace builds us up in holiness. Since people find special intentions important, the response from pastors is important in helping people understand how God's grace affects everyone.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Priestly joy is a joy which is sister to obedience. An obedience to the Church in the hierarchy which gives us not simply the external framework for our obedience...but also union with God the Father, the source of all fatherhood. It is likewise an obedience to the Church in service....The availability of her priests makes the Church a house with open doors, a refuge for sinners, a home for people living on

the streets, a place of loving care for the sick, a camp for the young....Wherever God's people have desires or needs, there is the priest, who knows how to listen and feels a loving mandate from Christ who sends him to relieve that need with mercy."

-Homily, Holy Thursday, April 17, 2014



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



October 01, 2017

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Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am +Howard Saucier
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5 pm +Greg West
9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am +A J Robichaux Tues 8 am Richard Dunlap (Bootz) Wed 6:00 pm Loretta (Bootz) Thu 8:00 am +Fr Pete Fri 8 am Spec Int (Bootz)

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

Ouch. If Jesus weren't speaking the truth, this would seem like a nasty insult. To the ears of the chief priests and elders to whom he was speaking, it was as good as saying, "You're bigger sinners than the biggest sinners around." Jesus had a way of cutting to the heart of matters. In this case, he was calling out these religious leaders for their stubborn resistance to the revelation of God. At least the "sinners" heard and heeded John the Baptist's message of those who considered repentance. But themselves too righteous to repent were missing the opportunity to experience the healing power of mercy.

As we know, God the Father wants to extend mercy to his children. Just as any good parents want what's best for their children, God wants us to see the truth and follow it. But he won't force our hand. God always respects our freedom. He invites, encourages, assists, and persists in drawing us in, but ultimately the choice is ours. One way God invites us to spiritual healing is through the sacrament of reconciliation. This is a perfect example of God's desire to extend forgiveness. But if we don't take advantage of this gift, we miss the grace that it offers us. Let us beware of thinking that we aren't the kinds of sinners that really need to repent. If we don't acknowledge our need for God's forgiveness we, become like the chief priests who closed themselves off to God's healing. It doesn't matter how far we may have fallen. This is why Jesus specifies that even "big" sinners can enter the kingdom of God. Rather, what matters is that we have hearts open to recognizing and responding to God's love.

Have a great week and may God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Parish Picnic: will be on October 22. We invite everyone to come to this occasion to enjoy the foods, faith, family, and fellowship. There will be only one mass 10 am. It will be held in the Pavilion. No other Masses will be held that weekend. Meat and drinks will be provided. The following is a list of what parish members need to bring A-K- SALADS (lettuce, potato, macaroni, pea, pasta, etc); L-M- Desserts; N-Z- Veggies. Any questions call: Beverly Saucier 228-832-4968.

<u>Garage Sale:</u> on this Sat Sept 30 + Oct 7. Please contact **Beverly 832-4968**. Thank you.

<u>6pm Sunday Mass:</u> This week, our parish will have a survey about the evening Mass at 6pm Sunday. Please let us know your thoughts.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

<u>67</u>Identifiable: \$1,266.00; Loose: \$909.00; Total: \$2,175.00; Children: \$11.00; Aids to Irma Hurricane: \$1,177.00.

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Identifiable: \$135.00; Loose: \$100.00; Total: \$235.00

**Amount needed weekly <u>\$2,908.84.</u>
Thank you for your generosity.

<u>Knights of Columbus:</u> meet this Sunday. For more info, contact Garland Moran 697-1266.

Altar Society: Meet next Sunday Oct 8.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Sept 30 5pm	Mike West	Mike Mays, Dianne Mays, Henrietta.	Austin S.	August Dale	Shorty and Ann Shaw
Sun Oct 01 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 01 9am	Kathyn Ladner	Robin Peterson, Susan Peleaz, Will Burke	Will Keegan	Garland Lester	David & Tara Ladner
Sat Oct 07 5pm	Lanny Acosta	WC King, Lennell King, Rita Acosta.	Austin S.	Mike Dale	Mike & Dianne Mays
Sun Oct 08 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 08 9am	Lisa Cuevas	James Quintini, Lester Palmer, Kim Wood	Nick Carson	Will Burke Pat	Derek & Jodi Trosclair

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

<u>Catholic Students</u> These students received subsidy: (Jacob Estrada, Will Dreher, Nick Quintini, Austin Scarengoes, Carson, Keegan, and Kennedy Leverette, Vincenzo + Luca Jeanfreau, Enla + Tucker Enroth.)

Donations during the summer

During the summer, please remember that the Parish operates year 'round including summer time. Please don't forget that your weekly offering is always very important to keep normal operations steady. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Special Fundraising: Melissa and Marlon Peterson sells Boston Butt plates for helping the medical expenses of Marlon's mother. For more info, please contact Melissa 228-669-2360. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, James Moran, Sharon Somora, and Marie Nance, Patricia Lizana, August Schonewitz, William Shaw, Robert Necaise, Nancy Ladner, and Loretta Ladner.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.