

Dear Padre,

Is a homily necessary at every Mass?

The homily is “highly recommended” not only because it is an essential part of the liturgy but also because “it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65). “On Sundays and holy days of obligation there is to be a homily at every Mass that is celebrated with the people attending and it may not be omitted without a grave reason. On other days it is recommended, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent and Easter time, as well as on other festive days and occasions when the people come to church in greater numbers” (*GIRM* 66). In practice, brief homilies are usually offered on nonfestive weekday Masses during Ordinary Time, too—especially in church parishes and religious communities—even for a minimal number of people in the congregation.

“Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God” (1 Peter 4:11). To the office of an ordained minister belongs the tremendous sacred duty to preach a homily rooted in prayer, and with an understanding of the Scriptures and the needs of the particular faith community in mind. “If the words of Scripture are divinely inspired, as we believe them to be, then divine inspiration must be at work when those words are made alive and contemporary to the believing community in and through” the ministry of preaching (*Fulfilled in Your Hearing*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1982).

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Please, make the homily brief, but prepare it well. And how do we prepare a homily, dear priests, deacons, bishops? How should it be prepared? With prayer, by studying the word of God and by making a clear and brief summary; it should not last more than ten minutes, please.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

Calendar

Monday
NOVEMBER 15
Weekday

1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43,
54–57, 62–63
Lk 18:35–43

Tuesday
NOVEMBER 16
Weekday

2 Mc 6:18–31
Lk 19:1–10

Wednesday
NOVEMBER 17
St. Elizabeth of

Hungary, Religious
2 Mc 7:1, 20–31
Lk 19:11–28

Thursday
NOVEMBER 18
Weekday

1 Mc 2:15–29
Lk 19:41–44

Friday
NOVEMBER 19
Weekday

1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59
Lk 19:45–48

Saturday
NOVEMBER 20
Weekday

1 Mc 6:1–13
Lk 20:27–40

Sunday
NOVEMBER 21
Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe
Dn 7:13–14
Rv 1:5–8
Jn 18:33b–37

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a question for
the Padre?**

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**33RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIMES
NOVEMBER 14, 2021**



St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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St. Ann Mass Schedule & intentions

Nov 13th Sat 4pm William O'Neil

Nov 14th Sun 9 am William O'Neil

Nov 14th Sun 6pm Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Both before Mass and by Appointment

Mon 8am Int donor

Wed 6pm Int donor

Thurs 8am Allcide

Robichaux

Fri 8am Int donor

Nov 20th 4pm Int. Donor

Nov 21st Sun 9 am Parish

Nov 21st Sun 6pm Int donor

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.

Sun 7:30 am Jody Pitcock,

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In Those Days...

This phrase is frequently found in the writings of the prophets. While it sometimes points to a future time of peace and happiness, it often portends imminent fear and trembling, as it does in today's readings. Both Daniel and Jesus speak of the suffering that will precede the end of the world. This suffering is often called the "birth pangs of the Messiah" (Matthew 24:8; Mark 13:8; John 16:21). This apt metaphor includes both life-threatening distress and wondrous joy over new birth. Pain and subsequent happiness are both described in today's readings.

The author of Daniel may be referring to the end of the whole world but is probably also presenting that in terms of the end of his own world, which would have included the suffering and even death of Jews who remained faithful under persecution. Some interpreters suggest Jesus is speaking similarly. That is, he is using a familiar figure of speech that characterizes suffering as birth pangs. According to this metaphor, there might be terrible suffering, but at the end there is utter happiness.

Both Daniel and Jesus seek to encourage their hearers to remain faithful even in the face of torment, for new life can come out of such suffering. This is a message we all need to hear. Suffering is a reality in every life. How do we endure it? Does it sour us, break us down? Or do we come out of it new people, more sensitive and understanding? It is up to us.

FOR Reflection

* Pray for the strength to remain faithful, regardless of the difficulty.

* How has suffering made you a better person?

PRAYERS
FR. DAVID

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable \$2,680.00 loose: \$334.00 **Total: \$3,014.00**

Children: \$10.00 Ach: \$.00

**OLC STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable \$580.00
Loose: \$ 0. **Total: \$580.00****

Discipleship Quads: We would like to establish this program at St. Ann. It is a form of Bible study. Signup sheets are in the back. Please join. For more information call Fr. David @228-832-2560. Thanks.

2nd Collection: for St. Vincent de Paul Society, November 20th and 21st.

Thanksgiving Day: on November 25, the mass is at **9am**. Please come to give thanks to God. Bring your foods so that Fr David may bless them. The parish will pass out bread to share with your family for Thanksgiving dinner. The bread will be passed out at the end of the mass. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Baskets: Donations are needed for the baskets. Please be generous. Baskets are provided for parishioners only. Information is available on the forms in the back of church.

Mass Time Change: Daylight savings time ended Nov. 6 so the Saturday evening mass will now be at 4pm.

Altar society meeting: This Sunday after 9.am mass in the parish Hall (small section)

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Nov 13 th 4pm	Mike West		Mike West
Sun Nov 14 th OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Nov 14 th 9 am	Eddie Duran		
Sun Nov 14 th 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas		
Sat Nov 20 th 4pm	Mike West		Mike West
Sun Nov 21 st OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Nov 21 st 9 am	Kim wood		
Sun Nov 21 st 6pm	Patricia Garret		

Church Repair: Thanks to all the volunteers who helped us. The work is still in progress. We are experiencing delays. Thanks for your patience.

Sympathy: Fr. David and the parish community offer our prayers to the family of Verda Crabtree, who passed away. She will be cremated. The memorial mass will be on November 13th at 10.00 am in St. Ann's church. Remember her and her grieving family in your prayers. Thanks

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office, each Mass card is \$10.00 dollars. Thanks.

Advent: Begins November 28th.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for 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 preparation for marriage. One's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

Fr. David's vacation: He will be out of town from November 15th to 24th. Fr. Mike Somer (from Bay St. Louis) will offer the weekend masses on Nov 20th and 21st. Any urgent needs please inform him as early as possible. Thanks

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Those who are ill: Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Duke) Mcgill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaize, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo, Glinda Gardman, Timmy & Paula Lizana.