



September 22, 2024

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Tuesday, Sept. 24- 5:30 PM-EGAN-(L) Peter Hannon, Micha Billodeaux, Will Benoit (D) Pam D. Vincent, Gina Dupuis, Ava Doga

Wednesday, Sept. 25- 8:00 AM- IOTA-(L) Ethan Guillory, Patricia Jordon, Elliott Watson (D) Mary Agnes Fabacher, David LeJeune, Paul Andrepont fly., Wilbert LeJeune fly., Allison Welch, M/M Francois Hebert, M/M James Jamison, Loretta Short, Alvin & Theresa Dischler, Hollis & Polly Kerr, Joe Jabusch, Philip J. & FN Fabacher

Thursday, Sept. 26- 7:00 AM-IOTA- (L) Hanz LaCasse (D) Cory Fontenot, Donald Andrepont, Dean Benoit, Jamie & James Soileau, Carolyn A. Earl, Red & Euna Rasberry

Friday, Sept. 27- 7:00 AM-IOTA- (D) Janell Valair, Andrea Spencer, Yvonne Cormier

Saturday, Sept. 28- 4:00 PM- IOTA- (L) Ethel Brown, Lula Reed fly., Charles Leger (D) T-Man LaCombe, Lucy & Leighton Matthews, Raleigh Miller, Brunella Potier, Bercie Alleman, Tony Brown, Jerry & Rosalind Serradett, Charlie Brown LeJeune, Herman Kebodeaux, Kebodeaux & Miller family, Leven, Lorraine & Steve Pousson, Jimmie Reed, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Barry Simar, Rachel Lacombe, Christine Gresko, George Hoffpauir, Hoffpauir & Leonards fly., Souls in Purgatory, Ben Fruge, Calvin Cart, Lillie Mae & Calvin Aucoin, Marlene Leger, Stephen Roy, Loretta & Francis Short, M/M Phillip Klumpp, M/M Joseph Johnson, Roxane Stanford, Perry Stanford, II, Lisa Chaumont

Sunday, Sept. 29- 5:30 PM- EGAN- (D) Tommy Pinson, Jr., Carl & Brent Hebert, Donald Vincent, Mary & Vernice Vincent
7:00 AM- IOTA- (L) All Parishioners
9:00AM- EGAN- (D) Vickie Bellon, M/M Kenny Bellon & Fly. M/M Tim Hollier & Fly., Calvin Sensat, Betty S. Pousson, Donna P. Hebert, Karen P Leonards, Allen Blanchard, Ruby, Richard & Randy Cart, Virginia LeJeune
11:00 AM- IOTA- (L) Quinten Dugas, Monique Cavazos, Nancy Myers, Michael LeJeune fly, Cooper Hannon (D) Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Sr., Lorenzo Cavazos, Souls in purgatory, FN & Jeanette Fabacher, Phyllis F. Cart, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Tammy Spell, Willie & Audrey Myers, Rodney & Clarice LeJeune, Souls in Purgatory, Elmae Bellon, Francis Short, Johnny LeJeune, Jared Hannon

Sanctuary Lamps

St. Joseph: In memory of Gracie Launbrecher

St. Michael:

Votive Lamps

Angel:

Angel: In memory of Francis & Loretta Short

St. Joseph: In memory of David N. LeJeune



Mass offerings: Thank you for your support!
 IOTA: \$ 4,756.00 EGAN: \$ 1,950.00

Up-coming collections: - BSA- Sept. 28 & 28
 Maintenance fund - Oct. 5 & 6

St. Joseph— Sept. 28 & 29
Saturday 4:00 PM -L- Norma N **M—** Connie S
Sunday 7:00 AM- L- Molly C **M—** Janice M
 11:00 AM-L- Bridget **M—** Deacon Ryan

St. Michael—
Saturday 5:30 PM-L- Erica D **M—** Deacon Ryan
Sunday 9:00 AM—L—Chloe S **M—** Deacon Ryan

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Youth Group— Sun. Sept. 29th- @6-8PM- Parish Hall
Patriotic Rosary — Mon., Sept. 30th @5:30PM- St. Joseph Church
KC's— Tues., Oct. 8th @ 7pm- Egan Church Hall
CDA- Tues., Oct 15th. 17th @10AM— Parish Hall
Come Lord Jesus— Mondays 6PM-church hall & Wednesdays @ 9AM— call 526-9177 for location— Thursdays 6PM Egan CCD building

Church Cleaners~ Week of Sept. 23
St. Joseph— Betty D & family
St. Michael— Laura H & fly

Communion to Homebound~ Oct 3
 Jennifer L & Norma N Linda S & Anne R

Please pray for the sick of our parish— Darryl LeJeune, Velma Guidry, Tonya Z. Miller, Pat R. LeJeune, Kristy McDaniel, Jerry Dale LeJeune, Leonard Cloud Jr., Quillian Bertrand, Connie LaCombe, Roylene Landry, Claude Breaux, Frances R. Miller, Camron Woodson, Gracie Sanchez, Mary Odom, Harold Ducote, Jr., Randy G. Regan, Sidney Fruge, Wilma LeJeune, Germaine Frey, Quincy Lantz, Rene Earles, JoAnn Hebert, Renee R. Doucet, Robby Latiolais, Sharon Pousson, Rhonda Stoute, Cage Leger, Brady Manuel, Denise D. Broussard, Marie Dailey, Liz Langlinais, Loretta Miller, Irene Henry, Dale Sittig, Elaine Wriborg, Kim Miller Clark, Mark Moore, Brad Miller, Becky Hebert, Linda Manuel, Flora Belle Breaux, Ben Baggett, Fay P. Vasseur, Ronnie Lease, Lynn Dale Coleman, Megan Mitchell

The Catholic Daughters 75th anniversary Raffle Fundraiser- raffle tickets are now on sale, \$1.00 each. Some of the items included are baby quilt, gift baskets from Iota Family Pharmacy, Shawnee's, Sassy Frass, Lil P's, Ed's Place, gift cards from Rhae's Specialty meats, Fezzo's, DI's, Coleman's. Foret's, Chef's Roy's, Cash from The Bank, Bank of Commerce, Reed's Aviation, Hand painted items from Hope Wriborg, Tammy Fontenot, cutting board made by Michael Miller, Smocked dress by Florence Miller. Tickets can be purchased from any Catholic Daughter member or in the church office. **The drawing will be held Sunday, October 20th at their banquet.**



Dear Parish Family,

Next Wednesday, September 25th, at the 8 a.m. Mass, we will celebrate what's known as a Blue Mass for our police, first responders, and firemen. The Blue Mass is traditionally celebrated on or around the Feast of the Archangels because St. Michael the Archangel is the patron saint of police and first responders. So, in a special way we ask our patron, St. Michael to watch over all our police, first responders, and firemen.

Next weekend, Sunday, September 29th would be the Feast of the Archangels if it fell on a weekday. With our mission chapel being named after St. Michael, however, we have the option to celebrate that Mass with the special readings and prayers. So, that Sunday at our St. Michael Masses we will celebrate the Feast of the Archangels, and not the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

Looking ahead, we will have the Blessing of Pets at the school on October 2nd at 7:30, and on Friday, October 4th, St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day, we will have a special school mass in honor of our patron. On October 16th, we will also celebrate a White Coat Mass, or a mass for those in the medical field. We offer this mass close to the Feast of St. Luke, which falls on a Friday this year. He was a doctor, so he is the patron saint of doctors and nurses. So, at this mass we will pray for our nurses and doctors. Please help spread the word for all these special masses!

I am grateful to all of those who have helped support St. Francis School by donating to our APEX Run this year. I believe, due to the previous threat of the storm, it has been extended slightly. So, this only gives us more of an opportunity to donate to such a great cause.

As I have mentioned before, and cannot stress this enough, St. Francis School is a mission of St. Joseph Catholic Church. That word "mission" means that St. Francis School is a part of the ministry and life of our parish. They are not separate; they are not at odds against one another. They share a pastor; they share parishioners and families. The two are interconnected with one another. Also, this past Saturday St. Francis School also hosted a volleyball tournament! We thank all of those who came out to play and all those who made this event a reality!

God Bless, Fr. Killeen

The Gospel passage from the book of Mark tells us that Jesus was talking about his death and resurrection as they walked along but his disciples did not understand what he was trying to tell them. So, they began to have a discussion about who was the greatest among them. Jesus, although fully aware of the topic of conversation, asks them what they were discussing. They sheepishly try to dodge the question so he tells them what they were discussing – who was the greatest among them. He then goes on to say that in the kingdom, the least or the greatest and the greatest are the least.

How often do we find ourselves in the position of the disciples? That is, not able to completely understand something so we revert back to thoughts of things that make us feel good about ourselves, often times at the expense of someone else. If we truly believe the Lord's words when he tells us "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." It should not matter how important we are, how well we are liked, how much money or status we have because these attributes are the exact opposite of what the Lord says we should be striving for.

Jesus does not place value in money, status, or positions, or anything else that we as humans use to define ourselves. Rather, Jesus defines us by who we are in Him. Are we humble, meek, loving, peaceful, docile, and teachable? Or are we prideful, boastful, jealous, anxious, stubborn, and attached to our own ways?

We likely exemplify qualities from both of these lists at any given point in time, thanks to our fallen nature and our propensity to sin. Even so, we can rest assured that, as long as we strive to follow the Lord and live out the way that He shows us, He can take whatever we give him and turn it for good. This week, let us pray to be able to come before the Lord like children – willingly, joyfully trusting that He will take care of us and our needs and focused on looking back at Him as He lovingly looks at each one of us.

~Alicia



St. Martha's Guild: St. Martha's Group #5 in Iota is asking for new members that would be available to send food and serve when it's their group's turn to provide the meal. For those who don't know what this ministry is about, a meal is provided for the family of the deceased who was passed through our church (St. Joseph or St. Michael). Please call the church office if you would like to join.



Prayer Angels: It's that time again!! Our sacrament grades have a total of 73 students that need a prayer angel. If you would like to help, either stop by the church office or give us a call and we'll get you started. Being a prayer angel ONLY requires you to pray for that student and you can do it anonymously or, if you wish, you can tell them who you are. We hope to have all the students placed with an angel within a few weeks.



We have several hours that need to be filled. Saturday morning at 2AM, 3AM & 10AM Please call the office if you can take any of these hours.



Patriotic Rosary— beginning Monday September 23rd we will be praying a patriotic rosary weekly until the election, for our country. The rosary will begin at 5:30 PM at St. Joseph Church.