



# September 8, 2024

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Tuesday, Sept. 10– 5:30 PM–EGAN– (D)** Floyd LaCombe, M/M George Regan, M/M Philibert LaCombe

**Wednesday, Sept. 11- 8:00 AM– IOTA–(L)** Braden Dugas (D) Mary Agnes Fabacher, David LeJeune, Paul Andrepont fly., Wilbert LeJeune fly., Allison Welch, Shirley Abshire, Loretta Short

**Thursday, Sept. 12- 7:00 AM–IOTA–(L)** Mark Nunley (D) Russel & Barbara LaCombe, J.M. & Dot McCrory, Larry Leckelt, Istre & Leckelt fly., Udell LeJeune, Charles LeJeune, Jared Hannon

**Friday, Sept. 13- 7:00 AM–IOTA- (L)** Braylon Soileau (D) Wayne Thevis, Curry, Jase & Darren LeJeune, Joyce, James & Jamie Soileau, Farrell Andrepont, Hilda Deaville, Joyce Andrepont, Carolyn Andrepont Earl

**Saturday, Sept. 14- 4:00 PM- IOTA– (I)** Special Intentions for T.S. (L) Sara McFarlain, Ethel Brown, Lula Reed fly., John LeJeune, Charles Leger (D) Raleigh Miller, Gloria Sanchez, Jeremy Latiola, Nancy Andrepont, Tony Brown, Charlie Brown LeJeune, Jenny LeJeune, Sandra Richard, Kenneth LeJeune, Mary Jane Chapman, Nelson & David Stephens, Herman Kebodeaux, Miller & Kebodeaux fly., Ronnie LeJeune, Steve Bellon, Vickie Bellon, Leven, Lorraine & Steve Pousson, Jimmie Reed, M/M Seyman LeJeune, M/M Francois Hebert, Willa, Wilbert & Lyle LeJeune, Rachel Lacombe, George Hoffpauir, Hoffpauir & Leonards fly., Souls in Purgatory, Ben Fruge, Calvin Cart, Lillie Mae & Calvin Aucoin, Marlene Leger, Emile Leger, Sr., Loretta & Francis Short, M/M Phillip Klumpp, M/M Joseph Johnson, Adam & Bertha Doucet, Charles & Ione LeJeune, Johnny & Sis Sittig

**5:30 PM– EGAN- (D)** Irby, Burnett & Buddy Gordon, Gloria & Wallace Pousson, Gerald Martin, Tommy Pinson, Jr., Carl & Brent Hebert, Donald Broussard, JoAnn Regan

**Sunday, Sept. 15– 7:00 AM– IOTA- (L)** All Parishioners

**9:00AM- EGAN– (D)** Vickie Bellon, James & Paul Bellon, Calvin Sensat, Betty S. Pousson, Donna P. Hebert, Karen P. Leonards, Alex & Marie Stanford & fly., Ann & Kelsey Stanford

**11:00 AM– IOTA- (I)** In Honor of Our Lady of Sorrows (L) Nancy Myers, Michael LeJeune fly, (D) Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Sr., Allison Welch, Roger Klumpp, Bailey Miller, Luna LaCasse, J.D. Hebert, David R. Frey, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Willie & Audrey Myers, Rodney & Clarice LeJeune, Souls in Purgatory, Tammy Spell, Elmae Bellon, Remy & Annette Lantz & fly, Joe & Hazel Stemplewski & fly.. Pat & Corey Fontenot

### Sanctuary Lamps

*St. Joseph: In memory of Rigney Pousson, Sr & Wayne*

*Thevis*

*St. Michael:*

### Votive Lamps

*Angel:*

*Angel: In memory of Francis & Loretta Short*

*St. Joseph: In memory of David N Le Jeune*



<b>Mass offerings:</b> <i>Thank you for your support!</i>	
<b>IOTA:</b>	\$ 7,813.00 <b>EGAN:</b> \$ 1,697.00
Maintenance	\$ 2,614.00      \$ 518.00
<b>Up-coming collections:</b> - BSA- Sept. 28 & 28 Maintenance fund - Oct. 5 & 6	

<b>St. Joseph—</b>	<b>Sept. 14 &amp; 15</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM -L- Norma N	<b>M—</b> Deacon Ryan
<b>Sunday</b> 7:00 AM- L- Mary G	<b>M—</b> Deacon Ryan
11:00 AM—L— Lisa B.	<b>M—</b> Deacon Ryan
<b>St. Michael—</b>	
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 PM—L— Pam B	<b>M—</b> Deacon Ryan
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 AM—L—Paul G	<b>M—</b> Deacon Ryan

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**Youth Group—** Sun. Sept. 29- @6-8PM— Parish Hall  
**St. Joseph LAS—** Mon. Sept. 9 @2PM— Parish Hall  
**Rosary for the Sick—** Mon., Sept. 9th @5:30PM— St. Joseph Church  
**KC's—** Tues., Sept. 10 13th @ 7pm— Egan Church Hall  
**CDA-** Tues., Sept. 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. 9

**St. Joseph—** Jude L & family  
**St. Michael—** Laura H & fly

#### Communion to Homebound~ Sept 19

Chris & Nell      Betty & sister      Fr. Killeen— Egan



**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 Langlinois, 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

Dear Parish Family,

Early in the morning this past Monday, a fire broke out in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century church, the Immaculate Conception, in Saint-Omer in northern France. Fr. Sebastien Roussel, the pastor, rescued the Blessed Sacrament and twenty over religious artifacts and relics. Praise God that no one was hurt, however, the steeple did collapse due to significant damage from the fire. Local authorities have apprehended a man who broke into the church and started the fire. We pray for this parish and community.

Christ today travels in Gentile territory. The Decapolis was a group of ten Hellenistic cities. In this case, Hellenistic simply means relating to Greek culture, religion, language, and identity. It was very common in the ancient period for entire nations to adopt a Hellenistic, or Greek identity, soon after their colonization. This area was also eventually highly influenced by Roman culture, as the Roman Empire occupied the Middle East during the time of Christ.

St. Mark includes a puzzling observation towards the end of today's Gospel passage. He writes that Jesus orders everyone to keep his miracle a secret, not to spread the news, not to talk about it. Why? Was he shy? Was he fearful? No, He was wise. Jesus knows the tendencies of our fallen nature. He knew that too many reports of miracles would lead people to think of Him merely as a wonderworker. He didn't want to give that impression. So, He wanted more time to explain His mission.

He needed to preach the Kingdom of God, because it goes far beyond mere politics and economics. He needed to touch their hearts and bring them back into communion with God. His miracles were not the goal of His ministry, they were simply signs of His credibility, confirmations of the truth of His teachings, and invitations to trust and follow Him. So, to give Himself more time, He told the crowds to be silent. They, however, didn't listen. The more the crowds heard about His wondrous deeds, the less – it seems – they understood them.

That priest who ran into a burning church, through an act of spiritual courage, rescued the Blessed Sacrament. This is a mighty sign and an immense sign of his faith. Why would anyone run into a building that is on fire for a symbol? For something that they think is just simply bread? Who would risk their life for that? We know that the Eucharist is so much more than just bread, we should then all be willing to risk our lives for Christ. It would be so easy if we could perform miracles. Think about it, great saints were given the ability to do so and bring so many to Christ.

How easy it would be if we could do the same? We tell ourselves we would fix so many of our own problems and the world's problems. But this is an illusion. Dare I even say it is a lie. Christ performed hundreds of miracles, some of them dramatic, like bringing people back from the dead, and He was still rejected. As I mentioned, great saints have performed miracles, but throughout the centuries people still doubted. People still did not believe.

Miracles are signs, but they are a specific kind of sign, the kind of sign that needs to be correctly understood. In the end, there is a sign that is even more powerful than a miracle, like the sign of a priest saving the Blessed Sacrament from a burning church. We are Christ's followers: we are Catholics, members of His true Church, and because of this we are His messengers. In a way, we are Christ's billboards for the Gospel. Day after day, showing others God's goodness and power through our life and example. We then are meant to be living signs. So, how do you do this? How are you a sign of Christ to all those you meet?  
God Bless, Fr. Killeen

### Election Year Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people during this election year. May we choose a President of the United States, and other government officials according to Your Divine Will.

Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of family, and the sanctity of the aged.

Grant us the wisdom to give You what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our election leaders. Amen



**We have several hours that need to be filled. Saturday morning 1AM, 2AM & 3AM & 11PM Saturday night. Please call the office if you can take any of these hours.**



**Religious Education**

Our CCD classes begin this **Monday, September 9th.**

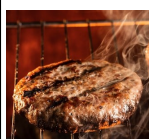
All grades, Kindergarten thru Confirmation will meet on Mondays from 5:30 to 6:30.

**All students must be registered to attend.**



*We Welcome into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism*

***Walker Matthew Montgomery***



**BBQ Burger Sale!** On Sunday, September 15, 2024, there will be a BBQ burger sale from 9:30AM– 1 PM to benefit St. Jude Research Hospital at the Egan Church Hall. Burgers are \$4.50 each cooked by the Egan Knights of Columbus.

Contact any KC member of Lee Ann Wall 337-523-5312 for tickets. **Our Lady of Lourde's Blood Bus will be there during that time for those who wish to donate blood.**

**THIS WILL BE A REPLACEMENT SUPPLY FOR MRS. FRANCES MILLER**



**The Catholic Daughters 75th anniversary Raffle Fund-raiser-** 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.**