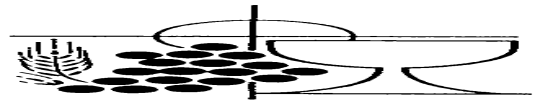


Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time March 3, 2019



Over the last few weeks we have heard Jesus begin to teach his disciples – and us – how to see the world through God’s eyes. Two weeks ago we heard Jesus tell us that the poor and hungry would be rewarded and that woe would come to those who are rich and satisfied. Last week Jesus told us to love our enemies and to turn the other cheek. Today he tells us to remove the wooden beam from our judging eyes. This is a challenging worldview, for it flies in the face of how most people view the world. But it matches how God has acted throughout human history. Repeatedly, God has shown mercy to the sinner, blessed the needy, and forgiven the enemy. Jesus calls us to do the same.

Sirach and Luke each point out the importance of integrity and the danger of hypocrisy. What we say and what we do must be sincere. Otherwise, our words are those of a hypocrite: Do as I say, not as I do. People will ignore what we say if our words are empty.

How are we known? Sure, we’re known by our role in our family, by our occupation, and by our age or generation, but how are we known as a person? Jesus tell his disciples, “Every tree is known by its own fruit” (Luke 6:44). Do we bear good fruit or rotten? Do we bear any fruit at all? At the end of the day, at the end of the week, what have we done that has affected someone else? What are we doing for our neighbors? As Christians, at the very least we want to be known as Christians.

Question of the Week

In what ways do I speak or act without integrity? What must I say or do at home or in my community to bear good fruit? Can I make a commitment to doing something fruitful throughout Lent?

Saturday, March 2, 2019

Vigil of Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00.m. Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Leonard Belton – Leonard Gauthreaux – Sergeant Glen Lunsford – James St. Charles – Intentions of Jourdain, Owens and Casmier Families – James and Tamerle Young – In thanksgiving for favors granted.

Sunday, March 3, 2019

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30a.m. Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Calvin Tate – Melvina Kepp – Walter Banks, III – Lawrence Miller, Jr. – Jasper Price, Jr. – Geraldine O. Dowden – Memory Britsch – Leonard Gauthreaux – Anthony Rout – Fr. Henry Intentions of Joseph Simms – Thanks to St. Anthony

10:30a.m. Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Fr. Henry Engelbrecht – Deacon Poncho – Leonard Gauthreaux – Juanita Jackson – Intentions of Joseph Simms

12:00p.m. Anna Trena Guillaume – Intentions of St. Maria Goretti Parish

Monday, March 4, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Memory Britsch Leonard Gauthreaux – Emanuel M. Barnes, Sr. – Rose Garnett Intentions of Tamerle and James Young – Joseph Simms

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Memory Britsch – Fr. Henry Engelbrecht – Ellsworth McKendall – Intentions of Joseph Simms – Stacey Martin

Wednesday, March 6, 2019 (Ash Wednesday)

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Leonard Gauthreaux – Memory Britsch – Moses and Clare Faciane – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Joseph Simms – James and Tamerle Young

12:00 noon Leonard Gauthreaux – Fr. Henry Engelbrecht

6:00p.m. Leonard Gauthreaux – Fr. Henry Engelbrecht

Thursday, March 7, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Memory Britsch – Leonard Gauthreaux – Intentions of Joseph Simms – Stacey Martin – James and Tamerle Young

6:00p.m. Intentions of Msgr. Gauthreaux – Fr. Buyeera

Friday, March 8, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Leonard Gauthreaux – Al DeGrasse – Deacon Poncho – Intentions of Stacey Martin – James and Tamerle Young – Joseph Simms

6:00pm. Intentions of Deacon Terrel Broussard

Saturday, March 9, 2019

8:30a.m. Willie and Sylvania Guillory – The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Liguorian Magazine

Did you sign up for Liguorian yet? Last week you heard a special presentation about Liguorian magazine. Did you return your envelope? If not, please take a minute to fill it out and drop it in the collection basket. Remember, your print subscription supports the Redemptorists and includes FREE access to Liguorian Digital Edition.

Announcements

“[Jesus said to his disciples] “Be merciful, just as Your Father is merciful.” Eucharistic Adoration Monday thru Friday, 9:00a.m. – 12:00 noon and Saturdays, 12:00 noon – 3:00p.m.

Bible Study

The theme for Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Clean Up Our Speech? Let’s clean up our speech to reflect the sacramental lives that we have been called to live. “We often hide behind the term “politically correct” to justify harmful speech about others. We have the power of speech to honor God by praising Him, praying to Him for our needs, and to make Him known to others. Our speech should uplift each other as we are all made in the image and likeness of God. As we prepare for Lent, perhaps we should fast from harmful and damaging speech about others.” Bible Study celebration will be based on the readings for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Reading I: Sirach 27:4-7; Responsorial Psalm: 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Gospel: Luke 6:39-45. Bible study is every Monday evening at 7:00p.m. in the center.

The Knights of Columbus are having a Pasta Supper on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019, from 12 noon until 6:00p.m. in Msgr. Gauthreaux Center. The dinners include your choice of either Crawfish or Shrimp Pasta, or with salad, garlic bread, desert, and a drink for \$8.00. We accept cash, checks, and credit or debit cards.



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends and family.

RCIA

Our words and actions should be such as to help us all escape the vicious circles of condemnation and vengeance which continue to ensnare individuals and nations, encouraging expressions of hatred. The words of Christians ought to be a constant encouragement to communion and, even in those cases where they must firmly condemn evil, they should never try to rupture relationships and communication.” Pope Francis, “Message for World Day of Social Communications”, Jan. 22, 2016. Are your children still Catholic? Do they practice their faith? Do you know enough about your faith to help them? Every Catholic has a role in welcoming those seeking to join the Catholic Church. God has touched them in a special way that leads them to us. Let us get out of the pews and into the community. The RCIA is in its Evangelization and Precatechumenate Phase. Do you know someone who wants to be Catholic? This week we continue our focus on the Sacraments. The Right of Election. Lent the Period of Enlightenment. For more information contact the RCIA Team: Deacon Terrel J. Broussard or any member of the RCIA Team or visit the website at smgnola.com

We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of Joseph and Edna Belson. The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will for the intentions of Lena Carlos and Larry and Kathy Lawson



Wednesday, March 6, 2019, Masses will be 8:30a.m, 12 noon and 6:00p.m. Ashes will be distributed after all Masses



Lenten Schedule

Daily Masses 8:30a.m. and 6:00p.m. The Way of the Cross will follow the 8:30a.m. and the Friday 6:00p.m. Mass.



Fasting & Abstinence

Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday who are 18 years of age until the age of 59. Only one meal should be eaten on those days and No meat. Those who are bound to fast may also take only one full meal. Two small meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on All Fridays of Lent.

This Week in our Parish

Monday, March 4, 2019

Lundy Gras – Closed

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Mardi Gras – Closed

Wednesday, March 6, 2019

7:00p.m. Catholic Men’s Fellowship – Library
7:00p.m. Council 9415 Meeting – Rms. 3 & 4
7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance Class – Center

Thursday, March 7, 2019

6:00p.m. Bingo – Center

Friday, March 8, 2019

6:00.a.m. AKA Meeting – Center

Saturday, March 9, 2019

8:00a.m. Lord Teach Me To Pray – Library
8:00a.m. Prayer Breakfast – Center
11:00a.m. Star Project – Rm. 10
12:00p.m. Haiti Partnership – Library

Happy

