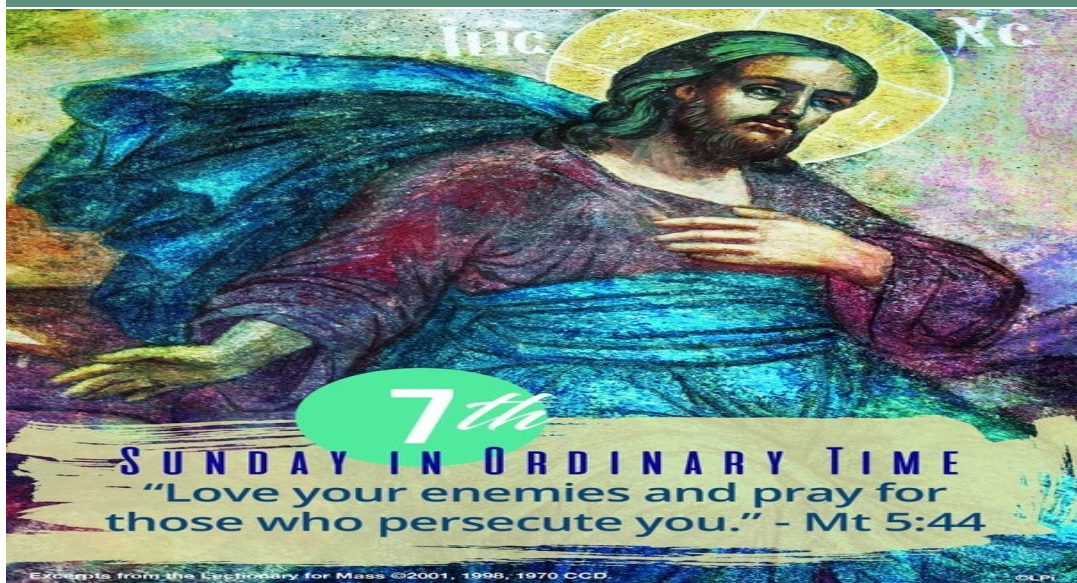


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LITURGICAL SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM.
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM &
6:00 PM.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

*Monday No Mass—Exposition &
Adoration 6:00– 7:00Am.*
Tuesday– Friday
Exposition & Adoration: 6:00 AM
Mass: 6:30 AM
Saturday: 8:30 A.M.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS:

8:30 AM
Exposition until 10:00 AM.
Confession 9-10AM.

OUR MOTHER OF

PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA
Tuesday at 6:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS:

After all weekday Masses and 30
minutes before weekend Masses or
by appointment.

24– HOUR ADORATION:

Thursdays, 7 a.m.—Fridays, 6 a.m.
Held in the Souby Baptistery

BAPTISMS:

Second & fourth Sunday of each
month, 10:00 AM. BOTH parents
AND Godparents MUST attend a
baptism seminar held first Tuesday
of each month, 6:00PM in the
Gallen Room (parking lot entry).

WEDDINGS:

Couples should make an appoint-
ment with the parish priest at least
six months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call the rectory anytime at
385-0770.

COMMUNION IN THE HOME/ HOME VISITS:

Call 385-0770. Monday—Friday,
8:30 A.M. until 3:30 P.M.

HOSPITAL VISITS:

If you or someone you know would
like to be visited in the hospital, you
must call the rectory at 385-0770.

To request a Parish Registration Form, call the Rectory at **385-0770** or shcsecretary@hdiocese.org
You can also visit the rectory between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 pm., Monday through Friday.

Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People

Reporting Numbers: To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the LA Department of Children & Family Services (24/7) 1(855) 452-5437. **Outreach line for victims of sexual abuse by church workers.** If you suspect child abuse by clergy, church officials, church employees or volunteers, please also contact the Victims' Assistance Coordinator (985) 850-3172 and Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line (985) 873-0026.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Thought for Today

“When Jesus was dying on the cross, He said: “I thirst.” Jesus is thirsting for our love, and this is the thirst we all have, rich and poor alike. We all thirst for the love of others, that they go out of their way to avoid harming us and do good to us. This is the meaning of true love, to give until it hurts.”

Do Something Beautiful for God— Mother Teresa

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 19, 2023

Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy.

— Leviticus 19:2b



Liturgical Ministers

Lenten Schedule



Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, Masses: 6:30a.m. & 12:10p.m. also 9:00a.m. at Maison Jardin

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday, 6:30am, Saturday, 8:30a.m.

Adoration and Confession (Church)

Fridays 4p.m. -6:20p.m.
Saturdays 9a.m.—10a.m.

Stations of the Cross (Church)

Fridays 6:30p.m.

Confessions

Tuesday - Friday - 7:00a.m.,
Friday 4—6:25p.m., Saturday 9-10:00a.m.
30 minutes before all weekend masses.
Tuesdays “Abide nights” —6:30-7:30p.m.



February 18 & 19, 2023

Schedule

Sacristans:

Sat., 4:30P.M. – Catherine Bourdier
Sun., 8:00A.M.– Gina Dupuis
11:00A.M.— Regina Duval
6:00P.M. — Christina Lange

Lectors:

Sat., 4:30P.M. - Chris Hunter
Sun., 8:00A.M. – Angela Kraemer
11:00 A.M.— Carl Kraemer
6:00P.M.—Dean Listi

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat.,4:30P.M.— Conrad Poe
Sun., 8:00A.M.– Emelina Basas
11:00 A.M.— Regina Duval
6:00P.M. —Christina Lange

Presidents' Day

Monday, February 20th

A day to celebrate all U.S. presidents, past and present.



The Holy Rosary

The rosary is prayed everyday at 4pm in Church.



When you have the opportunity to do good, do not let it go by.

St. Polycarp



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 19, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS: Sat., Weekday, Feb. 18, 8:30am: Anthony Cannata, David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Eloise & Bill Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., John & Stella Mula, Pauline & Randolph Landry, Theresa & William Maxwell, M/M Eddie Landry, Nellie Blereau, Eugene Fields, Joe & Bet Cefalu, Cyrus & Shirley Giroir, Earl L. & Goldie M. Mayon, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin.

Sat., Vigil, Feb. 18, 4:30pm: Patrick J. Bergeron, Vera & Charles Dupuis, Larry Bergeron, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Theodore & Pasty LaVerne, Kelley & Alan Thomas Family, Maggie & Raymond Keller & Fam., Elaine & Kenny Blaire & Fam., Charles Gowland, Sr., M/M Donald Kreider, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Frank & Corinne Mula, Marvin Compton, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Blackie Arceneaux, Santo & Stella Rousso, Adele & Red Arceneaux, Stephen Giroir, Lester & Belle Simoneaux, George & Joyce Melancon, David Arcemont, Arcemont/Landry Family, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Earl L. & Goldie Mayon, Pat Badeaux, Grace Napoli, Jeanne Picou, Theresa & William Maxwell, Pauline & Randolph Landry, Andrew, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Luda & Eli Fields, Vivian & Eddie Fields, John Robert "Bob" Keeling, Jr., Donald Fields, Sally Anderson, Ruby Miller, Marius Carlos, Elmo & Viola Goulas, Troy Fangué, Martin & Deshotel & Prince Families, Robert & Maridel LaBauve, Mary & Ray Martin, Smith-Theriot Families, Betty & Philip Smith, Sr., Dirk Hoffpaur, Joe & Bet Cefalu, Elfrey & Margie LeBlanc, Carroll & Zeder Kraemer, Melvin J. Pitre, Doris B. & J. Darwin Richard, Marion H. Bergeron, Marlene Gautier, David Duplantis, Nick & Katie Mancuso, Dee & Vincent Orcino, Viola Percle, Loupe/LaHoste Fam., Sidney Solar, Jr., Joe Parsiola, Agnes Robicheaux, Nick LaRocca, Judy Duval, Dot & Sonny Duval, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Rafael Basas, Dung Nguyen, Jaqueline Hebert, Warren & June Fortier, James Kullman, Sr., Ayo & Odelia Loupe, Debra Duhon, & Family, Sonia Hebert, Susan Aucoin, M/M Arthur "Mac" Rulf, Cay Price, Helen Laughlin, Vera Cole.

Sunday, Feb. 19, 8:00am: Rose H. Percle, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Joe & Bernice Giandelone, Claire & Sheldon Bergeron, H.V. Choo Choo Fondren, Forcheimer/Fondren Families L/D, Jason DeHart, Anatole & Ida Fangué, Roland & Virginia Fangué, Earl & Goldie Mayon, Mr. & Mrs. John Parker Conrad, Sr., DiMatteo Family, John/Josephine/Johnny DeMatteo, Jeffery DeMatteo, Richard, Sr. & Hilda Landry, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Blackie Arceneaux, Mark Manfre, Tracy Lajaunie, Delores Lajaunie, Biundo/Bourgeois Families, Herman Pellerin, Jr., Cay Price, Lois Fryou, Larry Giroir. **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Mr. & Mrs. Oliver J. Bergeron Family L/D, Parker & Shirley Conrad, Hugh & Nell Egle Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, Vivian & Ferris Romaine, Sr., Luda & Eli Fields, Marian & Richard Romaine, Nolan & Katherine Michel, Walter & Irma Michel, Nellie Blereau, Joe Giordano, Adam E. & Dorothy Conner, Fred & Edna Williams, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., Hogan/Landry Families, Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary, Dehart/Duhon Families L&D, Marion & Oliver Bergeron, Jr., Betty Rink, David Duplantis, Mark Manfre, J.P. Morella Family L/D., Beverley Hamer, Conner & Williams Families, Sonia Hebert, Josephine & Rocco Guarisco, Sr. & Rocco Guarisco, Jr. & Fam., L/D, Betty Theriot Smith, Pat & Carmen Prestenbach, Don Domino. **6:00pm:** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Janet/Beverly/Charles Fernandez, Leonard & Enola Klutts, Barbara Miller, Yvonne Fernandez, George Fernandez, Carl J. & Glenda W. Strevia Family L/D., Dalia & Manuel Ramirez, Albarado Fam. L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Wilbert, Nan & Tim Melancon, Conner-Melancon Fam., Louis & Clem Bourgeois, E Shannon.

Tuesday, Feb. 21, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Boudreaux/ Sewart families, Eloise & Bill Gowland, John & Stella Mula, Pauline & Rudolph Landry, Theresa & William Maxwell, George & Joyce Melancon, Nellie Blereau, Dupuis family, Mr. & Mrs. John Parker Conrad, Sr., Anthony Cannata, David Duplantis, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Larry Bergeron, Charles Gowland, Sr., J.P. Morella & Fam. L/D, Rickey Arceneaux, Mark Manfre, Jim Holt, , Rosemary Cutrera, Howard Thibodaux, Debra Duhon & Family, Earl Laughlin, Sr.

Wednesday, Feb. 22, 6:30am : Mark Manfre, David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Roy & Dee Simoneaux, Emery & Mary Besse, John & Stella Mula, Pauline & Randolph Landry, Skeezi & Flora Bergeron, Bertin/Dupuis Families, Manfre/Grizzaffi Families, David Duplantis, Gerald Blanchard, Bet & Joseph Cefalu, Sr., Robert LaBauve, Nellie Blereau, Jason DeHart, Elaine Naquin, C. C. & Barbara Clark, Earl & Goldie Mayon, Nolan & Katherine Michel, David Loupe, Celeste Loupe, Cy & Shirley Giroir, Loulie & Lelia Boudreaux, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Gladys & Clive Cloutier, Larry Bergeron, Beverley Hamer, Nguyen Family, Dung Nguyen, Prayer Intentions of SHC Parishioners, Debra Duhon & Fam., Linda Duke, Ray LaHoste, Cay Price, Don Domino.

Thursday, Feb. 23, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Bessie Roy, Nellie Blereau, Manfre Family, Teresa & William Maxwell, John & Stella Mula, Randolph & Pauline Landry, Bet & Joe Cefalu, Santo & Stella Rousso, Adam & Dorothy Conner, Fred & Edna Williams, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Horace Naquin, Dung Nguyen, Rosalee Loupe, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Blackie Arceneaux, Therol Naquin, Debra Duhon & Family, David Duplantis.

Friday, Feb. 24, 6:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Pat DeHart, Charles Gowland, Sr., David Duplantis, Dung Nguyen Family, Mark Manfre, Santo & Stella Russo, Anthony, Vincent C. & Fannie Cannata, Ed Patterson, Patrick Bergeron, Henry Daigle, Debra Duhon & Family, Sonia Hebert.

Angel of God

my guardian dear to whom His love
commits me here ever this day be at my
side to light and guard to rule and
guide. **Amen.**



STEWARDSHIP: 02/05/2022

Regular Collection: \$7,308.00
Maintenance: \$4,054.00

Money Counters: Team (3)

PRAY FOR... PEACE, Protection from floods & storms,
Harold Ross, Huan Tran, Mary Ann Crocker, Kathryn Stadalis,
Carol Bergeron, Rexall Howard, Stephen Giroir, Ana Rogers, Beu-
lah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verrett, Rod-
ney Frederick, Roger Liner, Donna Henry, Jane Davis, Roger Ad-
ams Jr., Gene & Edie Nezat, Ross Rock, Brittany Thomas, Dalton
Dupree, Noah Fryou, Tara Trahan, Ashley Ribardi, Deanna Rome,
Jimmy LeBlanc, Dale Hubert, Pat Rock, Barbara Breaux, Stacy
Giroir, Eston Roger, Drew Clements, Robbie & Kacie Touns, Janet
Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Gloria & Jessie
Michel, Donald Loupe, Ida Mae Percle, Lelia Johnson, Nicki
Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley
Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Beadle, Killian Mabe, Joan Ju-
dycki, Mary Ann Trosclaire, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon
Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Amanda Jennings, Katy Bourgeois, Ina
Clarke, William LaPoint, Marilyn Pye, Leonard & Priscilla Scully,
Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jeansonne, Charlie Solar, Sr.,
Karen Duhon, Barbara Olson, Herman Bailey, Jahmarla Guidry,
Bob Opperman, Susan Nelson, Laine Mosher, Aceson Alleman,
Catherine Thibodeaux, Scott Barbier, Martha Guillory, Will
Lapoint, Edwin Bergeron, Jason Theriot, Anna Rogers, Evie Her-
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Ross, Larry Giroir, Nedra Giroir, Jim Davis, Rachel Adams, Ave
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Family, Anna Broussard, Reberta Ford, Margie Aucoin, Gentry
Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Percle, Francis Smith, Layla Giroir,
Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Billy Cantrell, Patty Fontenot,
Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Raymond Daniels, Renee Harper, War-
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Richard, Elliot Prejean, Rip & Cheryl Verdin, Kim Hanks, Kattie
Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Darlene Hamm, Anthony "Tony" Rich-
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Starling, Gene Arceneaux, Mary Ann Adams, Jimmy Russo, Kay
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penter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Theresa &
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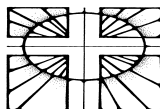
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



U.S. Armed Forces and All who serve & protect us, Craig
Bourdier, Ryan Bourdier, Andrew Bourdier, Joseph John-
son, V, Tony Malbrough, Mathew Young, Luke Zweigle,
Draven Smith, Brian Hartman, Ory Arcemont, Ryan
Hunter, Cameron Case, Matthew Tregle, Tanner Richards,
Johnathan Villegas.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please send your prayer intentions
to shsecretary@hdiocese.org or call the rectory
385-0770 and we will include them
in our daily prayers.



2023 Annual's Bishop's Appeal

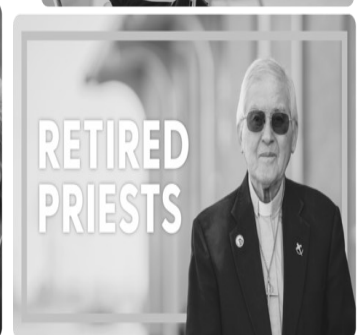
*Let us embrace the call to partner
in hope, knowing that God does not
measure us by what we possess but by
what we do for one another.*

Please join Father Brett as Sacred Heart Parish launches our
2023 Annual Bishop's Appeal. We ask that you pray for our
diocese and our appeal and prayerfully consider making a
commitment to support the ministries lead by the Bishop's
Appeal. We as a Catholic community are called to lead with
our prayers and to support our church as parish and diocese.
When making your commitment, please remember that by
your prayers and gifts are directly support our 9 Seminarians,
our 14 retired priests, Sacred Heart Parish Youth and Adult
Formation, and Catholic Education through our Catholic
Schools Office.

*Sacred Heart has thus far reached 10.95% of our parish goal
of \$75,000.00. Please prayerfully consider a gift to support
our Annual Bishop's Appeal and our parish. Use the QR Code
or give online at www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal, return
your personalized commitment cards at Mass this weekend,
or you may simply mail your commitment to the diocese in
the provided envelope.*



If you would like more information
about the 2023 Appeal, please
contact the Annual Bishop's Appeal
Office at 985-850-3136 or
email lcrosby@hdiocese.org.





February 19, 2023
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm 13(12):6

Entrance Chant:

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Gospel Acclamation

R. *Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Whoever keeps the word of Christ, / the love of God is truly perfected in him.

R. *Alleluia, Alleluia*

Is Gossip a Sin?

Question: Is gossip a mortal sin?

Answer:

To really ask this question, we must consider the Eighth Commandment: "You shall not bear false witness."

In its reflections on this commandment, The Catechism of the Catholic Church invites us to not only think about what bearing "false witness" means, but to also consider how we understand the truth and how we communicate more broadly. This is why so much of this section of the Catechism has to do with the gift of language. With this in mind, we will notice that the word "gossip" isn't used by the Catechism. Instead, we find the words "detraction" and "calumny," which are actually two forms that gossip can take, and both can be quite serious.

First, detraction is the of revealing "another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them," without morally valid reasons. Calumny, by extension, is saying something about another person that is untrue, and it is sinful because it "harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgements" (see no. 2477).

In all of our communication, we have to always recognize that we have a moral obligation to the truth and to always work to protect the reputation and honor of our neighbors (see no. 2479).

Gossip can, in fact, prove to be a very serious sin. After all, the Catechism reminds us: "No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the right to know it" (no. 2489).

When we have gossiped, especially if we are aware we have damaged another person's good name or reputation, we want to make every effort to undo the damage we have done, including seeking the grace and forgiveness offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

I am the LORD." (Lv 19:18)

Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

Second Reading:

All belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God. (1 Cor 3:22-23)

Gospel:

"You have heard that it was said,

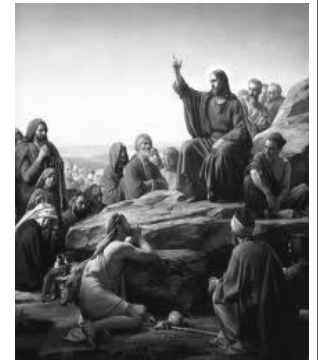
You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.

But I say to you, love your enemies

and pray for those who persecute you." (Mt 5:43-44)

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: **"But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you."** An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?



How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. "What is unusual about that?" asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, *while they were doing it*. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— *Father John Muir*

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