



Sacred Heart of Jesus

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.”
- Mt 13:23

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1:00-3:30P.M. Closed for Lunch Noon—1:00P.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays, 7:00A.M.—6:00P.M.
held in the Souby Baptistery

LITURGICAL SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 4:30P.M.
Sunday: 8:00A.M., 11:00A.M. & 6:00P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES: *Monday No Mass—*
Tuesday–Friday 6:30A.M. Saturday: 8:30A.M.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA
Tuesday at 6:30A.M.

CONFESSION: 30 minutes before all Masses and
by appointment.

ROSARY Wednesdays, 7:00A.M.
Sunday–Saturday 4:00P.M. (Church)
Church is open 5:30am-6:30pm Sunday-Saturday

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!

In everything,
whether it is a thing
sensed or a thing
known, God Himself
is hidden within.

—St. Bonaventure

Readings for the week July 11-12, 2026

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21



REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question

Isaiah encourages us to trust in the reliability of God's word and purposes. When do you find yourself trusting in the Lord?

2nd Reading Question

Paul places his hope in God's promised future, when both people and creation itself will be freed from corruption and decay. Is there something you or your family have been hoping for lately?

Gospel Question

Jesus teaches his disciples to be open (be "rich soil") to the often mysterious meaning of the parables about the kingdom of Heaven. Are you someone who is open to new or different ideas?



Baptisms

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Andrew Douglas Ber

Child of Austin Thomas Ber &

Sarah Bourgeois Ber



July 11-12, 2026

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Susie Myers

Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Rebecca Pye,

11:00a.m.—Rochelle Bergeron, 6:00p.m.—Jeannie Landry

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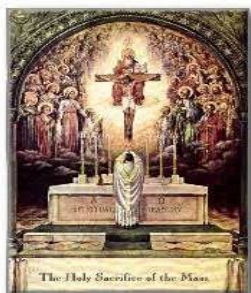
Lectors: Saturday, 4:30pm—Barry Dufrene,

Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Leslie Smith, 11:00a.m.—Pete Boudreaux,

6:00p.m.—Jovita Compton

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our hearts are fertile ground for the Word of God, but we must be careful gardeners. Be conscious of what damages and depletes the soil of your heart. Pay attention to what nourishes it, so that the goodness of the Word can bloom forth into the world.



Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary before Mass

O Mother of devoted love and mercy, most blessed Virgin Mary, with all my heart and all my affection I take refuge in you, though I am a poor and undeserving sinner. You stood by your most dear Son as he was hanging on the cross. Stand mercifully by me, poor sinner though I am, and by all the priests who today offer this sacrifice, here and in all our holy Church. With the help of your gracious presence, may we offer a sacrifice that is right and acceptable in the presence of the most high and undivided Trinity. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, weekday, July 11, 8:30am: Pro Populo

Saturday, Vigil, July 11, 4:30pm: Vera & Charles Dupuis, Frank & Corinne Mula, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Santo & Stella Rousso, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Charles Gowland, Sr., Bill & Eloise Gowland, Martin, Deshotel, Prince, & Lacour Families, Joe & Bet Cefalu, David Duplantis, Maridel & Robert LaBauve, Jan Covington, James Kullman, Sr., T.R. & Elaine Naquin, Joe Parsiola, Agnes R. Robicheaux, Ramona Kullman, Rafael Basas, Mary & James Groves, Mary Michel, James Boudreaux, Gloria Canova, Bridget Arcemont, Dulce Hernandez, Mary Eues.

Sunday, July 12, 8:00am: Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Luc/Perle Family, Donald Luc, Sr., Steve Luc, Sheldon & Claire Bergeron, Lisa B. Bergeron, Rose Mary Vinning, Guage Blandry family. **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Hugh & Nell Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, A.J. Cannata, Marian & Richard Romaine, Charles Gowland, Sr., Pat McCleary, Donald Loupe, Peter M. Lipari, Rocco Guarisco Jr. Fam L/D, Dulce Hernandez, Daniel McCloy, J.A. Garcia Fam. **6:00pm** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Streva Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary, Bridget Arcemont, Mary Eues, Willie Mae Burleigh, Tom & Alice Shannon.

Tuesday, July 14, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Charles Gowland, Sr., John & Stella Mula, Anthony Cannata, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C. J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Dulce Hernandez, Mary Eues.

Wednesday, July 15, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, Carl & Glenda Streva Fa., L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, Pat McCleary, Dulce Hernandez, Mary Eues.

Thursday, July 16, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Family L/D, Bet & Joe Cefalu, David Duplantis, John & Stella Mula, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Gerald Blanchard, Dulce Hernandez, Mary Eues.

Friday, July 17, 6:30am: Patrick Bergeron, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Mary Eues, Dulce Hernandez, Santo & Stell Rousso, Gerald, Garnette Listi, Listi-Theriot Family.

MASS INTENTIONS: A single mass intention is \$3.00



~~~ *In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.*

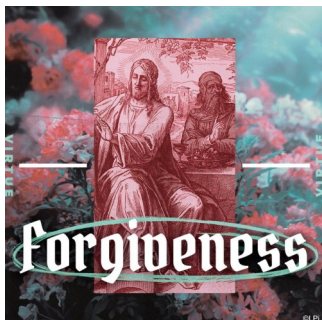
*In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*

### CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

#### Forgiveness, Explained!

The virtue of forgiveness is described to us in detail by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 18, when he tells Peter that he must forgive his brother “not seven times, but seventy-seven times” before relating the parable of the unforgiving servant. Here we see that exercising forgiveness is an absolute requirement of the Christian life. What we have received from God through no merit of our own, we must likewise extend to others.

Forgiveness is love in action — and as is the case with most virtues, if we find it hard to practice, that means we’re doing it right. The Catechism says that forgiveness “bears witness that...love is stronger than sin” (CCC 2844) and points out that it “is not in our power not to feel or to forget an offense; but the heart that offers itself to the Holy Spirit turns injury into compassion and purifies the memory in transforming the hurt into intercession.” (CCC 2843)



#### \*Our Lady Sar of the Sea

Celebrates the 51st Anniversary of the Erection of the Confraternity on July 27.

*Rosary in Sacred Heart Church  
at 4:00p.m.*

#### PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

O Jesus, our compassionate High Priest, we ask you to raise up among our Christian communities abundant and holy vocations to the priesthood. Grant to the men whom you are calling to this holy service the grace to stay close to your Sacred Heart. Aid them in their commitment to prayer and grant them the grace to hear your voice more clearly each day. Give them the humility and the charity to respond to your invitation in discerning this vocation. May they encounter you close to them in every step of their journey, being reminded that they are never without you and your guidance.

We ask this in your name Jesus.—Mary, Mother of Priests, pray for us.+

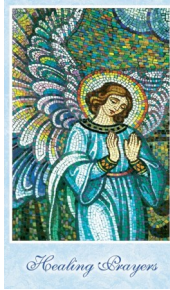
## Angel of God

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.

### PRAY FOR... PEACE,

Protection from Floods and Storms, Caregivers,

Huan Tran, Kathryn Stadal, Stephen Giroir, Beulah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verrett, Rodney Frederick, Donna Henry, 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, Robbie & Kacie Toups, Janet Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Lelia Johnson, Nicki Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Moshier, Aceson Alleman, Joan Judycki, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Katy Bourgeois, Ina Clarke, Leonard & Priscilla Scully, Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jeansonne, Charlie Solar, Sr., Karen Duhon, Barbara Olson, Jahmarla Guidry, Laine Mosher, Aceson Alleman, Catherine Thibodeaux, Scott Barbier, Martha Guillory, Will Lapoint, Edwin Bergeron, Jason Theriot, Evie Herrington, Mac Percle, Yvonne Zweigle, Bryson Plaisance, Betty Ross, Nedra Giroir, Rachel Adams, Ave Ross, Elijah Carter, Valerie Streety, Larry Guillory, Anna Broussard, Margie Aucoin, Gentry Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Percle, Layla Giroir, Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Patty Fontenot, Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Renee Harper, Warren Landry, Louis Tamporella, Tammy Richard, Elliot Prejean, Katie Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Ashia Starling, Mary Ann Adams, Kay Olds, Franklin Pierce, Marlene Pierce, Brent Gravois, Ava Carpenter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Jim Mestepey, Ryan, Willie Mae Lewis, Earline & David Gastins, Elias Dupree, Peggy Perry, Keely Price, Steve Sealine, Robbie Sword, Mary Price, Austin Courtney, Jerry Trosclair, Danny Chiasson, Kenneth Hope, Max Anderson, Keelan Arbuckle, Louis Chaisson, Dr. Conrad Poe, Billy Lamar, Audie Taquino, Sabrina Gaspard, Billy Giordano, Catherine Bourdier, Brenda Landry, Lamartiniere, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois, Zachary Daniels, Christian Smith, Kim Stansbury, Cindy Dupuis, Karl Brasseaux, Merlin Boudreaux, II, Debbie LeBlanc, Cosmo Christopher, Ann Eastburn, Laura Vice, Nolan Bernucho, Anne Murray, Philip Dural, Kent Ledet, Jr., Avery Compton, Claire Smith, Betty Keeling, Stephanie Broussard, Rita Duplant, Sandra Mensman, Ward Mensman, Glenn Thibodeaux, Takeshia Dixon, Russell Vicknair, Lester Beam, Fern Giandelone, Gertrude Prestenbach, Ida Mae Percle, Joseph Mensman, Edmond "Eddie" Guidry, Jr., Spenser Kron, Dr. "Chip" Metz, Everett J. Prestenbach, Dianne Broussard, Annette Landry, April Kindred, Donna M. Credeur, Cynthia A. Wiltz, Mark Landry, Chris Sunseri, Mary Ann Trosclair & Macy, Jason Dugar, Peggy LeBlanc, Jennifer Beckett, DPG., JB, BW, Myra White, Amanda Marie Fitch, Mary Darce, Carol Lajaunie, Keisha Foret, Karen Schaedel, Lawrence Giroir, Candace Canty Foster, Jim Firmin, Mena Leonard, Niece Opperman, Richard Brasseaux, Sheryl Doiron, Larry Mayon, Sr., Bill & Carol Krogg, David Morrow, Maison Mitchell, Thomas Beckett, Jr., Bridget Paton, Steve Verret, Weston Keller, Kathy Taylor, Neil Loupe, Elenora Brasseaux, Leilani Durapau, Robbie Toups, Karl Brasseaux, Rip & Cheryl Verdin, Freddie Ledet, Dustin Stevens, and All those in Nursing Homes.



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



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

Brandon Daigle, Brycen Verdin, Ethan Blanco, Zan Alcino,  
Matthew Domangue, Stephen Hope, Tyler Walker McCullough,  
Cesar Rodriguez, Shayne LaCoste.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please send your prayer intentions  
to [shsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shsecretary@htdiocese.org) or call the rectory 385-0770 and we will  
include them in our daily prayers.



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## Children's Corner

### Sharing the Gospel

The farmer is God. The seed is  
God's Word. That makes the soil your heart. If your heart is  
angry or stubborn, God's Word can't sink in. If your heart is  
shallow, God's Word can't take root. Instead, you will worry  
about getting power or riches. If your heart is discouraged by  
people who hate God, your faith will choke. If your heart is  
soft, God's Word will change your life, and it will show.



**Prayer** + God, help  
my heart to be soft.  
Help your Word to  
change my life.

**Draw** a picture of a seed growing in good soil.

### Mission for the Week

Visit a garden center. Learn  
why plants need good soil to  
grow.



## PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Lord, through the prayers of this faithful  
community and the intercession of Our Lady  
Star of the Sea, protect the lives and property  
of your people from the devastation of  
hurricanes and storms this hurricane season.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen





**BAPTISMS:** Saturday or Sunday. Church Baptism Application should be turned in before the baptism seminar. BOTH parents and Godparents MUST attend a baptism seminar held on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:00PM in the Gallen Room. Please register by calling the church office.

**WEDDINGS:** Couples should make an appointment with the parish priest at least six months in advance.

**ANOIDING OF THE SICK:** Call the rectory anytime at 385-0770.

**COMMUNION IN THE HOME/HOME VISITS:** Call the rectory at 385-0770.

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

To request a Parish Registration Form, call the Rectory at 385-0770 or [shcsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shcsecretary@htdiocese.org)

You can also visit the rectory between 8:00A.M. and 3:30P.M., Monday through Friday.

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## FOR EVERYDAY

### Blessing for Abundant Growth

Dear God,

Bless our efforts in Your Name.

Help us to understand Your will.

Allow us to follow the invitation You have provided.

We want to be rich soil — help us respond deeply and abundantly to every place You call. Amen

## Everyday Stewardship

Over the years I have wasted a lot: a lot of money, a lot of time, and a lot of talent. Sometimes I didn't realize I was wasting these things but, after reflection, I realized I could have done more and accomplished much greater things. Of course, I think that is part of our imperfect humanity. It truly is easier for us to waste our gifts than grow them into something more.

The parable of the sower speaks about the word of God that gets planted in our hearts. If the soil of our heart is rich, than the word will grow and change us. If that soil is rocky or full of weeds, the word will lie there without any impact, bearing no fruit.

This parable can be applied to living a stewardship way of life as well. As sowers, we have been given the seeds of our time, talent, and treasure. We have a choice of where to plant these gifts. As good everyday stewards, we are called to plant them wisely and prudently. Oftentimes it is not enough to simply give away what we have. We need to discern the best places to sow these gifts so the maximum harvest can grow. This takes prayer, reflection, and study. Without a solid discernment process, we can find ourselves sowing seeds endlessly without much to show for it. But joyful is the person who has used one's gifts wisely, for the bounty of the harvest is great.

Tracy Earl Welliver,  
MTS



*The Sacrament of Marriage*



*"Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh." Genesis 2:24*

*Saturday, June 27, 2026*

**Justin Martin Ory**  
**& Brittany Lynn Roberie**

## 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.

