

July 7, 2024 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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| Tuesday, July 9– 5:30 PM-EGAN- No Mass (intention said privately) (D) Souls in Purgatory Wednesday, July 10-8:00 AM- IOTA- (D) Mary Agnes Fabacher, David LeJeune, Paul Andrepont fly., Wilbert LeJeune fly., Thursday, July 11- 7:00 AM-IOTA- No Mass (intention said privately) (D) Larry Leckelt, Istre & Leckelt fly. Friday, July 12- 7:00 AM-IOTA- (I) Mars (intention said privately) D) Lily Pousson Saturday, July 13- 4:00 PM-IOTA- (L) Charles Leger, Lula Reed fly., Ethel Brown, Amy Lacomb (D) M/M Joseph Johnson, M/M Phillip Klumpp, George Hoffpauir, Hoffpauir & Leonards fly., Souls in Purgatory, Raleigh Miller, Gloria Sanchez, Jeremy Reed, Marlene Leger, Tony Brown, Jerry & Rosalind Sarradet, Charlie Brown LeJeune, Hub LeJeune fly., Orville & Burney Bobbett, Lowell & Norman Reed, Jimmie Reed, Ben Fruge, Calvin Cart, Lillie Mae & Calvin Aucoin, Raymond, Lelia & Lily Pousson, Steve Pousson, Bradley Rasberry, Rachel Lacomb, Christine Gresko 5:30 PM- EGAN- (L) Claude & Lana Breaux, Elden Dupre (D) Irby, Burnette & Buddy Gordon, Gloria & Wallace Pousson, Gerald Martin, Tommy Pinson, Jr., Robert & Barbara Myers, Myers & Istre fly. Sunday, July 14 – 7:00 AM-IOTA- (I) All Parishioners 9:00AM- EGAN-(L) Lynette Benezech (D) JoAnn Regan, Hubert & Ella Mae Regan, Leroy & Mabel LeJeune, M/M George Regan Calvin Sensat 11:00 AM- IOTA- (I) Salvation of Souls, Conversion of Sinners, (L) Michael LeJeune fly., Dustin Lavergne fly., Russell LeBlanc fly. Jake Michael LeJeune, Tim LeJeune fly., Sentha Reed, Frances Myers, Lewis & Jennifer Broussard, Yvette Higginbotham (D) Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Sr., Felix & Hazel Ardoin, Allison Welch, Merlyn Reed, Leroy Fontenot, Phil, Harry & Luna LaCasse, Audrey & Willie Myers, Rodney & Clarice LeJeune, Souls in Purgatory, Dewey & Ida Bellon, Charles & Lillie Hebert, Daniel "Buddy" & Kaleb Myers, Ronnie LeJeune, M/M Iran LeJeune, M/M Dennis Hebert, Julie Broussard, Patrick & Anita Higginbotham, | |
| Sanctuary Lamps <u>St. Joreph: In memory of Audrey Pousson</u> <u>St. Michael:</u> In memory of the Myers brothers <u>Votive Lamps</u> <u>Angel:</u> <u>St. Joreph:</u> | Mass offerings:Thank you for your support!IOTA:\$ 4,393.00EGAN:\$ 1,693.00BSA:\$ 695.00\$ 234.00Up-coming collections:- Maintenance fund -July 6 & 7BSA-July 27 & 28BSA-July 27 & 28St. Joseph—July 6 & 7Saturday4:00 PM -L- Charles MM- Deacon RyanSunday7:00 AM- L- Mary GM- Deacon Ryan11:00 AM-L- Bridget DM- Deacon RyanSt. Michael-SaturdaySaturday5:30 PM-L- Erica DM- Jill JSunday9:00 AM-L-Paul GM- Ramona L |
| UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS Come Lord Jesus— Wednesdays @ 9AM— call 526-9177 for location KC's- Tues., July 9th @ 7pm— Egan Church Hall Rosary for the Sick— Mon., July 8th @5:30PM— St. Joseph Church | Church Cleaners~ Week of July 18St. Joseph— Brittany L & flySt. Michael— Ramona L & friendsCommunion to Homebound~ July 18Fr. Killeen/ Deacon RyanPris & Mary Lynn |
| The 12AM Saturday morning hour in the chapel is looking for someone to help out every other week. Please call the office if you would like to share this hour. Come, Lord Jesus! A Bible Study and So Much More! Prayer Scripture Eucharist Community We are excited to offer our parish an opportunity to study the life-giving Word of God in the format used by our Apostles and the early Church. We invite you to experience Come, Lord Jesus! for a deeper understanding of Scripture, greater knowledge of our Catholic Faith, as well as a closer relationship with our Lord and each other. Revive your faith with Come, Lord Jesus! Please join us Thursday evening, July 18th at 5:30 in our parish hall for an Introduction to Come, Lord Jesus!. Information about the program can be found at comelordjesus.com. | Please pray for the sick of our parish– Darryl LeJeu- ne, 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, Emily LaCombe, Sidney Fruge, Wilma & Donald LeJeune, Germaine Frey, Quincy Lantz, Rene Earles, JoAnn Hebert, Elizabeth Brown, Rickie Ritter, Renee R. Doucet, Robby La- tiolais, Sharon Pousson, Rhonda Stoute, Cage Leger, Brady Manuel, Denise Dailey Broussard, Marie Dailey, Liz Langlinais, Loretta Miller, Irene Henry, Dale Sittig, Elaine Wriborg, Kevin Dailey, Kim Miller Clark, Mark Moore, Brad Miller, Becky Hebert, Lynn Dale Coleman , Loretta Short |

Dear Parish Family,

As we remember our nation's independence with our 4th of July celebrations, we should not forget the reason why we celebrate. There is still a great deal that this significant day can teach us. First and foremost, we are reminded to keep our nation and its leaders in our prayers. We pray for all leaders, at every level of our government. May they guide our nation enacting laws that respect the dignity of every human person.

Second, we are reminded of the importance of this day. There is a solemn reverence that surrounds the freedoms we enjoy as citizens of this nation. We are reminded as Catholics that we must allow our faith to shape who we are and then use that to engage in the world, this includes the civil aspect of our life. Faith is not something to be practiced solely at church; it must influence everything we do.

This weekend, we welcome Fr. Bala to our weekend masses. Fr. Bala will be preaching a mission for his home diocese, the Diocese of Cuddapah in India. This mission will primarily support their efforts of evangelization and education. In a particular way, our help will support children to receive an education as many of their parents cannot afford it. Please help support this mission appeal as we are all called by God to assist the universal Church.

With Fr. Bala here, that means I will be away for the weekend. I will also be away for the following week. It just so happens that I will be attending a workshop for priests with Catholic schools at Notre Dame University in Indiana. Please pray for myself and the one-hundred-plus priests as we gather to cover various subjects regarding Catholic education and the administration of Catholic schools. I am excited to go, and will be praying for all of you, especially our school, as I travel and learn. I hope to be back by the end of the week.

As of right now, we will not have weekday masses on July 9th (Tuesday), July 11th (Thursday), and July 12th (Friday). I have reached out to some priests, but haven't heard back or they couldn't take them. I will let you all know if I can find a priest to take those masses. But right now there are no public masses scheduled for those three days. The mass intentions will be fulfilled.

Finally, I need your help. Yep, you heard that right. I need your help! When I first arrived, we had an altar server practice and I trained a large number of servers. Now, I can probably count on one hand the number of altar servers who assist at weekend masses. So, with that in mind, I am doing another push for altar servers. So, I am inviting any young man from Second Grade to a Senior in High School to come and serve at God's altar. We will have a practice for new altar servers on Saturday, August 17th at 9:30 a.m. at St. Joseph. Please contact the office to sign up!

God Bless, Fr. Killeen

This past week on July 3, the Church celebrated the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle. He was one of the twelve chosen by the Lord to whom Jesus revealed fully the truth of who He is. Thomas is infamous, though, for words spoken in one moment in time. In the Gospel of John chapter 20, verse 24 and following, we read:

24Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."26Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you."p27Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."28* q Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"29*

I can so easily identify with Thomas, but I would like to make one assertion. I have a hard time conceiving Thomas as a doubter. Instead, I contend that Thomas' words are only convincing of his humanity – the limits of reason and the finite nature of the mind of humans. I believe that instead of being truly doubtful of what he has been told, Thomas is only wrestling with the knowledge that comes from his mind and the faith that his heart knows. I venture to say that any of us, being in a similar situation, could react just as Thomas did.

I often wrestle with what my mind knows and what my faith tells me and when I do, Jesus never speaks to me in condemnation or anger, rather, He invites me to see and touch and grow deeper in faith. He did so with St. Thomas. He does so with me. And He will do so with you. Friends, don't surrender to doubt, but on the other hand, don't cower in the face of your questions, either. Bring them to prayer and allow the One who has all the answers expand your faith *through your questions*. St. Thomas the Apostle, pray for us.

~Alicia

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON



O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order & returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land & sea. We live in the shadow of danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked & angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land & spread chaos & disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to you, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless entity awaits us. Amen.