# FAITH FORMATION

# Gospel Weeklies Pflaum THE FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

This school year we will continue to use the Gospel Weeklies Faith Formation Program. This program is an effective way to teach our youth. It is...

#### 1 Liturgical Catechesis

...a method of instruction that integrates faith formation lessons with the life of the parish community experienced in the Sunday Eucharist. The content of the program flows from the Sunday Gospel and children learn their faith within the rhythms of the liturgical year Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Time.

#### 2 Sunday Mass

...the heart of the parish community. The weekly celebration is more meaningful to young people because they are familiar with the Gospel proclaimed each week. They have studied it in class and wrestled with it's meaning. With this program all students and their families hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ. They learn the Gospel. They love the Gospel. They live the Gospel in their daily lives. They share the Gospel both in the community of faith and, by their witness and loving service of others, with every person they meet.

#### 3 Family Involvement

..easily shared in the family because all children are studying lessons based on the same Gospel proclaimed on Sunday. You can aather all your children at one time to share what they have learned and to talk about it as a family. Each week your child will receive a new lesson dated for each Sunday of the liturgical year. These lessons are at the heart of the program and will be used in class and then brought home for you to see and talk about with your children.

1st Day of Classes & Parent Meeting - September 17th Class - 5:45 pm - 7pm \*Drop off begins 5:30 pm Parent Meeting - 6:30 pm

### The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux joyfully invites you to the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of

# The Very Reverend Fr. Simon Peter Engurait

as Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux

Friday, September 5, 2025 | David R. Stopher Gymnasium at Nicholls State University Mass begins at 2:00 PM

#### ST. MOTHER TERESA'S HUMILITY LIST



- 1. Speak as little as possible about yourself. 2. Keep busy with your own affairs and not those
- of others. 3. Avoid curiosity.
- 4. Do not interfere in the affairs of others. 5. Accept small irritations
- with good humor. 6. Do not dwell on the
- faults of others. 7. Accept censures even
- if unmerited. 8. Give in to the will of others.

- 9. Accept insults and injuries.
- 10. Accept contempt. being forgotten and disregarded.
- 11. Be courteous and delicate even when provoked by someone. 12. Do not seek to be admired and loved.
- 13. Do not protect yourself behind your own dignity.
- 14. Give in, in discussions, even when you are right. 15. Choose always the more difficult task.

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# 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Schedule of Holy Masses

#### Weekends:

Saturday - Anticipated Mass Sunday - 7:30 am & 10:30 am

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday - Friday 12:10 pm

You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Psalm 86:5

# Cituraisal Ministries

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Date <sup>9</sup>	Mass	Sacristan	Lector	Min. of Comm.	Altar Servers
Sat. Sept. 6	4:00 pm	Michlle/Paul Tholen	Michelle Tholen	Paul Tholen	Luke
Sun.	7:30 am	Francis Bergeron	Francis Bergeron		
Sept. 7	10:30 am	Renee Garris	Madeline Guillot	Kim Meranta	Rickey Dylan Connor Luke L.

## MEMORIAL MASS

SERVANT OF GOD ....

### LT. FATHER JOSEPH VERBIS LAFLEUR

Chaplain - United States Army Air Corps.



Monday, September 8th; 6:30pm Rosary - 6:00pm SACRED HEART Catholic Church, Ville Platte

# COMMEMORATING THE 81 ST **ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH**

Celebrant & Homilist for the Mass will be Very Reverend Joshua J. Rodrigue, S.T.L., Rector/President & Professor of Sacramental Theology Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans.

# **Pastor**

**Rev. Thainese Alphonse** Email: talphonse@diolaf.org

### **Parish Staff**

**Bookkeeper:** Lois Bosworth Mon. 8:30am - 3:30pm,

Tues. & Thurs. 8:30am - 12pm

Secretary/DRE: Becky W. Meranta Wed./Thurs. 8:30am - 3:30pm

#### **Church & Rectory House Keeper:**

Melinda Frederick

Tues., Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 8:30am - 12pm

#### **Sacraments**

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Sat. 3:15 - 3:50pm; Sundays & weekdays 20 min. before Mass.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Contact the office to schedule a meeting with the pastor, at the parents' convenience, one month prior to the desired Baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after 10:30am Mass.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage:**

Couples wishing to get married should call the office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding to begin the marriage preparation.

### Marriage annulment:

Contact the pastor for easy guidance.

# **Anointing the Sick:**

Call during office hours to schedule an appointment.

### **Youth Faith Formation:**

2025 - 2026 classes begin September 17th. Kindergarten - 8th Wednesday - 5:45 - 7:00 pm

Bible Quiz #49 The Book of Joshua (Chapters 6 - 10)

**DUE: September 4th** 

# ASS Intentions

#### Monday, Sept. 1st 9:00 am

†Laborers & their contributions.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 2nd 12:10 pm

†Danny Peterson †John Ourso †Horace Pete, Jr.

#### Wednesday, Sept. 3rd 12:10 pm

†Souls in Purgatory †Horace Pete, Jr.

#### Thursday, Sept. 4th 12:10 pm

†Danny Peterson †John Ourso †Horace Pete, Jr.

#### First Friday, Sept. 5th 9:00 am

†Horace Pete, Jr. †Souls in Purgatory.



St. Bernadette Church Offerings August 23-24, 2025

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LET US NOT BE AFRAID TO BE HUMBLE. SMALL, HELPLESS TO PROVE OUR LOVE FOR GOD. THE CUP OF WATER YOU GIVE THE SICK, THE WAY YOU LIFT A DYING MAN, THE A DULL CHILD, THE WAY YOU GIVE MEDICINE

MOTHER TERESA

#### First Saturday, September 6th 9:00 am †Jim Aloisio

#### Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Co. 6211 †NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Evelyn Estay †Thomas Beadle †Thomas Rivet, Jr †Thomas Rivet III †Thomas Rivet IV †Clarence & Ella Walker †Zip Deroche †Ray LaHoste, Jr †Raymond LaHoste, Sr †Horace Pete, Jr. †Gene Bosworth †Mary Bernard Blanchard †Whalen Kiffe †AnnaLee Daigle †Kenny & Jerri Guillot †Peggy & Albert Hebert †Red & Yvonne Anne Adams †Claire Torres Ingalls †Patricia & Donald Torres, Sr †Holy Souls in Purgatory †Jane Braddock †Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families.

#### Sunday, September 7th 7:30 am

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society †Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Co. 6211 Albert Solet †Luke Guillot †Maria & Ruben Trevino †Ruby & Roland Crappell †Horace Pete, Jr. †Lynette Meranta †Breaux, Pete, Wiggins, & Meranta Families.

#### 10:30 am

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Co. 6211 Rose Lipari †Ruth Wiggins †Terry Wiggins Carlo Streva, Sr. †Alice & Lester Waguespack Helen Landry Family †Roberta Duplantis Family Kenny & Jerri Guillot †Horace Pete, Jr. †Don Lasseigne Family †Manguno & Hebert Families †Scholler & McGinnis Families - Living & Deceased †Landry & Justilian Families - Living & Deceased.

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#### The first reading (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29) explained:

Today's reading, taken from Sirach, offers us a lesson in humility. Jesus ben Sirach was a Jerusalem sage living about 200 years before Jesus of Nazareth. This selection, taken from his book of moral instruction: and proverbs, is part of the Wisdom literature of the Hebrew Scriptures.

As a world traveler (34:12-13) and a respected scribe and teacher, Jesus ben Eleazar ben Sirach, presided as the headmaster of an academy for young men (57:23-30). Today's reading presents excerpted portions: of two of Ben Sirach's short essays, the first on humility (3:17-24), the second on docility, almsgiving and: social conduct (3:25-4:10). Like a parent or an elder brother offering wise counsel, the author recommends: that his readers find true greatness in living humbly. "Conduct your affairs in humility," ben Sirach writes. "The more you humble yourselves, the greater you are."

He instructs us to be honest about ourselves and to become conscious of our limitations, acknowledging our true position before God as creatures and sinners. Humble people do not deny their gifts and talents. They recognize that their gifts and talents come from God and use them accordingly.

#### **Humility and Its Importance**

"It's hard to be humble when you're as great as I am," boasted the great boxer, -Mohammed Ali. Humility is "not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less" (C.S. Lewis). Others remind us that: "Pride makes us artificial, and humility makes us real" (Thomas Merton). However, a common theme in the definitions of this virtue, is that: "humility equals realism." In other words, "humility involves measuring myself by: Reality; it involves relating myself realistically to God and others" (James Kinn).

Humility is an attempt to try to see ourselves as God sees us. True humility is recognizing that everything good we have, comes from -God. A humble person is one who knows one's gifts and talents and is thankful to God for them. Humility does not imply denying our gifts, or not sharing our talents with others. God made us. Instead, we continually thank God to God for each of these gifts, and show our thankfulness by using each one in service to those we encounter.

The word humility comes from the Latin word humus which means "fertile soil." In other words, to be humble is to be ready to accept who we are, especially with our talents, abilities, limitations, and weaknesses. Humility does not mean thinking less of ourselves. It means living as Jesus lived – not for ourselves, but for others. For just as pride is the root of all sins, "humility is the root, mother, nurse, foundation and bond of all virtue," as St. John Chrysostom once remarked.

# **HOW TO BE HUMBLE**

Instead of saying...



Being humble means recognizing that we are not on earth to see how important we can become, but to see how much difference we can make in the lives of others. - Gordon B. Hinckley

