

Word search grid containing letters for a puzzle.

ATONEMENT
ALWAYS
JESUS
MERCY
GOD
COLLECTOR
PRAYER
GRACE
LUKE
PHARISEE
WICKED
MOSES
LAW
JUSTICE
HUMBLE
FAITH
TAX

Bible Quiz # 50
The Book of Joshua

The following participants were not included last week. Thank you for participating!

Khyla McIntyre, Barry Clark, Judy & Roland Brannon, and Brenda Nelson

FAITH FORMATION

In this Sunday's Gospel story, Jesus criticizes a Pharisee's self-righteousness. In Jesus' time, few people liked tax collectors because they collaborated with the Roman government. Our classroom discussions and Jesus' story challenge us to examine how we view others and how God views us. This week, take some time to talk about ways your family can treat everyone as important. God Bless! BWM, DRE

Please keep our Confirmands and First Communicants in your prayers.

Confirmands

Miles Bourgeois
Parker LaCoste
Isabelle Neil
Chloe Ross
Colin Lasseigne

First Communicants

Noah DeRouen
Carlos Dominguez
Brylee Guillory
Amelia Guillot
Asher LaCoste

Olivia Lemoine
Kaden Wade
Avery Gaspard
Alex Garcia
Melissa Nice
Liam Pike

St. Bernadette Catholic Church
Bayou Vista
October 26, 2025

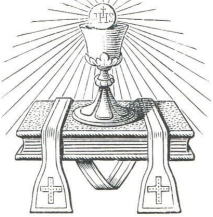


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Marriage annulment:
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Anointing the Sick:
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Youth Faith Formation:
Wednesday - 5:45 - 7:00 pm

Schedule of Holy Masses

Weekends:
Saturday - Anticipated Mass - 4:00 pm
Sunday - 7:30 am & 10:30 am
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Holy Mass

ALL SAINTS' DAY
Saturday,
November 1st
9:00 am

Tuesday, Oct. 28th

12:10 pm

†Danny Peterson
†John Ourso

Wednesday, Oct. 29th

12:10 pm

†Souls in Purgatory.

Thursday, Oct. 30th

12:10 pm

†Choker & Greg Cart
†Barrett Cart
†Danny Peterson
†John Ourso

Friday, Oct. 31st

12:10 am

†Souls in Purgatory.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Saturday, November 1st

9:00 am

†Jim Aloisio †AJ Zerangue †Lillian Neville, Sr.
†Roy Hebert †NJ Hebert †Trey Smith
†Roberta Duplantis †Joseph Frank & Anaise Rachal.



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Liturgical Ministries

Date	Mass	Sacristan	Lector	Min. of Comm.	Altar Servers
Sat. Nov. 1	4:00 pm	Judy Brannon	Linda Russo	Judy Brannon	Luke J.
Sun. Nov. 2	7:30 am	Kim Meranta	Becky Meranta	—	Ethan
	10:30 am	Maria Landry	Pete Lipari	Pete Lipari	Christian Connor Luke

ALL SOULS' DAY

Saturday, November 1st

Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society
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†NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Thomas Rivet, Jr †Thomas Rivet III
†Thomas Rivet IV †Ray LaHoste, Jr †Raymond LaHoste, Sr,
†Clarence & Ella Walker †Gene Bosworth †Mary Bernard Blanchard †Kenny & Jerri Guillot †Peggy & Albert Hebert
†Red & Yvonne Anne Adams †Claire Torres Ingalls
†Patricia & Donald Torres, Sr †Louis & Girlie Berthelot
†Alice & Lester Waguespack, Sr. †Floyd & Mel Verret
†All Parents & Grandparents
†Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families.

Sunday, November 2nd

ALL SOULS' DAY

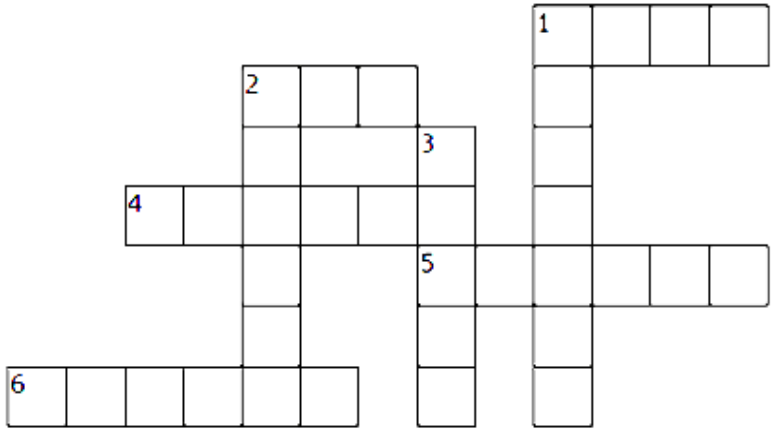
7:30 am

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society
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†Albert Solet †Luke Guillot †Maria & Ruben Trevino
†Ruby & Roland Crappell †Floyd & Mel Verret
†Lynette Meranta †Breux, Pete, Wiggins, & Meranta Families.

10:30 am

†Deceased Members of Ladies Altar Society
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†Rose Lipari †Ruth Wiggins †Terry Wiggins †Carlo Strega, Sr
†Alice & Lester Waguespack †Jim Aloisio & Viola Mendoza
†Charles "Jody" Nelson †Roberta Duplantis Family
†Kenny & Jerri Guillot †NJ Hebert †Trey Smith
†AJ Zerangue †Lillian Neville, Sr. †Roy Hebert
†Scholler & McGinnis Families - Living & Deceased
†Landry & Justilian Families - Living & Deceased
†Dupre & Nelson Families.

The Pharisee & the Tax Collector



ACROSS

- To speak to God
- Money paid to support the government
- Modest, not proud
- Someone who steals from someone
- A person who breaks God's law

DOWN

- A story told by Jesus to teach his followers
- A place of worship
- Showing great kindness and forgiveness

A Poor Sinner, Your Brother

In Vienna, there is a church where the deceased members of the former ruling family of Austria, the Habsburgs, are buried. When the royal funeral processions arrived at this church, the mourners would knock at the great doors and ask to be allowed in. From inside, the priest would ask, "Who is it that desires admission here?" The mourners would respond, "His Apostolic Majesty, the Emperor." The priest would then reply, "I do not know him." They would knock a second time, and again the priest would ask, "Who is there?" The answer would come: "The highest Emperor." Once more, the priest would

respond, "I do not know him." Only on the third knock, when the priest again asked who sought entrance, would the mourners answer, "A poor sinner, your brother."

And only then were the doors opened, and the procession allowed to enter.

This ancient custom beautifully expresses today's Gospel truth: **only the humble heart finds favor before God.** Jesus reminds us that a sincere acknowledgment of our sinfulness—our dependence on God's mercy—is the first condition for the power and fruitfulness of our prayer. *(William J. Bausch, A World of Stories for Preachers and Teachers).*

Truly a Humble Heart

Dorothy Day, the great social reformer and co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, died in November 1980 at the age of 84. Upon her death, The New York Times called her "the most influential person in the history of American Catholicism."

In her autobiography, From Union Square to Rome, Dorothy described her gradual conversion to Christ. One of her earliest attractions to faith came in childhood, when she once saw the mother of a friend kneeling in prayer. The sight of that humble woman on her knees moved her deeply—it was an image she never forgot.

Years later, before her conversion, Dorothy often spent long nights in taverns. Yet, something within her longed for more. In the early mornings, she would slip into St. Joseph's Church on Sixth Avenue. What drew her was not the preaching or the ritual, but the quiet faith of the people kneeling in prayer.

She later wrote: "I longed for their Faith... So, I used to go in and kneel in a back pew." In time, Dorothy received the gift of faith and entered the Church. Her journey reminds us that humility opens the heart to grace. It is the humble, the searching, the yearning soul that God draws to Himself.

Proud About What?

Once, a reporter asked St. Teresa of Calcutta—Mother Teresa—if she had ever been tempted to be proud of her work. With her familiar smile she replied, "Proud? Proud about what?"

The reporter answered, "Why, about the wonderful things you have done for the poorest of the poor!" Mother Teresa responded simply, "I never knew I had done anything. It was God who worked in and through my Sisters and volunteers."

That is true humility. It is the quiet recognition that everything good in us is God's gift. The proud heart stands before God claiming worthiness; the humble heart kneels, knowing it is loved despite unworthiness. True humility, then, is what differentiates a saint from a sinner.

If we find ourselves proud of our talents, our family connections, our reputation, or our achievements, the Gospel gently reminds us: we need Jesus to free us from pride and to make us truly humble of heart.