

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH BULLETIN

Port Allen, Louisiana 70767



## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### February 5, 2012

*[The LORD] tells the number of the stars and calls them by name.*

— *Psalm 147:4*

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**MASSES:** Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
Sundays: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

**HOLY DAYS:** Vigil 6:00 p.m.; 6:30, 8:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAYS:** Tuesday - 5:00 p.m. (Novena following),  
Wednesday - 5:00 p.m., Thursday - 8:00 a.m.,  
Friday - 12:00 noon

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays: 3:00 to 3:30 p.m.  
or any day by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** Check the monthly calendar or call the office.  
Couples should contact the priest during pregnancy to schedule a Baptism interview, and to register for a Baptism Seminar (usually held every other month, odd numbered months). Godparents are also expected to attend a Baptism Seminar.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples should contact priest at least SIX months before making other arrangements. Diocesan Policy requires a Marriage Preparation Program which will be explained to the couple.

**PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:** Every Tuesday following 5:00 p.m. Mass.

**SICK CALLS:** Parishioners are urged to contact priest to inform him of persons who are ill.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Offered at daily Mass or privately to those who are facing surgery or illness. Call the office.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Are requested to contact the Rectory to register as parishioners.

**ADORATION:** Tuesday & Wednesday from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Thursday & Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

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RCIA Office: 474 N. Jefferson Ave. 389-0120



## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish is a loving, caring community of devoted and committed Catholic Christians. Our mission purpose is to spread and deepen the Kingdom of God among all people. Our aim is to carry out this mission through our *strong tradition of faith and family*, through a *strong sacramental and liturgical life*, through a *total Catholic educational program*, through a *ministry to the social needs of the community* and *through evangelization*.

## THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

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## THIS WEEK

### Sunday, February 5

9:30 am - RCIA - Mass  
10:00 am - PSR - Marian Hall

### Monday, February 6

6:00 pm - Confirmation Class - Marian Hall

### Tuesday, February 7

6:00 pm - KC Meeting— KC Hall

### Wednesday, February 8

5:30 pm - Senior Citizen's Supper - Cafeteria

### Thursday, February 9

8:00 am - School Mass  
10:30 am - Nursing Home Mass

### Saturday, February 11

4:00 pm - 11th Grade Confirmation Rite - Mass

### Sunday, February 12

9:30 am - RCIA - Mass  
9:30 am - Children's Liturgy of the Word - Mass  
10:00 pm - PSR - Marian Hall  
11:30 am - 3rd Grade Covenant Mass

## DONATE THIS WEEKEND



**MORE THAN 20 YEARS AGO,** the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl Football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Souper Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. After masses on Saturday, February 4th and Sunday, February 5th, individuals will be outside to accept donations that will be divided between the West Baton Rouge Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul.

*Together we can make a difference!*

## ADORATION

Please keep in mind that our Adoration Chapel is operating four days a week for three hours each day. The Adoration hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. If you are interested in signing up for an hour, please call the Church Office at 383-1838.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56  
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13  
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10  
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45



## STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

### COLLECTION COUNTERS - Monday, February 6:

Becky LeBlanc, Joyce Barbier, Yvonne Bourgoyne.



### COLLECTION REPORT for January 22, 2012

General Collection — Identified Givers -	\$ 7,629.00
Unidentified Givers -	\$ 526.50
<b>Total General Collection -</b>	<b>\$ 8,155.50</b>
<b>Total Jubilee Campaign -</b>	<b>\$ 4,265.00</b>

**Special Collection:** The collection for the Jubilee Campaign: The Next Steps will be taken up this weekend. Please place your envelope in the collection basket.

## A LENTEN REFLECTION: THE CROSS ~ OUR FOUNDATION OF HOPE

Saturday, February 25, 9:30 a.m. - noon at Marian Hall

The Cross of Jesus is ever present in our lives as Christians. We are reminded of this during the season of Lent. When we learn to embrace our daily crosses - from the little aches and pains to the major crises in life - a kind of wisdom comes to us that deepens our understanding of the Cross of Jesus and provides us with a foundation of hope. Marianites, Associates, friends and family are welcome to this special time of prayer and reflection for Easter preparation. The presenter is Dr. Joe Connell, Holy Cross Associate from California. Please see our web site [www.holyfamilychurchpa.org](http://www.holyfamilychurchpa.org) to view the flier/registration form. If you plan to attend, please contact Jennifer LeJeune at the Religious Ed. Office (336-4463) or email [jlejeune@hfspa.com](mailto:jlejeune@hfspa.com)

## HINDSIGHT

God's presence is not discerned at the time when it is upon us, but afterwards, when we look back. —John Henry Newman

## SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

*"By the sacred anointing of the sick and the prayer of the priests the whole church commends those who are ill to the suffering and glorified Lord, that he may raise them up and save them. And indeed she exhorts them to contribute to the good of the People of God by freely uniting themselves to the Passion and death of Christ."*

*Catechism of the Catholic Church, pg. 375*

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered here to anyone who is facing surgery or serious illness. It is offered either at daily Mass or privately. Please call the Church Office.

## BEAR CHALLENGE



On Saturday, February 11, Holy Family School will host the first Bear Challenge, featuring a 5K and 1-mile family run/walk, jambalaya cook-off, and volleyball and horseshoe tournaments. The event, which replaces this year's Holy Family Athletic Department Gumbo Ya-Ya, will take place on the grounds of Holy Family's Parish Hall

in Port Allen.

Registration takes place at 7:00 a.m. Pre-registration is recommended (online form available). The one-mile family run/walk will begin at 9:00 a.m.; the 5K begins at 9:45 a.m. Join your family and friends to form a jambalaya cook-off team and/or team to compete in the volleyball or horseshoe tournaments that will take place after lunch.

The Bear Challenge Package is \$45 and includes a run entry, t-shirt, horseshoe and volleyball entry and jambalaya. For \$25, you can do the Bear 5K Package, which includes a run entry, t-shirt and jambalaya. The horseshoe and volleyball entry with jambalaya is \$20.00. For the run entry and jambalaya, you pay only \$15.00. For enjoyment of the jambalaya, you pay \$5.00.

Proceeds benefit the Holy Family Athletic Department. All students at HFS benefit from funding through physical education equipment.

Registration forms are located on the school's website at [www.holyfamilyschool.com](http://www.holyfamilyschool.com). For questions or donor/sponsorship information, contact Saia at [athleticdirector@hfspa.com](mailto:athleticdirector@hfspa.com).

## ST. JOSEPH SPIRITUALITY CENTER

On Saturday, February 11, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon, St. Joseph Spirituality Center will sponsor **Personal Decision-Making: Prayer Helps!** In the busy-ness and stress of life we often find ourselves operating on automatic pilot or unsure of the direction we are to go. This workshop will explore how the methods St. Ignatius Loyola gave us for prayer and discernment can assist us in finding and choosing the path that leads to fullness of life and love. The cost is \$35 and it will be held in the St. Joseph's Academy Dining Hall.

The Spirituality Center also offers Individual Spiritual Direction. For information or to register for these programs or information on other upcoming programs being held at the Spirituality Center, please contact them at 383-3349 or visit online at [www.csjoseph.org](http://www.csjoseph.org).



## SYMPATHY

In your kindness and compassion, please pray for the souls of

**Gloria Meche**

mother and mother-in-law of  
Charlotte & Mike Zito  
and

**Gladys Madine**

mother of Vera Alexander.

May they rest in eternal peace.

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The office of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Diocese of Baton Rouge has approved this program for three (3) hours of Enrichment Credit.

To register for this program please call the St. Joseph Spirituality Center at 383-3349.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Bishop Robert Muench will celebrate a liturgy honoring couples on their 25th, 50th, and 65th or greater wedding anniversary. It liturgy will be held on Sunday, March 4th at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. The families of the honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and reception afterward in the Sacred Heart School Gym. If you are interested in attending this mass, please call Holy Family Church Office at 383-1838 to register.

## TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

ROSARYVILLE SPIRIT LIFE CENTER offers its monthly Taize prayer service on Thursday evening, February 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel of the main building. All persons are invited to attend this candlelight prayer consisting of scripture readings, meditative chants, silence and bringing of ones cares and joys to the cross.

Rosaryville Spirit Life Center  
39003 Rosaryville Road  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454

## 2ND ANNUAL CARDS AND GAMES DAY

St. Thomas More Church has scheduled its 2nd annual event for Tuesday, March 6, from 10 AM to 3 PM in the St. Thomas More Activity Center. Mark your calendar and plan on joining in on the fun, food, and fellowship your \$20 registration will provide.

Register to play Bridge, Bouree, Canasta, Pokeno, Hand and Food Canasta, Shanghai, Rummy, Sequence, Poker, Board Games, etc. Be sure to have all the partners you need and have them each register to play. Bring all the cards, dice, chips, board games, etc. STM will provide tables and chairs, snacks, refreshments and a wonderful lunch.

For more information contact Tomi Neames by calling 927-3973.