

**Ministry Fair and Stewardship
Msgr. Romero**

A word of thanks to all the parishioners who were involved in the Ministry Fair: I appreciate all the many parishioners who re-volunteer and who volunteer for the first time to our different ministries. We all have the call from God to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ. We do this by being good stewards of the grace we received when we were baptized and confirmed. A steward is one who manages someone else's gifts or possessions. We are God's stewards because, as Psalm 24 reminds us, God is the sole owner of everything we have: "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it." "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Peter 4:10). The New Testament refers to our stewardship to God 87 times. St. Paul claims that he is the steward of Christ's gospel. Three Sundays ago, Jesus' parable of the rich man and Lazarus invited us to embrace faithful stewardship and warned us strongly to avoid a selfish life style. Two Sundays ago, the gospel reading - of the apostles asking Jesus to increase their faith and Jesus' parable of the steward who does double duty - asked us to see how we are growing our faith in our service to God's Kingdom in our Home Family, our Business Family, and in our Church Family. Last Sunday, the Samaritan Leper showed us the need for gratitude and thanksgiving. This is the foundation and heart of our involvement in stewardship of ministry. Here follows more thoughts on Stewardship.

How can we live our stewardship?

- By actively participating in one or more ministries in the church parish or volunteer service groups in the community consult the ministry pamphlet), especially volunteering to teach religious education classes.
- By using our special skills and training in fixing things in the church building at minimal cost.
- By inviting friends and neighbors and by assisting shut-ins to join us in the Sunday mass in our parish church.
- By faithfully and sacrificially contributing our fair share of support to the parish, as worthy children of a generous and loving Heavenly Father.
- By actively participating in the liturgy by loudly reciting prayers, singing songs and behaving reverently in the church.
- By spending our time and talents in the family, by training children in prayer life (spending daily at least 10 minutes in prayer and Bible reading) and teaching them Christian behavior, prayers and basics of our faith.

COME AND SEE RETREAT

DATES: November 9-11, 2007
THOSE INVITED Men, High School Age & Up
LOCATION: St. Joseph Seminary College Covington, Louisiana
DETAILS: NO COST
 Transportation Provided
 Meet Faculty & Seminarians
 Great Food & Fun
 Pray about a Priestly Vocation
CONTACT: Fr. Aaron Melancon, (337) 261-5690, or vocations@dol-louisiana.org
DEADLINE TO REGISTER: October 30, 2007

**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WEEK OF OCTOBER 21, 2007
READINGS AND QUESTIONS FOR FAITH SHARING**

Reading I: Exodus 17:8-13. As long as Moses kept his hands

raised up, Israel had the better of the fight.

Psalm 121: "Our help is from the Lord who made heaven and earth."

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2: The scriptures train you to stay with the task.

Luke 18:1-8: Be persistent in prayer, especially in the pursuit of justice.

THEME: FAITHFULNESS & PERSISTENT

Today's scriptures remind us to be persistent believers. This means that we should never cease praying. We should also work tirelessly and persistently to care for God's people, especially the least ones. For the disciple, this persistence in prayer and enduring faithfulness are perhaps the most difficult challenges, for we can become tempted to lose heart. Let today's scriptures nourish us in persistence and faithfulness..

POINTS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

1. God makes it clear that humility is a grace. Is it a grace that you have ever prayed for? Why or why not?
2. Do you see social action more as a "Christ-like" activity or as a "busy-body" one? Talk about it.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2007**

1:30 P.M. MYRTLE GROVE CEMETERY
 2:00 P.M. ST. LANDRY CHURCH CEMETERY
 3:00 P.M. BELLEVUE MEMORIAL CEMETERY

DIVORCECARE SEMINAR

Churches traditionally marry couples, but today, they are also trying to heal broken unions. Through one-on-one counseling with clergy or hosting support groups, churches are addressing divorce.

DivorceCare is a 13-week program that was founded in 1994. DivorceCare is for separated people seeking to save their marriages and those who made the decision to divorce prior to joining the program. Promised vows are treated seriously and there is an emphasis on pursuing reconciliation whenever possible.

Beginning October 25th, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church in Church Point will sponsor a DivorceCare Seminar on Thursdays at 6:00 P.M. They will meet in the CCD Building next to the church rectory.

For more information call 684-5494.

GROWING IN PRAYER

The Secular Carmelite Community of St. Joseph, Guardian of Carmel, invite you to join them on Sat., Oct, 27 for an hour (9:00am — 10:00 am) at the Carmelite Monastery for a presentation by Fr. Conley Bertrand entitles "Growing in Prayer (from Meditation to Contemplation). The Secular Carmelite community is sponsoring this to enable them to share elements of the Carmelite spirituality with anyone who is interested.

No registration is required and there is no cost to attend. For more information call 233-6277.

**MASS
INTENTIONS**



**FOR THE
WEEK**

Saturday, October 20 4:00 p.m. Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Agnes & Oscar Roy (WA), Luke Henry, Florence (Flo) Fournier, Dorsey Quebedeaux Sr., Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Walford LeBlanc (WA), Jeanette Lalonde, Donald Fontenot, Arcade & Ada Fontenot & Armille & Lucille Fontenot, Lou & Joe Arceneaux, Clement Ned Sr.
Sunday, October 21 8:00 a.m. Marguerite Roberie, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Adoph & Constance Lanclos, Michael, David and Patrick Lanclos, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenue, Gerry Allen, Jack Benson Sr., Ernie & Steven McKinney, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Bobbie, Julie & Ruth Mouton, Kim (B), Ronnie & Steve Ardoin & The Ryder Fly., Kyle Briley, Quentin R. Joubert, Jimmy (Dupe) Duplechain (B.D.), Aimee Roy Casse (B)
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, T.C., Eleanor & Atwood Quirk, Lee Martin
Monday, October 22 12:10 p.m. Loretta Marcantel, Lester (DA) & Judy Lejeaune
Tuesday, October 23 No Mass
Wednesday, October 24 12:10 p.m. Terry & Eula Lavergne, Christopher Joubert (B), Ted Anthony Fontenot (B)
Thursday, October 25 12:10 p.m. Tom Hammil
Friday, October 26 12:10 p.m. Dottie Lavergne (B)
Saturday, October 27 4:00 p.m. Velma & Patsy Gail Boss, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Terry Dupre (B), Carl Lanclos, James E. Martin, Florence (Flo) Fournier, Dorsey Quebedeaux Sr., Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Jeanette Lalonde, Sam & Helen Guillory
Sunday, October 28 8:00 a.m. Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Oliver & Dully Fruge
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Gerry Allen, Jack Benson Sr., Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. (B) & Doris H. Philippe, Quentin R. Joubert, Clement Ned Sr.
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Cleve & Darrel Mott, Richard G. Miller Fly., Essie Oge (DA), Lee Martin

**Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.
11:50 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs. and Fri.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God

Total Offertory Collection\$5,491.38
 Maintenance Repair Fund\$730.00
 BSA\$966.77

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

MON., OCT. 22 6:00 p.m. High School Religion
TUES., OCT. 23 6:30 p.m. RCIA
 6:30 Choir Practice
THURS., OCT. 25 6:30 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC RESOURCE CENTER
 A facility located in Lafayette, La. approved by Bishop Michael Jarrell, is in the process of opening a library—and needs your help. Donations of Catholic books, CDs' videos; DVDs; and audio cas-ettes would be greatly appreciated.
 Call 232-1848 for further information.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

EVENT: Vocation Supper for Young Men
DATE: Tuesday October 23, 2007
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: Bishop Michael Jarrell's Residence
CONTACT: Director of Vocations, (337) 261-5690
DEADLINE TO REGISTER: OCTOBER 15, 2007

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick in the **PARISH:** Evelyn Batton, Dorothy Beaugh, Dusty Bellard, Shirley Bellard, Dougie Bergeron, Katherine Bertrand, Gloria Berzas, Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Berzas, Stephen Berzas, Mary Aline Bihm, Clifton Boast, Jared Broussard, Waddad Buttross, Shirley R. Chachere, Lucy Chapman, Leslie Chatham, Estelle Chautin, Dona Clary, Joel & Catherine Comeaux, Shelby Constantine, Kirt Cormier, Norma Cortez, Shelton Daigle, Ferrell Glenn Darbonne, Sr., Angela Dautrueil, Helda Debaillon, S.J. Deshotels, Sr., Lillian Delafosse, Sal Diesi, Sharon Ducot, Landon James Dupichan, Carl Dupre, Jane Dupre, Tommy Dupre, Jim Durio, Emma Grace, Georgia Fiegel, Drake Fontenot, Larry J. Fontenot, Shala Fontenot, Lauren Giminez, Ann Guidroz, Caleb Brent Guillory, Elaine Guillory, The T. Guillory Family, Louis Guillory, Gabrielle Marie Hansen, Tommy Hargroder, David Huckaby, Doris Hudspeth, Agnes Kidder, Nathan Kimble, Austin Jagneaux, Brenda Lafleur, Sister Mary Joseph Lafond, Deionne Lalonde, Louis Lanclos, Harold Lastrapes, Glenn Lavergne, Cleveland Lanclos, Lillie Mae Lavergne, Ranella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Phyllis Cormier Leblanc, Ronald Leger, Tonya Londerno, Thelma Macip, Andre Magallanes, Kelly McCormick, Samuel McCormick, Frank Miller, Jefferey Miller, Theresa Miller, Romaine Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, Dot Nezat, Rex Norris, Katherine Olivier, Craig Ortego, Diana Ortego, Julia Ortego, Callie Palmer, Linda Pefferkorn, Johnny Pellerin, Yvonne Pellerin, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Bell Pitre, Irene Pitre, Randy Pitre, Joey Prather, Kathleen Prather, Lisa Ramirez, Burke Reed, Gregory Richard, Jim Richard, Lilly Richard, Melanie Richard, Theresa Rideau, Larry Roberie, Joseph James Robin, Marie Saucier, Jane Smith, Raymond Soileau, Eddie Stanford, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Rodney Stelly, Viola Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Adolph Taylor, Sr., Charlene Terracina, Mrs. Titard, Lena Trahan, Pierre Trosclair, Amy Veillon, Cody Vidrine, Lou Vidrine, Charlene R. Whaley, Gene Williams, and Ivan G. Winn.

We are attempting to update our list. If any name is omitted and should be on the list, please call. Also, if you know anyone who is well enough to be taken off, please call. We appreciate your cooperation.
 St. Landry Church-Staff

TIME TO REGISTER
 Please register your 2nd grade child for 1st Eucharist. A parent meeting will be held on November 28th at 6:30 p.m.

RECENTLY CELEBRATED MARRIAGE VOWS
CECE COMEAUX AND JONATHAN MOUTON
 May the love and trust you enjoy grow evermore in your lives

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF
October 28
OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FUND**

OC CORNER
 Opelousas Catholic's annual College/Career Day is set for this Friday. Parents are invited to attend with juniors and seniors. Congratulations to Amanda Fontenot and Jacob Bihm, scholar-athlete nominees for the Wendy's High School Heisman Awards.
 Please consider a gift or pledge for OC in support of its Anniversary Capital Campaign for campus renovation. Now is the time to help us reach our goal for Phase I.

**THANK YOU
FRIENDS OF THE BEREAVED**
 The family of QUENTIN R. JOUBERT would like to thank the "FRIENDS OF THE BEREAVED" for the food provided to them at the time of their beloved husband, father, and grandfather's death.
 Jessie, Glenda, Dusty and Kenneth

A DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION
 St. Leo the Great Rosary Group in Leonville is sponsoring a day of prayer & reflection on Wed. Oct. 31 from 9:00—2:00. The day will consist of Mass, rosary, and talks by Fr. Ken Domingue and Bonnie Barry. Please bring a dish for the noon meal. Everyone is invited to join us as we journey in our faith.

RETURNED TO CHRIST THROUGH DEATH
 The St. Landry Church parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the families of:
 Irene B. Dugal
 Quentin R. Joubert
 Mary Montet
 O Lord, grant those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Church.....Safety of All Troops
 ChapelWorld Peace

LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

Group IV.....Sarah Wagley week of October 27, 2007
Group V.....Betty Leleux week of November 4, 2007