

YEAR OF ST. PAUL



PAUL, A DEVOUT JEW

FROM THE LETTERS OF SAINT PAUL

“Whatever gains I had these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake, I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ...” (Philippians 3:8-9). [See also: Galatians 3:25-29; Ephesians 2:4-7; Philippians 1:27-28]

REFLECTION

Saul (Paul’s Hebrew name) was truly gifted by God in many ways. With reason, he took pride in his studies of the Law under Gamaliel, a t teacher of the time, and in the traditions of his ancestors. He fulfilled his duties as a devout Jew and could stand before God a righteous man. But when Paul met Christ Jesus, Paul’s world was turned upside down. No longer could Paul cling to his former knowledge and values: now only Christ Jesus and faith in Him had any value.

PRAYER

Saint Paul, help us put aside whatever may stand in the way of embracing Christ Jesus as our sole Way, Truth, and Life.

SOURCE: Adapted from NOVENA IN HONOR OF SAINT PAUL by Linda Salvatore Boccia FSP

PRAYER FOR SEMINARIANS

Father, in your plan for our salvation, you provide shepherds for Your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and eager but gentle servants of the gospel. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. AMEN

THANKSGIVING FOR OUR DAY OF PRAYER

Thanks to all who came to celebrate with us for A Day of Prayer in Honor of Our Lady Queen of Peace. It was indeed a joy filled day coming together to offer Prayer and Thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. God love and Bless you all. Renella Lavergne

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of July 6, 2008

- Reading I Zechariah 9:9-10  
Our Savior is a peacemaker, who rules to the ends of the earth.
- Psalm 145  
“I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.”
- Reading II Romans 8:9, 11-13  
Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.
- Gospel Matthew 11:25-30  
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me.

THEME

Jesus Refreshes and Strengthens us for Ministry.

Sisters and brothers, today the Lord Jesus has a simple command for us. He uses these words: “Learn from me.” Each week the sacred word of God is shared in this holy place as a means of instruction. At the table of the Lord we learn how to be more and more like Christ. Let the words of today’s Gospel inspire us to grow closer in communion with one another and in communion with Jesus Christ, who is the way to our heavenly Father.

**Question for Children:** When you are generous, honest, and loving, how do you know it is Jesus who helps you do that?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus invites us to bring him our burdens and promises us that he will give us rest. How do you rely on Jesus during times of trouble? When has Jesus helped you?

**Question for Adults:** As you go about your daily life, dying in love for others, how do you experience Christ giving you consolation and peace?

MONASTIC DISCERNMENT PROGRAM

St. Joseph Abbey, a community of Benedictine monks in St. Benedict, La. will host a program for men ages 20-45 interested in discerning a call to monastic life. The program will be held from Tuesday evening July 8 through Sunday July 13. Participants will pray and work with the monks as well as attend seminars on topics related to monasticism. Participants will also have the opportunity to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Benedict with the monastic community.

Anyone interested in more information is asked to contact Brother Jude Israel, OSB, Vocation Director of St. Joseph Abbey, @ (985) 373-7843 or through email at brjude@sjasc.edu.

JARED SUIRE WILL CONDUCT A MISSION ON ST. PAUL’S LIFE

To celebrate the Year of St. Paul, Seminarian Jared Suire will conduct a two-day mission on Monday and Tuesday evening, July 7 and 8, 2008. This mission will be held at St. Landry Church at 6:30 p.m. and will last 45 minutes to one hour. Everyone is invited to attend.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

JULY 25, 26 & 27

ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL  
LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA  
STIRRING UP THE FLAME  
(the fire of the Holy Spirit)

BEGINS 6:30 p.m. FRIDAY OPENING MASS, EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, AND HEALING SERVICE.  
SPEAKERS: (FRIDAY) FATHER “MANNY” FERNANDEZ, MICHAEL CUMBIE OF FLOEY, ALABAMA, AND DOTTIE DEGRANDISSUDOL AND FR. GREG CORMIER (SATURDAY) FATHER TOM VOORHIES.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE RENEWAL OFFICE AT 265-3773.

NATIONWIDE MASS SCHEDULE

With summer upon us, nationwide Mass times and the locations become important. Call 1-800-627-7846 or the internet @ www.Masstimes.org”

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, July 5 ..... 4:00 p.m. M/M Robert Going Sr., Tom Schexnayder, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Frank Greco (DA), Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Francis, Elise & Al (BD) Gautreaux & Bart Bernard, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Wally, Sr. Mary Joseph LaFond, Mary Titard, Clement Ned, Sr. (BD), Jeanette Lalonde, Eric Nezat, Tom Schexnayder
- Sunday, July 6, 2008 ..... 8:00 a.m. M/M John FaKouri, John Jr. & Jacob, Howard & Mable Richard, Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Alton & Elizabeth Joubert, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Irl White, Carol Pitre, Ellis (BD) & Arista Breaux
- 10:00 a.m. .... Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Quinton Joubert, Allen Richard, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Mary Manouvrier Parker, Bobbie, Julie Ruth Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardion & The Ryder Fly., John LeDoux, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Joyce Bertrand, Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly & Micky Hollier
- 5:00 p.m. .... St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, Elizabeth Puckett
- Monday, July 7 ..... 12:10 pm Octave Pavy (BD), Walfred LeBlanc, Jr., Shirley Jagneaux
- Tuesday, July 8 ..... NO MASS
- Wednesday, July 9 ..... 12:10 p.m. Terry & Eula Lavergne, Maggie Williams (BD), Mamie Lowe, Bernard Joubert (BD)
- Thursday, July 20 ..... 12:10 p.m. Dotsy Edwards, Hugues J. Comeaux
- Friday, July 11 ..... 12:10 p.m. Charles Adam Herbert
- Saturday, July 12 ..... 4:00 p.m. Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Noemie F. Greco (DA), Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Clayton & Eula (DA) Soileau, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Wally, Family of M/M Mentor Richard, Wanda Greenwood, M/M Clayton Titard, Jeanette Lalonde, James E. Martin
- Sunday, July 13 ..... 8:00 a.m. Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, M/M Kossuth Doucet, Ezra (DA) & Velma Martin & Denise Hull, Carol Pitre, Ellis & Arista (DA) Breaux
- 10:00 a.m. .... Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly & Micky Hollier, Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Quinton Joubert, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Oscar & Agnes Roy, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Elizabeth Puckett, Rose Marie Bienvenu (DA), Joyce Bertrand
- 5:00 p.m. .... St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION  
Your Stewardship To God

- Total Offertory Collection .....\$4,367.80
- Opelousas Catholic Foundation .....\$73.00
- Maintenance Repair .....\$312.00
- Peter’s Pence .....\$1,217.92

Every Gift Comes From Above.



Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND COLLECTION WEEKEND OF JULY 13

Your generosity helps us provide:  
Catholic programs of faith to NBC, ABC and many cable networks, inspiring radio programs, children’s videos and so much more.

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

- Tuesday, July 8 10:00 a.m. Elementary Religion
- Teachers Meeting—Valentin Hall
- Thursday, July 10 5:30 p.m. Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m. KC Meeting

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PRESENTATION

A safe environment presentation will be held for ALL Religion Students in grades 1 through 8 AND THEIR PARENTS on Wednesday, July 14th @ Opelousas Catholic School. All registered students will receive more information by mail. If you have questions call Lois @ 942-6552.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bonnie Amy, Leola Arnaud, Angela Aymond, Dorothy Beaugh, Dusty Bellard, Shirley Bellard, Dougie Bergeron, Katherine Bertrand, Gloria Berzas, M/M Nathan Berzas, Stephen Berzas, Mary Aline Bihm, Lillie Briggs, Jared Broussard, Rick Carter, Lucy Chapman, Leslie Chatham, Estelle Chautin, Logan Comb, Norma Cortez, Lisa Curley, Angela Dautrueil, M/M Billy Dean, Hilda Deballion, Lillian Delafosse, Sharon Doucet, Landon James Duplechin, Norward Duplechain, Carl Dupre, Jane Dupre, Jesse Dupre, Michael Dupre, Tristan Estis, Georgia Fiegel, Drake Fontenot, Harold Fontenot, Joseph L. Fontenot, Shala Fontenot, Lauren Giminez, George Gremillion, Larry Greer, Ann Guidroz, Elaine L Guillory, Louis Guillory, The T. Guillory Family, Gabrielle Marie Hanson, Benny Hargroder, Brooke Hargroder, Sydney Harmon, David Huckaby, Doris Hudspeth, Annie & Austin Jagneaux, Frazier Jordan, Taylor Jordan, Agnes Kidder, Brenda Lafleur, Laura Lafleur, Deionne Lalonde, Melissa Lanclos, Dotty & Floyd Lavergne, Glenn Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Brenda Lee, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Tonya Londerno, Thelma Macip, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, Mary Martin, Elsie Mayon, Byron Miller, Jeffery Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, Dot Nezat, Katherine Olivier, Craig Ortego, Marty Ortego, Cameron Ozenne, Callie Palmer, Linda Pefferkorn, Johnny Pellerin, Yvonne Pellerin, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Irene Pitre, Kermit Pitre, Ruby Pitre, Joey Prather, Kathleen Prather, Gregory Richard, Melanie Richard, Lilly Richard, Ronald Richard, Joseph James Robin, Marie Saucier, Harold Savoy, Jane Smith, Elaine Soileau, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Rodney & Viola Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Jeanette Tatman, Adolph Taylor Sr., Flo Thibodeaux, Russell Thibodeaux, Lena Trahan, Ryan Trahan, Pierre Troclair, Trista Venable, Lou Vidrine, Gene Williams, Ivan Winn, Wayne Wyble

Please help update our list. If any name is omitted and should be on the list, please call if anyone is well enough to be taken off the list, please call. We appreciate your cooperation.  
St. Landry Church Staff

HERE IS A HOUSEKEEPING ITEM

I’ve noticed some people coming to Mass late (both weekdays and Sundays).

If you come after the Gospel, you should refrain from Communion, but please do participate in the prayers in Mass.

The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist are an integral part of the one Mass.

Thanks for your help in this matter.  
Msgr. Romero

DIVINE WILL RETREAT

Queen of Angels Church Hall  
July 29, Tues. evening through Thurs. July 31  
More info: Call Gwen Lafleur @ 942-8370

FORMING GOOD STEWARDS

“For although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the little ones”  
Mt 11:25

The deacon explained to a group of seven year olds preparing for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist that God had sent them into the world with a unique array of talents, abilities and gifts that God wanted them to spend a lifetime to discover, accept, develop and use to the best of their ability for their own benefit and for the benefit of others. He asked the class “What would the world be like if everyone was using all of their talents, abilities and gifts to the best of their ability for themselves and others; accepting the benefit of the gifts others had to offer; everyone happy with their own gifts and happy for others who had different gifts. One little seven year old girl in the front row quickly raised her hand and said, “Oh, deacon, that would be heaven!” The learned can out smart themselves, while the “little ones” can be very wise.

DONATION IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

\$50.00 donation to St. Landry Church in memory of Sol Reed.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**  
Church.....Souls in Purgatory  
Chapel ..... World Peace

**LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY**  
Group VI .....Norma Hargroder, Week of July 12, 2008  
Group VII.....Gwen Fruge, Week of July 19, 2008