

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m.

Sunday — 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. [Temporary]

Monday and Friday — 6:45 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

Wednesday— 6:45 a.m. at Saint Joseph

Tuesday and Thursday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

First Saturday — 8:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Every Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. and one-half hour before all weekday Masses, or by appointment during office hours.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

If possible please conduct parish business by phone or email.

RECEPTIONIST/BOOKKEEPER/CEMETERIAN

Mrs. Gail Borel — gail.borel@stjosephparishonline.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Sherry Hebert — sherry.hebert@stjosephparishonline.org

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice. The Main Church is open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday for your convenience.

FUNERALS

A Funeral Service in church without Mass will be celebrated along with a graveside service at the cemetery.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

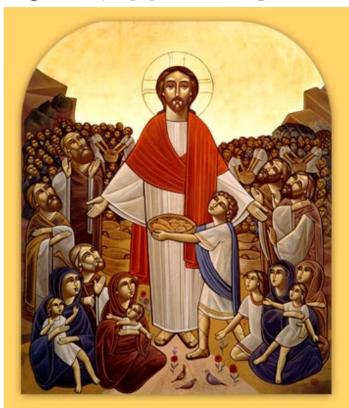
Baptism will be celebrated with godparents and immediate family only. Those with compromised immune systems should not attend. Families may opt to delay the baptism until the whole family can gather in celebration. In the case of an emergency Baptism is always permissible.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Weddings are to be celebrated according to the Rite for celebrating marriage outside of Mass with immediate family only. Engaged couples may wish to consider rescheduling their weddings, if possible.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

"Anointing of the Sick will remain available as needed by the faithful."



Draw near to Your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in You as their Creator and Guide, You may restore what You have created and keep safe what You have restored.

Please pray for our parish family members who are sick:

We invite you to submit the names of people who are in need of our prayers.



Lisa Adcock, Kendall Romero, Troy Barras, Kelly Ransonet, Jessica Scott, Mary Smith, Brian Thibodeaux, Jackie Savoy, Barry Thibodeaux, Doris "Boutte" Barras, Michele Dugas Burke, Paul Crochet, Craig Breaux, Helen Simon, Ross Rouly, Jamie Brady, Holly LeBlanc, Faye Gary, Tony Berard, Glenn Romero, Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Hayden Ransonet, Trevor Louviere, Vanessa Courville, Wayne Louviere, Austin Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Helen Bastian, Butch and Debbie White, Guy Thibodeaux, Lydia May,

Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Jerry Fruge, Jimmy Clifton, Rowena Borel, Megan Scully, Maxine Latiolais, Dawn Derouen, Falyn Sonnier, Rickey Sonnier, Caline Provost, , Patricia Freyou, Lecia Broussard, Jason Walker, Michael Theriot, Roshondra Nora, Noah Abraham, Jimmy LeBlanc, Chad Borel, Sophie Bonin, Ashley Hebert, Stephen Dugas, Bonnie Hebert, Jon-Luke Lancon, Jade Delcambre, Doris Prados, Gail Louviere, Pat Villermin., Ira Bourque, Hailey Thomassee, Lon Prioux, Francis Crochet, Lovell Romero, Brennan Wingfield, Danny Latiolais.

Please note that our office will purge the names on our sick list every quarter. We ask anyone who lists someone's name to please call the parish office to add or remove a name.

Instructions with Regard to Mass Attendance

We continue with Phase II reopening until August 7. We will continue to follow the temporary Sunday Mass schedule until further notice. This schedule is still subject to change with regard to civil authorities. The temporary Sunday Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. — Last names beginning with A - G only Sunday - 8:00 a.m. — Last names beginning with H - N only Sunday - 10:00 a.m. — Last names beginning with O - Z only

Division by last name is due to state Fire Marshall regulations which impose a 50% occupancy limit for our buildings.

If you are unable to attend the suggested Mass above please go to Mass when you can.

Thank you for helping with this.

All Sunday Masses will be livestreamed on YouTube at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB5E10COR9_ITotQhZ7MtRQ

The Ushers will continue to seat everyone. Entrance into the church is by the front center doors only. Please cooperate with the Ushers as only the pews marked with blue tape will be used. Phase II Reopening requires a limit of 50% occupancy of our buildings. Please help us in this endeavor.

At the end of Mass everyone may exit in an orderly manner using all doors to prevent crowding.

Persons who are ill as well as those with preexisting conditions should not attend Mass. Also, persons over 65 years old are at a higher risk of experiencing worse symptoms than others if they contract the coronavirus virus and should consider not attending Sunday Mass. You are encouraged to attend Mass on a weekday.

All Catholics in the Diocese of Lafayette remain dispensed from their obligation from attending Sunday Masses. We encourage everyone in reasonably good health to begin returning to Church and at least fulfill your spiritual duty on any weekday. Sit toward the front of church in a pew marked with blue tape.

The Priest and deacon will function as Eucharistic Ministers until further notice. They will also fulfill the other ministries as well.

For the distribution of Holy Communion, the priest and deacon will go out to the people. **Please do not leave your pew.**

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday and Friday - 6:45 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory Wednesday - 6:45 a.m. at Saint Joseph Tuesday and Thursday - 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

Weekday Livestream Mass on YouTube - 10:00 a.m.

On days when it is not possible to celebrate this Mass on time it will be recorded earlier in the day for your convenience.

Please pray for our priests, seminarians, deacons and religious

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these special sons and daughters. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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| | Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI/Rev. Blake Dubroc, | |
| August 2 | Director of Vocations | |
| | Dcn. Marcel Hebert/Sr. Mary Suma Rani, MC | |
| | Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel/Seminary Faculty, Parents and | |
| August 3 | Benefactors of Seminarians | |
| | Dcn. Randy Hyde/Sr. Mary Fidelia, MC | |
| August 4 | Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell/Michael Vidrine | |
| | Dcn. Roland Jeanlouis/Sr. Margaret Caire, RSCJ | |
| August 5 | Rev. Gregory Usselmann, SJ/Nicholas Ware | |
| | Dcn. Dwayne Joubert/Sr. Maria Louisa Cotto, RSCJ | |
| August 6 | Rev. Jason Vidrine/Cole Zaunbrecher | |
| | Den. Ulysee Joubert/Sr. Suzanne Lasseigne, RSCJ | |
| August 7 | Rev. Richard Vidrine/Pier Zeringue | |
| | Dcn. George Jourdan/Sr. Lucie Nordman, RSCJ | |
| August 8 | Rev. A. Vincent - Thanaraj, HGN/Dylan Allen | |
| | Dcn. Jim Kincel/Sr. Rose Marie Quilter, RSCJ | |
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Mass Intentions — 8/1-8/7

Saturday 4:00 p.m. — Dorothy T. Latiolais and Kathy Latiolais Holtzclaw, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Aymar "Poon" and Beulah Dugas, Ide Dugas Family, Alexis Laviolette Family, Wayne LeBlanc, Lily Mae and Alvin LeBlanc, Otto Sr. and Laurence Girouard, Terradot Family, Theresa Girouard Allen, Chad Romero, Devna Champagne, Audrey Crochet, Jordan Prince and Special Intention, Barry Eldridge and Ned Broussard Families, Melvin Dugas, Roy Sr. and Gladys Berard, Forbus and Myrtle Mestayer Sr., Granger and Mestayer Family, Ronald, Sr. and Mildred Gonsoulin, Leed and Mabel Gondron, Fred Laviolette, Louis and Grace Moran, Virginia Frioux, Lennet and Marie Antoinette Crochet, Clenie and Eve Segura and Billie, Sally Domingue, Cabrol and Domingue Family, Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Lloyd Broussard, Claude and Felicie Granger, Nancy Broussard, Clarence and Hilda Landry, Billie and Armance Barrilleaux, Kay Dooley and William and Dolores Dooley, Earl Mestayer, Kim Decuir, Chris and Annie Decuir Family, Benjamin Decuir Family, Ron and Jana Angelle Family, Michael Decuir Family, Ossie Romero, Jr., Danny Latiolais (Special Intention), Joseph and Lorraine Huval, Ronald Albert, Sr., James Steiner, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Peltier, Sr., Johnny Doumit, Warren Dupoy, Sib and John Mullican, George, Iris and Robbie Dugas Family, Alton and Cecile Segura, Ken Segura, Gloria and Sam Delcambre and Family, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. — John Michael Steiner, Jay Gonsoulin Family, Paul Sonnier Family and Clyde Warfel Family, Loto and Leah Louviere, Antoine "Boy" LeBlanc Family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Albert Sr., Champagne and Landry Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Maude Granger, John Prados, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Granger, Dr. Raymond Schneider, Elaine Schneider, Skip Schneider, Lolly Harbin, Breaux and Delcambre Families, Lenwood Delcambre, Emus Borel, Gwen Borel, Chataignier Family, Joe and Rita Habetz, Mary Kay Habetz, Tom Voorhies, Oris Cormier, S.J. "Bute" Granger and Junius and Mary Hebert, Mike Judice, Suzette Judice, Antoine and Marie Judice Family, Virginia Landry, Catherine Defelice and Tracey Defelice Guilbeau, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Broussard, Lora Bloom, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Boudreaux, Noelie Seneca, Suzette Judice, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

10:00 a.m. — Alvin and Faye Tauzin, Edmonia Tauzin, Marcel and Nadage Broussard, Jimmy Eldridge, Elaine Plessala and Eldridge Family, Cheryl Segura, Pliny Walet Family, Agnes Breaux, Louis and Elbay Judice, Boots Thomas, Joe Boudreaux and Justin Boudreaux, Katie Boutte, Sandra Angelle and Glenn Angelle, Percy Granger, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Danny Latiolais(Special Intention), Nicole Babineaux, Joseph Steiner, Landry Family, Louis J. "Nego" and Lita N. Judice and parents, Carol Boutte Romero, Judy Dressel Judice and Clyde Dressel, Starit and Laura Courville, Marie Lee Prioux, Louto and Anite Gondron Family, Philip, Jr. and Neil Hebert, Evie Viator and Breaux and Viator Families, Mark Tauzin, Clayson and Lillian Dugas, Mike and Nancey Broussard, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Monday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Danny Latiolais (Special Intention) Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Danny Latiolais (Special Intention), Jaci Suarez and family, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo — Danny Latiolais (Special Intention), Mike Judice, Andrew Bonin Family and Stanley Crochet Family, John Michael Steiner, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Grochet.

Thursday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Danny Latiolais (Special Intention), Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

First Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Rhule, Mabel and Wayne Gondron, Gam and Velma Gondron, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Judice and Walet Families, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Leroy Crochet, Florence Crochet, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for:

The Community

The Vocation Chalice is in Church

Please pray for vocations. If you would like to have the vocation chalice in your home please call the rectory office at 229-4254

Flowers on the Altar in memory of Mike Judice

The Bi-Monthly Statue is in the home of Parishioners

The Weekly Statue is in the home of Parishioners

Saint Joseph Altar Candles are burning for

Charles and Jackie Poirrier Family, Poirrier Family
Chad Romero and Deyna Champagne
Landry and Champagne Families
Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory
Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus
Charlene Stanley (Special Intention)
Delcambre and Breaux Families, Jon-Luke Lancon



New Holy Water Fonts

In honor of the Year of Saint Joseph we have purchased Holy Water Fonts for all entrances of the church.

At this time we are seeking memorial donations to help defray the cost of these fonts A memorial plaque will be placed on each font stating the intention of your memorial donation

The suggested donation amount is \$825.00.

Please contact the parish office at 229-4254 if you are interested.

| July 26, 2020 | | |
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| Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes | \$ 2,998.00 | |
| Regular Sunday Offering Loose | \$ 4,189.00 | |
| Weekly Budget | \$7,385.00 | |
| Regular Collection Total | \$ 7,187.00 | |
| Difference | -\$ 198.00 | |
| Present Loan Balance | \$ 302,127.58 | |
| Insurance Balance 2020-2021 | \$ 34,476.98 | |
| Insurance Collection | \$ 566.00 | |
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of 1314 families used collection envelopes (% participation). of 1314 families attended Mass this weekend (% attendance).

Thanks to those who practice Sacrificial Giving and give of their time, talent and treasure as an act of profound Christian stewardship.

With the retirement of the debt on the 2012 Church Restoration our parish still has a loan balance with regard to other repairs and maintenance work, most notably the new roof and interior repairs to Saint Theresa Hall

This is the reason for the item known as Present Loan Balance



Loreauville Volunteer Fire Department

Shrimp Boil Fundraiser
1 lb Shrimp, Corn & Potato
Pick up in the Loreauville Park
September 26th, 2020
Serving Time 5:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.
\$15 per Ticket

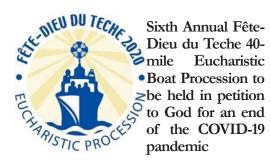


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Every Thursday after the 5:30 p.m. Mass



Please do not hesitate to make an appointment for your house exorcism and blessing Make it happen! 229-4254



Fête-Dieu du Teche 2020 to take place on Saturday, August 15. This year's unique 40-mile Eucharistic Procession by boat and foot will be offered in petition for an end of the COVID-19 pandemic. In an abundance of caution, anyone who is ill or has a compromised immune system is asked to remain home and participate in the procession on-line at:

www.facebook.com/CommunityofJesusCrucified All participants 8 years or older (whether on boats or on shore) will be expected to wear face masks and observe social distancing (this includes priests, seminarians, and laity). Persons with health conditions prohibiting them from wearing a face mask are asked not to attend the event. A team of trained marshals will be on hand to assure implementation of safety precautions at all sites. Attendance at the Mass in French with Bishop Douglas Deshotel at Saint Leo the Great Catholic Church in Leonville will be limited to approximately 315 persons. For those who are unable to enter inside the Church for the Mass, a sound system will be provided to hear Mass outside observing social distancing. At the end of Mass there will be a procession with the Blessed Sacrament and a statue of Mary and Saint Joseph to the nearby boat landing. A double procession at 6-foot spacing will be enforced.

The August 15 date is important for Roman Catholics as it is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patroness of the Acadian people and of Acadiana. It is also a day that marks the 255th anniversary of the arrival of French-Canadian immigrants who brought the Catholic faith to Acadiana after enduring great trials and suffering. Father Michael Champagne, CJC, organizer of the event, notes that "having a Eucharistic Procession by boat on the waters of the Teche rather than by foot in the streets makes a lot of sense. Fête-Dieu du Teche on the Feast of the Assumption recalls our rich Acadian history and, in a way, reenacts the journey made by the Acadians over 250 years ago." The Acadians were persecuted for their

Catholic faith and sent into exile from Nova Scotia. Many ended up settling in Louisiana. Father Champagne explains that having a boat procession with the Blessed Sacrament and a statue of the Assumption involving priests, religious, and laity is basically what happened in 1765. "In order to serve the Acadian settlers in the Attakapas district, Father Jean-Louis de Civrey accompanied the Acadians on their journey down the Bayou Teche. Father Civrey became the first resident priest. In his records, Father Civrey refers to his new home as "la Nouvelle Acadie" and his new parish "l'Église des Attakapas (Attakapas Church)" and later, "l'Église Sainte-Martin de Tours (Saint Martin de Tours Church)". It is believed that Saint Martinville is named after the Church. In early baptismal records the church was originally referred to as Saint Joseph at the Attakapas. This year's Fête-Dieu du Teche is special as it will be held on the eve of the opening of the Year of Saint Joseph in the Diocese of Lafayette. The Diocese of Lafayette boasts thirteen church parishes with the name of Saint Joseph fourteen if one counts the original name of the Mother Church of the Acadians prior to the name change to Saint Martin de Tours. "Having the Catholic Priest accompany the Acadians on their journey to Acadiana is indicative of our ancestors' great allegiance to their Catholic Faith, especially the Eucharist and Our Lady. Fête-Dieu du Teche today relives that original experience of the Acadians."



Hundreds will travel by boat to celebrate this occasion in honoring the Blessed Sacrament and the Acadian heritage. Each year the event is held on Bayou Teche with the exception that in 2018 the event was held on the Vermilion river to help celebrate the centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette. Thousands travelled from throughout Louisiana and beyond to participate in the event. Many participated in the Eucharistic Procession by boat and others followed by

car and gathered along the banks of the bayou at the various stops. Father Jeremy Zipple, SJ traveled from New York to do a documentary on the Fête in 2017. He recounts, "I found the whole thing incredibly moving. It was beautiful to see an entire town coming together for prayer. It's a sense of communal identity we just don't see much anymore in the Western world." Bishop John Douglas Deshotel, D.D., a native son of Acadiana and the current Bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette, will begin this year's event by celebrating the Mass of the Assumption in French at Saint Leo the Great Church in Leonville at 8 a.m.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15) is also the Feast of the Acadians who settled here in 1765. The Acadians originally sailed to Nouvelle-Ecosse (Nova Scotia) under the star of Our Lady of the Assumption and again during the Grand Dérangement. The Acadian flag, both Canadian and Louisiana Acadian, highlights the centrality of Our Lady of the Assumption for the Acadian people. The gold star on a white field represents "Our Lady of the Assumption", Patroness of the Acadians. When the first settlers departed France for the New World, the Virgin Mary was highly revered. It was a period of great devotion to the Virgin. The King of France, Louis XIII, and Pope Pius XI declared the Virgin Mary the patroness of the kingdom, (Patronne de Royaume) and Patroness Saint of all the Acadians in Canada, Louisiana, and elsewhere. On August 15, 1638, France and her colonies were consecrated to Mary under the title "Our Lady of the Assumption". Father Michael Champagne, CJC, the organizer of the unique event, explains that during Fête-Dieu du Teche "the Blessed Sacrament will be fixed on an altar on the lead boat under a canopy, with a pair of adorers in adoration between the towns visited. Another boat will carry the statue of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This year will feature as well a Saint Joseph boat with a statue of the husband of Mary. The Eucharistic Procession will stop and disembark at makeshift altars along the Bayou Teche for recitation of the Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. For those who are unable to participate by boat, all are invited to join for Mass at Saint Leo the Great in Leonville at 8 a.m. and then to drive and gather at any of the planned stops along the banks behind the various churches along Bayou Teche. The

prayers will be broadcast live on radio, so persons with compromised health can listen while remaining in their vehicles. Priests will be available at each stop for Confessions."

Bishop Douglas Deshotel, notes, "I have been edified by the devotion and participation of so many priests, deacons, religious and lay faithful. I think such a public Eucharistic celebration is an excellent manifestation of the new evangelization that we so desperately need." Bishop Glen Provost, a native son of the Diocese of Lafayette and bishop of Lafayette's daughter diocese, the Diocese of Lake Charles, reflecting on Fête-Dieu du Teche says, "Let us remember that the Acadians and French who first settled in our area were Catholic, and in the case of the Acadians were expelled from Nova Scotia primarily because they were Catholic. It is our history we remember. It is our faith we celebrate. It is our Lord we adore and worship." Father Champagne adds, "We need a day that is a true 'feast day,' in the old sense of the word — a holiday that's truly a Holy Day where we can really, all day long, have a feast day. Such is our celebration Fête -Dieu du Teche!" In his homily at Saint Mary Magdalen Catholic Church for the Fête-Dieu du Vermilion in 2018, Bishop Provost quoted Lafayette's second bishop, Bishop Maurice Schexnayder who predicted, "The waters of the Teche will be drained to the ground before the people of Acadiana lose their Catholic Faith." Such a large throng of faithful gathering on the Feast of the Assumption for Fête-Dieu du Teche points to the veracity of the good bishop's prophecy.

Boat Registration

To register a boat for the procession, send an email to fetedieuduteche@gmail.com, download a registration form at:

www.jesuscrucified.net/fete-dieu-du-teche or complete the online form at:

www.jesuscrucified.net/events/fete-dieu-du-teche-2020/form Once the registration form is completed and waivers signed, either mail them to 103 Railroad Avenue, Saint Martinville, LA 70582 or scan the completed forms and email them to the above email address as an attachment. The boat coordinator will contact you with details. The procession will travel at about 8 mph and thus only motorized vessels are allowed. Catholic schools are encouraged to send their students or a representative group to be present at the opening French Mass in Leonville with Bishop Deshotel, at one or

more of the stops along the procession, and especially to participate in the final foot procession in Saint Martinville. Church parishes, ecclesial movements, Knights of Columbus and Saint Peter Claver councils, Catholic schools, etc. are encouraged to register a boat and decorate it accordingly. Fifty boats will be allowed to participate which will yield a one-mile procession. Boaters are asked to have an FM radio so that they can participate in the continuous prayers live as they are led by the Eucharist Boat. Additionally, participants in the procession as well as those in their cars or on the banks of the Bayou can follow the prayers and devotions live from the Eucharist boat as they will be videoed and available at:

www.facebook.com/CommunityofJesusCrucified

Itinerary for Centennial Eucharistic Boat Procession on Bayou Teche Saturday, August 15, 2020

(Feast of the Assumption of Mary) 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass in French with Bishop John Douglas Deshotel, D.D. at Saint Leo the Great Church, Leonville

9:00 a.m. Procession from Saint Leo's to Leonville boat landing

9:30 a.m. Boat Procession departs
10:20 a.m. Arrive at Arnaudville and disembark for Rosary and Benediction
11:45 a.m. Arrive at Cecilia and disembark

11:45 a.m. Arrive at Cecilia and disembark for Rosary and Benediction
1:35 p.m. Arrive at Breaux Bridge and

disembark for Rosary and Benediction 3:15 p.m. Arrive at Parks and disembark for Rosary and Benediction

4:45 p.m. Flotilla arrives at Saint Martinville; Foot Procession to Notre Dame de Perpetuel Secours for Benediction

5:00 p.m. Procession from Notre Dame to Saint Martin de Tours Church for Benediction

5:30 p.m. Procession down Main Street to Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel for Solemn Vespers & Final Benediction

6:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at Mater Dolorosa Chapel

** Confessions will be available at all stops in Mobile Units along the Procession

Pope Francis Grants Fête-Dieu du Teche Participants a Plenary Indulgence

Pope Francis, through his Grand Penitentiary, His Eminence Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, has granted a plenary indulgence to participants of Fête-Dieu du Teche on August 15, 2020. The indulgence is granted to the faithful who devoutly participate in the opening Mass at Saint Leo the Great in Leonville, to those making the procession by boat down the Teche, and to those who participate at the various stations along the bayou in the recitation of the Marian Rosary and Benediction. This is indeed a sacred privilege! This grant is under the normal conditions which means that the faithful must have the intention to gain the indulgence, perform one of the indulgenced acts as given above, be in the state of grace at the time of the event, have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance within 20 days, receive Holy Communion, pray for the Holy Father's intention, and be free from all attachment to sin, mortal and venial. The Fête-Dieu du Teche Plenary Indulgence can be offered for oneself or in suffrage for a deceased loved one.



August 1 1918 Infant Judice 1925 Joseph Lassaigne 1927 Robert Narcisse 1933 Adrien Gonsoulin 1949 Mrs. Abraham Mitchell (Melanie Fontenette) 1960 Adeum * 1987 Ron Aaron Sonnier 2005 George Dugas 2006 Sable Romero Delaune 2015 Braylon "BB" Armonie Batiste 2018 Keith Wyatt

August 2 1881 Fernand Dugas 1902 Anthony Broussard 1915 Willis Gondron 1943 Leucien Bonin 1976 Irving Broussard 2008 Mike Pastor 2017 Claude Chastant

August 3 1883 Belizare Bonin 1895 Ulinor Vincent 1904 George Alfred Bourques 1905 Emilié Broussard 1922 Mrs. Joseph Prince 1936 Mrs. Placide Bonin (Marie Granger) 1963 Albert Suard 1978 Steve Crochet Jr. 1985 Ophe J. Viator Sr. 2020 Robert Guillotte

> August 4 1900 Mrs. Aug. Antoine 1902 Mathilde John 1922 Elizabeth Magloire 1925 Gabriel Dugas 1929 Ozaire Dugas 1943 Vernice Anthony 1980 Lloyd Remi Gonsolin 1998 Stella Landry Theriot 2005 Lilly Breaux 2007 Gale Meyers

August 5 1876 Elionore Prosper Berard 1889 Joseph-Nura Dugas 1982 Elisa Abraham 1912 Infant of Maurice Prevost 1914 J. Clesmé 1931 Manuel Broussard 1946 Joseph Mayers 1952 John Norman Williams (Infant) 1967 Hermon Robert Jr. (Infant) 1971 Francis Lonie Trahan 1987 Clara F. Seneca 1996 Chester Bonin

August 6 1880 Adam Bossion 1885 Unknown Francoise 1885 Martha Broussard 1902 Elie Pitre 1905 Louisa Alexandre 1920 Rita Braquet 1927 Louise Thomas (Child) 1929 Leontine Julian 1935 Mrs. Carlos Dugas (Emerite Borel) 1951 Henry Broussard

August 7 1881 Cyrile Hamilton 1915 Alisse Dugas 1924 Emile Bérard 1926 Antoinette Anthony (Infant) 1926 Aréliene Frioux 1930 Clarence Vital (Child) 1942 Patrick Dale Dressel (Infant) 1998 Theresa Menard Leblanc 2012 Mildred Breaux 2016 Darrell Guilbeau

August 8 1883 Philomene Sodonie Albert 1903 Joseph Robert Broussard John Douglas Wallet 1923 Elliot Vital (Child) 1923 Mrs. Robert Breaux 1951 Junius Oubre 2000 Gilman Gondron 2004 Nonea R. Chatagnier

August 9 1881 Manete Dominic 1885 Unknown Borel 1890 Adile Broussard 1897 Mrs. M.A. Welch 1905 Mrs. Dorcé Prince (Emilié Broussard) 1919 Clarence Willis 1924 Auguste Montandon 1930 Octave O. Jesse 1933 Messena Broussard 1943 Mrs. Joseph Landry (Emerite Hebert) 1961 Octa Dupoy 1962 Edward Joseph Braquet 2003 Hubert Richard 2008 Gerald Thibodeaux 2014 Lois Marie Crochet

August 10 1884 Albert Jean Sarrazin 1904 Alice Simon 1911 Aurelien Hebert 1916 Infant of Audressis Richard 1920 Léon Pallud 1927 Louis Thomas (Child) 1931 Richard Bonin (Child) 1936 Joseph Croche 1946 Louis Viltze Oubre 1946 Elmo Joseph Rebert (Infant) 1962 Charles Neuville Bonin 1990 Beauregard Rodriguez 2001 Robert J. Guidry 2007 Wayne Doerle

2015 Samuel Delcambre

August 11 1901 Child of J. Wallet 1906 Victoria Warrick 1930 Emilda Vital 1937 Joseph Bonin 1940 Bessous Landry 1953 Amerthe Provost Minville 1962 Alfred St. Martin 1982 Vivian Moulis 2008 Vincent Savoy 2011 Vicki Ronsonet Dugas

August 12 1900 Regina Abraham 1902 Lofficier Mogez 1905 Désiré Leblanc 1914 Hyppolite Lorance 1927 Ruby May Leblanc (Infant) 1936 Joseph Warren Broussard (Child) 1938 Infant of Amos and Odette Louviere 1947 Numa Louis 1975 Mrs. Alphonse Boutte 1978 Michael J. Bonin 1981 Marguerite Celeste Steckler

August 13 1876 G. Lafontaine 1908 Myrtle Judice 1911 Sidney Bonhomme 1913 Adrien St. Clair Gounsoulin 1916 Nita Boutte 1933 Mrs. Willie Blanchard (Amelia Broussard) 1934 Rina Bonin (Child) 1935 Mrs. Henr Domingue (Helene Magnon) 1995 Julius Prince 2004 Mayo Lecanus 2018 Glen Angelle

August 14 1896 Auguste Oubre 1902 Joseph Braquet 1908 Jules Broussard 1921 Arthur Joseph 1923 Mrs. Laurent Oubre 1940 John Verret 1941 Mrs. Panphile Dugas (Artemise Broussard) 1953 Eunice Marie George (Infant) 1969 Adele Wagner 1983 Rose Marie Broussard 1983 Randis Antoine Sigura 1990 Solen Paul Rebert 1996 Emily Anne Romero (Infant) 2005 Mabel Gondron 2017 Aimee Williams 2017 Beverly Prados 2017 Kenneth Pelous

August 15 1899 Infant of Carles Dugas 1917 Mrs. Junius (Aurelie Provost) 1927 Murphy Porter (Child) 1934 John Gamba 1950 Laura Vaughn Judice 1958 Laura Broussard 1981 Cora Escagne 1981 Theresa Diane Olivier 1989 Burnie Rose Sr 2008 Thomas P. Hymel

August 16 1877 Louis Carre 1874 Gabriel Jean Louis 1895 Ferdinand Edmend 1926 Fernand Judice 1944 Mrs. Gaston Meaux (Elvie Thomas) 1964 Alphonsine Barilleaux 2001 Francis Tauzin 2007 Kernis A. Peltier 2010 Roland Broussard 2018 Mildred Gonsoulin

August 17 1926 Harriet Antoine 1927 Alphonse Boutte 1934 Mrs. Alif Girouard (Rita Gondron) 1957 Fernand Prados 1957 Ella Ellen Landry 1983 Henrietta Marie Broussard (Aunt Tee) 1994 Robin Judice 2011 Audry Nassans 2015 Anita Trahan Grivat

August 18 1893 Louis Borel 1900 Gabriel Borel 1924 Edward Broussard 1934 Daniel Breaux 1941 Mozart Dominigue 1985 Anita B. Berard 1999 Palmine Van Brocklin 2001 Madeline B. Prados 2011 Byron Darcey Sr. 2012 Woodrow Broussard* 2012 Jesse Derouen 2013 Lois Prosper Decuir

August 19 1899 Child of Pierre Lecamus 1901 Antoine, child of Charles William 1902 Antoine Neuville Hippolyte Thibodeaux 1909 Pauline Joarsé 1924 Claiborne Berard (Infant) 1940 Mrs. Ignace Dugas (Dorsiane Gonsoulin) 1941 Mrs. Sully Provost (Laurence Dauterive) 1950 Mrs. Anatole Verret 1953 Amile Joseph Oubre 1975 Kenneth Judice 2009 Wolla Broussard 2015 Willie Mae Zacharie 2016 Irving Judice

> August 20 1899 Adelaide Thomas 1903 SidneyVerret 1909 Octive Vital 1916 Lilly May Gonsoulin 1928 Malina Thomas 1931 Paul Doucet 1935 Dolores John 1944 Pierre Vital 1957 Alvin Paul Barilleaux 1971 Willis Borel 1974 May Voughn 1978 Etienne Dugas 2005 Lawrence W. Prosper 2007 Roy Degeuter Sr. 2011 Buried Seth Sorrel (Infant) 2011 Buried Sherry Sorrel (Infant)

August 21 1885 Lee Vincent 1886 Suzette Warrick 1892 Marcellin Oubre 1899 Child of Xavier Graon 1910 Paul André Lissard 1913 Infant of H. Boutte 1914 Ray Jones 1914 Rose Jean-Louis 1920 Lovanis Vils 1960 Fred Dugas 1964 Elmo Rebert 1965 Richard Paul Daigle 1965 Luzin Broussard 1966 Donald Boutte

August 22 1892 Cesaire Broussard 1897 Valerie Lee 1899 Blane Gonsoulin 1906 Aristide Richard 1911 Joseph Braquet (infant) 1922 Mrs. Eugine Darby 1944 Infant of Durand and Eurette Francis 1946 Infant of Andrew and Lazema Daspit 1964 Alcide Crochet 1968 Moise Courville 1990 Nicole Marie Shastant 1998 Sandy J. Oubre 2006 Brad Marshal Dore 2014 Mary-Bert Dugas

August 23 1891 Francois Weber Broussard 1895 Allen Bonin 1906 Louis Blanchard 1915 Linda Boutte 1921 Mrs. Marie Aucoin 1922 Joseph Jaubert Rebert 1923 Mrs. Désiré Bonin 1925 Housley Orphee 1927 Marie Vital 1962 Sidney Boutte 1967 Albert Lissard 1969 Anthony Bonin 1969 Edward Shastant 1980 Edna Trahan 1983 George G. Broussard (Tee-Co) 2011 Rose Albert 2011 Irene Landry 2013 Billy Louviere

August 24 1878 Amelie Vicou 1891 Elisa Leblanc, Mrs. Gerome Dugas 1892 Joseph Albert Thibodeau 1899 Léa Jones 1901 Antoine Auzerre, child of Arcadi Leblanc 1912 Félicié Dominique 1922 Isaure Broussard 1931 Antoine McGlouire 1966 Mrs. Louis Touzin (Aurelia Boudreaux) 1966 Stanley Judice 1966 Olympe Ransonet 1969 Hudson Bonin 1982 Edmai Viatier 1984 Annas Moise Prioux 1994 Alcee Boudreaux Jr.

August 25 1899 Child of Cezaire Bonin 1904 Francoise Joseph Gonsoulin 2008 Mabel Dugas Broussard 2015 Harry Courville

2013 Horace "Tony" Breaux 2015 Angel Horton Heidelberg

August 26 1895 Mrs. Gene Granger 1899 Albert Jones 1902 Laurent Bonin 1935 Joseph Sias 1944 Mrs. Aymard Dugas (Cecile Dugas) 1997 Ernie Peter Dugas 1999 Mae Marie Borres

August 27 Elisa Heize 1904 Therese Gardner 1913 T. Breaux 1915 Fernand Simon 1921 Mrs. Milazie B. Richard 1931 Edwin Dugas 1938 Mrs. Paul Antoine (Corine Larence) 1956 Baby Louviere 1958 Mrs. Odille Guillot (Theresa Coupeel) 1977 George M. Germany 1992 Leander Gondron Sr. 2009 Frank Prudos

2010 Evelyn Walet 2014 Melba Dugas Verret

August 28 1873 Leon Jaques Bonin 1899 Infant of Joe Aucoin 1908 Jean Baptiste Oubre 1917 Otto Ourbre 1922 Infant of Ignace and Aline Granger 1946 Paul Delaune (Doleania) Chataigniei 1958 Eudes Bonin wiere and Unnamed Brother (Infant twins) 1966 Louis Boutte 1976 Louis Vaughn 1982 Dennis Decuir 1984 Caesar J. Bonin 2001 May G. Ransonet

August 29 1894 Mrs. Lucas Albert (Evelina Daigle) 1913 Villeré Louvière 1927 Joseph Braquet (Child) 1958 Mrs. Odelion Broussard (Elise Provost) 1960 Mrs. Joseph Walet (Lilly Gondron) 1993 Louis J. Broussard 2004 Hoied Lee Jr. 2004 Marie B. Savoy

August 30 1886 Suzette Warrick 1907 Albert Norbert 1921 Clementine Anthony 1925 Joseph Amos Gatch 1935 Mrs. Paul Vaughn (Stella Neuville) 1935 Mrs. Charles Blanchard (Helena Simoneaux) 1939 Mrs. Albert Boutte (Louis Durand) 1953 Celina Bonin Prioux 1971 Clifford Oubre 1977 Still Birth of Anthony and Gladys Judice 1982 Mary Alice Laland 1997 Honore "Leno" Prados 1999 Lota B. Richard

August 31 1904 Son of Eugene and Eloise Verret 1918 Marie Deblanc Julien 1931 Joseph Wilson Trosclaire (Child) 1935 Aristile Louis 1938 Sister Gustave Bonin 1943 Eugine Judice 1949 Pierre Dugas 1958 Essie Judice 1974 Ovide Louviere 1978 Every Boudreaux 1996 Yvonne Maturin 2002 Marie P. Broussard 2004 Peggy B. Lagan

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



August Birthdays

Happy Birthday! May God richly bless you on your special day. It will be our privilege to remember you at the altar during the celebration of Holy Mass as we offer the Victim.

Father Crochet and Father Godwin

August 1 Brad Courville Brandi Landry Declan Mercantel Paizlee McGee

August 2 Melinda Dugas Luke Hebert David LeBlanc Shelley Munnerlyn Tracy Munnerlyn Ty Robin

Kenneth Theriot

August 3
Mateo Espinosa
Ray Hebert
Tanner Hoffpauir
Kelly Lagan
Vickie LeBlanc
Kevin Ledford
Jonathan Matt
Quinn Romero
Steve Thibeaux

August 4
Annie Bourque
Brianna Guillot
Janelle Judice
Liam Norris
Aden Romero
Brodie Small
Dale Thibodeaux

August 5
Bentley Arceneaux
Kayla Boudreaux
Lanielle Boudreaux
Betty Broussard
Ryan Gaspard
Soleil Romero
Bella Smith

August 6 Kelsey Lorraine Lucy Norris Michael Poirier Kaydence Stelly

August 7
Carla Frederick Hebert
Katrina Judice
Cohen LaGrange
Brad Louviere
Bella Richard
Maddox Toucheck

August 8 Charles Barthelemy Ayden Berard Thomas Bonin Jeffrey Cox Joseph Dugas Barrett Escagne Kylie Johnson Rory Ronsonet Cameron Trahan Ramsie Walker

August 9 Brannon Breaux Robert Burke, Jr. Joni Castille Rhett Dugas Hallie Guillotte George Hitter Alyce Reed Letty Segura

August 10
Chelsey Broussard
Matthew Broussard
Ricky Champagne
Grant Clements
Ciara Dionne
Thip Evans
Ethan Frederick
Skye LeBlanc

August 11 Keisha Adcock Wavne Broussard Seth Dautereuil Charles Deville Cassie Dugas Toby Dugas Adam Guillot Tibi Hebert Daniel Horton Mark Landry Beau Romero Heather Romero Rhett Sarkies Zie Thomas Taylor Wilson

August 12
Kirsten Barrios
Aivynn Bourque
Mazy Broussard
Mary Joyce Chastant
Natalie Faucheaux
Christopher Gibson
Molli Richard

August 13
Traci Barras
Christopher Bergeron
James Defelice
Sophia Dumond
Mylie Freyou
Earl Gondron, Jr.
Grayson Halphen
Mia Judice
Cameron Kinsey
Dale Molbert, Jr.
Brad Poche
Aleksa Viscardi

August 14
Jacob Badeaux
Raymond Escargne
Charles Jefferson
Keri Judice
Olivia LeBlanc
Albrevonte Prados

August 15
Emily Bonin
Paul LeJeune
Kylie Kay Mestayer
Jefferson Prados
Hannah Segura
Gregory Steiner
Madlynn Viator

August 16
Brynn Blanchard
Keeley Breaux
David Degeyter
Nicholas DuBois
Carlos Foti
Burt Oubre
Lon Prioux
Joshua Stevens
Dustyn Theriot
Tiffany Trahan

August 17
Laini Albert
Gabrielle Ansley
Sophia Babin
Andrew Berard
Brooke Boutte
Brayton Chastant
Megan Duplechain
Linsey Gaspard
Loretta Guidry
Matthew Hebert
Hollen Rogers
Alanie Walker

August 18 Tinsley Evans Amelie Landry Deanna Mitchell Shantel Neuville Jeanne Perez

August 19
Adrian Barrientez
Ella Bourque
Grace Curtis
Merilyn Hebert
Rebecca Melancon
Allison Migues

August 20 Cherylll Berard Blythe Bonin Briggs Bonnin Jordan Bourque Julie Clifton Jared Gachassin Cohen Moore Collette Provost Matthew Taylor Drae Viator Shelby Wardrop

August 21 Chase Gary Landrie Gondron Benjamin Guidry Matthew Laviolette, Jr.

> August 22 Chloe Bourque Heidi Frazier Jordyn Hebert Cathy Lawson Gail Louviere Jenna Oubre

August 23
Danette Bonin
Matthew Dugas
Ben Finley
Chris Floris
Leah Gondron
Kathleen Moss
Thad Segura
Hunter Viator
Jimmy Wilson

August 24
Charles Blanchard, Jr.
Chaz Blanchard
Lane Boudreaux
Lottie Frioux
Jason Hebert
Reese Kelly
Kayleigh Miller
Aynsley Robin
Ryan Smith
Tressie Sonnier
Susan Stiles

August 25 Hayden Amy David Bourgeois Evangeline Bourgeois Johnny Bourque Sawyer Broussard Cully Dressel Earl Girouard Edal Girouard Nicholas Gondron Tucker Hebert Bobby Robin Marjorie Robin Kaitlyn Romero Kameron Stevens Claudette Thibodeaux August 26 Steven Barras Brycen Crochet Jonathan Dempsey Josh Hebert Stella Judice Johanna Landry Paige McHugh Lauren Snoddy

August 27
Camryn Angelle
Joseph Borne
Jason Broussard
Shirley Broussard
Ashley Daigle
Khason Jolet
Breighton Pellerin
Gail Smith
Sarah Verret
Reese White

August 28
Jeanne Broussard
Chloe Buteaux
Pierson Chataignier
Scott Courville
Riley Daniels
Jake Dugas
Kynleigh Dugas
John Kleyla
Israel Plessala
Breann Tucker

August 29 Ridge Albert Jessica Bonin Henri Borne Karen Boudreaux Harper Dournit Kenneth Dugas Timmy Landry Kalyn Migues Isabella Neuville Reese Stanfield

August 30 Lillian Babin Kylon Chatagnier Braxton Evans Christy Finley Sabrina Lebeouf

August 31
Juan Castillo
Elliot Dugas
Jonathan Flores
Grant Norris
Laci Norris
Alderrion Prados
Deven Richard

The Artificial Jesuit by Randall Smith

The Jesuit president of Loyola University Maryland, Fr. Brian Linnane, S.J., announced recently that Flannery O'Connor's name is to be taken off one of the university's dorms because, "Information coming forward recently about O'Connor... has revealed that some of her personal writings reflected a racist perspective," and a "residence hall must be a home and a haven for those who live there, and its name should reflect Loyola's Jesuit values."

Would those be the "Jesuit values" that in 1838 allowed the Maryland Jesuits to sell 272 slaves – men, women, and children – to Louisiana's ex-governor, Henry Johnson, whose son was a Georgetown student, for \$115,000, equivalent to \$2,761,078 in 2019?

The sale paid off the debts that Fr. Thomas Mulledy, the Jesuit provincial superior (who orchestrated the sale), had accrued when he was president of Georgetown. Would these be the "Jesuit values" that failed to ensure that all the terms of sale were met, terms that included there be no familial separation and that the religious practice of the enslaved people be supported?

I've always doubted the wisdom of searching around in people's private correspondence. Think about the things you may have said in unguarded moments with close friends on the Internet. I like to make jokes and tease my friends, both in person and in writing.

If someone who didn't know us read some of my comments, I have no doubt they would take me for a despicable person. Now granted, I am a despicable person, but I don't think you could show this simply by quoting a few comments out of context from several of my emails.

As a matter of basic etiquette, we might ask: Who reads other people's mail? I can understand reading Einstein's letters to Neils Bohr to help better understand the development of their ideas and their disagreements, but only if you don't glance over at private comments — say, for example, if Einstein had said something in passing about Schrödinger's wife. Those comments aren't meant for you. You don't have the relationship with Einstein and Bohr that would allow you to understand those words, let alone to judge them.

People who read other people's mail are nebbishes, and they should be avoided the way you avoid people who want to gossip about your neighbors ... You don't try to resolve all the possible difficulties; you tell such people to mind their own business.

I have called cancel culture "coward culture." Perhaps I should send a letter of thanks to Fr. Linnane for showing himself so quickly as Exhibit A.

Why would I call the act cowardice rather than a bold move to rectify a past mistake? First, this act costs them nothing. They have given up nothing. It is a meaningless gesture, not a personal sacrifice or penitential act. It is the equivalent of throwing a man overboard in an attempt to quiet the wrath of the storm gods.

Second, it is so obviously and pathetically a bit of "politically correct" virtue-signaling. Can anyone imagine a Jesuit institution taking the name off of a dorm or a building because they discovered the donor or namesake had paid for numerous abortions?

Third, it is an act of rank hypocrisy – and is there anything Christ condemned more vigorously than hypocrisy? – to condemn Flannery O'Connor for being "racist" when the Maryland Jesuits have the history of slave-owning and slave-selling. How about the Maryland Jesuits selling off the building and property of Georgetown University and donating those proceeds to every surviving relative of those slaves that can be found? How about the Maryland Jesuits getting the plank out of their own eye before they gesticulate wildly at the relatively minor splinter in Flannery O'Connor's private correspondence?

You can hear the plaintive cries now: "But we couldn't *afford* to pay all those reparations to the children of those slaves." No, I don't suppose they could – not and keep the billions of dollars in endowments they possess or the well-appointed administrative offices. *They* could, of course, embrace humility, give up all their prestige mongering, and re-embrace their mission of providing a simple, traditional Jesuit education in logic, literature, basic science, and Thomistic philosophy and theology.

No new fancy buildings, no more expensive programs with no students and no professors doing little or no teaching. But who could even *imagine* such a thing?

Not a modern Jesuit university administrator, obviously.

They have renamed the Loyola dorm after Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman – at least for now, until someone starts rooting around in her private correspondence. I have no doubt Flannery O'Connor would have no problem with this. Given what we know of her personality, she wouldn't care less about having her name on a dorm at a university of the character of Loyola Maryland.

One imagines the whole affair would make perfect material for another Flannery O'Connor story. It might involve a wholly "cosmopolitan" Jesuit priest, born in rural Georgia, but more comfortable in the trendy bistros of Washington, D.C., where he works at a university founded "in the Jesuit tradition" teaching courses on "racial reconciliation." He preaches the "Church of Christ Without Suffering," the church "peaceful and self-satisfied," where there was no Fall and no Judgment and thus no need for Redemption. No one was raised from the dead, and nothing matters but that Jesus was a liberal who hated "haters" and righteously rejected the rigid.

One day, a young black girl calls our Jesuit professor a "warthog from hell." Unfazed, he tells her she needs therapy for her aggression and calmly orders another martini. The story basically writes itself.

Title: "The Artificial Jesuit."

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