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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m.

Sunday — 7:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

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

Tuesday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

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Thursday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

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

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 — 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

If possible please conduct parish business by phone or email.

RECEPTIONIST/BOOKKEEPER/CEMETERIAN

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Adoration Chapel has reopened. The Main Church is also accessible from this entrance for your convenience.

FUNERALS

Please contact the Church Office to make Funeral Service arrangements prior to your appointment with the Funeral Home.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Church Office to make arrangements for your child's Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact the Church Office six months prior to the desired date of marriage. No dates for marriage are reserved until after the first marriage interview with clergy.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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Gladden us with holy joys, Almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ Your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope.

Please pray for our Priests, Seminarians and Deacons

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these special men. 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.

May 21	Very Rev. Chester Arceneaux, VF/Bennet Bodin Dcn. Wynard Boutte
May 22	Rev. Michael Arnaud/Nicholas Broussard Dcn. Wade Broussard
May 23	Rev. Justin Arockiasamy, SVD/Haden Coleman Dcn. Patrick Burke
May 24	Rev. Alfred Ayem, SVD/Brent Didier Dcn. Martin Cannon
May 25	Rev. Matthew Barzare/Carter Domingue Dcn. Francis Cao
May 26	Rev. Herbert Bennerfield/Rev. Mr. John Dugas Dcn. Richard Castaneda
May 27	Rev. Paul Bergeron/Tre Fontenot Dcn. David Chambers

Please pray for our parish family members who are sick:

Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Trevor Louviere, Austin Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Butch and Debbie White, Lydia May, Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Rowena Borel, Falyon Sonnier, Caline Provost, Patricia Freyou, Lelia Broussard, Roshondra Nora, Noah Abraham, Jimmy LeBlanc, Chad Borel, Ashley Hebert, Stephen Dugas, Jade Delcambre, Pat Villermin, Ira Bourque, Hailey

Thomassee, Lon Prioux, Brennan Wingfield, Betty Suire, Joe Judice, Mike Habetz, Lori Brasseaux, Jamie Brady, Lisa N. Dugas, Nona Bourque, Leroy Begnaud, Betty Champagne, Leroy and Gloria Courville, Anna Richard, Wayne LeBlanc, Melvin Broussard, June Granger, Max Borres, Vivian LeBlanc, Beckie LeBaron, Patricia Sorrell, Ned Dugas, Ted Habetz, David Dupuy, Hazel LeBlanc, Ava Rose

and Olivia James Dworaczyk, Ray Broussard, Anne Adcock Hebert, Shyla Romero, Curt Tauzin, Randy Jett, Bart Doucet, Ellenor Hebert, Jory L. Bernard, Annette Dugas, Kayla Barras, Veronie, Jamie Ransonet, Joan Arceneaux, Robert LeBlanc, Sr., Kaylee Landry, Junelle Jefferies, Robin Neuville

May 14, 2023	
Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$ 5,239.00
Regular Sunday Offering Loose	\$ 2,498.00
Regular Collection Total	\$ 7,737.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,385.00
Difference	+\$ 352.00
Present Loan Balance	\$ 205,615.33
Donation Against Loan Balance	\$ 112.00
Insurance Balance 2022-2023	\$ 1,006.00
Insurance Collection	\$ 10.00

Altar Flowers were donated in memory of
Jordan Prince, Marie B. Judice, Marie Landry
Elizabeth Henry, Agnes Braquet, Alice Johnson

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for
For the Community

The Vocation Chalice is at the home of
Gerald and Ethel Dugas

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

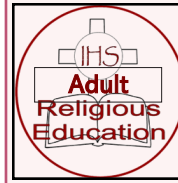
The Bi-Monthly Statue is in the home of
Parishioners

Saint Joseph Altar Candles are burning for
Vance Breaux Sr., Martha Escagne Rodriguez,
Deyna Champagne, Harold Champagne, Chad Romero
Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants
and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious
Steve and Donna Berard Special Intention
Lynn and Theresa Delcambre Family, Jordan Prince

Mass Intentions — 5/20 — 5/26

Saturday 4:00 p.m. StJo — Robert Lee Prados, Lucille Breaux Prados, Nola Champagne, Ancestors and Descendants, Clyde Hebert, Lucille Landry Hebert, Audrie Delahoussaye, Ancestors and Descendants, Elvage Prados, Matilda Prados, Becky Doucet, Ancestors and Descendants, Sidney Breaux, Family, Craig Breaux, Pauline Guidry, Clyde Hebert, Lucille Landry Hebert, Boo Castille, Flo Charpentier, Debbie Hebert, Donna and Steve Berard, Ancestors and Descendants, Lawrence Melancon, Felicie Gaudet, Dupoy and Lasseigne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Elaine Villermin, Carl Wayne Judice, Judy Douet, Glenn Martin, Robert Judice, Sr., John Vedia and Barbara Ann Ozenne Perez, Elaine Villermin, Tim Edler, Earl and Jeannette Guidry, Louis and Elbay Judice, Evelyn Moulis, Joe Escagne, Sam and Glo Delcambre, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants, Roslie Lejeune, John Lacour, Special Intention, Gloria Albert (Special Intention), Ossie Romero, Jr., Daisy and Perfice Armentor, Billy Degeyter, Chester "Butch" Gonsoulin and Parents, Mutchie Ransonet, Rut and Daisy Ransonet, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Nola Champagne, Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Harold Champagne, Audrey Crochet, Paul Crochet Family, Jordan Prince and Special Intention, Vance Breaux Sr., Sally Domingue, Cabrol and Domingue Family, Dr. John Rellus Hebert, Perry J. Judice, Lorrain Breaux Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Albert Rodriguez, Clarence and Hilda Landry, Otto, Sr. and Laurence Girouard, Terradot Family, Theresa Girouard Allen, Melvin Dugas, Roy Sr. and Gladys Berard, Lloyd and Anne Broussard, Simon and Felicie Granger, Forbus and Myrtle Mestayer, Kay Dooley and William and Dolores Dooley, Kim Decuir, Leed and Mabel Gondron, Forgotten Souls in Purgatory.

MINISTERS FOR THE NEXT WEEK			
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
May 27 4:00 p.m.	Roberta Degeyter	Linda Landry	Volunteers
May 28 7:00 a.m.	Earl Price	Lynn Delcambre	Volunteers
10:30 a.m.	Catherine Lejeune	Betty Guidry	Volunteers



Father Crochet will be hosting
**Adult Religious Education on
Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the
Saint Joseph Church Rectory**

Everyone is invited. No registration necessary.

Sunday 7:00 a.m. StJo — Lynn and Theresa Delcambre Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Rickie Oubre, Ryan and Landry Family, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. John Prados, Sr., Harlette Boudreaux, Mark Tauzin, Virginia Landry, Henry and Renella Pelafigue and Josh, Roland and Pee Wee Broussard, Cloures Dugas, Jimmy Clifton, Deanna Gondron, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hebert, Dr. Harold and Kathleen Heitkamp, John Michael Steiner, Jay Gonsoulin Family, Paul Sonnier Family and Clyde Warfel Family, Antoine "Boy" LeBlanc Family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Albert Sr., Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry, Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Joe and Rita Habetz, Mary Kay Habetz, Tom Voorhies, Tommy Breaux, Jennings Fournet, Maude Granger and John and Doris Prados, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Granger Dr. Raymond Schneider, Elaine Schneider, Skip Schneider, Lolly Harbin, S.J. "Bute" Granger, Junius and Mary Hebert, Lovell Romero.

10:30 a.m. StJo — John and Doris Prados, Boo Castille, Abel Louviere, Family, Kelly Louviere, Theodore Thibodeaux Family, Tim Edler, Elaine Villermin, Deanna Gondron, Loretta Judice VanBrocklin, Larry Crochet, Lawrence Albert, Abel Louviere Family, Kelly Louviere, Theodore Thibodeaux Family, Tim Edler, Keri Bonin Boutte, Bonin and Boutte Family, Loretta Judice VanBrocklin, Matthew Thibeaux, Louis Thibeaux Family, Edmond Lancon Family, Viator and Judice Fly, Clyde Dressel, Judy Judice, Beauregard Judice, Louto and Anite Gondron, Gondron and Deville Family Ancestors and Descendants, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Wayne Guillory and Mathilde Romero, Horace and Sylvia Thibodeaux, Pliny and Carolyn "Caro" Breaux Walet, Cathy Defelice, Tracey Defelice Guilbeau, Sandra Angelle and Glenn Angelle, Angelle Family.

Monday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Matthew Thibeaux, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants, Brian Derouen.

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Matthew Thibeaux, Louis Thibeaux Family, Edmond Lancon Family, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants, Jason Suarez Family, Cameron Barrilleaux Family, Destani Armstrong Family.

Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Jordan Prince, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants, John Michael Steiner, Andrew "Toupee" Bonin, Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola

Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants.

Thursday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants.

Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Judice and Walet Families, Huey Olivier Family Ancestors and Descendants, Michael and Christine Arceneaux, Ancestors and Descendants.



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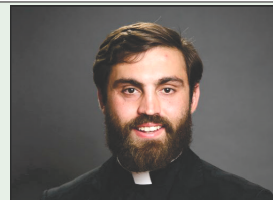


To What Shall We Compare the Present Age?

by Robert Royal

One of the most remarkable features of the Gospels is how the Lord Jesus effortlessly tosses off unforgettable sayings, the kinds of phrases only the greatest thinkers and poets produce — and only rarely. As the American writer Randall Jarrell once put it, “A good poet is someone who manages, in a lifetime of standing out in thunderstorms, to be struck by lightning five or six times; a dozen or two dozen times and he is great.” The Lord Jesus was — clearly — much more than a poet. But it’s still striking that He could say more memorable things in a few minutes on ordinary days than any figure in history. Pity the myopic Biblical scholars — or the many people now influenced by them — who believe that a gaggle of fishermen, tax collectors, and itinerant preachers just made a lot of it up.

Christ’s often-simple sayings bulk so large that it’s taken millennia of theologians, philosophers, saints, mystics, martyrs, priests, bishops, and popes even to begin to grasp what He said. And yet, at the same time, His words have spoken to the hearts of average people, not only in His day, but over ages, in “diverse” cultures, despite what seemed impossible obstacles. Saint Thomas Aquinas thought one of the greatest Christian miracles was how a few humble men from a cultural backwater were able to convert the greatest empire (Rome) then in existence. A matter of sheer historical fact — and he lived before the Faith spread to the Americas, Africa, Asia, and the whole world.



Congratulations to our native son Rev. Mr. John Dugas on the occasion of his ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

That all this seems threatened now, and on every front, is reassuring in one way; it suggests that as dark as things seem at present, in both the Church and the world, the Gospel has shown itself to have an unsuspected power that cannot be predicted. It has always exceeded what we might “reasonably” expect. And could do so at any moment, even today.

In another way, it’s right to be worried because the present age seems not only mired in the usual human tangle of sin and ignorance. Our Western non-culture seems hell-bent on not only opposing but wiping out the very memory of the best that made us who we are.

Sometimes it paints the past as an unrelieved tale of oppression — slavery, patriarchy, colonialism, “white privilege,” etc. But those charges, partially true though some are, are not being used merely to criticize elements of the past, but to obliterate knowledge of our tradition — a priceless combination of Greco-Roman, Biblical, medieval, Renaissance, Enlightenment, and modern elements. Our schools and universities often give the impression that it’s not worth teaching, not even accurately remembering, it. All “cultures” are now affirmed — except for one. And that has never happened before.

When things look very bad, there’s a natural human temptation to call the situation unprecedented. The present age really does seem so. But it’s worth recalling one of our Lord’s sayings that may seem to refer to the past, but like everything about Him speaks to us as well: “To what shall we compare the present generation?” (Matthew 11:16) In His time, He says, people neither rejoiced properly at good news nor mourned bad news. Their view of things — and therefore their reactions to them — were distorted.

The present age, too, shows strange reactions to things — of a specific kind worth noting ... That accounts for a lot of current “wokeness” and “virtue signaling.” It’s long been part of our understanding of moral questions that, as Saint Augustine put it, evil is the absence of some good, either something that should be there and isn’t, or it is but too great or too little a degree. In other words, it’s a departure from the full order of our universe. The Church is “catholic” precisely because it’s “universal,” Greek *kata-holos*, “according to the whole.”

The “trans” craze is a perfect counter-example. It’s more than radical groups and individuals pushing the mutilation of children under the guise of “gender-affirming care.” One virtue — compassion for gender-confused young people — has swollen to such monstrous proportions that it has eclipsed everything from the simple facts of biology to thousands of years of human experience. Just think of what it means when trained medical personnel speak of “gender assigned at birth,” as if the ordinary observation that a newborn being is a boy or girl is a mere convention by some unnamed, and perhaps biased, assigner.

This is easy to satirize, except that children are being surgically disfigured or pumped full of chemicals to prevent their bodies from developing as they naturally want to do.

Which is why I think we have to add to Chesterton’s virtues gone mad that there’s a demonic element, increasingly evident, in all this.

The Devil has no goods of his own to sell, so to speak. He can only use the goods created by the Creator to try to make us disordered. One of the hard tasks assigned to Christians in the present generation is to resist and name disordered virtues. To withstand slurs about bias and hate, by affirming the fullness of truth — and love. No small or easy task. But the one to which Divine Providence has decreed we are called.



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