



Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor

Deacon Bill Vrazel

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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You Are a “Chosen Race, a Royal Priesthood...”

If you had to summarize the essential core of the Christian life, what would it be? Mercy, truth, or love, perhaps? The readings today suggest another word which may surprise you. That word is priesthood.

St. Peter says to us, “You are a ‘chosen race, a royal priesthood...’” To be part of a priesthood is to offer a particular sacrifice in order for the community to survive and thrive. Jesus is the great high priest because he offers the one perfect sacrifice which heals and perfects the entire human race. Peter the Apostle wants us to know that all the baptized share in this priestly ministry. The whole of our lives, including every detail, is meant to become our acceptable offering to God.

The baptized exercise this priesthood in many ways, I’ll mention three. At Sunday Mass, in private prayer, and in daily work. At Mass, we offer the sacrifice of our lives with that of the priest, who symbolizes Christ the Priest. In our prayer, a “morning offering” prayer is a great way to offer up all the joys and sufferings of the day to come. In our daily work, we sacrifice our time, comfort, money, and energy to do good for others. All this gives the deepest possible meaning to our lives: we



TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading: So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” (Acts 6:2-4)

Psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

Second Reading: You are “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises” of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)

Gospel: Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father.” (Jn 14:6-7)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21


EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 8, 2023 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 8:00 am Mass - Church – 10:00 am Holy Family Parish Prayer Group - Chapel – 5:00 pm – 11:00 pm Adoration - Church – 5:00 – 6:00 pm Reconciliation offered in Church
Tuesday, May 9 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel – 7:00 pm Mass - Chapel
Wednesday, May 10 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 8:00 am Mass – Church
Thursday, May 11 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 8:00 am Mass - Chapel – 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm – Chapel
Friday, May 12 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 8:30 am Mass - Church
Saturday, May 13 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 5:00 pm Vigil Mass - Church Reconciliation offered 30 minutes prior to Mass

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Jerri Anderson, Sandra Angeline, Andrew B. Barrett, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Tracy Biggs, Rusty Bohn, Dian Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Sister Anna Louise, Bumbera, Josephine C., Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Olivia Denson, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Charles Grey, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Daniel Huck, Paul Hughes, Sally James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Connie Jenkins, Faye Johnson, John Knight, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Austin Lizana, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Michelle Pisciotta, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jim Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, J2Oames Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Stari-ta, Barbara Swilley, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Bill and Mag Wall, Jimmy Wetzel, Tilton White, Becky Wooley, Angie Parker Yonkin, William Youngblood

In Memoriam

 **Richard Paul "Dickie" Moran**
Mr. Albro P. "Bodie" Michell
Mrs. Carolyn Marie Stewart

Please contact the Church Office at 228-452-4686 to add someone to the Prayer List or if you see someone on the Prayer List who needs to be removed from the list. Thank you.

Weekly Operating Report

April 24, 2023

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: \$17,781

Building Fund: \$129

Youth Ministry: \$2712

Cemetery: \$ 55

Masses: \$130

Memorials: \$5

Second Collection: \$1,092

Direct Debit—Electronic Transfers
Forms are available in the back of the church or by calling the office at 228-452-4686

Weekly Fixed Expenses

Schools: \$3210

Salaries and Benefits: \$4750

Diocese Support Tax: \$917

Utilities: \$1187.50

Janitorial, Maintenance, Grounds: \$1189.75

Insurance: \$584

TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY EXPENSES: \$13,075.00

"These are just the fixed expenses. There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly. God Bless!" Fr. Mike

Pray For a Priest Each Day

Lord Jesus, we your people pray to You for our priests. You have given them to us for OUR needs. We pray for them in THEIR needs. We know that You have made them priests in the likeness of your own priesthood. You have consecrated them, set them aside, anointed them, filled them with the Holy Spirit, appointed them to teach, to preach, to minister, to console, to forgive, and to feed us with Your Body and Blood. Indeed, we thank You for choosing them from among us, so that they understand us as we understand them, suffer with us, rejoice with us, worry with us and trust with us, share our beings, our lives, our faith. We ask that You give them this day the gift You gave Your chosen ones on the way to Emmaus: Your presence in their hearts, Your holiness in their souls, Your joy in their spirits. And let them see You face to face in the breaking of the Eucharistic bread. We pray to You, O Lord, through Mary the mother of all priests, for our priests! Amen.

Sun., May 7: For Pope Francis

Mon., May 8: For Father Godfrey Andoh

Tue., May 9: For Father Charles Arthur

Wed., May 10: For Fathers Philip J. Audet and Mike Austin

Thur., May 11: For Fathers Sergio Balderas and Emmanuel Awe SSJ

Fri., May 12: For Fathers Hyginus Boboh SSJ and Tommy Conway

Sat., May 13: For Fathers Ruben Covos and Arockia Doss IVD



May 13, 2023 and May 14, 2023

5:00 pm - Saturday, 5/13/23

Lectors

Lauri Wood

EEMs

Miriam Macdiarmid, Jane Ward and Emmett Zimmerman

Altar Servers

Gage Garriga, Magdelene Vignes and Molly Vignes

8:30 am - Sunday, 5/14/23

Ken Austin

Angele Boudreaux, Isabella Cottone Rawls, Tony Diaz Del Valle, Rod Malburg and Lisa Simpson

Banks Barrett, Alexander Espanol and Anna Ladner

11:00 am - Sunday, 5/14/23

Carl Mayeaux

Chad Burge, Joy Burke, Lena Farr, Daren Freeman and Margaret Payment

Elleigh James Burge, Anna Clair Thomas and R. J. Sandoz

5:00 pm - Sunday, 5/14/23

Caroline Dufrene

Richard Bohn, Jo Whitney Johns and Joe Spence

Lee Baggett, West Peneguy and Matthew Williston

Update Your Family Information



If you have welcomed a new child to your family, moved or changed any of your contact information, please call us at 228-452-4686 or email us at holyfamilyparish@biloxidiocese.org.

If you have an adult child (18+), please have them complete their own parishioner registration. You can also fill out the Family Registration Form which can be found on Holy Family's Church website, <https://www.holyfamilyparish.cc/> (go to "**Resources**" and click "**Parish Documents**"), in the back of the Church or in the Parish Please return completed form to the Parish Office. You can also place this form in the offering basket on Sundays.

THANK YOU for your help in keeping our records up to date.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 6	5:00 pm	†Enola Jermyn and Thelma Duling †Pat Kelly †Sister Ann Louie Bumbera
Sunday, May 7	8:30 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	† Jean Rittenberg, Jr. † Giau Tran † Bobby Shoemaker † Grant Wilkinson † Grant Douglas Healing for Olivia Denson † Bodie Michell † Carol Stewart Healing for Maclyn LeBourgeois
Monday, May 8	8:00 am	† Knost Family † Sister Anna Louise Bumbera † Karl Gorbert
Tuesday, May 9 (Chapel)	7:00 pm	† Edward Taconi † Carol Stewart Healing for Gail Saik
Wednesday, May 10	8:00 am	† Bernadette Levens Tolson † Marie Peralta † Arlene Desrosier Healing for Olivia Denson
Thursday, May 11 (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Mary and Ray Gallagher † Bodie Michell Healing for Shannon Malburg
Friday, May 12	8:30 am <i>* † The Repose of the Soul</i>	† L. J. St. Pierre † Bonnie Warren † Alice Bertin

COME CELEBRATE THE CHURCH'S



JOIN US FOR
Pentecost
WINE & CHEESE



MAY 25TH • 6:30 PM

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SHARE

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DISCERNING YOUR VOCATION TO THE
PRIESTHOOD



VOCATIONS CORNER

If you've thought about the possibility of the priesthood, but don't yet have all the signs and qualities, please don't despair!

How do I know God is calling me?

If you have ever thought about being a priest, these qualities may be clues to a future priestly vocation:

1. God has placed in your heart a desire to be a priest.
2. You have a deep love for Christ and His Church.
3. Other people have mentioned that you would be a good priest.
4. You desire to live a life of virtue and prayer.
5. You want to help others grow closer to Christ.

All people must strive for holiness. And future priests go through a long and intensive formation period, precisely to help them grow in virtue and be effective in their ministry.

If you're interested in the priesthood, talk to the **Diocese Vocation Directors** about the signs above. They can help you further discern your vocation. And remember - true happiness and peace depend on following God's perfect will for your life.

If God wants you to be a priest, trust in his grace to lead you.

Rev. Adam Urbaniak, Director of Vocations

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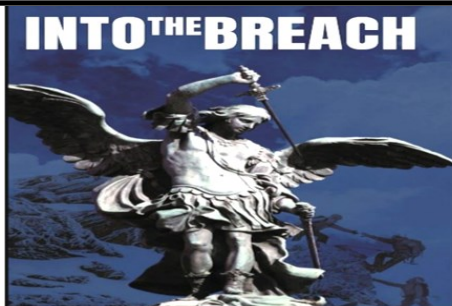
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Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have been called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. AMEN

**YOU'RE
INVITED**



Please join us every 3rd Tuesday of each month as we watch and discuss ***INTO THE BREACH***, a video series inspired by Bishop Thomas Olmstead's apostolic exhortation of *Into the Breach*. Through small group discussions, we will learn how to be strong fathers, better husbands and men fit for the breach.

Tuesday, May 16th

6:30 pm

Holy Family Conference (old OLOL Church)

*For more information,
please contact Tony Diaz del Valle at 228-363-3349.*

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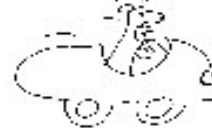


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