

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.



September 7, 2025

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 12:10 PM Wednesday & Friday 6:30 AM Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, & 10:00 AM

Rosary Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 11:30 AM Wednesday & Friday 5:55 AM Saturday: 3:15 PM

Sunday: 5:55 AM, 7:15 AM, & 9:15 AM

Confession:

Saturdays: 3:00-3:45 PM or By appointment

Adoration

Mon: 8AM-5PM Wed: 7AM-7PM Fri:7AM-5PM

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Weekly Readings Mass Intentions Saturday, September 6th-Sunday: 4:00 PM-Mary Ann Dugas (D) / Sheilah Resweber (D) / Randy Begnuad (D)(ANN) / First Reading: Wisdom 9: 13-18b **Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms Alberie & Inez Barras (D) / Kyle Credeur (D) / Kenny Beaugh (D) / 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 James D. Martin (D) / David L. Prejean (D) / Joe & Hilda Peschier/Suzanne (D) / Second Reading: Philemon 1: 9-Louis & Jeanne Prejean/Michael (D) / Dupre & Teresa Hebert (D) / Benny Hamilton 10, 12-17 (D) / Martin & Maydel Dupont (D) / James LeJeune (D) / Marie Falcon Hebert (D) / Alleluia: Psalms 119: 135 John Bourque (D) / Duc Hoang / Dang Tran (D) / Rebecca Walters (D) / Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33 Monday: Neva Young Veron (D) / Gloria Domingue (D) / First Reading: Micah 5: 1-4a Deceased Family Members of Ethel Kebodeaux (D) / Verlie & Walter Boudreaux (D) / or Romans 8: 28-30 Viola & Forest Blanchard (D) / Maria Xuan Nguyen (D) / Francis Lam Nguyen (D) / Responsorial Psalm: Psalms Maria Nam Dinh (D) / Maria Courtney Nguyen (D) / Dominic Doan Pham (D) / 13: 6ab, 6c Gospel: Matthew 1: 1-16, 18-23 Maria Gio Pham (D) Tuesday: Sunday, September 7th-First Reading: Colossians 2: 6-15 **Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 6:30 AM-For the People 145: 1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Alleluia: John 15: 16 8:00 AM-Joan Firmin (D) / M/M Paul A. Arceneaux (D) / Dustin Wiltz (D) / Gospel: Luke 6: 12-19 M/M Francis T. Resweber (D) / Spiritual Healing (D) / All Teachers & Students (D) / Wednesday: Leana Suire (D) / John the Baptist Yeng Dinh (D) First Reading: Colossians 3: 1-11 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 10:00 AM-Michael Allain (D) / Jerry D. Guidry (D) / Louella / Buck Ransonet (D) / 145: 2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab John B. Sonnier Family (D) / Rayford Dominque (D) / M/M Hubert Leger, Sr. (D) Alleluia: Luke 6: 23ab Gospel: Luke 6: 20-26 (ANN) / Deanna Sonnier (D) / Rosamaria Reyes-Silva (D) / Forest P. Duhon (D) / Thursday: Amy Alexandria Albarado (D) / J. L. & Claire Courville Raggio (D) / First Reading: Colossians 3: 12-Robert Romero (D) / Dr. Tuney Arceneaux (D) / Lee & Ida Bergeron (D) / Dudley Landry & Family (D) / Paul /Myrtle Breaux (D) / Rene/Eloise Comeaux (D) / Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 150: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mr. Doyle Brashear (D) / Jerry & Harriet Shea (D) / Ms. Belinda Thibodeaux (D) / Alleluia: First John 4: 12 C. W. Richard Family (D) / Y.L. Broussard Family (D) / Poochie Frederick (D) / Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38 M/M Harold Brashear (D) Friday: First Reading: First Timothy 1: 1-Monday, September 8th-2, 12-14 12:10 PM-Dupre Hebert (D) / Maria Tim Dinh (D) Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 16: 1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 **Alleluia:** John 17: 17b, 17a Tuesday, September 9th-Gospel: Luke 6: 39-42 12:10 PM-Michael O'Neil Mouton (D) / Darlene/Brent Savoy (L)(HBD) / Saturday: Joan Dailey Comeaux & Thema Romero Dailly (D) / Maria Guong Le (D) First Reading: First Timothy 1: 15-Wednesday, September 10th-Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 6:30 AM-Todd Savoy (L)(HBD) / Joseph Huyen Pham (D) 113: 1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 Alleluia: John 14: 23 Thursday, September 11th-Gospel: Luke 6: 43-49 12:10 PM-Eunice Domingue / Lorena Moss (D) / Joseph Long Pham (D) COLLECTION FOR 08/31/2025 Friday, September 12th-6:30 AM-Austin Cormier (L)(HBD) / Dr., Darrin Menard (L)(HBD) / Gerald / Regular Offertory: Louella Savoy (D) / Barbara Ella "Bobbie" Cormier (D) / Paul & Leatrice Brown (D) / \$10,426.50 BSA: Robert Lee Savoy (D) / Frank Olivier (D) \$ 2,103.50 Envelopes used this weekend: Nota Bene: If a name is not printed above, due to human error, be assured that God has Regular: 183

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"Hating" So As To Love

Why would Jesus exhort the "great crowds" to hate their families? In fact, Jesus went even further than that. He said they must also hate their own lives. If they do not, then they cannot be His disciples. One thing that this shocking teaching did was to shake people out of their lukewarm faith. Sometimes we think of Jesus only as a kind and gentle soul Who always brightens people's days. We see images painted of the smiling Jesus Who always made people feel welcomed and loved. And though these images have truth, it is also true that one way He brightened their days was by challenging them to the core of their being to convert. And that is what Jesus does today in our Gospel.

To hate your father, mother, children, siblings and even your very self is obviously not a reference to the sin of hate that flows from anger. In this case, the word "hate" refers to the best way to love others and to love even your own self. To begin, let's look at the conclusion. Jesus said that this form of hate is a requirement of being His disciple. This is the key. Unless we are first and foremost a disciple of Christ, we cannot love others and we will not even love ourselves in the proper way. "Hate" in this context refers to selfish attachments. This means that people and things can easily get in the way of our love of God. When they do, we must see them as an obstacle to both the love of God, as well as to the authentic love of others and even ourselves. For example, if a family member were to demand in some way that you love them more than you love God, then this must be rejected with passion. This could be referred to as holy hatred of the temptation, not the person. Say a spouse criticizes you for attending Mass and tries to stop you from doing so. If you listen to them, then you are placing them before God. Or say someone hurts you and you choose to forgive them, only to have a family member challenge you and try to stir up anger in you toward that person. If you listen to them, then you are not listening to God. In these cases, we must "hate" in the sense that we reject the temptation.

What about yourself? How do you hate yourself? This is a reference to the many ways that our disordered appetites are drawn to sin. If we indulge in the disordered desires, or even worse, if we treat those disordered desires as normal and good for us, then we have chosen the disordered desire over God. In that case, we must learn to hate and reject the selfish and disordered desire, choosing God and His will alone.

When we are able to choose the love of God first and foremost in our lives, rejecting the temptations that come through others and even the temptations within our disordered desires, then, and only then, are we in a position to love others and ourselves, in the right way. Jesus obviously wants us to love others and ourselves. But this is only possible when our love is pure and holy and flows from the love of God. Any other form of "love" is not love at all. It is a selfish attachment that hinders our true mission as lovers of God and instruments of that love to others.

Reflect, today, upon the passion that you must have to reject all forms of sin. This includes sin that tempts you through the mediation of your family and friends. It also includes every form of temptation that arises within you on account of your disordered human nature. This holy hatred is an act of love in that it seeks to eliminate everything that keeps you from true love. Choose, today, to be a faithful disciple of Jesus and commit yourself to reject all that seeks to interfere with this choice. Doing so will not only increase your love for God, it will also increase your love for others, and even your love for your own soul.

PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf; Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will.

O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your material care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Vocation Prayer

O God, we earnestly ask You to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers, and sisters who will love You with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Your Church and to make You known and loved. Bless our families, bless our children, choose from our homes those needed for Your work. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us, pray for our priests, religious, and deacons. Obtain for us many more. *Amen.*

LET US PRAY DAILY FOR OUR PRIESTS,			
SEMINARIANS, AND DEACONS OF THE DIOCESE			
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September 7th	Msgr. Robert Romero	Dcn. Stephen Melancon	Dcn. John Sarkies	
September 8th	Rev. Mario Romero	Dominic Pagan	Dcn. Nelson Schexnayder	
September 9th	Rev. Dąvid Roząs	Miguel Pagan	Dcn. Nolton Senegal	
September 10th	Rev. Michael Russo	Anthony Phillips	Dcn. Charles Smith	
September 11th	Rev. Francois Sainte–Marie	Eric Quebedeaux	Dcn. Kenneth Soignier	
September 12th	Rev. Garrett Savoie	Giovanni Ranzino	Dcn. John Bennett Soileau	
September 13th	Rev. William Schambough	Nolan Savoy	Dcn. Byron James Soley	

ATTENTION!!!

Baptismal Information

YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED & PRACTICING PARISHIONER

Parents must fill out a Baptismal Registration Form and Godparents must be fill out a Baptismal Godparent Form. They can be found on the church website (www.stspeterandpaulscott.org) under sacraments.

You must bring the forms to the Church Office.

You will then have to make an appointment with Fr. Mark. After approval by Fr. Mark, parents and godparents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class.

Criteria for Godparents: Must be at least 16 years old, confirmed, and a practicing Catholic. They must be able to receive communion & in good standing.

Non-Catholic godparents are highly discouraged. They will **NOT** appear on the baptismal certificate!

Baptismal Class Schedule:

2nd Tuesday of every other month, from 6 PM to 7 PM September 16th* *Changed from September 9th November 11th

Question of the Week:

How do I feel challenged by Jesus' demands of discipleship?

Jesus, our teacher, offers lessons today on being a disciple. These lessons can be difficult—we must carry our own crosses, we must renounce all our possessions, we even must hate our own family—but we gather as a family of faith in this place to hear them and reflect on them. The words of Wisdom may help, as they point out that as much as we try, we cannot possibly conceive the mind of God. Therefore, with faith and humility, let us listen to God's word.

ENGAGED COUPLES!

Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a Catholic Engaged Encounter **Weekend**. It is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a Sacramental Marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Weekend dates for 2025 is Sept. 26-28. The cost of the weekend is \$275.

A \$125 non-refundable deposit is required to secure a **reservation.** To learn more, visit our website www.ceelafayette.org or contact Mike & Phyllis Totaro at 337-962-5798 (Phyllis) or reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com

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3-4 PM 4-5 PM

Please prayerfully consider joining in Adoration for our Lord.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control; the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amen.



The Adoration Candle this week is lit for:

Linda Mikovitz





Visit our ACTS Retreat page on the Sts. Peter & Paul Church Website—

stspeterandpaulscott.org—for more information on ACTS, upcoming retreat dates & the applications to apply. The information can be found under ACTS.

ACTS Retreat Dates:

Women's ACTS:

December 11-14, 2025

Registration will open up later in the year. Keep an eye out for announcements in Church, the bulletin, and on the Church Facebook page.





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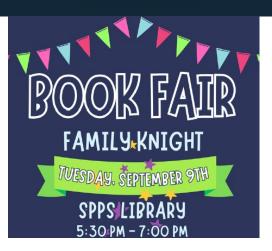
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The Truth About the Eucharist

Rev. John Dowling

What God's Word Does for Those Who Receive the Eucharist

After Jesus reveals the necessity of eating his flesh and drinking his blood, his disciples find this difficult to accept. Jesus tells them, "The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life" (John 6:63). When Jesus asks the Twelve if they want to leave him because of this difficult teaching, Simon Peter recognizes the power of God's Word in Christ when he answers, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life" (John 6:68). Jesus' revelation and Simon Peter's response reveal the necessary connection between the living Bread and the Word of God. Indeed, the awareness by Peter that Jesus' words of eternal life are necessary to empower humans to accept his giving of himself in the Eucharist gives the fullest expression to the passage found in Matthew's Gospel: "One does not live by bread alone, / but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (4:4). Not only does the Word of God empower us to accept Jesus' teaching about himself in the Eucharist; it also moves us to accept all the terms of Jesus' new covenant of love and service. When we respond "Amen" to the priest's words at Communion, we do more than profess our belief in his Real Presence. We give witness that "we are convinced that one has died for all...so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them" (2 Corinthians 5:14-15). When we respond "Amen," we understand that "we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh" (2 Corinthians 4:11). Like the grain of wheat that must die to produce fruit, we must carry in our bodies the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. (See John 12:24; 2 Corinthians 4:10.) When we receive Jesus in his sacrament, we commit ourselves to bring Jesus to others. In Communion we, like the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread. (See Luke 24:35.) This breaking of the bread enables us to recognize Jesus in the Eucharist and to identify with Jesus in serving the poor. We see Jesus broken for us that we may become broken for the poor with whom he has identified himself: Then the king will say to those at his righthand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me. Matthew 25:34 40 The final blessing at Mass sends us forth to break open our hearts and receive Jesus in the poor and to give Jesus to the poor. Stretching out our hands to receive the eucharistic body of Christ without stretching out our arms to receive the Mystical Body of Christ in all its brokenness is a failure to adhere to Saint Paul's words: "For all who eat and drink without [recognizing] the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves" (1 Corinthians 11:29). Those who profess belief in the eucharistic Lord without recognizing whom they serve will find sobering words from Jesus: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). The eucharistic meal is not an isolated act of worship but a "hunger and thirst for righteousness" (Matthew 5:6). We are fed at the table of the Lord that we may offer our bodies as a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God, our spiritual worship. (See Romans 12:1.)



Maternity Home Fundraiser

Date: Friday, Sept. 26, 2025

Time: 6:00pm to 9:00pm Location: The Linden 530 W. Pinhook Rd.Lafayette, LA

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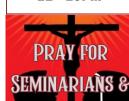


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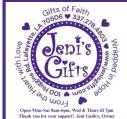
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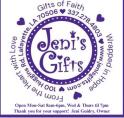
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