

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 6:30 a.m.

*Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 / Lk 7:1-10*

Julie Bradberry, Dr. Ed Cancienne, Irvin Loupe, Sr. fly. (L&D), Monica Mancuso, Stephanie Baudry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

*St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a / Lk 7:11-17*

Julie Bradberry, Angelique LeLeux, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 6:30 a.m.

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17*

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 6:30 a.m.

*Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Cor 15:1-11 / Jn 19:25-27*

Julie Bradberry, Antoinette LeBlanc, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 12:10 p.m.

*St. Cornelius, Pope and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
1 Cor 15:12-20 / Lk 8:1-3*

Julie Bradberry, Special Intention, Faith Mancuso, Lori A. McIntyre, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Am 8:4-7 / 1 Tm 2:1-8 / Lk 16:1-13*

4:00 p.m. Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Julie Bradberry, Jamie & Brittani Head, M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Andrew J. Daigle, Helen Overturf, Mary Tamporello, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00 a.m. Loretta Crouch, Hollier & Marks families, Ida Mae Bergerson

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Nila Nini, Debra MacConnell, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families, Cliff Watson fly. (L&D), Marcia Bergeron

6:30 p.m. Ray Raspberry

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## Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

Pope Francis canonized Mother Teresa of Calcutta last Sunday, September 4.

Like so many others, I had long ago concluded that she is a saint. I first came to know of Mother Teresa in 1973. My pastoral supervisor, Sister Mary John Hotard, was an early Co-worker of Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity. Sister Mary John had custody of Malcolm Muggeridge's movie about Mother Teresa, *Something Beautiful for God*. I frequently delivered the film to various schools and parishes.

Although I saw her in New Orleans about the same time, it would be some ten years before I had a conversation with her. That was in Washington, D.C.

While in Washington, I did some work for the Sisters, mostly a series of lectures to the Sisters preparing for perpetual vows. When I returned to the diocese of Lafayette, I celebrated Mass each week for the Sisters and helped with a few projects.

One of Mother's significant contributions to the Church is her identifying the presence of the Lord Jesus in, as she said it, "the poorest of the poor." Mother found new depth of meaning in Matthew 25:31-46. As often as I heard her refer to this passage, I was always inspired by this great truth that she not only talked about, but also lived so profoundly.

This was also intimately connected to her faith in the Real Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. For Mother, if you do not see the Lord in the poor, you will not see Him in the Eucharist. For her, the love that she had for Our Lord in the One led her to love Him in the other.

The life of St. Teresa of Calcutta is the triumph of love over indifference. Her love, moreover, flowed from a soul that was completely scoured from all self-centeredness. One should never underestimate the suffering of such an experience.

A visitor to one of the houses of the Missionaries of Charity, overwhelmed by the poverty of the people and the depth of their need, remarked to one of the Sisters, "I would not do this work for a million dollars." Immediately the Sister responded, "Nor would I."

Mother showed us a way to live as people of faith. Although I know she is right, I find myself very slow to embrace the truth she lived so lovingly. My hesitation, my fear, stems from that need to renounce all self-centeredness. Intellectually, I know that this renunciation is the way that leads to fullness of life. In the course of a day, I nonetheless, with great self-deception, frantically cling to what I foolishly believe is my self, my very identity as a person.

For that, I am truly sorry. Today dawns anew with a renewal of hope, even for people like me. Is it possible that I may get it right today? After all, nothing is impossible for God.

(Msgr.) Courville

## New Announcements

**Daily Mass:** Monsignor needs to be away from the parish on Tuesday, September 13. There will be no public Mass here that day. Monsignor will, however, celebrate Mass on Tuesday and fulfill the intentions.

**Special Collection:** The second collection this weekend is for the financial support of the Catholic University of America.

## Repeat Announcements

**Choir:** The choir will resume singing at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 4. This would be a good time to have new members. A choir does add so much to the Mass. Please give this some thought.

**Retreat Opportunities:** The Jesuit Spirituality Center, Grand Coteau, offers silent, individually directed retreats of three, five, or eight days beginning on Monday, September 19, or Thursday, September 22. To apply or register visit [jesuitspiritualitycenter.org](http://jesuitspiritualitycenter.org) or telephone 337 662-5251 on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until noon or 1 to 5 p.m.

**Pilgrimage:** Father Bennerfield, pastor of St. Joseph Church, Patterson, will lead a pilgrimage on October 8 in the Acadiana area. The places of pilgrimage are St. Peter Church, Carencro; St. John Berchmans Shrine, Grand Coteau; Charlene Richard grave, Richard; Immaculate Conception Church, Washington, St. Landry Church, Opelousas. For more information, telephone Angie Stelly, 985 759-3154.

**Pray for the following priest each day:** Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. 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.

September 12, Rev. Aaron Melancon  
September 13, Rev. Bill Melancon  
September 14, Msgr. Louis Melancon  
September 15, Rev. Mark Melancon  
September 16, Rev. Jerry Mesley  
September 17, Rev. Andre Metrejean  
September 18, Msgr. Paul Metrejean

**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Theresa Henry, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Ken Macey, Vanessa Clements, Onesime Richard, Ada Fangue, Johnny Thomas, Rand Nini, Braxton Burch, Kim Beaver, Reese Grace Johnson, Roland Lege, Jr., Brooke Rhodes, Edna Alcina, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Greg Cart, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Jeff Brown, Beatrice Talbot, Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Frank Cavalier, Thomas LeBlanc, Samantha & Sammy Barker, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, Marcelle Campbell, Lenora Ackman, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Anna Rogers, Mary Geofroy, Mable LaCoste, Jerry Guillory, Gwen Tillman, Tammy Flirt, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, Donovan LeBlanc, Donna Duplantis, Susan Price, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Bobby Monceaux, Adeline Maddix, Valerie Bella, Cass Oubre, Clay Leonard, Donna Barrow Hoya, Tina Theriot, Gretchen & Lee Nini, Jr., Alli Keith, Gloria Landry, Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, Jeanine Derise, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Daniel Fromenthal, Jeana Francis, Julie Barrilleaux, Debby Morella, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson

| DATE / TIME                                        | READERS                                            | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF COMMUNION   | ROSARY              |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| September 17, 4:00 p.m.                            | Kathy LaBouve                                      | Lonnie LaBouve                        | Mary Catherine Gray |
| September 18, 7:00 a.m.<br>10:00 a.m.<br>6:30 p.m. | Blake Orgeron<br>Sandra Watson<br>Landon Broussard | Carolyn Chaisson<br>Belinda Boudreaux |                     |