

What do the Saints Say?

Chrysostom. Whoever thou art then that after thy baptism suffers grievous trials, be not troubled thereat; for this thou receives arms, to fight, not to sit idle. God does not hold all trial from us; first, that we may feel that we are become stronger; secondly, that we may not be puffed up by the greatness of the gifts we have received; thirdly, that the Devil may have experience that we have entirely renounced him; fourthly, that by it we may be made stronger; fifthly, that we may receive a sign of the treasure entrusted to us; for the Devil would not come upon us to tempt us, did he not see us advanced to greater honors.

Hilary. The Devil's snares are chiefly spread for the sanctified, because a victory over the saints is more desired than over others.

Gregory. Some doubt what Spirit it was that led Jesus into the desert, for that it is said after, *The Devil took him into the holy city.* But true and without question agreeable to the context is the received opinion, that it was the Holy Spirit; that His own Spirit should lead Him thither where the evil spirit should find Him to try Him.

Augustine. Why did He offer Himself to temptation? That He might be our mediator in vanquishing temptation not by aid, but by example.

Jerome. Led, not against His will, or as a prisoner, but as by a desire for the conflict.

Gregory. We should know that there are three modes of temptation; suggestion, delight, and consent; and we when we are tempted commonly fall into delight or consent, because being born of the sin of the flesh, we bear with us whence we afford strength for the contest; but God who incarnate in the Virgin's womb came into the world without sin, carried within Him nothing of a contrary nature. He could then be tempted by suggestion; but the delight of sin never gnawed His soul, and therefore all that temptation of the Devil was without not within Him.

Chrysostom. The Devil is wont to be most urgent with temptation, when he sees us solitary; thus it was in the beginning he tempted the woman when he found her without the man, and now too the occasion is offered to the Devil, by the Savior's being led into the desert.

Chrysostom. Not Christ only is led into the desert by the Spirit, but also all the sons of God who have the Holy Spirit. For they are not content to sit idle, but the Holy Spirit stirs them to take up some great work, i.e. to go out into the desert where they shall meet with the Devil; for there is no unrighteousness wherewith the Devil is pleased. For all good is without the flesh and the world, because it is not according to the will of the flesh and the world. To such a desert then all the sons of God go out that they may be tempted. For example if you are unmarried, the Holy Spirit has in that led you into the desert, that is, beyond the limits of the flesh and the world, that you may be tempted by lust. But he who is married is unmoved by such temptation. Let us learn that the sons of God are not tempted but when they have gone forth into the desert, but the children of the Devil whose life is in the flesh and the world are then overcome and obey; the good man, having a wife is content; the bad, though he have a wife is not therewith content, and so in all other things. For what need that he should seek the strife who desires not victory? But the sons of God having more confidence and desirous of victory, go forth against him beyond the boundaries of the flesh. For this cause then Christ also went out to the Devil, that He might be tempted of him.

Chrysostom. But that you may learn how great a good is fasting, and what a mighty shield against the Devil, and that after baptism you ought to give attention to fasting and not to lusts, therefore Christ fasted, not Himself needing it, but teaching us by His example.

Gregory. The Creator of all things took no food whatever during forty days. We also, at the season of Lent as much as in us lies afflict our flesh by abstinence. The number forty is preserved, because the virtue of the Decalogue is fulfilled in the books of the holy Gospel; and ten taken four times amounts to forty. Or, because in this mortal body we consist of four elements by the delights of which we go against the Lord's precepts received by the Decalogue. And as we transgress the Decalogue through the lusts of this flesh, it is fitting that we afflict the flesh forty-fold. Or, as by the Law we offer the tenth of our goods, so we strive to offer the tenth of our time. And from the first Sunday of Lent to the rejoicing of the paschal festival is forty-two days, subtracting from which the six Sundays which are not kept there remain thirty-six. Now as the year consists of three hundred and sixty-five, by the affliction of these thirty-six we give the tenth of our year to God.

Augustine. Not however because Christ fasted immediately after having received baptism, are we to suppose that He established a rule to be observed, that we should fast immediately after His baptism. But when the conflict with the tempter is sore, then we ought to fast, that the body may fulfill its warfare by chastisement, and the soul obtain victory by humiliation.

Hilary. He *hungered*, not during the forty days, but after them. Therefore when the Lord hungered, it was not that the effects of abstinence then first came upon Him, but that His humanity was left to its own strength. For the Devil was to be overcome, not by the God, but by the flesh. By this was figured, that after those forty days which He was to tarry on earth after His passion were accomplished, He should hunger for the salvation of man, at which time He carried back again to God His Father the expected gift, the humanity which He had taken on Him.

Are you new to St. Ann?

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish and any visitors and hope you feel welcome!

Please contact us anytime! We look forward to hearing from you!

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Schedule of Events:**Monday, March 2**

5:30 p.m. Confessions

6 p.m. Daily Mass

7 p.m. youth Formation

Tuesday, March 3

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Daily Mass

6 p.m. youth formation K-5

6:30 p.m. Baptism Seminar

Wednesday, March 4

7:30 a.m. Confessions
 8 a.m. Mass
 7 p.m. KC meeting
Thursday, March 5
 7:30 a.m. Confessions
 8 a.m. Mass
Friday, March 6
 5 p.m. Youth Way of the Cross
 5:30 p.m. Confession
 6 p.m. Daily Mass
 6:30 p.m. Way of the Cross
Saturday, March 7
2nd collection: maintenance
 7:30 a.m. Confessions
 8 a.m. 1st Saturday Mass
 2 p.m. 2nd grade retreat
 3 p.m. Confessions
 4 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday, March 8
2nd collection: maintenance
 7:30 a.m. Confessions
 8 a.m. Mass
 9:30 a.m. Confessions
 10 a.m. Mass
 6:30 p.m. Mass

Daily Lenten Mass Schedule:

Monday 6 P.M. daily Mass
Tues. - Thurs. 8 A.M. daily Mass
Friday- Way of the Cross:
 5 P.M.-Way of the Cross
 6 P.M. daily Mass
 6:30 P.M. Way of the Cross



MASS INTENTIONS



For the Week of March 3 - March 8

8:00 A.M. - Tuesday, March 3

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann, Holy Souls in Purgatory, David Ward

8:00 A.M. -Wednesday, March 4

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann, Eric Rogers, Neva Morris, Mia Bourg

8:00 A.M. -Thursday, March 5

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann, Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:00 A.M -Friday, March 6

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann

4:00 P.M. Saturday, March 7

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
*Parishioners of St. Ann, Cynthia Charpentier, Everard "Bizz" Walker Jr,
 Boquet & Naquin family, Loyd Savin, Jerry & Mathew Arceneaux
 Lester & Alicia Babin family, Eric, Joel, & Frank Rogers Wilbert Dupre Sr,
 Wilbert & Elsie Hebert, Linda Ann Hebert, Salome H. Matherne, Matthew S. Matherne, Peter W. Hebert,
 Samuel Dominic Hebert, Wayne G. Cancienne, Michael McGee, Bertha & Edward Boudreaux
 Keri Lynn Niette, Dolores Viteaux, Faith LeBoeuf, Cecile Fabre, Walter & Anna Belle Duplantis,
 Herman & Ellen Walker, Leslie & Carley Walker, Herman Walker Jr., Lawrence Dugas,
 Wallace & Dolly Callahan, Raymond Moore, Geraldine Walker Callahan
 Neva Morris, Mia Bourg*

8:00 A.M. - Sunday, March 8

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann, Brad M. Falgout, Rhea P. Voisin & Eddie Voisin Jr

*Cindy R. Broussard Cecile Fabre, Vin & Joyce LeBlanc family, Gilbert & Rita Bergeron family
Wayne & Mary Eve Bascle, Lionel Bascle family, Arte' Breaux family, Arthur Lee Fabre,
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Fabre, Mr. & Mrs. Irby Petit, Aubrey Lee Boquet, Sue Bueche
Wilma, Eugene & John Dusenbery, Veronica Trahan, Terry Lirette, Amelie Thibodaux,
Ella Mae Guidry, Jesse Fanguy Sr., Ann Hebert, A.J. Theriot, Brad Michael Falgout
Linda Whipple Schouest,*

10:00 A.M. – Sunday, March 8

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:

*Parishioners of St. Ann, Herbert, Celina, Joyce, Deborah & Ronald Belanger, Rosie & Richard Lafont,
Living & Deceased Members of the Naquin, LaJaunie, LeBoeuf & Lapeyrouse Families
Geraldine Dupre*

6:30 P.M.-Sunday, March 8

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:

Parishioners of St. Ann, Clinton & Wilma Picou

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2020

The Sanctuary Light burns this week in memory of *Muriel Fabre* requested by Randolph & Kathie Bascle.

Stewardship of Treasure

February 15 & 16: Envelopes:\$ + Loose:\$ + \$456.72 (Online giving)

Thank you for your generosity!

Grief Support:

If you or someone you know is experiencing grief because of the loss of a loved one,
we invite you to attend a grief support group entitled; "THE JOURNEY OF GRIEF".

It is a 13 week session beginning Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 6:30pm at St. Bernadette Catholic Church,
409 Funderburk Ave. Houma, LA 70364. For registration, call St. Bernadette Catholic Church (985) 879-1506

How can you make the most of your time before Mass?

- Prayerfully read the Scripture readings that will be read at Mass.
- Ask yourself: "What is God saying to me, in my life, through the Scripture readings?"
- In silence, converse with God exactly what is on your heart.
- Be still and listen to what arises in your heart. Revisit the readings in the quiet of your home.

Thinking about LENT?

- **Lent** is a time of preparation for the celebration of Christ's Death and Resurrection at Easter. Lasting for forty days – from Ash Wednesday to the evening of Holy Thursday – the season draws us towards the light of Christ.
- What will I do to get closer to God this Lent? Give up something I love? Read the Bible? Go to the Way of the Cross on Friday? Go to Mass every Sunday? Pray the rosary?
- For more resources for Lent go to hdiocese.org/media, there you can find videos by Fr. Brice H. entitled: Why Lent?, Why no meat?, Why Stations of the Cross? , and many many more!
- **Attend the Lenten mission: 6 p.m. in church -Thursday, March 12(Deacon Daniel Duplantis); Thursday, March 19 (Deacon Rusty Bruce); Thursday, March 26 (Fr. Cody Chatagnier)**

	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	COMM. / LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS
<u>March 7 & 8</u>				
Saturday 4 p.m.	Debbie L., Yvonne W. June P., Cindy S.	Cindy S., Connie N.	Grace, Tyler	Jan, Steve B
Sunday 8 a.m.	Patsy E., Adrian M., Christine R., Doug B.,	Jesse N., David B.		Doug, Numa
10:00 a.m.	Cindy D., Johnnie O. Courtney A., Melody A,	David L., Sofie A.	Carter, Zack	Kenneth, Lanny
6:30 p.m.	Brett G., Maria T. Ashley D.	Amanda R., Hayes B.		

