

What do the Saints Say?

AMBROSE. For, as we have said, when the Saviour was washed, then the water was cleansed for our baptism, that a laver might be ministered to the people who were to come. Moreover, it behoved that in Christ's baptism should be signified those things which the faithful obtain by baptism.

CHRYSOSTOM. This action of Christ's has a figurative meaning pertaining to all who were after Him to be baptized; and therefore he says, *straightway He ascended*, and not simply *He ascended*, for all who are worthily baptized in Christ, straightway ascend from the water; that is, make progress in virtues, and are carried on towards a heavenly dignity. They who had gone down to the water carnal and sinful sons of Adam, straightway ascend from the water spiritual sons of God. But if some by their own faults make no progress after baptism, what is that to the baptism?

CHRYSOSTOM. For had the actual creation of the heavens been opened, he would not have said *were opened to Him*, for a physical opening would have been open to all. But some one will say, What, are the heavens then closed to the eye of the Son of God, who even when on earth is present in heaven? But it must be known, that as He was baptized according to the ordinance of humanity that He had taken on Him, so the heavens were opened to His sight as to His human nature, though as to His divine He was in heaven.

REMIGIUS. But was this then the first time that the heavens were opened to Him according to His human nature? The faith of the Church both believes and holds that the heavens were no less open to Him before than after. It is therefore said here, that the heavens were opened, because to all them who are born again the door of the kingdom of heaven is opened.

CHRYSOSTOM. But though you see it not, be not therefore unbelieving, for in the beginnings of spiritual matters sensible visions are always offered, for their sakes who can form no idea of things that have no body; which if they occur not in later times, yet faith may be established by those wonders once wrought.

REMIGIUS. As to all those who by baptism are born again, the door of the kingdom of heaven is opened, so all in baptism receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

AUGUSTINE. Christ after He had been once born among men, is born a second time in the sacraments, that as we adore Him then born of a pure mother, so we may now receive Him immersed in pure water. His mother brought forth her Son, and is yet virgin; the wave washed Christ, and is holy. Lastly, that Holy Spirit which was present to Him in the womb, now shone round Him in the water, He who then made Mary pure, now sanctifies the waters.

AUGUSTINE. It is easy to understand how the Holy Ghost should be said to be sent, when as it were a dove in visible shape descended on the Lord; that is, there was created a certain appearance for the time in which the Holy Spirit might be visibly shewn. And this operation thus made visible and offered to mortal view, is called the mission of the Holy Spirit, not that His invisible substance was seen, but that the hearts of men might be roused by the external appearance to contemplate the unseen eternity. Yet this creature in the shape of which the Spirit appeared, was not taken into unity of person, as was that human shape taken of the Virgin. For neither did the Spirit bless the dove, nor unite it with Himself for all eternity, in unity of person. Further, though that dove is called the Spirit, so far as to shew that in this dove was a manifestation of the Spirit, yet can we not say of the Holy Spirit that He is God and dove, as we say of the Son that He is God and man; and yet it is not as we say of the Son that He is *the Lamb of God*, as not only has John Baptist declared, but as John the Evangelist saw the vision of the Lamb slain in the Apocalypse. For this was a prophetic vision, not put before the bodily eyes in bodily shape, but seen in the Spirit in spiritual images. But concerning this dove none ever doubted that it was seen with the bodily eye; not that we say the Spirit is a dove as we say Christ is a Rock; (for *that Rock was Christ.*) (1 Cor. 10:4.) For that Rock already existed as a creature, and from the resemblance of its operation was called by the name of Christ, (whom it figured;) not so this dove, which was created at the moment for this single purpose. It seems to me to be more like the flame which appeared to Moses in the bush, or that which the people followed in the wilderness, or to the thunderings and lightnings which were when the Law was given from the mount. For all these were visible objects intended to signify something, and then to pass away. For that such forms have been from time to time seen, the Holy Spirit is said to have been sent; but these bodily forms appeared for the time to shew what was required, and then ceased to be.

Schedule of Events:

Tuesday, January 14

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, January 15

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Triple Fs Men's Fellowship

Thursday, January 16

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

Friday, January 17

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

Saturday, January 18

11a.m. Confirmation Mass

3 p.m. Confessions

4 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 19

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Confessions

10 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass



MASS INTENTIONS



For the Week of January 14, 2020 –January 19, 2020

8:00 A.M. - Tuesday, January 14

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

Parishioners of St. Ann

8:00 A.M. - Wednesday, January 15

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8:00 A.M. -Thursday January 16

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8:00 A.M -Friday, January 17

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4:00 P.M.- Saturday, January 18

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Cynthia Charpentier, Loretta & David Pellegrin (WA), Loyd Savin, Abel Adams, Jerry & Mathew Arceneaux, Eric, Joel, & Frank Rogers, Bourg & Rogers family, 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

8:00 A.M. - Sunday, January 19

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Wilma, Eugene & John Dusenbery, Veronica Trahan, Terry Lirette, Amelie Thibodaux, Ella Mae Guidry, Jesse Fanguy Sr., Ann Hebert, A.J. Theriot

*Eric & Erous Eschete, Rhea P. Voisin & Eddie Voisin Jr
Cindy R. Broussard, Vayne & 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
Rai Pellegrin (BD) Vin & Joyce LeBlanc & family, Gilbert & Rita Bergeron & family*

10:00 A.M. - Sunday, January 19

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Diana & Norris Bourg

6:30 P.M.- Sunday, January 19

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Clinton & Wilma Picou

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12, 2020

The Sanctuary Light burns this week in memory of Douglas Hutchinson requested by the family.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8932

St. Ann Bourg Council 8932 is currently accepting applications for the 2020 Boy and Girl Catholic Youth Leadership Award. Requirements are as follows: You must be a senior in high school, graduating in 2020, and a parishioner of St. Ann Catholic Church. Applications can be found on the Louisiana Knights of Columbus website under programs/Catholic Youth Leadership Award, or by going to the following link: <https://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cyla/>

All applications must be filled out completely with all necessary signatures, and delivered to Ivy J. Dupre, Jr., Grand Knight by midnight on January 25, 2020. No applications will be received after this date and time. If you need additional information or instructions please see the attached link or call Ivy J. Dupre, Jr. at 985-709-3642. Good Luck!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January 4 & 5: Envelopes: \$4927.00 + Loose: \$1272.00 + \$800.02 (Online giving)

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Diocesan Outreach Line

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is offering an Outreach Line (formerly known as the Child Protection Contact Line).

The Outreach Line is an effort to continue the diocesan commitment to support healing for people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux.

The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A trained mental health professional responds to the line. Individuals are offered additional assistance if requested.

The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line:

(985) 873-0026 or (985) 850-3172

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| <u>January 18 & 19</u> | | | | |
| SATURDAY 4:00P.M. | Randolph B, Kathie B. Cindy S., June P. | Paige R., Connie N. | Grace, Tyler | Steve H., Jan |
| SUNDAY | | | | |
| 8:00A.M. | Patsy E., Adrian M., Doug B. | Christine R., Nick P. | Lucas | volunteer |
| 10:00A.M. | Leroy T., Jarrod S., Gerald A., Melody A. | Lisa L., Youth | Brooke, Alexis | youth |
| 6:30 p.m. | Brett G., Maria T., Ashley D. | Lisa R., Amanda R. | | |

