

What do the Saints Say?

REMIGIUS. He here asserts two things; He denies that He was come to subvert the Law, and affirms that He was come to fulfill it.

AUGUSTINE. In this last sentence again there is a double sense; to fulfill the Law, either by adding something which it had not, or by doing what it commands.

CHRYSOSTOM. Christ then fulfilled the Prophets by accomplishing what was therein foretold concerning Himself—and the Law, first, by transgressing none of its precepts; secondly, by justifying by faith, which the Law could not do by the letter.

AUGUSTINE. And lastly, because even for them who were under grace, it was hard in this mortal life to fulfill that of the Law, *Thou shalt not lust*, He being made a Priest by the sacrifice of His flesh, obtained for us this indulgence, even in this fulfilling the Law, that where through our infirmity we could not, we should be strengthened through His perfection, of whom as our head we all are members. For so I think must be taken these words, *to fulfill* the Law, by adding to it, that is, such things as either contribute to the explanation of the old glosses, or to enable to keep them. For the Lord has showed us that even a wicked motion of the thoughts to the wrong of a brother is to be accounted a kind of murder. The Lord also teaches us, that it is better to keep near to the truth without swearing, than with a true oath to come near to blasphemy.

REMIGIUS. *Amen* is a Hebrew word, and may be rendered in Latin, 'vere,' 'fidenter,' or 'fiat;' that is, 'truly,' 'faithfully,' or 'so be it.' The Lord uses it either because of the hardness of heart of those who were slow to believe, or to attract more particularly the attention of those that did believe.

HILARY. From the expression here used *pass*, we may suppose that the constituting elements of heaven and earth shall not be annihilated.

REMIGIUS. But shall abide in their essence, but *pass* through renewal.

AUGUSTINE. By the words, *one iota or one point shall not pass from the Law*, we must understand only a strong metaphor of completeness, drawn from the letters of writing, *iota* being the least of the letters, made with one stroke of the pen, and a point being a slight dot at the end of the same letter. The words there show that the Law shall be completed to the very least matter.

RABANUS. He fitly mentions the Greek *iota*, and not the Hebrew *jod*, because the *iota* stands in Greek for the number ten, and so there is an allusion to the Decalogue of which the Gospel is the point and perfection.

CHRYSOSTOM. He speaks not this of the old laws, but of those which He was now going to enact, of which he says, *the least*, though they were all great. For as He so oft spoke humbly of Himself, so does He now speak humbly of His precepts.

AUGUSTINE. Or, the precepts of the Law are called 'the least,' as opposed to Christ's precepts which are great. The least commandments are signified by the *iota* and the point. *He*, therefore, *who breaks them, and teaches men so*, that is, to do as he does, *shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven*. Hence we may perhaps conclude, that it is not true that there shall none be there except they be great.

GLOSS. (ord.) By 'break,' is meant, the not doing what one understands rightly, or the not understanding what one has corrupted, or the destroying the perfectness of Christ's additions.

CHRYSOSTOM. Or, when you hear the words, *least in the kingdom of heaven*, imagine nothing less than the punishment of hell. For He oft uses the word 'kingdom,' not only of the joys of heaven, but of the time of the resurrection, and of the terrible coming of Christ.

GREGORY. Or, by the kingdom of heaven is to be understood the Church, in which that teacher who breaks a commandment is called least, because he whose life is despised, it remains that his preaching be also despised.

HILARY. Or, He calls the passion, and the cross, the least, which if one shall not confess openly, but be ashamed of them, he shall be least, that is, last, and as it were no man; but to him that confesses it He promises the great glory of a heavenly calling.

JEROME. This head is closely connected with the preceding. It is directed against the Pharisees, who, despising the commandments of God, set up traditions of their own, and means that their teaching the people would not avail themselves, if they destroyed the very least commandment in the Law. We may take it in another sense. The learning of the master if joined with sin however small, loses him the highest place, nor does it avail any to teach righteousness, if he destroys it in his life. Perfect bliss is for him who fulfils in deed what he teaches in word.

AUGUSTINE. Otherwise; *he who breaks the least of these commandments*, that is, of Moses' Law, *and teaches men so, shall be called the least; but he who shall do* (these least), *and so teach*, shall not indeed be esteemed great, yet not so little as he who breaks them. That he should be great, he ought to do and to teach the things which Christ now teaches.

Schedule of Events:

Monday, February 17

7 p.m. youth formation

Tuesday, February 18

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

6 p.m. youth formation K-5

Wednesday, February 19

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

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

Thursday, February 20

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

Friday, February 21

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

Saturday, February 22

3 p.m. Confessions
4 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday, February 23
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

8:00 A.M. - Tuesday, February 18

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:00 A.M. - Wednesday, February 19

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Mia Bourg, Randy & Ken, Laura Duplantis (BD), Gail Grissom (BD), Amber Romero (BD)

8:00 A.M. - Thursday February 20

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:00 A.M. - Friday, February 21

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Matthew Prosperie & family

4:00 P.M. Saturday, February 22

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Cynthia Charpentier, Wallace Ellender Jr., Loyd Savin, Henry & Egnolia Neil (WA)

Jerry & Mathew Arceneaux, 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

Dolores Viteaux, Faith LeBoeuf, Geraldine Walker Callahan

Cecile Fabre, Raymond Moore, Patsy Hutchinson, Neva Morris, Mia Bourg

8:00 A.M. - Sunday, February 23

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Rhea P. Voisin & Eddie voisin Jr., Cindy R. Broussard Cecile Fabre

Eula Mae, Paul & Roland Rodrigue, Peter & Daisy Babin family

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Ella Mae Guidry, Jesse Fanguy Sr., Ann Hebert, A.J. Theriot, Wanda Aucoin

Maxine Christoffersen, Linda Whipple Schouest, Dale Boudreaux

Wanda Aucoin, Corey Johnson(BD), Celeste Hebert(BD), Trenton Authement(BD),

Dot & Bernard Dupre(WA), Amy Dupre (BD)

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Francis & Iris Theriot, Patricia Grabert, Becky Gautreaux, Phillip Theriot, David Massey, Jemma Theriot, Norman Falgout Jr.,

Larry Falgout, Robbie, Evelyn, Chris Boudreaux, James Bergeron, Margie & Elton Thibodaux, Paul Jackson,

Angela Authement, Meva Blanchard, Tel Meeker, Pamela Falgout, Terry & Lois Chaisson, Wiley & Irene Portier,

10:00A.M. - Sunday, February 23

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

Parishioners of St. Ann, Elliot H. Crochet (BD), Maxine Christoffersen

Herbert, Celina, Joyce, Deborah & Ronald Belanger, Rosie & Richard Lafont,

Living & Deceased Members of the Naquin, LaJaunie, LeBoeuf & Lapeyrouse Families

Keri Lynn Niette, Geraldine Dupre, Olivia Dupre

6:30 P.M.-Sunday, February 23

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:
Parishioners of St. Ann, Clinton & Wilma Picou, Scott & Donaldson family

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16, 2020

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

The Altar Bread is in memory of *Muriel Fabre* requested by Kenny & Yvonne White.

The Altar Candles are in memory of *Wallace Ellender Jr.* requested by Stephen & Clara Walker.

The missals are in memory of *Macon, Edna, Roland Bascle, Remy & Bessie Reulet, Billy & Mark Pellegrin.*

Stewardship of Treasure

February 8 & 9: Envelopes:\$4748.00 + Loose:\$747.17 + \$456.71 (Online giving)

Thank you for your generosity!

Ash Wednesday: February 26, 2020

Lent is quickly approaching!

Ash Wednesday Mass times:

6 A.M., 8 A.M., 6 P.M.

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

**The Partner's in Hope
Annual Bishop's Appeal**

Your gift unites us all as a Partner in Hope in support of:



Dear Friends in Christ,

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." - Romans 8:28

The Lord has given each one of us a very unique purpose in life; to live his will for how us has called us. His love for his children is unmeasurable, and as we prepare our hearts for His great Love this Spring and upcoming Lenten season, we should ask ourselves 'How are we uniquely called by the Lord to live His purpose, His will?'

One way in which we are called to serve the Lord is through our church, and to join Him as we build the Kingdom of God. We are called to 'go out and make disciples.' Each year through our Partners in Hope Annual Bishop's Appeal, we ask all across our diocese to prayerfully consider supporting the great ministries that serve and touch the lives of each one of us.

I am inviting you to join with me in serving the mission God has given to us through your support as a Partner in Hope to our Bishop's Appeal.

I thank you for your generosity and prayers. Please be assured of my prayers for you in the Masses that I offer.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Shelton J. Fabre

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre
Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux

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!

Ph# 985-594-3548 Email: stannchurch@htdiocese.org

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?"
- Ask yourself: "What do I need from God today? What can I bring to Him?"
- In silence, converse with God exactly what is on your heart.
- Be still and listen to what arises in your heart.

MASSES	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS
<u>February 22 & 23</u>				
SATURDAY 4:00P.M.	Brian M., Marianne M. Kathie B., June P.	Brian M., Cindy S.	Rebecca, Isabella	Ollie, Jan Dave
SUNDAY 8:00A.M.	Tim M., Mona M., Monique, Carol B.	David B., Christine R.	Lucas	Numa
10:00A.M.	Paula W., Connie D., Courtney A., Ashley P.	Johnnie O., Natalie L.	Carter, Zack	Kenneth, Lanny
6:30 p.m.	Hayes B., Shane R. Maria T..	Lisa R., Amanda R.,		Clint, John R.,

