

Ascension of Our Lord + St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Churches

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WEEKDAY MASSES Monday - 12:00 noon Ascension Tuesday - Friday, 7AM St. Francis

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Reconciliation: 3-3:40PM Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM - Ascension Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM - Ascension 10:30 AM - St. Francis

### SACRAMENTS

Baptism - Call parish office Marriage - Call at least six (6) months in advance to schedule Care of the Sick - For emergencies please call 225-590-7930. Funerals - Call parish office.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

July 1, 2017 4:00 pm Vigil mass AOL Anabel Tores, Maria Taeok Sun, Joseph Kim, Howard & Totee Denoux, James Schexnayder, Martha, Leo & Louis Poirrier, Concetta Dinino, Loretta Sotile, Marianne Webre, Emile Spano, Terrance Aucoin, Sr., Alvin & BB Richard, Louis Preacher Schexnayder, Robert Schexnayder, Roy Latino, Leroy, Lydia & Edward LeBlanc, Mercedes Mistretta, Chris Matassa, George Arceneaux, Marjorie Griffin, Lois deBessonet, Harry Millien, Leo Poirrier, Janet Capone, Fr. Michael, Mary Soroka, Marion Roques, Loretta Pizzolato, M/M Frank Forte, Shane Pfister, David Speck Pfister, Vernon Speck Pfister, Cedric Usey,

July 2, 2017 8:00 am AOL Emile Spano, Danny Barry, Bobby Miglicco, Roland Ourso, Billy Dunn, Norbert & Laura Schexnayder, Joe & Helen Cavalier

<u>10:30 am SFA</u> Sherry L. Ourso, Ronnie Morris, Rocky Morris, Rocky Morris, Raphael & Mary Juneau, Myrtle Ourso, Francis & Clare Dubis, Cory Oubre, Stella Levins, Charlie Doescher, Ronald & Margaret Carbo, Aimee Ourso Webb, John & Dot Richard, Gwen Boudreaux, Raymond Decareaux, Fay Decareaux, Jerry Decareaux, Allen Decareaux, Gerald Alexander, Anthony Trepagnier, Joan Repp

July 4, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano, Camilla, Anne, Nelson Morris, Bill Carr & fly, Mary Morris & fly., Edith & Charles Kern, Willy & Therese Hodge, Mathilda & Milton Boudreaux, Cyprien Kern, fly., Lenes Simoneaux & fly., Roland & Laurence Schexnayder, Courtney Guidry, Cade Michael Brown, Dot & Hilliard Landry

July 5, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano, Debbie Frey

July 6, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano, Stanley & Fred Dill, Marriet & Rudy Kolb

July 7, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano

July 8 2017 4:00 pm Vigil mass AOL Anabel Torres, Maria Taeok Sun, Joseph Kim, Concetta Dinino, Cedric Usey, Marianne Webre, Emile Spano, Loretta Sotile, Salvador & Annette Grisaffe, Eddie Esneault, Jr., Paul & Heloise Grisaffe, Amelica & Leah Gravois, Eddie & Lilly Esneault, Alvin & BB Richard, Terrance Aucoin, Sr., Louis Preacher Schexnayder, Chris Matassa, George Arceneaux, Marjorie Griffin, Roy Latino, Lois deBessonet, Harry Millien, Marie Ninie Pizzolato, Leo Poirrier, Camile & Josephine Esneault, Theophile & Anna Landry, Janet Capone, Aline Hebert, Sr. Martha, Alexander Lee, Mary Soroka, Louise Chauff, Allen Chauff, Jr.

July 9, 2017 8:00 am AOL\_Emile Spano, Robert Schexnayder, Danny Barry, Bobby Miglicco, Roland Ourso, Nrbert & Laura Schexnayder

<u>10:30 am SFA</u> Sherry Ourso, Kathleen Gomez Garrene, Ronnie Morris, Rocky Morris, Raphael & Mary Juneau, Myrtle Ourso, Cory Oubre, Aimee Ourso Webb, John & Dot Richard, Gwen Boudreaux, Hilda Landaiche, Gerald Alexander, M/M Lynn Simoneaux, Lynn Simoneaux, Jr., Stanley Simoneaux, Anthony Trepagnier, Robert Guillot, Mercedes Mistretta, Charlie Doescher, Joan Repp

July 11, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano

July 12, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano

July 13, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano

July 14, 2017 7:00 am SFA Emile Spano

July 15, 2017 4:00 pm Vigil mass AOL \_\_Anabel Torres, Maria Taeok Sun, Joseph Kim, Marianne Webre, Emile Spano, Vernon Speck Pfister, David Speck Pfister, Shane Pfister, M/M Frank Forte, Gloria Peltier, Alvin & BB Richard, Teresa Cushmann, Terrance Aucoin, Sr., Louis Preacher Schexnadyer, Loretta Pizzolato, Mary Soroka, Robert Schexnayder, Mercedes Mistretta, George Arceneaux, Marjorie Griffin, Dr. Percy H. LeBlanc, Lois deBessonet, Harry Millien, Leo Poirrier, Janet Capone, Sr. Rogastine

July 16, 2017 8:00 am AOL Emile Spano, Nolan Guillot, Danny Barry, Robert Miglicco, Roland Ourso, Norbert & Laura Schexnayder, Joe & Helen Cavalier

10:30 am SFA\_Sherry Ourso, Ronnie Morris, Rocky Morris, Raphael & Mary Juneau, Myrtle Ourso, Cory Oubre, Aimee Ourso Webb, John & Dot Richard, Gwen Boudreaux, Hilda Landaiche, Gerald Alexander, Stella Levins, Francis & Clare Dubis, Charlie Doescher, Anthony Trepagnier, Joan Repp

Liturgical Minister Schedule for June 25 - July 16, 2017

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<u>July 1, 2017</u>	L. Eure C	P. Carter B1	D. Weil W	Eure
<u>4:00 pm vigil mass</u>	L. Carter L	L. Rome B2 S. Bessonet B3	G. Mistretta W	
<u>July2, 2017</u>	M. Gros L	J. Hidalgo B1	H.Michel W	A. Charlet
<u>8:00 am AOL</u>	R. Capello C	M.Lemann B2 D. Sagona B3	H. Poirier W	
<u>10:30 am SFA</u>	J.Maher L	K. LeBlanc B	L. Templet W	L. Thibodeaux
	J. Theriot C	M. Maher B	C. LeBlanc W	S. Pfister
<u>July 8, 2017</u>	F. Aucoin L	T. LeBlanc B1	E. Burns W	A. Turner
<u>4:00 pm vigil mass</u>	D. Lemann C	L. Shaheen B2 J. Burns B3	J. Templet W	K. Mistretta
<u>July 9, 2017</u>	K. Brown L	T. Brown B1	H. Rodrigue W	Eure
<u>8:00 am AOI</u>	D. LeBlanc C	M. Bergeron B2 R. LeBlanc B3	B. Mistretta W	
<u>10:30 am SFA</u>	K. Acosta C E. Abadie L	H. Jumonville B S. Jumonville B	J.Abadie W D. Safford W	Schexnayder
<u>July 15, 2017</u>	S. Mitchell L	E. Abadie B1	G. Robert W	Lemann
<u>4:00 pm vigil mass</u>	M. Turner C	J. Abadie B2 N. Mitchell B3	S. Bessonet W	
<u>July 16, 2017</u>	S. Sotile C	C. Savoia B1	T. Ewen W	T. Thibodeaux
<u>8:00 am AOL</u>	J. Mistretta L	J. Savoia B2 B. Arboneaux B3	M. Thibodeaux W	
<u>10:30 am SFA</u>	S. Jumonville L	R. Bouchereau W	J. Maher B	T. Bourg
	P. Jarreau C	A. Capone W	C. LeBlanc B	W. Bellina



25th (Silver Jubilee) Priestly Ordination of of Fr. Demond Ohankwere MSP Saturday, July 8, 2017, 4:30PM St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

Father Desmond Ohankwere MSP, pastor of St. Catherine of Siena in Donaldsonville, will be celebrating his 25th anniversary to priesthood on Saturday, July 8, 2017, 4:30PM at St. Catherine Catholic Church.

Father Desmond was ordained July 1, 1992 and has served in parishes in Nigeria, the Archdiocese of Baltimore, Diocese of Savannah, Ga., and the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. He served as the regional supervisor for the Mission Society of St. Paul, North America Region (U.S. & Canada). He was appointed



by Bishop Robert W. Muench as pastor of St. Catherine of Sienna Church in Donaldsonville since Oct. 1, 2014.

# **Article From Savanah Morning News**

*Saturday, April 15, 2006* Fr. Desmond grew up in the Igbo tribe in the village of Otulu with about 45,000 people.

He was working in textiles, traveling to China and the Netherlands, and waiting in chronological line behind his brothers to get married. His birthplace is in the middle of six brothers and one sister. The American custom of dating is still foreign to him.

When a textile employee discovered he wouldn't take the customary bribes, the employee told him he should be a priest. His mother wasn't initially happy. She controlled the money and he was one of her favorite children.

"She realized I was serious and gave in."

His father was a prominent politician before dying, and his mother has assumed that role, so she doesn't leave for visits here. Father Desmond travels there most years.

When the west Nigerian accent hits the Southern ear and vice versa, the result is not always clear. He said his accent is more pronounced as he gets excited.

"Body language says a lot. In Nigeria we speak openly."

He encourages whiners to join other churches.

At first, he found the services "too quiet for me. When we say 'amen' in Nigeria, the words ring. The people shout it."

He likes to talk to a full house. "My energy level is up when

there are more people in the pews. I'm a crowd person. My preaching is a dialogue."

He smiles easily.

"I knew I brought something, and I knew I had to study. I'm still learning."

He had to learn the American wave. Fingers waving up and down in Nigeria is a summons. When he tried to summon people in the U.S., he got lots of waves, but no one approached. A summoning motion in the U.S. could be an insult in Nigeria.

He's also had to adjust to first names for older members. The endearments "brother" and "sister" are useful.

He's "easy to talk to," said another parishioner, Marion Poole. "He puts the Word in language we lay people can understand."

Another parishioner, Elaine Brown, said, "He's making us more ambitious, always moving forward. He puts the fire underneath you."

Audrey Moultrie's son led her to St. Benedict's from the

Methodist Church a year ago. He's a student at Blessed Sacrament.

Father Desmond is "always guided by God," she said.

"If you get mad, he'll take you to lunch," said Rosemary Walden,



the church secretary for three years and a member for more than 20.

Father Desmond, who turns 50 in June, 2006 has a procedure for conflict. You can be mad for two weeks. "If you're still mad, you have another 21 days. Then we go to the buffet to get over it, but you have to buy the food."

Father Desmond started his healing ministry in Nigeria, with anointing and laying on hands. He wants to let people experience God, reach out for God. Sometimes people pass out.

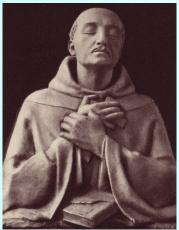
As part of the Missionary Society of St. Paul, he goes where he is needed.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight." (Prov. 3:5-6)

"In All things, Give Praise to God".



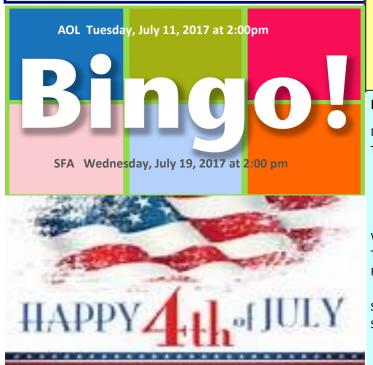
Anyone who signed up to work Vacation Bible school, please come to the St. Francis parish hall on Monday, July 17th at 9:00 am for a short orientation. Bible school begins at 9:30 am.



St. John of the Cross and Mother Mercy: Gentle Guide in the Dark Night A Talk by Fr. Paul Yi Sunday, July 16, 2017 6PM Ascension Activity Center

Come learn about how your trials and difficulties in life have a meaning, that it is precisely during those experiences you encounter God and outpouring of His love. St. John of the Cross will help us point out the

signs of God's presence even in our most dark times of our lives.





The Church office will be closed Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th, (Independence Day)

# First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Registration

Registration for First Eucharist will be on Sunday September 10, 2017 at Ascension of Our Lord Activity center at 6:00 pm. At least one

parent must attend the meeting. Any children who were not baptized at Ascension or St. Francis, please bring a copy of your baptismal certificate.



### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29 Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17; Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

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# Will you spend an hour with Jesus?

Please contact Brenda Richard if you are interested in spending an hour at the Adoration Chapel. Brenda @ 717-0466.



### **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD/ ST FRANCIS**

Prayer Line

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Carey Andermann, Will Ray Berot, Allen Bellina, Cynthia Blanchard, Maryella Bradford, the family of Cade Michael Brown, Russell Bujol, Brent Burgess, Yvonne Caballero, Martin Cancienne, Janet Capone, John Capone, Margaret Carbo, Calvin & Frankie Casteigne, Joseph Cavalier, Meggie Clifton, Alton Daigle, Beth Daigle, Penny Dearman, Lois De Bessonet, Betty Defiore, Andy Diez, Chasely Diez, Bobby Esneault, Barbara Ghiradi, Roberta Giroir, Debbie Gomez, the fly of Courtney Guidry, Landry Guillot, Tommy Guillot, Carol Hernandez, Heath Hernandez, Natalie Hill, Tommy Hood, Jr.,Brenda Landry, Diana Landry, Kathleen Landry, Amelia Lanoix, Brooks Ory LeBlanc, Jessica Madere, Chris Martinez, Jennifer Martinez, Joe Matassa, Kayla McLaughlin, Tripp Miglicco, Rosalie Mistretta, Bishop Robert Muench, Natalie, Aline Doll Oschwald, Mabel Ourso, Nicole Owers, Betty & Nolan Poirrier, Frances Poirrier, Hazel Poirier, Edie Rodrigue, Lorraine & Phillip Rodrigue, Dennis Rome, Phil Rome, Ronnie Rome, Jr., Eula Ruggeiro, Annie LeBlanc Russo, Maria Russo, Brandy & Brenda Sanchez, Jackie Schexnayder, George Shaheen, Cliff Sherman, Earline Simoneau, Sue Solar, Lucy Belle Sotile, Bonnie Templet, Brandt Theriot, Allie Zerinque

If you have family or friends who need prayer, please call Sandra Mistretta at 473-4341 or Becky Bellina at 473-6654 or 717-1734. Please also call when you would like their name taken off of the prayer line.





# **Stewardship of your Finances**

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June 24-25 , 2017 Church Support \$ 2,572 Maintenance \$ 1,468 St. Francis of Assisi

June 25, 2017 Church Support \$ 1,871 Maintenance\$ 130











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