

**Pastor Notes:**

We had, again, another wonderful week with our family day celebration. I was so happy to see many of you. I would like to thank all those who organized it and helped in various ways to make this day a wonderful one. I am sure all of you had a good time at the family day. All those who could not come, they just missed it.

You might have noticed the change in church, where the resurrected Christ is moved to the back and a crucified Christ is on the Altar. We have a write up about it below and why we had to do that.

This weekend we have World Mission Sunday. Let us keep praying for all the missionaries in the world and extend our support to them. Each Christian by faith is called to be a missionary. Let us try to do all that we can to bring others to Christ.

**Prayer for this week:**

**One Minute at a Time:** Lord, You give me today one minute at a time. That's all I have, all I ever will have. **Give me the faith** that believes each moment asks me to trust You even as You trust me. **Give me the hope** that holds within each minute ~ despite pain or doubt or fear ~ an anticipation of eternity with you. **Give me the love** that transforms each minute of my life into a reflection of Your forgiveness, mercy and goodness. Amen.

Wish you all a great week and God bless you!

Fr. Philip Kuruvilla

**CROSS ABOVE THE ALTAR**

Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, you may already have noticed a very significant change at our beloved St. Joseph Church. It has been decided that the cross of the resurrected Christ that hung over the altar in Church be moved to the back of the Church. We have been used to seeing the cross over our altar for many years. It was donated to the Church by a wonderful and faith-filled family and has served us well over the years. The decision to move the cross was made for three reasons: 1) Church regulations and rubrics (*a direction in a liturgical book as to how a church service should be conducted*). 2) Proper theology and most importantly, 3) The effectiveness of Mass in our lives.

First, let us talk about rules. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) states in paragraph 117 and 122 that “a cross with a figure of Christ crucified” be placed on or near the altar. Secondly, Christ died on a cross and was resurrected in a tomb-not on a cross. This may seem silly to have to state but it does have significance. In Mathew 27:40 when the crowds says to Jesus to come down for the cross, he chooses to stay up on the cross that we may be saved from our sins. When we look at a crucifix, it should remind us that “the wages of sin is death...”, (Romans 6:23) and that we too must carry our own cross to follow Christ (Luke 14:27). Thirdly, the purpose of the Mass is to make present the One True Sacrifice of Christ on the Cross to us today in an unbloody manner. As Catholics, we are not just to sit idly during the Eucharistic Prayer. In fact, we should be assisting at Mass by calling to mind the Passion of our Lord and His sacrifice on the Cross. We are aided by having a crucifix above the altar. It also reminds us that WE must die to the world if WE are to be resurrected with Christ. Then with “great love and tender pity” we can contemplate the precious wounds of Our Lord.

Now we have placed the crucifix above the altar which was given to us by the Christians from the Holy Land. Our future plan is to replace this with another one which we have to purchase and will be expensive. If we all like the present one, we will keep it the same or with your donation we will get another one.

**VETERAN’S MASS**

Saturday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, is Veteran’s Day. We ask for your prayers for all members of the armed forces, especially those who are serving from our parish. We will honor our Veteran’s with a special blessing at the 4 p.m. Mass.



**PRIEST VISITS**

Anyone wishing to have Fr. Philip visit/pray with them before/during/after hospital stays should contact the church office at 594-5859.



## IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting on Sunday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, at 11 a.m. in the church office meeting room.

## HOLY HOUR

All are invited to join in an hour of prayer and adoration on Monday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, from 6-7 p.m. at St. Joseph Church.

## SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend is World Mission Sunday. Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious, and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even “chat” with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at [ChatWithThePope.org](http://ChatWithThePope.org). Please place your weekly donation in the first basket and your Mission donation in the second basket, which will pass right after the first collection.

## CHURCH CLEANING

On Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, after the 7:30 a.m. Mass, volunteers will be giving the church a thorough cleaning. Everyone is invited to help in any way possible, even if you are not assigned to a group. We have about 15 people who volunteered to clean the church weekly. If you are interested in volunteering your time to clean the church, please contact the church office and we will assign you to one of the 4 groups that is formed.

## ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS SCHEDULE

- 1.) Tuesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>:  
6 p.m. Vigil Mass;  
Wednesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>: 8:30 a.m. Mass in Church & 4 p.m. Mass in Cemetery
- 2.) Thursday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>:  
7:30 a.m. Mass &  
6 p.m. Memorial



- Mass. Families who have lost a loved one from November 2016 – October 2017, are invited to participate in this Mass by bringing a picture or name and date of death, in a picture frame, to be placed on the altar. After Mass a small reception will be held for the families at the Youth Center.
- 3.) **Blessing of Cemeteries:** St. Joseph Cemetery will be blessed after the 4 p.m. Mass on November 1<sup>st</sup>. St. Elie, Chauvin, and Picou Cemeteries will be blessed after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

## MARRIAGE BLESSING (VALIDATION)

Anyone who was married civilly (justice of the peace) who would like to get their marriage validated (blessed) please call the church office at 594-5859 to schedule an appointment with the priest or deacon. It is a simple process to go through.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There will be a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Business meeting on Thursday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. Meal begins at 6:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed before the meeting.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

1. Youth Chapel Night will be held on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Chapel. Please check Facebook page for more information.
2. Teens Encounter Christ “TEC” for youth in grades 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> will be held on November 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, at Lumen Christi Retreat Center at the Souby Building. TEC is an excellent opportunity for youth to further develop their relationship with Christ. This retreat is based on the Paschal Mystery of Christ which is a reflection of His life, death, and resurrection. Early registration fee of \$80 deadline is October 27<sup>th</sup>, late registration fee of \$95 deadline is November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
3. March for Life Pilgrimage will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Rachael for more information.

*For more information about youth ministry contact Rachael at 876-3447.*

## THURSDAY NIGHTS OF RENEWAL

On Thursday nights from 6:35-8:35 p.m., prayer services will be held at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Adoration Chapel. Private & Personal Prayer Ministry offered after Night of Renewal; Charismatic/ Eucharistic Nights of Prayer with the Rosary.

- Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>: Teaching: Gift of Prophecy Workshop; Speaker: Denise Beyer
- *The Book for the Mini Retreat Series, beginning in November, will be sold for \$8 at October Thursday Night Meetings*

## LADIES NIGHT OUT OF FELLOWSHIP

A Ladies Night out will be held on Thursday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m., at Olive Garden. All ladies are invited, not just Ladies Altar Society. For more information or to RSVP please call Missy Lyons at 232-0768.

## ST. ELIE CEMETERY

Parishioners who have loved ones buried in St. Elie Cemetery (Upper Little Caillou) are asked to make a kind donation for upkeep of the graveyard. Please contact Herbert Fanguy at 879-2760, Derek Charpentier at 790-6266, or Darrell Charpentier at 872-4292. Thank you for your support in years past.

## PICOU CEMETERY

Parishioners who have loved ones buried at E. Picou Cemetery (the hill) are asked to make a kind donation for the upkeep of the graveyard. Please contact Kim Bourg at 594-4706.

## COLLECTION COUNTERS

Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Yvonne Soudelier

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>: Mary Griffin

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>:

Envelopes: \$3,774.00

Loose: 393.00

Total Offertory: \$4,167.00



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 7:30 a.m. Mass; 6 p.m. Al Anon Meeting in Parish Center; 7 p.m. RCIA

**Tuesday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>:** 6:30 p.m. Youth Chapel Night

**Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>:** 8:30 a.m. Mass; 7 p.m. Bible Class

**Thursday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>:** 7:30 a.m. Mass; 6:35 p.m. ULC Chapel Prayer Meeting; 7 p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> Degree

**Friday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>:** 8:30 a.m. Mass

**Saturday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>:** 4 p.m. Vigil Mass

**Sunday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>:** 8 a.m., 10 a.m., and 5 p.m. Mass; 6 p.m. Rel. Ed. Classes; 11 a.m. Implementation Meeting

Correction from last week's bulletin; was posted as Maintenance Collection.

Hurricane Irma Collection: \$2,741.00



**Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, Weekday: 4 p.m.** Danny Lirette, Jr.; Billie Fae Pellegrin; Carolyn Pellegrin; Rita Foret; Mary Beth D. Price; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & family; Marie Eschete; Jerolyn Lirette; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Allicia (anniv.) & Hewitt Chauvin; Luby "Richard" Neal; Walterine, Noel, Sr., & Noel, Jr. Foret; Wilma Picou

**Sunday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>h</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Mission Sunday): 8 a.m.** Winona Guidry; Thomas Plaisance; Nolan & Ora Portier; Evince Martin, Jr. (anniv.); Ray A. Pellegrin; **10 a.m. Parish Family** Andrew Chauvin; Lois Foret; Imelda & Myron Pellegrin; Chester, Alice, & Timothy Carlos; Clyde Domangue & Randy; **5 p.m.**

**Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Weekday, (St. John of Capistrano): 7:30 a.m.** Olivia Ledet

**Tuesday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, Weekday, (St. Anthony Mary Claret): No Mass**

**Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, Weekday: 8:30 a.m.** All Souls List Jody Price (anniv.)

**Thursday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, Weekday: 7:30 a.m.**

**Friday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, Weekday: 8:30 a.m.** Nellie White

<b>Saturday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 4 p.m.</b>	<b>Commentator:</b> Mary Griffin <b>Lectors:</b> <b>Rosary:</b> Dreus Lapeyrouse <b>Altar Servers:</b> Amanda Constrantiche; Lindsey Ledet; Halle Pellegrin	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Jude Landry (tab) <b>Cemetery: B –</b> Shanna Ledet <b>Sacristy: B –</b> Sheila Thibodeaux	<b>BL-</b> Allen Eschete <b>BL-</b> Tina Landry <b>BL-</b> Pat Thibodeaux <b>BL –</b> Rosalyn Boudreaux
<b>Sunday Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m.</b>	<b>Commentator:</b> Addie Martin <b>Lector:</b> Jamie Robichaux <b>Rosary:</b> Merita Lyons <b>Altar Servers:</b> Eddie, Francisco, & Jose' Guevara	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Theresa Chauvin (tab) <b>Cemetery: B –</b> Bob Henry <b>Sacristy: B –</b> Merita Lyons	<b>BL –</b> Jenny Authement <b>BL –</b> Kate Fanguy <b>BL –</b> Phylis Henry <b>BL –</b> Miriam LeBoeuf
<b>Sunday Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.</b>	<b>Commentator:</b> Tracie Defelice <b>Lector:</b> Eric Boudreaux <b>Altar Servers:</b> Alexis Authement; Maddie Callahan; Addison Rousse	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Joyce Luke (tab) <b>Cemetery:</b> Curtis Constrantiche <b>Sacristy: B –</b> Monique Robert	<b>BL –</b> Joni Bourg <b>BL –</b> Anita Boudreaux <b>BL –</b> Olivia Constrantiche <b>BL –</b> Shawn Robert
<b>Sunday Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 5 p.m.</b>	<b>YOUTH MASS</b> <b>Altar Servers:</b> Justin Marie; Hannah Robert; Maggylou White	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Deacon Gary (tab)	<b>BL –</b> Bert Skarke <b>BL –</b> Summer Skarke
<b>Tuesday Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Commentator:</b> Rhonda Guilfou <b>Lectors:</b> Eric Boudreaux	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Anita Boudreaux (tab)	<b>BL-</b> Bob Henry <b>BL-</b> Phylis Henry
<b>Wednesday Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Commentator:</b> Pat Thibodeaux <b>Lector:</b> Marlene Champagne	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Danny Lirette (tab)	<b>BL –</b> Leon Champagne <b>BL –</b> Norma Lirette
<b>Wednesday Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 4 p.m.</b>	<b>Lector:</b> Allen Eschete (Cemetery)	<b>Center: B – Fr. Philip</b> <b>Center: B –</b> Mary Griffin (tab)	<b>BL –</b> Tammy Pellegrin <b>BL –</b> Merita Lyons