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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Weekdays:

5:30 pm (Tuesday and Thursday)

9:00 am (Wednesday) 6:30 am (Friday)

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm

(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:

Fr. Ed Degeyter

BOOKKEEPER:

Linda L. Viator

SECRETARY:

Polly Camacho

RECEPTIONIST:

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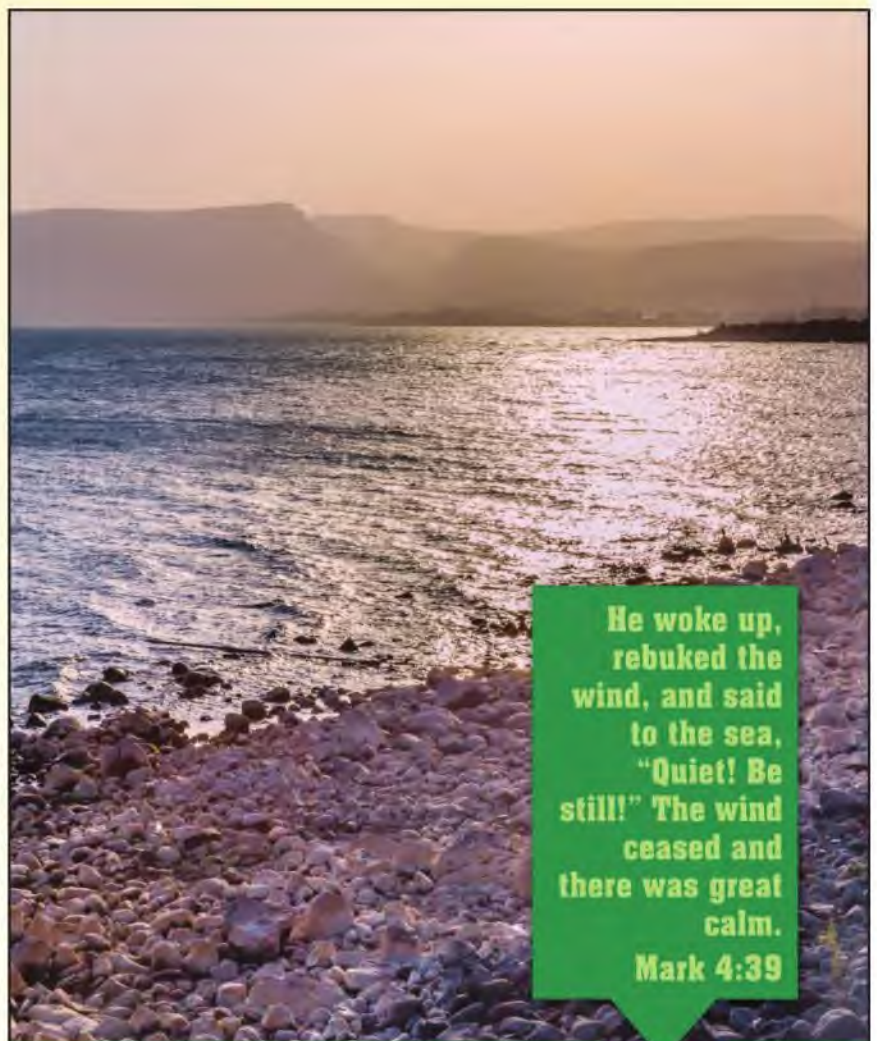
RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

ROSARY:

Wednesday: 8:20 am (*Pro-Life*)

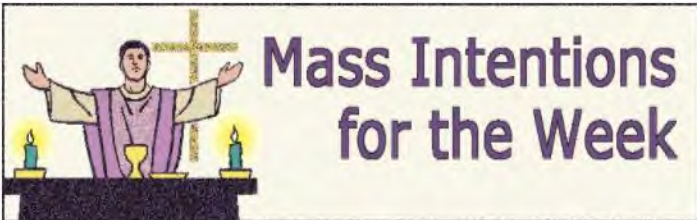
First Saturday: 8:20 am



He woke up,
rebuked the
wind, and said
to the sea,
"Quiet! Be
still!" The wind
ceased and
there was great
calm.
Mark 4:39

June 23, 2024

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ORDINARY
TIME



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**We are a sacrificial giving Parish,
giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure:**

OUR GIFTS TO GOD June 9th

Loose	\$ 924.00
Envelopes	\$ 4,280.00
Total (collected)	\$ 5,204.00
Online Giving offertory	\$ 638.00
Mailed in offertory	\$ 535.00
Total offertory (week)	\$ 6,377.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

Tuesday, June 25, 2024
5:30pm Dylan P. Ortego (liv)(bd)

Wednesday, June 26, 2024
9:00am Carrol Romero, Sr., A Special Intention
 Patty Babineaux Fontenot, Jeff Belaire
 Judy Detwiler (liv)(bd), Lenora Broussard
 Scott & Deborah Detwiler, Doris Vann
 Anna Mae Broussard, Sally Harper
 Jerry Dooley

Thursday, June 27, 2024
5:30pm Lupe Camacho, Doralisse Hebert (bd)

Friday, June 28, 2024
6:30am Richard Guidry


Saturday, June 29, 2024
4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Errol Guyote (bd)
 Lynward Ransonet, Roy Flores

Sunday, June 30, 2024
7:00am Parishioners, Lupe Camacho
 Laura & Olan Broussard, Carroll Aucoin

9:00am Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Agapito A. Castro, Gerald "Bick" Girouard
 Quang V. Nguyen, Clark Romero
 Phero Tien Van Nguyen

11:00am Fr. A.J. Boumans, Harvey & Joyce DeCourt
 Donna M. Lanza, Linda L. Viator (liv)

PARISH VOCATION CROSS
The Vocation Cross is taken by:



Karl & Sara Boudreaux (June 23 - June 29)
Karl & Sara Boudreaux (June 30 - July 6)

Each week, a family or an individual from our parish receives the vocation cross. During the week they pray for vocations not only from our parish, but through the diocese for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious & consecrated life. If you or your family would like to receive the vocation cross, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet near the tabernacle in church.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION

Nativity Altar Society is hosting a retirement reception for Linda L. Viator, our parish bookkeeper. The reception will be following the 11am Mass on **Sunday, June 30th**. Come celebrate with Linda and share your best wishes for her as she enters her new stage in life.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED
Home Schooling

Q: We are considering homeschooling our children. Does this present a problem when it is time for them to receive the sacraments? What must we do?

A: Homeschooling is legal in all fifty states and like other types of education, has its advantages and its drawbacks. There are many factors to consider, and each family has to decide what the best way to educate its children is. With religious education, many dioceses have a formal policy that outlines procedures and expectations, some of which include more than just academic information. Call the religious education office to find out what they are for your area.

In general, though, an appointment with your parish priest to discuss your situation is the best first step. An opportunity to discuss what is available, what the expectations are for each sacrament, and how you can best prepare your child helps make your time of preparation more effective. The priest can direct you to good catechetical materials, parent information classes, and other choices and possibilities for your child. All parents need to be part of their child's religious education, taking a lead in instilling the values and beliefs of their faith. Communication and information helps us all to teach and preach the Gospel as Jesus did. ©LPi

REFLECTIONS - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Reflect on what it means for you to know that Jesus died for your salvation. He did not ask that you promise anything. He did not consider your faults and failures. He simply loved you as you are and gives his life for you. Now consider how you treat others. Does this awareness of how much Jesus accepted and loved you influence how you respond to others? Should it? What can you do to treat others more like Jesus has treated you?

"Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting." - Psalm 107:1
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June 23, 2024 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 38:1, 8-11 | 2 Cor 5:14-17 | Mk 4:35-41

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

St. Boniface, an English Benedictine monk who died in the 8th century, wrote in a letter: “In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life’s different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course.” Oceans and seas, lakes and rivers, baptism. The role of water in daily life and its use as a metaphor are woven throughout our Scriptures. In today’s readings, we hear two references to the sea. First, we have God talking to Job out of a storm, reminding the prophet that he – the Lord – is the one who created the seas and keeps them firmly in their place. The Gospel passage provides us with a stark reminder of that truth. As the disciples and Jesus cross the sea, a storm crops up and threatens to sink their boat. But one command from Jesus and the water is still. St. Boniface had it right. We really all are on that ship with Jesus on its voyage across the ocean of this world, and trusting in him to keep us on course and safe from harm ensures we reach the destinations he intends for us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How to do our part to keep this great ship that is the Church on course? Trust in Christ, trust that he is present within us and guiding us each day. No one is immune from stormy seas, and like the disciples, we can turn to Jesus in times of peril. He asked the disciples: “Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?” Like the disciples, we must experience the change of heart that is necessary to place complete trust in Jesus to replace our fear and anxiety. God has things under control. Of course, that is what can be so scary sometimes. I know God will take care of everything, but what if I don’t like how he does it? What if I want him to answer my prayers one way and he answers them a different way? This is where Jesus might ask me: “Do you not yet have faith?” And I would have to reply, “I’m working on it.”

PRAY We are assured throughout Scripture that God loves us, cares for us, and sustains us. But how do we move from knowing that in our heads to feeling it in our hearts? Prayer. If we center our life on Jesus and his commands, trusting in him will become second nature. Take some time this week and pray with today’s Psalm (107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31), which praises God for his love for us and gives voice to trusting in his providence.

*Gospel Meditation for the
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Right now, you and I are only worried about one of only two things: wind or water. Bear with me. This week we hear the account of the terrified disciples waking Jesus in a sea-storm. He chastises them for their lack of faith, and then, **“rebuking the wind, he said to the sea, ‘Quiet, be still!’”** He rebukes the wind and stills the water. In the Bible wind and water represent the two most fundamental poles of our experience of creation. Wind means heaven, spirit, that which gives identity, unity, order, light. Water stands for earth, variation, potential, that which can be drawn into identity, darkness, chaos.

Too much “wind” is when things get way too rigid, abstract and ideological — when we face oppressive leaders and tyrants, when we get addicted to our own way of doing things, when our attention is too narrowly focused on one thing. Too much “water” is excessive novelty, passivity, indifference, and chaos — when our attention is too broadly diffused on many things, when things seem to be crumbling without direction into the dark abyss. We know both terrifying experiences all too well.

The point of the miracle is that God in Christ is the One who brings final cosmic harmony between these two vital but threatening forces. He ultimately does so from the wood of the cross, when he breathes forth the wind of his spirit and pours forth the water from his side to establish a new creation, filled with harmonious peace. When the wind and water are out of control, trust him.

Fr. John Muir

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PRAYER & SICK LIST



The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office

@ 337-364-8360: Tracy Renard, Stacey Pellerin, Brenda Hebert, Daniel Bienvenu, Laura George, Elmae Picard, Pat Villermin, Billy Simon, Lynette Landry, Tommy Ronsonet, Michelle Frith, Lawrence Romero, Jimmy Simoneaux, Laura LaBiche, Curtis Hulin, Julie Naquin, Morgan McMusson, Candice Clark, Kerry Romero, Todd D'Albor, Barrett Gardner, Delina Lafont, Sonny Broussard, Michelle Parrie, Raywood Buteaux, Scott Romero, Denise Hebert, Millard & Myrna Poché, Taylor Price, Betty Rogers, Ellen Barrilleaux Thomas, Clint Boudreaux, Harold Martin, Laurie Delahoussaye, Kelly Boudreaux, Sr., Kathie Segura, Mary Taylor Broussard, Mazel Dwyer, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator family, Sheryl S. Bourque, Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego family, Linda & Clint Trahan family, Mark Landry I, Josephine Delcambre, Ruth Bernard, Sirena Rogers, Jay McDonald, Gloria Comeaux, Shawntell Romero, Bea & Jimmy Romero, Jeanette Gonsoulin, Jacquie Gondran, Joylynn Trosclair, Alice Robicheaux, Sheri Arcement Darby, Caroline Dubois, Brenda Romero, Carrol Romero, Jr., Patrick Robicheaux, Walker Robicheaux, Catherine Bourdier, Jeanne Dupre, Peggy Fitch, Hardy Jenkins, Corliss Ramirez, Jean-Paul Marceaux, Peggy Lancan, Rhonda Darden, Marnel Fremin, Yvonne Willis, Misty Geoffroy, Shirley Trahan, Mark Cormier, Brayson Willson, Lori Agiular, Elijah Hebert, Baby Guillory, Frank Onebane, Debbie Johnson & Fly, Cameron Alba, Mel & Stacey Boutte, Betty C. Champagne, Donna Francis, Farina Guidry, Betty Robichaux, Earline Estave, Chad Babineaux, Tammy Dore, Dillon Ducote, Ivy Delahoussaye, Judy & Alton Meyers, Jenny Mayeaux, Garland Reed, Carly Tajmir, Diane & Ronald Broussard, Lance Castille, Grace Armandariz, Louis Boudreaux, Jr., David Guidry, Gloria Comeaux

Please also pray for those individuals who, although they are in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

Coming soon!

Our vacation bible school will be the week of July 8th – 12th from 8:30am-12:30pm.



Registering Now until Monday, July 1st Use link below or call Mrs. Janet at 337-365-3759 for registering information!

<https://vbspro.events/p/6c5cc9>

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Perfect Storm

I am writing this on a Saturday morning. Saturdays are my writing days, when my husband takes over the kids and the house and I disappear into the office with an enormous cup of coffee and noise-canceling headphones. Saturdays are sacred — if work can be called sacred.

But Saturday morning is also the only time I'm able to consistently get to confession. Every other time the sacrament is offered in my area during the week, I seem to have unavoidable commitments — but on Saturday morning, all I have is work, and how can I let work come before a sacrament, as much as I might secretly want to?

I've spent a good deal of time being bitter about this, because it's just not convenient, having to carve out time from work to run to the other side of town, especially when I get there and there's a line. I sit there in the sanctuary, waiting my turn, checking the clock, stewing, fretting. Obsessing over forgetting one of my sins. Thinking of how much work I have when I get home.

Saturday mornings: *a perfect storm*, I sometimes call it in my head.

I forge ahead, though. I've never gotten up and dashed back to my desk. I make it into the confessional and I stammer out my pathetic little list and receive absolution. Then I go before the tabernacle to perform my penance.

It's while I am kneeling there that it happens. Always. God awakens, and he cries into the depths of my heart: "Quiet! Be still! Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"

After teaching all day by the shore of the sea, Jesus asks his disciples to remove him from the crowds. He wants to escape the noise, the clamor, the disquiet. But the clamor follows him, because the world is full of it. Storms crop up wherever we go.

Jesus sleeps through the storm, because he understands what the disciples do not: the storms of the world cannot hurt us. They are only so much noise.

"Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" — Mark 4:41

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Nativity of Our Lady church office welcomes our new church secretary. Ms. Kim Richard will be joining our office in July. We are very excited to have her as an addition to the church office family as we strive to serve the family of God.

TODAY'S READINGS

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 23, 2024

Reading I: Job 38:1, 8-11

- God challenges Job not to question His power over creation. Have you ever challenged or questioned God in prayer?

Reading II: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

- St. Paul speaks of believers in Christ as a “new creation.” In what ways do you sense something new in your life as a Christian?

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

- The disciples feared for their lives while caught in a violent storm until Jesus calmed the wind and the sea. When has your faith in Jesus helped calm your fears?

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LIVE THE LITURGY

So often when we are weathering the storm, it feels like God is asleep — but we never even tried to wake Him up! Bring God your fears, your doubts, your uncertainties. He will show you that He steers the ship, and even the wind and the seas obey.

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CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, June 24, 2024

Women's Ultreya - 7pm - Parish Hall

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Mass at 5:30pm

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20am - Mass - 9am

Thursday, June 27, 2024

Mass at 5:30pm

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mass at 6:30am

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Mass at 4pm

Sunday, June 30, 2024

Masses at: 7am, 9am & 11am

2nd Collection - Peter's Pence

Linda's Retirement Reception - noon - Parish Hall

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MASS SERVERS June 25 - 30, 2024					
DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 6/25/24	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Kimberly Clay	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Sacristan
Wednesday 6/26/24	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Sacristan
Thursday 6/27/24	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Pete Aucoin	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Sacristan
Friday 6/28/24	6:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Keith Comeaux	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Sacristan
Saturday 6/29/24	4:00pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Jenny Gonsoulin	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Sophie Comeaux Allie Comeaux
Sunday 6/30/24	7:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Janis Dugas	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Serena Bedia
	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Michelle Moss	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Autum, Benjamin & Ephraim Trahan
	11:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Vincent Borne	<i>See Signup Sheet Inside Church</i>	Madalynn Salsman Morgan Salsman

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