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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Weekdays:

7:00 am (Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday)

9:00 am (Wednesday)

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:

Fr. Matthew P. Higginbotham

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:

Fr. Ed Degeyter

BOOKKEEPER:

Polly Camacho

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Kimberly Richard

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Sheryl S. Bourque

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION:

Janet Viator – 337-365-3759

PASTORAL COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: *Andrée Schlicher*

RECONCILIATION:

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

ROSARY:

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

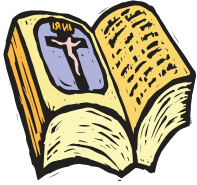
First Friday: 6:30 am

First Saturday: 8:20 am

Third Tuesday: 7:30 am (*Patriotic*)



TODAY'S READINGS



Exodus 19:2-6a
Psalm 100:1-3, 5
Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36-10:8



Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

The words God speaks to Israel in this week's First Reading are intended for us as well. The Church is the fulfillment of God's covenant promises to Israel - a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation (see Deuteronomy 26:19; Isaiah 62:12). In the Church, we have been gathered as the new "Israel of God" (see Galatians 6:16). He has made us His own people, the flock He tends, as we sing in Sunday's Psalm. Moses was Israel's first shepherd (see Exodus 3:1). With the Promised Land in view, he prayed that God raise up a successor so that God's people would not be left as sheep without a shepherd (see Numbers 27:17). These same words are used in this week's Gospel to describe Jesus' pity for the crowds, who are "troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." Israel's shepherds - the Pharisees and scribes - had abandoned and misled the people through their hypocrisy and spiritual blindness (see Matthew 23:1-36; Jeremiah 50:6). But God had long before promised that He Himself would come and save His sheep - searching over the whole earth where they had been scattered "for lack of a shepherd" (see Ezekiel 34:1-24). Jesus is the new Moses and new David promised by the prophets, a divine shepherd-king sent to restore God's priestly kingdom (see John 10:11). As Moses commissioned Joshua as his successor, so we see Jesus in the Gospel Sunday giving the Twelve His powers and authority (see Matthew 9:35; 10:1). In God's plan, they are to seek out the lost sheep of Israel first and then bring all nations into the fold (see Acts 13:46; Romans 1:16). Together we have been saved and reconciled to God, as we hear in the Epistle this week. As He delivered Israel, He has also made us a kingdom of priests in the Church (see Revelation 1:6). So, we come in this Mass to serve Him with gladness, to praise His kindness, which endures forever.

Scott Hahn

REFLECTIONS

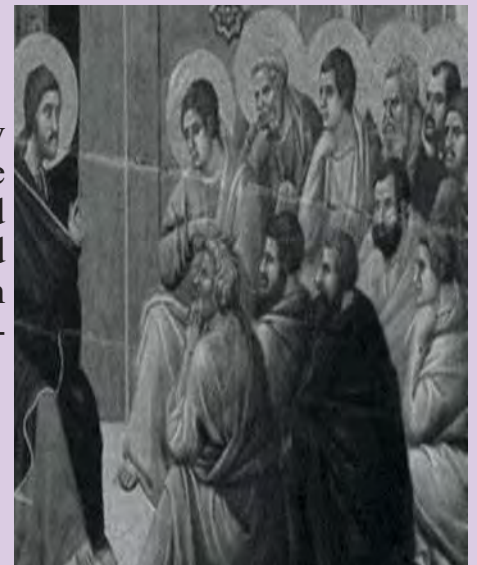
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Jesus sent the disciples out on mission to share the gift they had received as a gift to others. We too are sent to share the gifts we have received. Consider your gifts, your talents and abilities. What about your resources: money, materials, and time? Do you use these gifts to serve others? Do you give them freely without seeking compensation, reward, or even acknowledgement? Consider how you might better fulfill your mission.

Know that the Lord is God!

It is He that made us, and we are His. - Psalm 100:3

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Monthly Reflection – June 2026

WHERE THE CHECKERED FLAG MEETS THE CROSS

There are 8.15 billion souls, and the Lord knows each one by name. He knows every fear, every dream, even every hair on their head.

Yet if we're honest, division is woven into our nature. From the very beginning, humanity has fractured along the lines of race, religion, and pride. A "me first" mentality has carved the world into competing camps, leaving chaos and strife in its wake.

And still, in his creativity, God has wired us for community. Then he gave us sports. Sports become bridges. They draw strangers into a unified roar, collapse differences in a single moment of celebration, and remind us that we were made for something *together*. For followers of Jesus, this is more than entertainment. It is an opportunity. It is a mission.

In the world of INDYCAR Racing, our mission field, there is real chaos, real division, real heartache. Yet beneath all of it burns a shared passion for racing that no rivalry can extinguish. Week in and week out, we enter the track as missionaries, carrying the hope of Jesus into a culture that desperately needs it.

We pray with drivers before they strap in and accelerate toward 240 miles per hour. We stand with crews who change four tires in seven seconds, their hands constantly moving even as their hearts carry the sting of defeat. There is power in presence. God has opened the door. Racing is the meeting point, and his grace is what moves through it.

Now consider your seat in the stands. Whether it is an MLB stadium or a T-ball game on a Tuesday evening, what if you saw it not as a place of entertainment, but as your mission field? What if you became a bearer of the Kingdom right where you are?

The checkered flag waves. The crowd erupts. And somewhere in that roar, Jesus is already present.

Will you join him?

By Jason Holt Exec. Director | Chaplain INDYCAR Ministry



The Pope's Monthly Intention for June

For the values of sports.

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Our Lady's Altar Society is having their "***Sweet Sale***" this weekend **June 13th and 14th** after all Masses.

Please keep
Fr. Matthew P. Higginbotham
Fr. Ed Degeyer
and all priests in your prayers

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory/Honor of:
Johnny Viator



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026 to
FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026

Registration:

Monday 5/25/26 - Friday 7/3/26

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or <https://vbspro.events/p/675834>

Contact Janet Viator

for more information!

337-365-3759





Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

7:00am Nicholas Viator (bd)

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

9:00am Whitney & Una Broussard
Andre LaBauve, Connie Olivier (liv)
Carrol Romero, Sr, Bert Rogers
Walter DeGravelle, Jr.
Melvin "Boo" Derouen

Thursday, June 18, 2026

9:00am Dorothy McDonald (1yr. AD)

Friday, June 19, 2026

9:00am Stuart Hulin

Saturday, June 20, 2026

4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Rachel R. Romero
Lynward Ransonet, Olan Broussard
Collin Blanchard Fly, Roy Flores
William Kell Lewis, Gil Simon
Raymond & Pearlle Romero
Mark A. Bourque, Winclise Bourque
Richard Gromer, Juliette C. DuBois
Alton Barras, Warren Barras
Jules & Leona Broussard, Ron Cutrera
Rudy Delcambre, Leslie Romero
Paul Domingue, Sandy Crochet, Sr.
Mark Gagnard, Joseph Viator

Sunday, June 21, 2026 - Father's Day

8:00am Parishioners, Carlyle Hebert Fly
Henry & Dorothy McDonald
Tan & Jean Dugas, Creed Dugas
Robert LeMaire, Larry Andrus
Lee Broussard, Quang V. Nguyen
Clark Romero, Roland Judice
Children of Warren & Sandra Gaspard
Glenn Carlson, Clint Claudy

10:00am Msgr. H.J. Barsen, Fr. A.J. Boumans

Harvey & Joyce DeCourt
Dawn Degeyter Gipson
Leroy Aucoin, Bobby Norris
Cliff Aucoin, Tony Cangemi
C.A. Aucoin, Luke LeGendre
Donna M. Lanza, James E. Comeaux
David P. Comeaux, Easton Simon
Ernie Broussard, Raymond Comeaux
Larry Delcambre, Joe Jabbia
Tuttie Romero, Jr., Carrol Romero, Sr.
David D. Viator, Lloyd J. Landry
Nicholas Viator, Johnny Viator
Lee Lamury, Murriel Trahan
Rod Vizinat, Richard Lamury
Harry Pennison, Emile Trahan
Raoul Babin, John Babin (liv)
Hadley J. Babin, Sr. (liv)



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.

Sirena Rogers, Janis & Nathan Dugas, Billy Simon, Edward Simon, Lynette Landry, Janet Viator, Ronnie Landry, The Delahoussaye Fly, Patsy & Percy Barrilleaux, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator Fly, Sheryl S. Bourque, Michael & Claire Landry Fly, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego Fly, Linda & Clint Trahan Fly, Ruth Bernard, Bridget Aitken, The Greig & Belaire Fly, Josephine Delcambre, Jody Ellen Hudson, Jim & Brenda Prejean, Joni Gullotta, Fisher Whitaker, The Babin, Trahan & Richard Fly, Deacon John Sarkies, James & Doreen Norman, Myrna & Millard Poche, Gloria K. Bonin, Daphne C. Lopez, Beverly B. Walet, Jerome Guillotte, Leoni Derouen, Cade T., Betty DeRouen, Robert McDaniel, Lori Aguilar, Bailey & Gage Tucker, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Barbara Keegan, Mike & Doris Degeyter Fly, Rory Suire, Crystal Elizabeth Olivier, Nickas Bonin, Gene Gonsoulin, Coty Bourque, Erskine Katz, Randy & Jessica Broussard, Jane Arceneaux, Rebecca Segura, Terry & Gloria Trahan, John Babin, Phil Duplantis, Ray Landry, Shane DeRouen, Cody Theriot, Sandra Upton, Kay Charpentier Green, Hardy Jenkins, Bridgette Louviere, Amye Hammond Bellot, Roland & Faye Boudreaux, Delina Lafont, Emma Judice, Kathleen & Larry Viator, Duppy Duplantis, Caroline Dubois, Jane Patin, Juanita & Hargis Lewis, Nettie Voorhies, Johnathon Angers, Alice Trahan, Francine Gauthier, Betty Romero, Deborah Plouet, Donald Voorhies, Megan B. Broussard, Beverly Simoneaux, Adrain Wilson, Alexis Wilson, Ronnie & Madeline Duhon, Matt Elmer, Fr. Paul Onuegbe, Carlos Bedia, Shawn Dugas, Celeste Guardia, Bru Kokenge, Coleen K. Woolard, Katherine Kokenge, Victoria Kokenge, Connie Olivier, Anna Kober, Cornelius Joseph, Randy Gonsoulin, Daniel & Brailyn Segura Fly, Mark & Magie Bihm Fly, Craig Herndon, Ty & Katelyn & Cassie Daigle, Jacob Ransonet, Amber Neel.
Please also pray for those individuals who, although in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

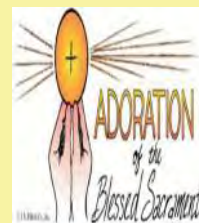
Catholic Quotes

If the poor die of hunger, it is not because God does not care for them. Rather, it is because neither you nor I are generous enough. It is because we are not instruments of love in the hands of God. We do not recognize Christ when once again He appears to us in .the hungry man, in the lonely woman, in the child who is looking for a place to get warm.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Monthly Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Eucharistic Adoration on the **First Friday** of every month following the 7am Mass, with Benediction at 10am.



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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD	May 31, 2026
Loose.....	\$ 1,039.00
Envelopes	\$ 1,600.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 2,639.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 320.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 618.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 3,577.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

*We are a sacrificial giving Parish,
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OUR GIFTS TO GOD	May 24, 2026
Loose.....	\$ 1,669.27
Envelopes	\$ 2,108.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 3,777.27
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 290.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 871.42
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 4,938.69
Vacation Bible School	\$ 952.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

CURRENT EVENTS

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Mass at 7:00 am

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20 am

Mass at 9:00 am

Thursday, June 18, 2026

Mass at 9:00 am

Friday, June 19, 2026

Mass at 9:00 am

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Mass at 4:00 pm

Sunday, June 21, 2026 - Father's Day

Masses at: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

New Iberia Poor & Needy



PARISH VOCATION CROSS

The Vocation Cross is taken by:

Willie & Cynthia Elmer

(June 14th - June 20th)

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.



MASS SERVERS June 16, 2026 - June 21, 2026

DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 6/16/26	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Pete Aucoin		Sacristan
Wednesday 6/17/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Willie & Cynthia Elmer Ricky Segura Nancy Barras	Sacristan
Thursday 6/18/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Vikki Morgan	Ross & Cindy Landry Marilyn Gerrets Holli Cambre	Sacristan
Friday 6/19/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Keith Comeaux	Phil & Renee Haney Mike Degeyter Ricky Segura	Sacristan
Saturday 6/20/26	4:00pm	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Margo LeBlanc	Willie & Cynthia Elmer Mike Degeyter Andree Schlicher	Comeaux Fly
Sunday 6/21/26	8:00am	Msgr. Mallet	Paul Broussard	Wayne Duhon Julie Roy	Nguyen Fly
	10:00am	Msgr. Mallet	Vincent Borne	Melissa Dworaczyk Linda Viator	Trahan Fly

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