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May 10th & 11th, 2008
Pentecost Sunday

A Blessing for Mothers
on Mother's Day

**Loving God,
as a mother gives life
and
nourishment to her children,
so you watch over the family of your Church.
Bless all mothers, this day and always,
that they may be strengthened in their vocation.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always
with a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

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Fr. Trey Nelson

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Reconciliation

St. Anne/Saturdays at 3:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday 5:30pm St. Anne

Tuesday 7:00am St. Anne

Wednesday 7:00am Assumption

Weddings

There is a required 6 month process of preparation. Wedding dates are tentative until first meeting with priest

Funerals

Please contact church office for help with arrangements

Baptisms

Contact office for the dates and times of baptism seminars and baptisms

Emergencies

Call 369-6656 and follow directions given on voice mail message

From the Tee Box



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Dear Friends:

Pentecost Sunday is always such a high note. To me, it's like an exclamation point on the end of the Easter Season. This important feast is the celebration of God's faithful presence to us through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The color is red, reminiscent of the "tongues of fire" that we read of in scripture, and the prayers speak of the wisdom and strength that the Spirit gives us. Pentecost is also referred to as the birthday of the church. Happy Pentecost! And, although this day itself is a high point, we ended the season of Easter with other awesome moments too. Our parish mission with Doug Brummel was an incredible success! Doug and his cast of characters touched our hearts and made us think. Let me offer our thanks here to our mission preparation committee, chaired by Mrs. Mable LeBoeuf, and to all of you for coming out. To all of you who helped with publicity, our receptions, welcoming, to our light and sound crew, thank you very much for all that you did! Our free will offerings, collected over both nights, totaled almost \$2,600. This itself is amazing and will help us greatly with our overall cost associated with the mission. Thank you so much.

Last Sunday we also celebrated the 150th anniversary of Immaculate Conception Chapel. We began with a special Mass at 11:30am, followed by ENORMOUS amounts of good food and great music. People from all over attended this celebration, and God provided us with some almost perfect weather. While there is no way to thank everyone who helped prepare for the day, let me say thanks to Jane Templet, and Henry and Barbara Blanchard who first approached me several months ago about the idea. Thank you to everyone who helped with planning, set-up, food, music, the Mass, and, of course, take-down and clean up. It was awesome!

Last Sunday also Mrs. Kathy Landry, Sherry Miller, and I gathered at the Youth House for a Senior supper. We spent some time with some of the

members of the Class of 2008. High school seniors from our area came out for supper, games, and a closing candlelight night prayer. Thanks to Kathy and Sherry for planning the night, and thanks to our high school seniors who were able to join us. I hope that this can become an annual gathering. Good luck to all of our graduates! We've also begun our graduation celebrations. May God bless you all as you celebrate this happy time. We love you.

And lastly, but certainly not least, we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend. What an appropriate feast on which to honor our Moms. We will keep our tradition of offering a special blessing, and we will also give each mother the gift of a flower. Thanks, Moms, for the love that you have shown us. (We have included this year's prayer of blessing on the cover of this bulletin.)

I will be away this weekend celebrating Masses at St. Joseph the Worker in Pierre Part while Fr. Clarence continues to recover from back surgery. Beginning next weekend, Fr. Howard and I will be back on our regular schedule. Again, I appreciate your understanding.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Fr. Trey Nelson

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-19; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	Jas 3:1-10; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDERS

Registration for 2008—2009

Registration for the 2008—2009 Religious Education year has begun for grades K—11. Please call the religious office for a form. The children have already received forms at religion class.

The rosary will be prayed each morning in the month of May beginning at 8:30am in St. Anne Church.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

TOO LARGE?

Several years ago, when I was teaching ninth-graders enrolled in a confirmation preparation program, the students told me that they were really struggling with the whole concept of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. As we all know, those gifts are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. I told the students that receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit is like receiving a pair of jeans that have a waist and length that are simply too large. Rather than exchanging the jeans, we hold on to them until we grow into them. I shared this with them because I realized that at different times in my own life, I had turned to these gifts to get me through some particularly challenging situations.

DRAW STRENGTH FROM THE GIFTS

Everyone who has been confirmed has received the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Too often these gifts lie dormant. Can we even imagine what the world would look like if we shook off our stupor and awoke to the reality of these gifts? Take a moment to reflect on each of them. Every one of us, at some time or another, needs to put into practice one of these gifts. When faced with a difficult decision, draw strength from the gifts of wisdom, understanding, and counsel. When striving to overcome addictive behavior or when working through a difficult marriage issue, draw strength from the gift of fortitude. When asked about your faith, don't be afraid to turn to the Spirit's gift of knowledge. Draw strength from the gifts of piety and fear of the Lord as you nurture your faith life through prayer. Pentecost gives us the opportunity to recognize the fact that God has generously poured forth the Holy Spirit into our hearts. Let's not forget the tremendous potential of the gifts of God's Spirit.

May 2008



*Lindsey Bergeron
Kirby Orren
Neila Bourg Swann*

Baptisms & Seminars



The next baptism seminar will be **Tuesday, June 3** at 7:00 p.m. in the Landsmann Center.

Parents are to contact Mrs. Kathy Landry prior to the Baptismal Seminar at 369-2130.

Any questions regarding seminar, please call Mrs. Kathy Landry. Please call the church office to schedule baptism. Unless otherwise noted, baptisms always take place on the *third Sunday of the month* after the 9:15am Mass at Assumption Church.

2008 St. Joseph the Worker Church Fair

Pierre Part
May 23, 24,25

Come join the fun, rides, music, games, live auction, martial arts, dance demonstrations,
&
Delicious Cajun Food

KC 1099

Date for Youth Fishing Rodeo has been postponed due to high water. A new date will be announced at a later date.

Retrouvaille Weekend May 16th—18th, 2008 Catholic Life Center

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the May program beginning with a weekend on May 16-18, call 1(80)470-2230 or email: retro_batonrouge@yahoo.com or visit the web site at 222.HelpOurMarriage.com



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE...
burns this week in memory of:**



Assumption Church
Buster & Lucy Simmons

The flowers at Assumption Church are
donated in memory of Jack Marquette &
Rick Watson

St. Anne Church
Edward "Touptee" Talbot

The altar flowers at St. Anne Church are donated in memory of
Fleurange LaBarre and Florence Folse.

The flowers for the Immaculate Conception's 150th
anniversary were donated in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce
Clement, Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Blanchard and Bryan Savoy.

&

The donation of flowers at the Blessed Virgin Mary statue
were donated in Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother.

A Prayer for Our Soldiers

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as
they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless
acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

The Bayou Parishes
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays

4:00pm St. Anne Church
4:00pm St. Jules Church
5:00pm St. Philomena Church
6:00pm St. Elizabeth Church

Sundays

7:00am St. Anne Church
7:45am St. Philomena
8:30am St. Jules Church
9:15 am Assumption Church
10:00am St. Philomena Church
10:45am St. Elizabeth Church

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

May 3rd & 4th, 2008

St. Anne Offertory	\$2,898.60
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 681.00
Assumption Offertory	\$1,402.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 637.00
Total	\$5,618.60

Thank you for your generous support!

