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Weekend of 19-20 July 2008
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Those who are just must be kind.

Wisdom 12:19

THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD

The kingdom of heaven is like
a farmer who sowed good seed



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The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love.

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Reconciliation

St. Anne/Saturdays at 3:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday 5:00pm 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



The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19th and 20th, 2008

Dear Friends:

"If you build it, they will come." After this past Sunday I am reminded of these words from the movie, *"Field of Dreams,"* starring Kevin Costner. People had been telling me all week long that the attendance for our Sunday night Mass and family night would be strong. I didn't doubt them, but I never expected that the church would be as crowded as it was. When Fr. Jamin and I walked in for the start of Mass, he commented to me, *"wow, this is a great turnout!"* I said, *"yeh—that's because there's food!"* Of course, we all know that it had to do with more than food. The idea of coming together once a month or so for something different was the product of an ongoing conversation with various members of our music ministry and members of our Parish Councils of Ministries. As I said on Sunday night, we have a very strong music ministry program. Week after week, Sunday after Sunday, and when we celebrate someone's passing or other special moments, those who serve in music ministry serve God (and our community) well. We are grateful. The music group that ministered at the Sunday evening Mass is coordinated by Mr. Clyde Thibodeaux. I would like to thank Clyde again and all those who are a part of this group for the wonderful job they did that night. As I am always particularly grateful to our Sunday morning choirs and all of the musicians who serve at our various Masses, I am thankful to our newest group as well. Our Knights of Columbus also rose to the occasion again by preparing the supper after. They came to me feeling somewhat disappointed that we ran short on food. I told Ricky, our Grand Knight, and Rene Daze, *"please, don't worry. People are extremely appreciative. And, besides, this is a*

good problem." We had no idea how many people to prepare for, so we just made the best guess possible. Our Knights and their families did an excellent job, as always. Thank you. On a somewhat humorous note, when you're sitting with the assembly during Mass, you may not notice some of the *"little things"* that happen on the altar. During my brief remarks at the end of Mass I made it a point to mention how proud we were of our young girls for proclaiming the readings. I don't like to single anyone out, but it's not everyday that children so young step to the pulpit to proclaim the Word. Anyway, when I returned to my place, one of our altar servers said to me, *"what—are we invisible?"* It's not that I didn't want to recognize them (Hunter and Tucker). As I told them, I was just so excited, that I guess it slipped my mind. Our altar servers (at St. Philomena, St. Anne and Assumption) are very faithful and do an awesome job. So, there you go, guys. Now you've got your name in print! Between our 2 Liturgy Committees, Fr. Jamin, and I, we will continue the discussion about how to best build on Sunday evening's experience. Thank you all for taking the time to be there. And thanks, in a very special way, to all of you who serve in the ministries that are connected to our celebration of Mass, during the week and on weekends.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Fr. Trey Nelson

FREE WILL

We have nothing of our own but our will. It is the one thing that God has so placed in our own power that we can make an offering of it.

—St. John Vianney

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119; Rom 8:28-30;
Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

Church of the Immaculate Conception 865 Hatchell Lane Denham Springs Sunday, August 3, 2008

Father Vincent J. Dufresne was ordained a priest by Bishop Stanley J. Ott, on July 30, 1983. Immaculate Conception Parish and the Mission of the Sacred Heart Mission invite you to join with them in praising God and celebrating Father Vincent's 25 years of priestly service.

Father Vincent will celebrate a special Mass at 3:00pm on Sunday, August 3, 2008, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

A reception will follow at Denham Springs Junior High School, 401 Hatchell Lane (near the church).

The St. Anne Novena will be prayed every weekday morning at 8:30am St. Anne Church beginning July 17th.

Pot Luck Luncheon

All ladies of St. Anne/Immaculate Conception/Assumption Church Parish are invited to a Pot Luck Luncheon to be held in St. Anne Hall, Wednesday, July 30th. Please arrive at 11:30am with your dish and luncheon will begin at noon. Be ready for great food and conversation!

If you have any questions, phone Jane Templet (369-6270), Barbara Blanchard (369-7029), Joyce Thibodaux (369-7915), or Wanda Daigle (369-7976).

Sponsored by: Immaculate Conception Ladies Altar Society



July 2008

Arnold Oncale, Jr.



Baptisms & Seminars

The next baptism seminar will be **Tuesday, August 5** 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.

The weekday masses at St. Philomena will be in the Adoration Chapel.

Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season

Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981)

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of Your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask You to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.



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



Assumption Church
 Albert Daigle

St. Anne Church
 Jeanne Daigle



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

July 12th & 13th, 2008

St. Anne Offertory	\$2,703.50
Assumption Offertory	\$1,512.00
Total	\$4,215.50

The envelope for *Catholic Community Services* will be collected the weekend of August 9th & 10th.

Thank you for your generous support!

