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Weekend of October 4 & 5, 2008
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.*

Philippians 4:6

St. Anne, Assumption & St. Philomena
Bayou Catholic Youth Ministry
WINTER RETREAT!
Feleciana Retreat Center
Norwood, Louisiana

COME BACK TO THE LAKE!
Friday, Saturday, & Sunday
November 21, 22, and 23, 2008

Open to High School Youth from St. Anne, Assumption & St. Philomena
Call 369-2130 to Register

A \$35.00 Deposit is Required to Register
(If paying by check, make check payable to C.Y.M.)

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Fr. Trey Nelson

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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

A Weekly Letter from Our Clergy



The Twenty-Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time
04-05 October, 2008

Dear Friends in the Lord:

One of my first assignments by the bishop when I first started seminary was to work as a counselor for children at a camp in North Carolina. The place was quite serene (though I must tell you that I found out that working with kids was definitely not my forte!) It seemed like I had the worst kids on the face of the planet. One day, some of my kids went out with another counselor to take a trek into the woods. As I was sitting at my desk to take care of some book work for the camp, I quickly realized that a national park ranger caravan was coming toward me. As the ranger stepped out of the jeep, I noticed that he was leading one of my kids. He proceeded to tell me that he caught the national forest on fire! After settling the dispute with the ranger, I sat the young man down to figure out what truly happened. He told me that he was attempting to light a fire near the base of a tree, and suddenly the brush around him started flickering with flames. He thought about running away, but he knew that he would get into more trouble. So, he tried to put it out to no avail. Then, right before his eyes, a tree suddenly exploded in total fire. It was a large pine tree, ablaze like an intense inferno.

Thinking about that situation some eight years later, I realize that our conflicts with other people can be exactly the same; they often grow until they finally explode. They disorient us, distract us, and keep the quenching waters of charity and peace far from our hearts. And they often grow out of control because we don't realize the great potential to start a massive flame.

There is a conflict between Jesus and the Pharisees today that starts early in his ministry. Almost from the very beginning, the fire of contempt for the Savior found great fodder. Jesus had enjoyed a dinner with tax collectors, sinners, and prostitutes; he

was associating with the unclean of Jewish society; he violated Sabbath regulations by healing people. Today's Gospel shows Jewish society almost at a breaking point with Jesus, a conflict that is close to reaching epic proportions. In response, Jesus delivers a parable that seems quite personal about Israel's history of silencing the messenger, a parable that undoubtedly caused a few explosions among people with great power.

I am sure that there were people in Jesus' life trying to convince him to stop adding fuel to the fire that existed around him. I'm sure that some people tried to get him to run away from the message that he was trying to proclaim. Yet, Jesus had a message to deliver – a message of truth and salvation – a message that would soon explode on the world scene with great vigor and intensity. And once the fire would start, there was really no way to put it out.

The ranger with that young man told me not to be too hard on him. Any fire started in the area of the forest that he was in would have easily ignited because of the dry conditions; the park service was scheduled to do some controlled burning in the very area the same day. Sometimes out of the intensity of fire, new life emerges, and controlled burning is not a bad thing. But you have to know what you're doing. Are the conflicts in your life that you are experiencing caused by the truth of the Gospel, or are they born in the accidental fires of lethargy, indifference, and greed? May God's good word cleanse our hearts with fire to keep any new conflicts and explosions from happening.

One more thing - Fr. Trey and I will be out on priestly retreat this week. Fr. Trey will be at Manresa House of Retreats in Convent and I will be at the St. Malo Retreat Center in Allenspark, Colorado. Because of our absence, there will be no regularly scheduled weekday masses at St. Anne or St. Philomena. Know that you're in our prayers during this time of rest and renewal, and pray for us that our hearts will keep burning brightly as we zealously seek to spread the Good News!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDERS

Grades K through 8th

Grades K through 5th: Mondays, 4:30pm till 5:30pm
Grades 6th through 8th: Mondays 5:45pm until 6:45pm
Landsmann Center

High School Religious Education

Course One

October 6

Landsmann Center
7:00pm until 8:15pm

NEEDED! PLEASE HELP!

Children's Liturgy of the Word held on Sunday during the 10:00am Mass is in need of adult leaders and high school helpers. The more leaders we have the fewer dates you will be assigned.

Please call Ms. Kathy at 369-2130 or 369-6656 if you are interested or for more information.

The Quarterly Communion for the Immaculate Conception Ladies Altar Society will be held Sunday, Oct. 12th at the 8:00am mass at St. Anne Church. Members please make every effort to attend.

Assumption Activity Center Open House & Fall Sale

Saturday, October 18th
9:00am until 2:00pm

Seasonal Floral, Ceramics, Jewelry, Home Décor,
Christmas Items, Live Mums in Assorted Colors
& Much More!

Refreshments will be served

Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Alabama

Wednesday, Oct. 30th through Sunday, Nov. 2, 2008

Join Acadiana Area Pilgrims as we visit EWTN studio, the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of the Angels, the Saint Bernard Monastery, and the Ave Maria Grotto. We hope you will join us on this enlightening journey! Space is limited. For more information, call (337)291-1933

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Mission

Sunday, Oct. 12 through Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008

Led by: Father Mike Semana

“Regenerating our Family Tree Through
Healing of Relationships”

Sunday, 3:30pm
Monday 7:30am
7:00pm

Tuesday 7:30am
7:00pm
Wednesday
7:30am
7:00pm



September /October 2008

*Hilda Lauland
Mary Elizabeth LeBlanc
Ethel Menuet*



Baptisms & Seminars

The next baptism seminar will be **Tuesday, October 7** 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.

Hurricane Stress for First Responders

IN COURAGE is a counseling program offered by Family Service of Greater Baton Rouge. You can have up to 10 sessions of counseling to deal with stress, so you can avoid burnout. It's free and confidential. Call now! (225)924-0123

**NO Daily Masses at St. Anne or St. Philomena
Oct. 6th—Oct. 10, 2008**

The rosary will be prayed daily for the entire month of October at St. Anne Church beginning at 8:30am

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
Victoria Oncale Bourg

St. Anne Church
Samuel Blanchard

A Prayer for Our Soldiers

Dear Lord, give them the wisdom to lead, and the humility to follow. Grant them the dedication to work untiringly for their country, its people and our freedom. Teach them to be the best they can be, for themselves and for the others around them. Fill them with the strength, the courage, and the willingness to do the job they are called to do. Help them to believe in truth, speak out for justice, defend the flag and uphold the American ideals that make our country the wonderful land it is. We ask this through Christ our Lord Amen.

The Bayou Parishes *Weekend Mass Schedule*

Saturdays

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

Sundays

8:00am St. Anne Church
8:00am St. Philomena
8:30am St. Jules Church
10:00 am St. Anne Church
10:00am St. Philomena Church
10:45am St. Elizabeth Church

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sept. 27th & 28th, 2008

St. Anne Offertory	\$3,474.10
<u>Assumption Offertory</u>	<u>\$1,886.00</u>
Total	\$5,360.10

Thank you for your generous support!

