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June 28, 2009

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*You changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord, my God, forever will I give you thanks.*

Psalm 30:13

Father Trey,

*You have been and always will be a part
of our church community and will forever
be in our hearts and in our prayers!*

Thank You and God bless!!!!

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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 St. Anne

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 Note From Our Clergy



June 27th and 28th, 2009
*The Thirteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

Dear Friends:

After 12 years of serving here with you at St. Anne and Assumption this will be my last *From the Tee Box* letter. I did a little math, and, subtracting an estimated amount of vacation time taken over these years and my 7 months of medical leave back in 2004, I came up with the number 572. That's a ballpark number of how many of these letters I think I've written. I can only imagine what it would be like to go back and read through all of them. I'm not sure whether or not Father Joel will write a bulletin column. Either way, he's very good at keeping everyone up-to-date in his own way. He is a good man, a good priest, and I know that you all will grow to love and respect him dearly. I've always wondered what I would say when this day finally came. Lord knows, we have all been through so much during these years. We have encountered hardship as a community and as individuals. We have experienced many happy and joyous moments. The Lord, no doubt, has blessed us in many, many ways. While the events of these past 12 years are too numerous to recount, I will mention 5 of them. These are the moments that have affected my life more profoundly than any others. They are: the robbery and murders that took place at Iberville Bank on June 4th, 1998, the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks, the death of my father on November 14th, 2001, my diagnosis with cancer in July of 2004, and my assuming the role of pastor of St. Philomena Church also in March of 2006. I mention these, because, if I were to identify one lesson I've learned during my time here it would be a deeper understanding of what it means to uncover grace in human frailty and imperfection. All of these experiences, along with others, are reminders that none of us is immune from weakness, frailty, and vulnerability. We've seen this personally, as a nation, and as a church. Yet, somehow, some way we have always overcome to rise again and be even stronger. Truly, the words of Saint Paul, "*it is when I am weakest that I am strongest*" (2 Cor. 12:10) have been made very real for all of us. Your witness to the presence of God during the toughest moments of your own lives and your support of me and my family during mine are gifts that I will forever hold close to my heart. There is no way that I could ever thank you adequately. Please know that you are all very special

to me and that you always will be. One of my theology professors during my years at Notre Dame Seminary, Father Stan Klores, use to always say, "*there's no such thing as a coincidence.*" It's no coincidence that this weekend's Gospel, the last one that I will proclaim and reflect on with you, brings us to the 21st chapter of Mark's Gospel and the healing of the synagogue official's daughter. At the point when everyone thought she was dead, Mark offers this description of events: *He (Jesus) took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!"* This scene in the life of Jesus reminds me of the countless times when he has looked at me and all of us, as we faced a seemingly insurmountable problem, and said, "*together we will rise above this.*" For all the times when all of you, both young and old alike, have helped me to rise above my own difficulties, thank you.

I don't know if most of you realize it or not, but I keep a journal in which I make a weekly entry, usually on Mondays. I have been doing this since I arrived here 12 years ago. When I was cleaning out and packing up my office the other day I found my journal from my first year here. You may recall that I moved here in July of 1997. I read the very first entry from that month, and it went like this: "*I have just completed my first week and weekend here at St. Anne and Assumption in Napoleonville and Plattenville. All in all, on a scale of 1 to 10, I give it a 9.5, with the .5 meaning that I wish I was closer to my family.*" Truthfully, when I was first here, I struggled with being more than 10 or 15 minutes from my family, all of whom live in Baton Rouge. When I moved here, I had never lived alone ever before in my life. But believe me when I tell you that it didn't take long to get over all of that. I will be moving to Baton Rouge, and, yes, I will be much closer to my family, but this will always be home to me. This was where I learned, grew, and came to understand the true gifts of life and priesthood. Bayou Lafourche and Assumption Civil Parish will always be my home. This is where my heart is. This is where it will always be. Thank you so much for everything.

Fr. Trey Nelson
Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDERS

2009-2010 Registration

Registrations for grades K-11 are now being accepted. Please contact the office (369-2130) for a form if you have not yet received yours. Please contact the Religious Education office if you have a Catholic school or private school student entering 2nd grade or 9th grade.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009

"Crocodile Dock"

July 13 through 17
9:00am until 11:30am
\$15.00 per child
Landsmann Center

All children ages 3 years to 4th Grade are welcome to sign up for a great summer adventure!

Please call (985)369-2130 or (985)369-6656 to register or to volunteer.

REACH OUT & SHARE A HUG!

As part of our "Crocodile Dock" VBS, our church will join Operation Kid-to-Kid, an international mission project that allows hundreds of thousands of kids to serve kids who've gone through disasters in North America.

During *Crocodile Dock*, kids at our church will create special Comfort Critters-adorable stuffed turtles. Organizations will use these cuddly critters to offer hope and comfort to children who've lost everything to disasters such as hurricanes, floods, fires, or tornadoes. Plus, kids at our church will personalize special books that help children cope with loss, pointing them to Christ.

If you would like to contribute to this exciting program, contact Kathy Landry, VBS Director at (985)369-2130 or (985) 369-6656 or for more information.

Baton Rouge Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) 10th Annual Summer Evening Getaway

Honoring

"Women of Faith/Women of Action"

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Featuring: Celeste Veillon, vocalist

Jessica Hanley, harpist

6:00pm until 9:00pm

Catholic Life Center

Main Auditorium

1800 S. Acadian Thruway

Baton Rouge

\$10.00 per person

Reservations Necessary by July 1, 2009

RSVP: Barbara Coreil (225)769-3217



June 2009

Corinne Landry
Joan Bolotte
Lorina Ackman
Wilton "Buddy" Blanchard



Baptisms & Seminars

The next baptism seminar will be **Tuesday, August 4** 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 9:30am Mass at Assumption Church.

Ministry Schedules have been mailed. If you have not received yours at this time, please contact the church office: 369-6656.

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
 "Bozo" & Scott Naquin

St. Anne Church
 Edward "Touptee" Talbot

Mass Intentions

Sat., June 27	4:00pm	"For the People"
Sun., June 28	8:00am	"Skinny" Marquette
	9:30am	Edward Barbier
Mon., June 29	5:00pm	"All the Deceased"
Tues., June 30	7:00am	Jessie J. Landry, Sr. Clifton Naquin, Sr.
Wed., July 1	7:00am	Linda Dugas Inez & Mariange Riche
Sat., July 4	4:00pm	Harriet T. Landry
Sun., July 5	8:00am	"For the People"
	9:30am	Devin Naquin

Prayer for Our Soldiers

Gracious God, we pray for our soldiers. Let Your grace be a protective shield, guarding them from harm and keeping them close to Your love and compassion. May we always remember that they are the ones who face the horrors and dangers of war first-hand. Help us honor them for their courage and care for them when there is damage to their bodies or spirit. When they are lonely and afraid, and long to be with those whom they love, fill their hearts with the sure knowledge of Your presence at all times, in war and peace. Let them feel, O God, deep in their hearts, that Your love is always there-boundlessly, unconditionally, and eternally. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

June 20 & 21, 2009

St. Anne Offertory	\$2,706.50
Assumption Offertory	\$1,775.00
Total	\$4,481.50

