



MASSES FOR THE WEEK
September 16 - September 22
EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR
THE INTENTIONS OF EVERYONE
PRESENT AND FOR THE FOLLOWING:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 4:00 p.m. Carol Ragas; Marlene Morris;
Myrthe Webre
5:30 p.m. Msgr. Francis Boeshans; Mrs. Harry
Mccall, Jr.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 8:00 a.m. Members of St. Patrick's Church
(Propopulo)
9:30 a.m. Lilian Capozzi; Jane O'Brien Chatelain;
Ten Grayer Children; Jay Hoepffner; H.
William Reed; John H. Schroder, Jr.;
Charlotte Viguere; Those suffering with
substance abuse and mental illness
11:00 a.m. C.C. Clifton; Faye Gesser; Marguerite
O'Brien May; Joseph & Rose McMahon
5:30 p.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

- 12:00 p.m. Lilian Capozzi; Jay Hoepffner

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 11:30 a.m. Suzanne Nogues

- 12:00 p.m. Jeffrey C. Houin

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

- 12:00 p.m. Frank Hemelt

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 11:30 a.m. Pope Benedict XVI

- 12:00 p.m. Msgr. John P. Reynolds

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List

- 12:00 p.m. Conchetta Cammarata Salvaggio

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
AND BENEDICTION**

Every Sunday 3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

TRIDENTINE LATIN MASS—Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Solemn High Mass—First Sunday of the month.

Benediction—Third Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, September 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.

MASS OF THE ROSES

The Discalced Carmelite Nuns invite all to the annual *Mass of the Roses* in celebration of the feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, Sunday, October 1, on the monastery grounds, 73530 River Road, Covington. Mass begins at 9:30 a.m., following a 9:00 a.m. Flute Prelude. Blessed roses will be distributed. All are invited to remain for complimentary refreshments. For directions or information call (985) 898-0923.

COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS

In Reynolds Hall after the Sunday morning Masses.

SUNDAY OFFERING—September 10, 2006

First Collection \$12,956

Second Collection* \$1,940

* Restoration and Maintenance

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN**SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2006**

For more than 25 years, the Catholic Communication Campaign has been spreading the Gospel message locally and nationally on radio, television, in print and on the Internet. Donations from Catholic parishioners, like you, make the work of the CCC possible. This week's second collection will be taken for CCC, please be generous.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

The St. Patrick's RCIA program resumes this fall with registration and a preliminary class **Monday, September 18, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.** in the church rectory. RCIA is a course of instruction required for adults (baptized or not) who wish to be received into the Catholic Church, as well as Catholic adults who have not yet received the sacrament of confirmation. For more information: 525-4413.

LIGHT THE FIRE!

Thursday, September 21, 2006 at Winston's Pub, 531 Metairie Road
Cocktails: 5:45pm; Speaker: 6:15pm

A new part religious, part social speaker series for adults in their 20's and 30's, will feature Sr. Judy Gomilla, MSC as their first speaker. Contact Sr. Jackie Bates, RC: batesjackie@hotmail.com or at the Cenacle: 887-9360 for more information.

FR. BENEDICT GROESCHEL, CFR—DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Saturday, September 23, 2006; 9:00am—3:00pm

Notre Dame Seminary; 2901 South Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans.

Theme: *The Tears of God: Faith in Times of Disaster.*

Fr. Groeschel a psychologist; renowned author and speaker, is host of a program on EWTN. Fee: \$20.00 per person. Register on-site.

LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED, BROWN BAG ENCOURAGED

Information: 504-828-1368 or www.ccrno.org.

ARCHDIOCESAN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

Our Lady of Divine Providence Parish

September 25; October 9 and 23; November 20, 2006.

The Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning will be offered in a class series conducted by Gayle Rizzo of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Pre-registration is required, \$100 fee. For more information or to register: (504) 861-6243.

**JOSEPH HAYDN: MISSA BREVIS SANCTI JOANNIS DE DEO
(SMALL ORGAN MASS)**

Sunday, October 1, 2006 at the 9:30 AM Mass

St. Patrick's choir will perform Joseph Haydn's *Missa Brevis Dancti Joannis de Deo (Small Organ Mass)* accompanied by string orchestra and organ.

**THE MASS IS THE GREATEST FORM OF CHRISTIAN
CHARITY—**Mass request envelopes can be found in the vestibule.**PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL**

For the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers especially: Ree Alario; D. J. Ales; J. Frank Armstrong; Patricia Berrigan; Michael Brasslet; Lillian Capozzi; Margie Case; Michelle Catalanatto; Jim Clynch; Jackie Dabdoub; Grace Daigle; Ralph DeBlanc; Raymond DeBlanc; Regina Dillon; The Dunlap Family; Joseph Ebberman; Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I.; Donald Faust, Jr.; Anette Folse; Joseph French; John G. Fulcher; Archbishop Philip M. Hannan; Frank Hemelt; Marie Herty; Celeste Judell; Marilyn Kitto; Zivana Kovacevich; Albert Leonhard; Betty Leonard; Dorothy Luquet; Reverend Val A. McInnes, O.P.; Colin McInnis; Irene Mackenroth; Carol Mallette; Joseph Morales; Gerald L. Moran, Jr.; Madeleine Nicoladis; Suzanne Nogues; Lucille Ogden; Beverly Orillion; Robert Plaskas; J. Van Provosty; Hugh Ramsey; Tom Roach; Ashley Turkington; Nell-Pape Waring; Jonathan Weiler; Father Anthony White

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARENTHOOD REFLECTS THE LOVE OF GOD THE FATHER

...Once children are born, through their relationship with their parents they begin to share in a family tradition with even older roots. Together with the gift of life, they receive a whole patrimony of experience. Parents have the right and the inalienable duty to transmit this heritage to their children: to help them find their own identity, to initiate them to the life of society, to foster the responsible exercise of their moral freedom and their ability to love on the basis of their having been loved and, above all, to enable them to encounter God. Children experience human growth and maturity to the extent that they trustingly accept this heritage and training which they gradually make their own. They are thus enabled to make a personal synthesis between what has been passed on and what is new, a synthesis that every individual and generation is called to make.

At the origin of every man and woman, and thus in all human fatherhood and motherhood, we find God the Creator. For this reason, married couples must accept the child born to them, not simply as theirs alone, but also as a child of God, loved for his or her own sake and called to be a son or daughter of God. What is more: each generation, all parenthood and every family has its origin in God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

... Certainly we come from our parents and we are their children, but we also come from God who has created us in his image and called us to be his children. Consequently, at the origin of every human being there is not something haphazard or chance, but a loving plan of God. This was revealed to us by Jesus Christ, the true Son of God and a perfect man. He knew whence he came and whence all of us have come: from the love of his Father and our Father.

Faith, then, is not merely a cultural heritage, but the constant working of the grace of God who calls and our human freedom, which can respond or not to his call. Even if no one can answer for another person, Christian parents are still called to give a credible witness of their Christian faith and hope. The need to ensure that God's call and the good news of Christ will reach their children with the utmost clarity and authenticity.

As the years pass, this gift of God which the parents have helped set before the eyes of the little ones will also need to be cultivated with wisdom and gentleness, in order to instill in them a capacity for discernment. Thus, with the constant witness of their parents' conjugal love, permeated with a living faith, and with the loving accompaniment of the Christian community, children will be helped better to appropriate the gift of their faith, to discover the deepest meaning of their own lives and to respond with joy and gratitude.

The Christian family passes on the faith when parents teach their children to pray and when they pray with them, when they lead them to the sacraments and gradually introduce them to the life of the Church; when all join in reading the Bible, letting the light of faith shine on their family life and praising God as our Father.

In contemporary culture, we often see an excessive exaltation of the freedom of the individual as an autonomous subject, as if we were self-created and self-sufficient, apart from our relationship with others and our responsibilities in

their regard. Attempts are being made to organize the life of society on the basis of subjective and ephemeral desires alone, with no reference to objective, prior truths such as the dignity of each human being and his inalienable rights and duties, which every social group is called to serve.

... The joyful love with which our parents welcomed us and accompanied our first steps in this world is like a sacramental sign and prolongation of the benevolent love of God from which we have come. The experience of being welcomed and loved by God and by our parents is always the firm foundation for authentic human growth and authentic development, helping us to mature on the way towards truth and love, and to move beyond ourselves in order to enter into communion with others and with God.

To help us advance along the path of human maturity, the Church teaches us to respect and foster the marvelous reality of the indissoluble marriage between man and woman which is also the origin of the family. To recognize and assist this institution is one of the greatest services which can be rendered nowadays to the common good and to the authentic development of individuals and societies, as well as the best means of ensuring the dignity, equality and true freedom of the human person.

... The Church at prayer has seen in this humble queen interceding with all her heart for her suffering people, a prefigurement of Mary, whom her Son has given to us all as our Mother; a prefigurement of the Mother who protects by her love God's family on its earthly pilgrimage. *Mary is the image and model of all mothers, of their great mission to be guardians of life, of their mission to be teachers of the art of living and of the art of loving.*

The Christian family — father, mother and children — is called, then, to do all these things not as a task imposed from without, but rather as a gift of the sacramental grace of marriage poured out upon the spouses. If they remain open to the Spirit and implore his help, he will not fail to bestow on them the love of God the Father made manifest and incarnate in Christ. The presence of the Spirit will help spouses not to lose sight of the source and criterion of their love and self-giving, and to cooperate with him to make it visible and incarnate in every aspect of their lives.

BENEDICT XVI

FAMILY DAY 2006, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 ***OUR FAMILY FEAST OF FAITH***

The purpose of Family Day is to promote and strengthen all families and the parish family. The parish celebration of Family Day is meant to include all ages and stages of family life—children; those not married; elderly; adolescents and young adults; engaged and newly married; widowed and divorced; married for any number of years; grandparents; adoptive, natural and stepparents; clergy and religious; and those who live alone. These diverse families, and any we many not have mentioned, are all members of God's family as we come together to worship and celebrate in our parish family community. When all the diversity of our Archdiocese gathers around the Eucharistic table we come to know who we really are and to whom we belong. **We are the body of Christ, the Family of God.**

Family Life Apostolate-Archdiocese of New Orleans