



# THE RIVER CATHOLIC

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 08/22/2021

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday, 8am-3pm  
(closed 12- 1pm for lunch)  
Friday, 8am-12pm

**PASTOR:**

Reverend Charles R. Landry

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
ASSISTANTS**

Myra G. Tircuit  
Barbara V. Hornstein

**CONFESSION**

First Saturday, 3:15pm.&  
by appointment

**VIGIL MASS**

Saturday, 4pm.

**SUNDAY MASS**

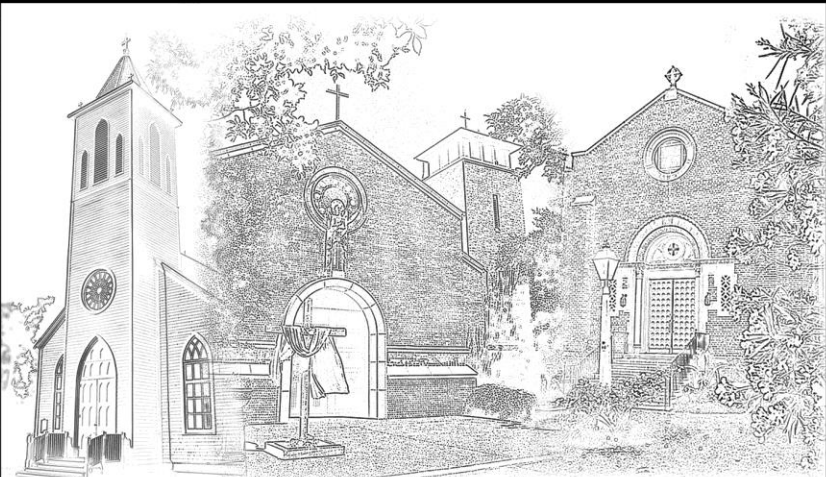
Sunday, 8am & 10am  
Presently no mass @ Carville

**DAILY MASS**

Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, Friday, 8am

**HOLY DAY MASSES**

8am & 7pm



OLD  
ST. GABRIEL  
CHURCH  
(1769)



NEW  
ST. GABRIEL  
CHURCH  
(1953)



SACRED  
HEART  
CHAPEL  
(1935)

We, the St. Gabriel family in Christ, through the teachings of the Catholic Church, commit ourselves to the fulfillment of the kingdom of God. In our church community we make present the spirit of Jesus Christ, proclaim His gospel, and make visible His church. We believe that each of us is called to ministry to be of service to others to encourage participation to bring a spirit of family unity and responsibility to our fellow parishioners, and to show our love through our words and deeds.

**BAPTISM:** Parents wishing to have their child baptized must be registered parishioners and complete baptismal preparation prior to the date of baptism. Please contact the church office during the early days of pregnancy for details on baptismal preparation.

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the date desired to begin the mandatory Preparation program.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** Emergency calls are made as soon as the priest is available. If desired, communion may be brought to the homebound each weekend by a Eucharistic Minister. Families are asked to contact the Church Office to make arrangements. Communion Calls to the homebound are the first Friday of the month. Please contact the Church Office in regard to those who are seriously ill or hospitalized, leaving the hospital and room number.

**FUNERALS & BURIAL:** The family must make arrangements with the Pastor before finalizing arrangements with a funeral home.

## STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	298
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$7,975.66
AMOUNT COLLECTED	\$7,610.00
NUMBER OF DONATIONS	59

There will be 2 envelopes 9/10-11, reg. & Cath. Univ. of America. Your weekly donations help meet our immediate needs, repairs and improvements. We thank all who give of their time, talent and treasure to our parish community. We always appreciate your generosity.

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For our Gospel today we hear the conclusion of the "Bread of Life discourse" in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. In the preceding verses, which we have heard proclaimed in our liturgy over the past few weeks, we have heard Jesus explain that he is the Bread of Life, given so that those who believe may have eternal life. This discourse follows the miracle in which Jesus fed more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish. As Jesus has been teaching these things, John's Gospel describes a murmuring crowd unable to accept Jesus' words. In today's Gospel, the crowd has dwindled in number, and John no longer references them, or the Jews. Instead John describes the questioning of those considered to be Jesus' own disciples.

Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Just as the larger crowd had struggled with Jesus' teaching, these disciples also cannot accept Jesus' words. Jesus is said to know about their murmuring. He responds by acknowledging their unbelief and by reiterating that only those chosen by the Father will follow Jesus to the end. John's Gospel reports that many of those who had been Jesus' disciples ceased to follow him at this point. The number of people following Jesus dwindled from a crowd of more than 5,000 to only 12 people. And it is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention.

Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question as to whether those closest to him will also leave, reminds us of the reports of Peter's confession of faith in the Synoptic Gospels. Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life.

This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make his or her own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow. God's grace invites us to be Jesus' disciples, but each person must respond to the grace of God and confess as his or her own the belief that Jesus is the one from God. This faith then commits us to the path of life, leading us to eternal life.



If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please contact Fr. Charlie for an appointment.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process through which adults (and children/teens) become full members of the Catholic Faith. If you have never been baptized or, if you have been baptized in another Christian church and would like to consider your faith journey in the Catholic Church, you are invited to attend. There is absolutely no pressure to become a catholic. This is your time and your decision. If you were baptized as a Catholic but never received any formation or never received the remainder of the sacraments of initiation (i.e., Confirmation/and or Eucharist) this process is for you as well. You can begin the process now by attending our *Inquiry Nite on Wednesday, August 25, 6:30 p.m. in the PAC.*



Let's try this again...Save the date!

Wednesday, September 15

Bus trip to the Michaelangelo Exhibit, Old State Capital, and nice lunch. Cost is \$65. Reserve you place today! For more information, contact:

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“ART”

Ya'll really to come with us!



Msgr. Louis E. Marionneaux served St. Gabriel as Pastor from February 1964 until January 1979. Under his leadership the parish raised funds to help maintain the Old St. Gabriel Catholic Church. Each year during the month of August we have a special envelope placed in our stewardship packet's entitled "Msgr. Marionneaux." The monies collected in this envelope help with some of the maintenance items around the old Church.

Please place your donations in the envelope provided in your stewardship packet or in an envelope marked "Old Church fund" and place them in the collection the weekend of August 22<sup>nd</sup>.



Until we receive other notice, all masses and Eucharistic adoration will be held in church. Remember to keep your social distance. Be sure to wear your mask!



We offer our prayers and sympathy to Drago Arapovic and family on the death of his mother-in-law; and to Wally and Bonnie Wintz on the death of Bonnie's son.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat.	21	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sun.	22	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>21st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b> MASS MASS
Mon.	23	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	No Mass Confirmation Parent/Students
Tues.	24	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Men's Reflection Daily Mass Adoration
Wed.	25	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Daily Mass RCIA Inquiry Nite in PAC
Thurs.	26	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri.	27	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat.	28	9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Catechist Workshop Vigil Mass
Sun.	29	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>22nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b> MASS MASS
Mon.	30	8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	No Mass Rel -Ed Opening Mass Parents and children in Church
Tues.	31	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Men's Reflection Daily Mass Adoration



Wed.	01	8:00 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Daily Mass Ladies Altar Society Baptismal Seminar
Thurs.	02	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri.	03	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass Adoration & Benediction
Sat.	04	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sun.	05	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>23rd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b> MASS MASS



## DAILY READINGS

### 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ephesians 5:21-32  
John 6:60-69

### Monday, August 23 Daily Readings

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mathew 23:13-22

### Tuesday, August 24 Daily Readings

Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51

### Wednesday, August 25 Daily Readings

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:27-32

### Thursday, August 26 Daily Readings

1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Matthew 24:42-51

### Friday, August 27 Daily Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13

### Saturday, August 28 Daily Readings

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30

### 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27  
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



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**Pray for our Sick and Homebounds:** Frank Banta, Sr., Betty Jean Barbay, Phyllis Babin, Joan Chapman, Melissa Conrad, Joyce Crochet, Lily Fairchild, Carolyn Harelson, Michael Landaiche, Genie LaPlace, Anthony & Bessie Pizzolato, and Flory Reynolds. Include in your prayers all of the sick & suffering in our families especially those living in nursing homes. Also, pray for peace in the world, & for all men and women in our armed forces.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR NAME REMOVED FROM THIS LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

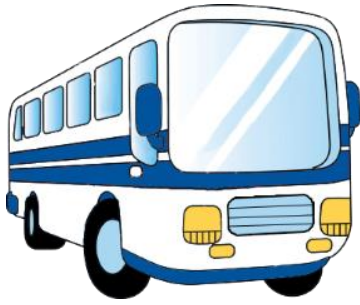


### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

08/23	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
08/24	8:00 a.m.	Ruby Edmonston
08/25	8:00 a.m.	Cambre-Babin-Merino; Emily Ramos; M/M John Mire Landry; Joyce Gaudet Booth
08/26	8:00a.m.	Buddy Lee
08/27	8:00 a.m.	Eugene LeBlanc, Jr.; Comeaux-Barbay Families; Trudy Panepinto; Panepinto-Wintz Families
08/28	4:00 p.m.	M/M L. G. Hoffmann, Sr. & Jr.; RodneyGomez; Phyllis Reynolds
08/29	8:00 a.m.	For the Parish
	10:00 a.m.	Gerald Crochet
08/30	8:00 a.m.	No Mass

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of Aug. 22-28 in memory of Ruby Edmonston.





***ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS:  
Bus Trip***

***Baton Rouge Area***

***Wednesday, September 15, 2021 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.***

**Don't miss the bus! We will travel via a luxurious Hotard bus to tour the Michelangelo Sistine Chapel art exhibit, have lunch downtown and top off the afternoon with a special Old State Capitol tour.**

**The cost is \$65.00 (for tours, nice meal and bus) and should be paid before the event. Your payment in full secures your place on the bus. (If you have previously paid \$12.50 for the art exhibit tour, you only owe the balance of \$52.50)**

**Payment may be placed in an envelope marked "Bus Trip" and placed in the Sunday collection or brought or mailed to the church office.**

**For further information, please contact:**

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**Wear comfortable walking shoes. Dress appropriately for the weather. Do you need to bring a sweater, jacket or rain gear? Check the weather!**