

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. August 12 - 1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 4:30-5:2 Jn 6:51 Jn 6:41-51

Mon. August 13 - Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c PS 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 See 2 Thes 2:14 Mt 17:22-27

Tues. August 14 - Ez 2:8-3:4 PS 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Mt 11:29ab Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wed. August 15 - Holy Day of Obligation 1 CHR 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 1 Cor 15:54b-57 Lk 11:28 Lk 11:27-28

Thurs. August 16 - Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 Ps 119:135 Mt 18:21-19:1

Fri. August 17 - Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63 Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 See 1 Thes 2:13 Mt 19:3-12

Sat. August 18 - Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 See Mt 11:25 Mt 19:13-15

**August Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::**

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| Jill Mosby | 1 |
| Marina Taylor | 1 |
| Lauren Jackson | 2 |
| Christopher Henry | 4 |
| David Thomas III | 6 |
| Dorothy Jacobs | 10 |
| Gloria Richard | 11 |
| Veronica Warren | 11 |
| Walter Davis | 15 |
| Tyler Rodriguez | 15 |
| Mary Lazenby | 17 |
| Morgan Jackson | 19 |
| Patrick Mims | 27 |
| John Riggs Sr. | 28 |
| Horace Broussard | 29 |

Happy Anniversary

Carroll & Mable Durio *55yrs 5th
Patrick & Brenda Mims *45yrs 18th
John & Tammy Richard 12th
Lester & Sanja Popillion 31st

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

Activities - Brushelle Scott
Bishop Faith Appeal - Shirley Ray
Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory*
Donuts and coffee in the Education Building 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Shirley Ray

Finance - Andre' Robertson *
finance meetings are held *every 2nd* Wednesday of *each* month.

Fund Raiser - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Rose Davis

Lectors - Gary Mims

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenot

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - George Alexander
* choir rehearsal are every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

Pastoral Council - Richard Scott
meetings held *every 3rd* Wednesday of *each* month.

Religious Education - Sonja Popillion

Socials - Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary * Parish Luncheon, the second Sunday of each month.

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship-Wayne Sparrow

Attendance

Saturday: 37 Sunday: 64

Weekend Collection

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| Mail In | \$ 221.00 |
| Donation | \$ 50.00 |
| Loose | \$ 57.00 |
| Saturday | \$ 270.00 |
| Sunday | \$ 6,701.00 |

Total Deposit \$ 7,299.00

Expenses:

St. Therese Catholic Church

Served by The Missionary Society of St. Paul from Nigeria since 2000

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Pastoral Team:

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Deacon Julian Richard (409) 221-2743
Deacon Hazen Kenney (512) 791-0847

Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



**The 19th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
August 12, 2018**

"I am the Bread of Life"



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
NO Saturday 8:00 a.m. on Funeral day's

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:20 p.m. 3:55 p.m.

**Exposition & Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament**

Every Friday: 6 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Friday each month 5p.m.-6p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the pastor two
(2) months in advance

Marriage:

Please call Rectory six (6) months
prior to proposed date

SECRETARY

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Richard Scott, Chairman | 779-7587 |
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MAINTENANCE & GROUNDS

Joe Ware 886-5331

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Sanja Popillion (409) 670-0808

FINANCE COUNCIL

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Andre Robertson | 882-0012 |
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**MASS INTENTIONS
for the Week**

Sunday, August 12, 2018 9:00 am Mass

Mon. August 13, NO MASS

Tues. August 14, 8:00 am

Wed. August 15, 8:00 am

Thurs. August 16, 8:00 am

Fri. August 17, 8:00 am
Exposition & Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday, August 18, 2018 8:00 am
Anniversary Mass for
Patrick & Brenda Mims

Any Saturday we are have a Funeral.
Mass will be by 10am
3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation
4:00 p.m. Mass

(N.B. You can request Mass to be
offered for you/your love ones, or any
deceased person. Speak with the Pastor
or call the office to schedule your mass
intention).

**MINISTRIES FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat.: Shirley Allison, Rose Davis,
Walter Davis & Brenda Mims

Sun.: Staci Powers, Kenneth Mason,
Sonja Popillion, Horace Broussard

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: A: Leo Jackson
L: Freda Guillory

Sunday: A: Wayne Sparrow
L: Eva Platt & Freda Guillory

ALTAR SERVER:

Saturday: **Needed**
Sunday: **Needed**

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Gail Jefferson &
Richard Scott
Sunday: Lucy Jones &
Dorothy Broussard

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Taste and See

Today most of us do not subsist on a steady diet of pizza and chocolate ice cream, no matter how much we may prefer these foods. As we were growing up, our parents had the good sense to offer us a wider and more nutritious variety of foods. Perhaps they promised us dessert only after we sampled the beets. Perhaps they cajoled us to just take a little bit, to just "taste and see." Like a wise parent, Jesus—and the Church—does the same.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2 GOSPEL: John 6: 41-51

Comment

In the first reading, we find Elijah at the end of his rope. Elijah was a non-writing prophet who had the difficult task of confronting King Ahab about the worship of Baal, a Canaanite deity. To make matters worse, Ahab's wife, Jezebel, was responsible for the king's broad tolerance of this false worship. Elijah had questioned the weak leadership of Ahab and revealed the uncommonly strong influence of his wife in the affairs of state and of religion. Eventually, worship was purified of false gods, but Jezebel's influence continued unabated. She remained at the palace, but Elijah was exiled. Today, we see him alone and discouraged enough to pray for a release from life. God's caring angel provides just the right kind of food for the long journey Elijah must still take to the mountain, where God will comfort him.

In today's Gospel, we rejoin Jesus and the querulous, disbelieving crowd. Only in this reading, the crowd understands. Almost. The people understand that Jesus is saying that he is the heavenly bread, but they just can't believe it. This goes to prove—as if we didn't already know—that understanding is not the same as belief. In fact, Jesus himself explains this by saying that faith is not a rational quality but a divine gift. For Jesus, faith or lack of faith in him has eternal consequences.

Jesus goes on to explain to the crowd that, as living bread, he will be broken for them, so that they all might partake. He reminds the people that those who ate manna and those who ate of the loaves he had multiplied not only were and will be hungry again, but also died or will die. The manna and loaves were perishable bread, food for perishable bodies. The bread Jesus will give is—remember—the real thing, his life for the world, imperishable bread for imperishable people, people willing to taste and see.

Reflection

For us, the story of Elijah (as well as the Gospel) is a eucharistic story. In the language of the church fathers, those earliest of commentators on Scripture, the story of Elijah "prefigures" the Eucharist. We must insist that the story of Elijah is itself a full and complete story. However, we can easily make the connection between Elijah and us in our need for the sustenance we receive at our eucharistic celebration.

Today's Gospel continues the story of Jesus sparring with those who will not taste and see. Jesus repeats, "I am the bread of life." In that simple statement, he recalls the story of the manna in the desert. Amazingly, he reinterprets that experience; he does not reinterpret his own self-understanding. John is very clear about this: Jesus asks Israel to transform its self-understanding. He reorders Israel's history and sets himself at its center. Someone greater than Moses is here; something greater than the miracle of manna is here.

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary ** Wednesday, August 15, 2018*

Gospel Reading *Luke 1:39-56*** *Mary greets Elizabeth and sings God's praise.***

Family Connection

In today's Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary recognize the work that God is doing through them. With eyes of faith they see the power and salvation of God breaking through into their lives and into the world.

Gather as a family and talk about what you know about Mary and her being a model of faith. Recall that we are celebrating a holy day, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this day we remember that God took Mary to heaven, body and soul. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 1:39-56. In this reading we hear Mary's song of praise to God, the Magnificat. Invite each person in the family to write or draw one or more ways in which they see God working in your family life and in our world today. Use these prayers of thanksgiving to create your family's song of praise to God. Conclude by praying together this song of praise.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Mary Brown
David Jayce Carey
Courtney Chavis
Florence Craig
Therese Ferguson
Hollis Fain
Joe B. Forward
Ella Mae Garrett
Anna Garrick
Mary Gray
Beatrice Guillory
Mark Mitchell Jr.
James Mims
Westley Popillion
John Richard, Sr.
Mormon Richard
Alma C Thibodeaux



PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Arceneaux
George Davis
Mable Durio
Alberta Fontenot
Frances Freeman
Debra Glaude
Margaret Green
Peggy Green
Myrtle Guillory
Rena Mae Jenkins
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Rose Lee Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
Leothus Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pillette
Claudine Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mary Ware
Joe Ware

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES

Anyone who will be celebrating 25th, 50th, or 50th + wedding anniversary in 2018: Bishop Curtis J. Guillory and the Office of Family Life Ministry invite you to attend the annual diocesan ceremony honoring your commitment to the Sacrament of Marriage on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica. The ceremony will include Mass, Renewal of Marriage Vows and Presentation of Certificates. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Center.

The following information will be needed:

Names of couple as you want them to appear on certificate;

Number of years married; and

Number of your IMMEDIATE family who will attend the ceremony.

ATTENTION

If anyone has any announcements to be placed in the Weekly Bulletin, upon the Pastor's review and approval please submit your information to the parish office by the end of the day every Wednesday. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Bishop Faith Appeal
Goal : \$17,310 Pledges: \$15,815.
Paid: \$ 8,995.

As we deepen our commitment to the Gospel message, we come to understand that stewardship is a way of life which empowers us to share what we have. Thank you for your contribution to BFA, a commitment of people helping people. Please let's continue our unwavering support. If you have any questions or concerns about your contributions please contact Shirley Ray or Fr. Donatus, Philippians 4:13, I can do all things through Christ whom strengthens me. We are look forward to the continued growth of our parish

The parish office is updating our records, so please all of us are encouraged to sign-up for one ministry or two. All those already serving in ministries should equally sign-up for the update of our records. Please use the sign-up sheet at the rear of the Church to submit your information. All information will be used to update our records.

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. THERESE—THE LITTLE FLOWER

St. Therese, beloved friend, you promised to spend your time in heaven doing good upon the earth. WE come before you in our need. We believe that you listen to us and approach God for and with us. You are love in the heart of the God. Please accept these petitions, hopes, needs and dreams that I list below (pause).

Please present them to our loving Father so that God may do what is best for us, for our loved ones, and for the fulfillment of God's Kingdom. Continue your shower of roses in our lives. We ask you, dear friend with the bold confidence and loving care. We make this prayerful petition in the name of Jesus and through the power of his Spirit. **AMEN.**

Envelopes

It's the time of year to reorder our offering and visitor envelopes. The order will be made by August 15, 2018, if you made any changes, please inform the ushers or call the parish office. Thanks in advance

Convocation

Convocation for Catholic Leaders: The Joy of the Gospel in the Diocese of Beaumont, which will be Friday evening, August 17 and Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the Holiday Inn (Walden and I-10) in Beaumont. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about the people we serve in our parishes and Diocese of Beaumont.

There are copies of the itinerary at the rear of the Church or call the parish office and we will get one to you.

Intentions Mass

Everyone is welcome to attend the Intentions Mass August 23, 2018 at 6:00 pm, at St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica, downtown Beaumont. The Intentions Mass is a beautiful experience and we looking forward to praying with you and for all the Intentions of those in Southeast Texas.