



# Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church

2320 Paris Road, Chalmette, Louisiana 70043

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

We had a very successful Tomato Festival! I am very impressed by the efforts of all who cooperated and offered their time, talent and treasures for the success of the Tomato Fest. First, I'd like to thank God for giving us a wonderful weather to celebrate the festival. Second, I want to say, "Kudos," to the Tomato Fest Committee chaired by Mr. Josh Moran. Thank you Josh and the whole Team for all your sacrifices and the enormous amount of work you put towards providing a fun, relaxing and family-friendly festival. Third, I want to thank Sheriff Jimmy Pohlmann and Fire Chief Thomas Stone and their respective departments for their cooperation in keeping the peace and order during the whole festival event. I've never seen such strong and highest level of support from our men and women in uniform. Fourth, I want to thank the different food vendors who worked day and night to provide great tasting recipes for everyone. Thanks also to all game stands for providing entertainment to our younger people. Thank you for giving our children and their families a great time. And last, I want to thank all families who came and spent time and money and for their fellowship at the festival. I hope they'll all come back next year.

This weekend we celebrate Mothers' Day. Happy Mother's day to all mothers, grandmothers and great grandmas! A mother is one of God's greatest gift to us. She deserves all our love, care and gratitude. Don't let this day pass without saying the four magic words to your Mom, "I LOVE YOU MOM!" At the end of each Mass this weekend we are giving a simple keepsake, a custom design can insulator or koozies to all our mothers. Summer break is fast-approaching. We will have a chance once again to refocus, relax, unwind and refresh. It's been a wonderful year for our parish and school. It won't be long, and we will begin a new year of Religious Education here at Prompt Succor. We welcome a new year of religious formation with some changes in leadership. We thank Ms. Terri Smith, our former CRE for her services and leadership at the CCD program. Terri is considering joining the community of Theresian's and attend their "Come and See Retreat." Let us keep Ms. Terri Smith in our prayers as she ventures towards religious life.

Our new Parish Coordinator for Religious Education is Mr. Ruben Saavedra. Mr. Ruben taught catechesis at Prompt Succor for more than 30 years. He is a great resource for catechetical teachings of the Catholic Church. He worked with our CCD program and confirmation retreats during the past years. Mr. Ruben will speak at all masses next weekend and start recruiting more CCD teachers and classroom helpers. Catechists are called to echo God's word. I want to thank our dedicated parents & catechists who teach Jesus' Gospel and help the children grow in their faith & love of God and his Church. God gives us amazing grace when we answer God's call to carry on the joyful mission to teach as Jesus did. Our volunteers are one of our greatest assets and we are very grateful for the gift of themselves, their time and talent. They indeed enrich the whole parish. Do you feel called to be a teacher for Christ? We welcome more of our parents, guardians and teens to be catechists or assistants in our Religious Education and Children's Liturgy programs. If you want to help, please call our parish office or the CCD Office.

I will be leaving on Tuesday for my Philippine trip and will be back on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June. Please pray for me and my family as we celebrate our family reunion. We are expecting around 500 members of the Valencia Clan (my mother's family) to come for the reunion. Please continue to pray also for my ill father, Pete. Thanks to all who supported the benefit spaghetti dinner last Friday for my father's medical and hospital expenses. Know that my father Pete appreciates you very much. God bless! I'll see you all in June.

Know that I pray for you daily.

Your servant in Christ,  
Fr. Marlon

## **PARISH CLERGY & STAFF**

### **PASTOR:**

Rev. Marlon Mangubat

### **DEACON:**

Dcn. Lino G. Parulan

### **PRINCIPAL:**

Mrs. Annette Accomando

### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday: 8am—12noon 1pm-4pm  
info@olps-chalmette.org

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:00pm (Eve of Saturday)

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am,

2:00pm (Spanish) & 7:00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:00am

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday—Friday

8:00am-8:00pm

Saturday & Sunday

### **BAPTISMS**

First time parents/godparents must attend a seminar to set date of baptism for their child. Baptisms take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month immediately following the 10:30 am Mass. The Baptismal seminar is on the second Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the rectory. Registration is required for seminar. Call the rectory.

### **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Confessions are held one-half hour before the 4:00 Vigil Mass, the 8:30 am, the 10:30 am., the 2:00 p.m. (Spanish) and 7:00 pm Mass or by appointment.

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

You must contact the church at least six months before the date of the wedding.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Contact the rectory.

### **FUNERALS**

Contact the funeral home first and they will contact the Rectory. Funeral Liturgist will meet with you once the arrangements are made to plan the liturgy.

### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

We welcome you with great joy and invite you to register and worship with us regularly. Census forms are at all exits.



*Altar Flowers*  
*Judy Nunez*

*Vigil Light*  
*John Palmer*



## **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**May 6-7, 2017**

Collections: \$ 4744.47

Second Collection: Priest Retirement:  
\$1133.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 312

Attendance: 625

# **Thank You!**

  
**Pray for**

**The prayer list will run for two weeks only. If you would like to add your beloved to the list or keep them on past the two weeks, please call the rectory or drop the intention in the collection basket.**

Clarence Otilio, Bella Mulford, Telesha Brown, Sara & Roger Follette, William Follette, Tim Wells, Lorie Wells, Robert John Muloz, Sr Gretchen Dysart MSC, Donna Capps, Debra Carter, Anthony Luparello, Mary Rende & Family and Country, Theresa & Jackie Gussoni, David Zaffuto, Nicholas Lusk, Sandy Fernandez Baldini, Theresa Jackie Lynn Gussoni, Darlene Clements, Celina Hauptmann, Corrine Ushner, Alexis Hauptmann, Epitacio Mangubat, Vernon Olivier, Diane Usner, Frank Uvarso, Jack Serigne, Marie Claire Clements, Melissa Fernandez, Salvador Fernandez, Dolores Fernandez, Dustin Fernandez, Donald Russo, Bonnie Bodenheimer, Warren Ruiz, Hugh Craft, Cindy Stephany, Frank Stephany, Simone Ruiz, Jimmy Besson, Christy Foret, Daniel Lemoine, Mr. Valentine Meyers, Kenny & Joanie Forsyth, Isabella Meyer, Lennon Meyers, Ruth Manale, Alexandra Docet, Shawn Rogers, Brandy Rogers, Cassie Clements, Doris Joseph, Wayne Leche, Congetta Wallace, Frederick H Wallace, Rena Conley, Louis Huff Jr, Stu Underwood, Paul Cousins, Ginja Cousins, Diana & Donald Richcreek, Frank Conley, Darlis Fernandez, Jill Beyt, Beau Bowman, Allen Melancon,

# † Mass Intentions †

**Saturday, May 13, 2017**

**4:00 p.m.** Donald Miller, Josephine Tinney, Rachel Gabb, Carl Treitler Sr, Kirby Lodrigues Jr, Judy Nunez, Archie & Helen Forsyth, Sidney Torres Jr, Anthony Torres, Leander Nunez, Petrina, Sam & Anthony Randazzo, Alfred, Margaret, & Kathleen Jirovec, Anthony T. Libasci III, Adam A Libasci, Rusty Barras Sr, Joseph & Teresa Scardina, Rita & Adam Bernard Sr, Kenny Forsyth (for healing), Bob Hamilton, Jeffrey Cusimano, Anna Micheu Swan, Carroll J Borne, Epitacio Mangubat, Barbara DeGruy Cline, Melvin Phillips, Wane deBouchel, Sam Ortego, George Imbruglio, Men & Women In Uniform

**Sunday, May 14, 2017**

**7:00a.m.** Chris SanMarco, Ann Graffeo

**8:30a.m.** Rev Danny Digal, Men & Women in Uniform

**10:30a.m.** Stephen Romare Jr, John Palmer, Craig Morain Jr, Benfiglio & Baham Families, Doris & William Doran Sr, Melanie & William Doran Jr., Stephanie Sierra, Brian Eliers, Edward W Riedl Sr, Allen Jere Tilley, Teofilo Digal, Barbara Cline, Lorraine Saavedra, Ethel Dauterive, Jane C Johnson, Celie Ginart Tanet, Susan Neumann, Ida Lee Jurisich, Rose & John Gallo Sr, Althea S Pohlmann, Mary Denley, Ethel Durio, Roy Althany Mistretta, Doris Fredricks Martin, Madeline Lobre, Frederick Schule, Augustine Hollis, June Derouche, Eddie Fleetwood, Grisaffi Family, Nickie Burns, Ann Henritz, Men & Women in Uniform

**2:00p.m.** All Parishioners

**7:00p.m.** Philip Creeger, Men & Women in Uniform

**Monday, May 15, 2017**

**7:00 a.m.** Anna Mae Cardinale

**Tuesday, May 16, 2017**

**7:00 a.m.** James Tarantino

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017**

**7:00 a.m.** Arthur J Tull Sr

**Thursday, May 18, 2017**

**7:00 a.m.** Sam Randazzo

**9:00 a.m.** All Children

**Friday, May 19, 2017**

**7:00 a.m.** Catherine Giampietro, Carroll J Borne

**Saturday, May 20, 2017**

**4:00 p.m.** Donald Miller, Josephine Tinney, Rachel Gabb, Carl Treitler Sr, Kirby Lodrigues Jr, Judy Nunez, Archie & Helen Forsyth, Sidney Torres Jr, Anthony Torres, Leander Nunez, Petrina, Sam & Anthony Randazzo, Alfred, Margaret, & Kathleen Jirovec, Anthony T. Libasci III, Adam A Libasci, Rusty Barras Sr, Joseph & Teresa Scardina, Rita & Adam Bernard Sr, Kenny Forsyth (for healing), Bob Hamilton, Jeffrey Cusimano, Carroll J Borne, Epitacio Mangubat, Barbara DeGruy Cline, Melvin Phillips, Wane deBouchel, Sam Ortego, Anthony & Thelma Licciardi, Lee & Charlette Melancon, Lorraine Saavedra, Althea Pohlmann, Joseph Klein, Lorriane Morel Beninato, Lindsey Gallo, Brian McHughes, Men & Women In Uniform



My apologies to  
Mr. Jackson Gettle  
for leaving him off  
the First Communion list.  
Congratulations  
on making your  
First Communion!

## Summer Hours

The rectory will have summer hours of 8am -12noon and 1pm-3pm. We go to lunch daily from 12-1pm. These hours will go into effect on Tuesday, May 30 through Friday, July 28.

## UNBOUND.ORG

Next weekend, we will have Fr. John Anglin from Unbound.org as a guest priest. He will speak at all masses explaining his organization.

Unbound is an international nonprofit founded by lay Catholics grounded in the Gospel call to put the needs of the marginalized and vulnerable first. We build relationships of mutual respect and support that bridge cultural, religious and economic divides. We invite all people of goodwill to join us.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In many parish churches, more rarely in monastery churches and cathedrals, the tabernacle with the Blessed Sacrament is visible from a doorway or aisle in the church. Normally, a person is to give the proper sign of reverence, a genuflection, when passing in proximity to the tabernacle. The word "genuflect" comes from Latin roots meaning bending (or flexing) the knee. A common-sense exception to the rule is for a sacristan who is taking care of the church and can't be genuflecting every thirty seconds during a vacuum run. Also excepted are persons in procession entrusted with important symbols of the Lord's presence. So, a crossbearer or a minister carrying the Gospel book, or ministers on their way to their Communion stations do not genuflect. For everyone else, the usual sign of reverence for the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament is to genuflect on the right knee.

The oldest form of reverence during prayer in our tradition is standing; kneeling or genuflecting is a sign borrowed from old civic practice. The posture of kneeling, even on one knee, is a sign of submission. Servants would take this position before their masters in the ancient world. It said: I'm not running away, I'm yours, I'm here for you. This is what your genuflection says when you enter a Catholic church where the place of reservation of the Blessed Sacrament is visible to you: I'm yours.

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## How to Listen to a Homily

I bet you are reading this during the homily! Do not worry. You are probably not alone. Many Catholics choose homily time to catch up on their bulletin reading. No, browsing the bulletin while Father preaches is not a sin, but it might prove beneficial to your growth in holiness to give the preacher a closer listen.

The homily is an odd sort of composition. Part essay, part speech, part reflection, and part lecture, so figuring out how to listen to one can be daunting. The distinctive nature of the homily demands a set of listening tools unique to both its occasion and purpose. We know that the occasion of a homily is a public liturgy of the Church (Mass, baptism, funeral, wedding, etc). We know that its purpose is to unpack the Word of God in a way that shines His wisdom on our lives in this world and in the world to come. Knowing what a homily is helps us to know how to listen to one.

Homilies are preached during the public liturgies of the Church. This means that we are called upon to listen to the preacher preach in the context of the Church's public prayer. If we are in the season of Advent, we are praying in expectation of the coming of the Messiah. If we are in Lent, we are praying for the strength to endure temptation with Christ at our side. During Easter, we pray in the hope of the resurrection and look forward to the heavenly feast.

The lectionary readings are chosen to reflect the liturgical season and the homily will reflect both the liturgical season and the readings. Homilies at baptisms, weddings, and funerals have their own themes and readings. Baptisms welcome the death of sin and membership in the Body of Christ. Weddings bond a man and woman in the life-long sacramental witness of Christ's love for his Church. Funerals commend the souls of our loved ones to God and urge us to pray for their entrance into heaven.

While listening to the homily, listen especially for references to the theme of the season or the liturgy. Do you hear mentioned – waiting, repenting, rising up, going out, adoption as a child of God, perfection in Christ? All of these and similar phrases point to the underlying themes of our prayer during a given season or liturgical occasion. Also, take to heart our response to close of the Gospel reading, “Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!” This exclamation of praise opens our hearts and minds to receive the message of the homily as a piece of wisdom for our growth in holiness.

The purpose of the homily also offers us a set of tools with which to listen better. Since the homily is usually rooted in the lectionary readings for the liturgy to be celebrated, we can better listen to the preacher if we prepare the readings by carefully following their proclamation from the ambo. Hear each word when spoken. Listen to each phrase. Note the images (sheep, seeds, water, sand, etc.). Pay attention to who's speaking and who's listening. Listen to the ordering of events in the Gospel reading. Jesus loves parables – did you catch what the actors in his parable are doing and saying?

After you have praised the Lord for his Good News, send up a quick prayer for the grace of attentive listening. Then listen for the preacher to mention the words, phrase, images, and events you noted during the proclamation. How does he arrange these to shed Christ's light on your life? How does Christ's message strengthen you? Encourage you? Convict you? What does the preacher exhort you to do or not to do in the pursuit of holiness and charitable service? Be open to what the preacher has to say. Take what you need to follow Christ, and save the bulletin reading for the drive home!

Fr. Philip Neri Powell, OP, PhD  
Director of Homiletics, Notre Dame Seminary

Happy  
Mother's Day

