

December 17, 2023 † Third Sunday of Advent

Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church

"Our Lady of Prompt Succor Hasten to Help Us"



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Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday | 7:00 am
Thursday | 7:00 am Adoration & Benediction | 8:00 am
Saturday | 8:00 am First Saturday | 4:00 pm Vigil
Sunday | 7:00 am | 10:00 am | 5:00 pm

Confessions

30 minutes before every Mass
Thursday & Saturday - 1 hour before Mass
Anytime by appointment - Call the office to schedule

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Office Hours | Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Contact the Church Office to Arrange:

- * Anointing of the Sick * Baptism * Marriage *
- * New Parishioner Registration * Visits to the Sick *

Mission Statement



We the people of Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in Chackbay, invoking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, propose to "Go and Make Disciples" by making use of our God-given talents for: 1) building up a Catholic worshipping community, 2) learning more about our Catholic faith and Scriptures, 3) serving others, especially in matters of social justice, 4) reaching out to one another in faith, and becoming an example of love to all we come in contact with, beginning with our own families.



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*V. And the Word was made flesh.
R. And dwelt among us.*



*Hail Mary,
full of grace,
The Lord is with thee.*



Third Sunday of Advent REASONS TO REJOICE

Saint Paul seems to be throwing out a handful of sayings that may sound overly optimistic, but are actually very practical. "Rejoice always"? If we pray constantly and thank God for all that happens to us, we have reason to rejoice. Even the things we don't like can be turned to good by God. God allows sin because it leads to forgiveness, an experience of God's love for us. And God allows even death, because God can bring us to eternal life.

When Paul tells us not to quench the Spirit he means we should be open to what the Holy Spirit moves us to do. If we pray constantly, the distractions of this world will not keep us from hearing the Spirit within us. We won't be so critical of others that we miss what the Spirit is telling us through them. How do we know if something really is from the Spirit? Saint Paul says, test everything. Retain what is good. Use the scriptures, the teachings of the Church, and your conscience to decide whether the Spirit is moving you, or if advice you hear is worthwhile.

Trust God to make us holy if we only allow it. Then we will be ready for the coming of the Lord, whether through the sacraments, the celebration of Christmas, or God's final coming in glory. I'd say that's a reason to rejoice.

*In Preparation for Christmas, an evening of
Confession at every Church in the Diocese*

Wednesday, Dec. 20th, 6pm - 8pm

"The Light is On"



"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:9

Mass Intentions Dec. 19 - 24, 2023

Dec. 19, 7am Mark Ordoyne, Wade Kliebert, Leonard Levron

Dec. 20, 7am Thelma Morvant

Dec. 21, 8am Kelsey Hymel, Bryon Becnel, Edward Trosclair, Sr., Edward "Chine" Trosclair, Jr., Trey St. Pierre, Allison Chiasson-birthday

Dec. 22, 7am Vincent & Jeanne Mahler, June Waguespack

Dec. 23, 4pm Johnny Ordoyne, Nelson & Eldred Durocher, Michael Legendre, Jr., Teddy & Audrey Gravois, Delmas Durocher, Johnny Rome, Lois Mahler, Pansy G. Justrabo, Rida & Ada Rodrigue, John & Joshua Arceneaux, Eugene & Audrey Chauvin, Ozemie & Grace Durocher Family

Dec. 24, 7am Sylvia Bourgeois, Rose Becnel, Daniel Becnel, Burchman & Cecile Hymel, Mark Ordoyne, Sr., George & Therese Reulet, Karl R. Becnel, Kirk P. Reulet, Mr. & Mrs. Edward H. Clement, Eddie Clement, Jr., Betty Huels, Christopher Charles Kliebert, Jr., Hayward J. Allemand, Edward Webre, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Hymel, Jr., Brenda Clement, Aimee Scioneaux, Manuel Rodrigue, Christina Zeringue, Barbara Chiasson

Dec. 24, 10am Clifton & Thelma Morvant, Rita & Gaston Rodrigue, Sr., Wicknel P. & Pearl R. Scioneaux, Stephen T. Barker, Adam & Lois Rodrigue, Mark & Debra Rodrigue, Joseph Bourgeois Jr., Mary Ann LaRose

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy.

**May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body
for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father!

Expectant, let us live in joyful hope

**for the revelation of the glory
of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus!**

To him be glory forever!

Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all. Amen

The next baptismal seminar will be on Thursday, Jan. 4th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Baptism will be on Sunday, Jan. 7th, after the 10 am Mass. Please call the church office to register if you would like to have your baby baptized. We must have a copy of your baby's birth certificate, along with all paperwork completed and turned in to the church office before the seminar. Baptism sponsors must be Catholic, at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Isiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 (8B)

Psalm - Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54

Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel - John 1:6-8, 19-28

Collection Totals Dec. 9 - 10, 2023

Weekly Envelopes	\$ 2,921.00
Weekly Loose	\$ 2,202.00
Share in the Care	\$ 1,672.00
December ACH	\$ 3,776.00
Candles	\$ 141.00
Poor Box	\$ 80.00



STEWARDSHIP

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR HIS GLORY

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

KC Council 8743 is sponsoring a "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. There will be 3 age ranges, 5-7 yrs, 8-10 yrs, 11-14 yrs. **The deadline to submit posters has been extended to Dec. 20th.** Winners will receive a *KC Catholic Saints* hardcover book with stories of the popular Catholic Saints. Refer to link below for the entry form and instructions. Entry forms will be distributed at CCD classes. <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/5025-kcic-entry-score-sheet-fillable.pdf>. Posters can be mailed to Travis Chiasson, 357 Choctaw Road, Thibodaux, LA 70301

KC Council 8743 will be sponsoring the Catholic Youth Leadership Award for graduating high school seniors who are practicing Catholics. The local council will select a boy and girl winner from all applications received and the winning boy and girl will receive \$100. The local council winners are then sent to their respective KC diocesan administrator for the second level of competition; award at this level is \$1000. Once the diocesan winners are selected, these winners are notified of the state competition dates to compete for state awards. The 1st Place Winner will receive a \$5,000 check, plaque and chance to be honored at KC State Convention. 2nd Place Winners will receive a \$3,000 check. 3rd Place Winners will receive a \$2,000 check. The application can be found at <https://www.cognitofirms.com/LouisianaKnightsOfColumbusCouncil/CYLAApplication>. Please email a copy of the completed applications to travischiasson@charter.net by Jan. 25, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Travis Chiasson at travischiasson@charter.net

READINGS for the Week of December 17, 2023

Mon. 12/18:	Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Tues. 12/19:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Wed. 12/20:	Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Thurs. 12/21:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Fri. 12/22:	1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Sat. 12/23:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 & 14; Lk 1:57-66
Sun. 12/24:	Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38



Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant From this day all generations shall call me blessed. The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm, He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has come to the help of His servant Israel for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever. Amen

Wedding Banns

Justin Paul Bourgeois and Sara Elizabeth Dempster (2nd)



Recently Baptized in Christ

Alexandra Ann Steib
daughter of
Guy and Adel Foret Steib

Hayes Joseph Breaux
son of
Dustin and Hailey Labat Breaux

Solemn Mass Schedule for Christmas

Saturday, Dec. 23rd - 4 pm Vigil (Sunday Obligation)
Sunday, Dec. 24th - 7 am, 10 am (Sunday Obligation)

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Masses)

Sunday, December 24th - 4 pm, 6 pm, 11 pm
Monday, December 25th - 9 am

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Monday, January 1st - 7 am

The Church office will close Friday,
Dec. 22nd at 12pm, and re-open on
Tuesday, Jan. 2nd at 8am.

