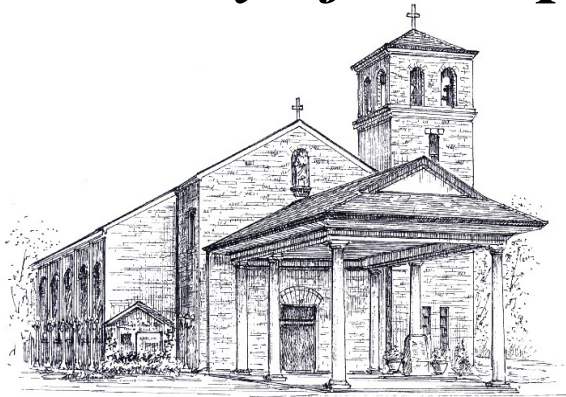


September 3, 2023 † Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

22nd
SUNDAY in
ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to his disciples,
**"WHOEVER WISHES TO COME AFTER
ME MUST DENY HIMSELF, TAKE UP HIS
CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME."**

Matthew 16:24

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Office Hours | Monday - Friday
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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.

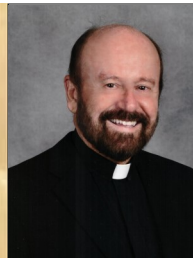


THE EYES OF A CHILD

Christian churches sometimes advertise that they are a contemporary, casual church. One thing that concerns me is that they do not add “challenging” to that description. Some people try to teach that since Jesus is risen from the dead, we should also be able to live that way—rejoicing, but never sorrowing. But if we preach resurrection without the cross, we are acting like Peter in the Gospel.

Peter had just proclaimed that Jesus was the Messiah, but he failed to understand that Jesus’ mission was not to bring wealth and glory to Israel. Like Satan’s temptations in the desert, he wanted Jesus to take the easy way to glory. Instead, Jesus challenges us to deny ourselves. As long as we center our lives on our own pleasure and comfort, we are rejecting the cross. To deny oneself means to choose God’s will over our own. It means to be willing to suffer for being honest. It means giving God the first place in our lives. It means we get more joy from serving others than serving ourselves.

That is one reason I like the image of God as father. Parents will lose much of their freedom—and much sleep—when they bring a child into the world. But they find a new joy in the eyes of that child. We are all called to lose our selfish lives and find the joy of living for Jesus.



*My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
As I arrive at Our Lady of Prompt Succor, I am aware of the challenge posed to the people of the parish each time a transition takes place.*

In my 25 years of active ministry, I was moved eight times. Since my retirement in 2016, this is the 6th time I have been called back to help in a transition. Change is always difficult, especially when you have come to know and love your former Administrator, Fr. Patrick.

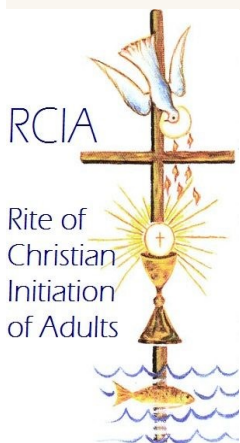
While I cannot change the decisions that were made, I promise to try to make this transition a positive experience and to work hard to accomplish several projects that have already been identified. However, that doesn’t change the fact that Fr. Patrick will be greatly missed.

For the past three years, no pastors have been named in the diocese. For two years, we had Diocesan Administrator Fr. PJ, who, because he was not a bishop, could only name Administrators. Our current bishop has decided he wants to get to know our priests first so that he can make appropriate assignments as pastors. Therefore, he did not name any pastors this year. Pastors are named for 6 years, with an option to renew. This will happen in June of next year. Therefore, I have been asked to serve Our Lady of Prompt Succor for ten months until your new pastor is appointed.

I am delighted to be here. Fr. Patrick has shared with me what a dynamic community I will be serving. He also told me, “God has incredible things in store for this wonderful parish.” I am honored to have an opportunity to be a small part of that. It is humbling to be invited to be part of the spiritual journey of others. I will always treat that gift as a sacred trust.

Fr. Mike

Do small things
with great Love
-Mother Teresa



RCIA is a process by which the Church welcomes those persons who are seeking full communion in the Catholic faith through the sacraments. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic and have not received the Sacrament of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation, we can help you. If you are prayerfully considering the opportunity to continue to grow in your Catholic faith and prayer life, please call the church office and someone will be happy to assist you.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading - Jeremiah 20:7-9 (124A)

Psalm - 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Second Reading - Romans 12:1-2

Gospel - Matthew 16:21-27



Collections August 26 - 27, 2023

Weekly Envelopes	\$ 3,182.00
Weekly Loose	\$ 2,667.00
Candles	\$ 128.00
Poor Box	\$ 36.00

STEWARDSHIP

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR HIS GLORY
Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

The Maintenance Collection will be this weekend, Sept. 2 - 3. Your kind generosity and faithful support is allowing us to make much needed repairs and improvements. Please be generous. Thank you!

KC Council #8743 will meet on Thursday, Sept. 14th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Rosary will begin at 6:15 pm. A meal will be provided. Please make an effort to attend.

The Ladies Altar Society will have a meeting on Thursday, Sept. 28th at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Potluck dinner will be served. New members are welcomed.

The Liturgical Minister Schedule is available in the back of the church. If for whatever reason you are unable to attend Mass at your scheduled time, please find a replacement. If you are considering joining any of our ministries and would like more information, please call the rectory and someone will be happy to assist you.

YOUTH FORMATION PARENT MEETING!!
Wednesday, Sept. 13th at 6:30PM in Church.

At least one parent of all students, including homeschool students, are asked to attend.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon, 09/04:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 & 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30
Tues, 09/05:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wed, 09/06:	Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-44
Thurs, 09/07:	Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Fri, 09/08:	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary , Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23
Sat, 09/09:	Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 & 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sun, 09/10:	Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Mass Intentions Sept 5 - 10, 2023

Sept. 05, 7am Mark Ordoyne, Shirley Rodrigue Thibodaux, Thanksgiving to God & St. Mother Teresa Calcutta

Sept. 06, 7am Elenore Naquin

Sept. 07, 8am Kelsey Hymel, Bryon Becnel, J. D. Boudreaux

Sept. 08, 7am Vincent & Jeanne Mahler, June Waguespack, Perry & Emily T. Bourgeois, Julia Usea, William Lewis Mayfield, Jr., Harry Gauthreaux, Sr., Daniel Clement, Thanksgiving to God & Blessed Virgin Mary

Sept. 09, 4pm Johnny Ordoyne, Fernand Naquin, Henrietta Gravois, Teddy & Audrey S. Gravois, Johnny Rome, Louis Duet, Hazel Bourgeois, Richard Labat, Ozemie & Grace Durocher Family

Sept. 10, 7am Mark Ordoyne, Sr., George & Therese Reulet, Sylvia Bourgeois, Rose Becnel, Daniel Becnel, Erie & Ella Landry, Aimee Scioneaux, Christina Zeringue, Brenda Clement, Edward Benoit, Edward Webre, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Hymel, Jr., Norman & Anna Theriot, Manuel Rodrigue, Norman & Madeline Lasserre, Rodney & Isabella Levron, Keith & Leonard "Frog" Levron, Sr., Trey St. Pierre

Sept. 10, 10am Rita & Gaston Rodrigue, Sr., Frances D. Badeaux, Hubert Clement, Delmas Durocher, Mr. & Mrs. Alcee Rodrigue, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Megile Simon, Mr. & Mrs. Dolmas Durocher, Steve Bourgeois, Randy "Duke" Himel, Stephen T. Barker, Wicknel P. & Pearl R. Scioneaux, Fr. Bernard Daly CSsR, Francis Clement, Roy Clement, Jerry Naquin, Walter Thibodaux, Sr. & Shirley Thibodaux

The next baptismal seminar will be on Thursday, Sept. 28th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Baptism will be on Sunday, Oct. 1st, 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.



The office will be closed
Monday, Sept. 4th,
in observance of
Labor Day.
Have a safe and
happy holiday!