

Sacred Scripture

16th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

The next obstacle to courtship toward marriage in holiness and honor is the trial of loneliness. Every human being experiences loneliness during their lives. It is so common that we have different words for it such as: home sickness, missing a loved one or the various ways to express experiencing sadness when we are alone.

Loneliness occurs when we are not in the exchange of love with another person. Primarily, we need to be in the exchange of love with God. Also, we need to be in the exchange of love with other humans or any of the holy Angels.

There are some who want to latch on to another person to use them as an escape or a distraction from loneliness. This is why single persons get into unhealthy relationships. Even widows and divorced persons, who are wise from years, may fall into this.

God has a desire to fill our lives with blessings. The main way that God wants to bless us is to draw each of us into an exchange of love with him. When we are in that exchange of love with God, our hearts fill with joy, peace and love. This is why those who are called to celibacy can live fulfilled lives for decades. This is also why single people who have not found a spouse can still be joyful and peaceful. This also is why widows and widowers can be content with having had a marriage with one person. Loneliness won't be completely cured in any of us until we are in heaven with God.

We must be humble in the face of loneliness and first of all seek communion with God. Some of the lies that Satan employs when he sees a lonely person are: "nobody wants you." "There must be something wrong with you?" Or "You'll never find someone." If God is calling someone to marriage, he will bring the two together. If these singles persons focus on loving God and loving their neighbor then the wait will be bearable.

Mass Intentions

July Saturday, 4:00pm St. Joseph

18th Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Pat & Ray Schneider

July Sunday, 8:00am St. Jules

19th Charlene Thomas, Special Int, Columbus & Ludy Clement,

Sunday, 10:00am St. Joseph

Pro-Populo, Robert Terry Hebert, Tucker Fontenot, Matt Miller, Brent Hebert, Luke Lasage, JD Hebert, Claire LeJeune

July Tuesday, 5:00pm St. Jules

21st Jake Farmer

July Wednesday, 6:30am St. Joseph

22nd Craighton LaCombe, Mitch Fontenot

July Thursday, 5:00pm St. Jules

16th Arista & Hazel Guidry

July Friday, 6:30am St. Joseph

23rd Melba & Morris LaCombe

July Saturday, 4:00pm St. Joseph

24th Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Vida McFarlian, Gen Trahan(L)

July Sunday, 8:00am St. Jules

25th Charlene Thomas, Special Int., Columbus & Ludy Clement, Jamie & Donnie Simar

Sunday, 10:00am St. Joseph

Pro-Populo, Robert Terry Hebert, Tucker Fontenot, Jared Hannon, Doug Seilhan, Many Simar

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday at St. Joseph's - 3:00pm

Rosary

Saturday: St. Joseph - 3:25pm

Sunday: St. Jules - 7:25am

St. Joseph - 9:25am

Flame of Love Rosary: Mon. 6:00pm,

St. Joseph

Tuesday & Thursday- 4:30pm, St. Jules

Men's Bible Study

7:00am every Friday in the parish hall at St. Joseph.

Women's Hour of Adoration & Praise

First Wednesday of every month

Begins at 6:30pm at St. Joseph. August 5

Youth Hour of Adoration & Praise

2nd Sunday of every Month at 6:00pm at St. Joseph. August 9

Readings for the Week

July 19- Wis 12:13,16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Mt 13:24-43(106)

July 20- Mi 6:1-4,6-8, Mt 12:38-42(395)

July 21- Mi 7:14-15, 18-20, Mt 12:46-50(396)

July 22- Sg 3:1-4b, Jn 20:1-2, 11-18(603)

July 23- Jer 2:1-3,7-8,12-13, Mt 13:10-17(398)

July 24- Jer 3:14-17, Mt 13:18-23(399)

July 25- 2 Cor 4:7-15, Mt 20:20-28(605)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

When we experience loneliness, we may want to turn our thoughts to those who may be experiencing loneliness as much as or more than we are. Some examples are: homebound family members or family and friends who are either in the hospital, a nursing home or in prison. We could also think of someone who is recovering from surgery or recently empty nested or living by themselves. A phone call to one of them could go a long way if we are unable to go visit them. We might even think of sending an old fashioned handwritten letter.

In the hearts of JMJ,

Fr Comeaux
Our Stewardship

St. Joseph: \$ 1902 2nd- 430
St. Jules: \$ 918 2nd - 124
2nd collection next week is none.

Prayer Intentions

Danny Wimberly, Lenis Broussard, Betty Nicholas, Ed Mire, Garland Benoit, Dylan LeGros, Velma Guidry, Beth Hebert, Tucker Fontenot, Alicia Watts, Ashley Hargrave, Kevin Cormier, Maurice Camel, Grace Kirsh, Cullen Zaunbrecher, Danielle Stroderd LeJeune, Brody Coleman, August Smith, Joseph David, Jay Benoitt, Stephanie Fontenot, Mark Hebert, Faye Romero, Brian Benoit, Terry McFarlain, Brian Caillouet, Pat Gotte, Tony Fontenot, Sue Hebert, Tommy & Kathleen Guidry, Earline LaCombe, Christina Reed, Rita Bogard, Susan Bergeaux, Beth Richert, Remi Joseph, Sarah Kleinpeter, Gerald Doucet, Jr., Joel Guinn, John F. LeJeune, Wilma LeJeune, Carolyn Lejeune, Adlas & Judy Herpin, Corey Rasberry, Randy Gotte, Christine Gotte, Brenda Benoit, Brandy Hebert, Katrina Zaunbrecher, Vincent Daigle, Yvette Kleinpeter Call Mary Hadaway 368-6110.

St Joseph & St Jules Mercy Works

We are looking for volunteers to establish a network of mercy works within our communities. The Mercy Works include: food trains, visiting sick and lonely, running errands, and maintenance for struggling and unable individuals. If you are interested please call the office.

EVENTS

ST. JOSEPH & ST. JULES DINNER/AUCTION

Our dinner and auction will take place on August 29, 2026. Members of the Finance Council and trustees are selling tickets. There will also be tickets in the office. The names of the Trustees are Steve Simar and Mary Ann Hadaway. The Finance Council Members with tickets:

Monica Bergeaux	Ben Monic
Terry Hebert	Kim Fruge
Trent Fruge	Mandy Walker
Susan Doucet	

ATTENTION 1ST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Monthly classes will be the 2nd Sunday every month beginning on September 13, 1st communion class will be from 2:00-2:45 and confirmation classes will be from 3:00-4:14 in the hall at St. Joseph. Parents and students are required to attend all classes.

St. Joseph Hall Painting

We are asking for volunteers to help paint the hall on at 9:00am on Friday, July 24 & 9:00am Saturday, July 25. We will have rollers and brushes for use, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies. Lunches and water will be provided for the volunteers.

OCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Will be on first Sundays beginning on September 6 until March. They will be held at St. Jules Chapel from 3:00pm til 4:15pm. Please contact the office to schedule with Fr. Comeaux if you are interested.

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Blessing of the Child within the Womb

Takes place on the third Sunday of every month. July 18-19