

Sacred Scripture

17th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

In the next catechesis, I would like to talk about the difficulty in courtship when our will is different from God's will. One of the ways to discover that our will is different from God's will is when things don't go according to plan. All work has some degree of difficulty even within the work of planning a wedding. Difficulty itself doesn't mean that God is opposing our decision but how we deal with the difficulty may be an indicator. Are we at peace amidst the difficulty? Jesus said that he is the way, the truth and the life, so the difficulty of work provides a way to train us in the way of Jesus. For example the bride and groom order flowers but the flowers they want are taking longer than expected to arrive. God may be training them in patience to a level they will need to enter into the sacrament of marriage.

God's way also means that what we do is as important as how we do it. A bride and groom may have imagined an outside wedding but the diocese of Lafayette requires all weddings to be in a Catholic church or chapel. The bride and groom would have to let go of the part of their way that is not part of God's way.

God may also be allowing difficulty to show that this is not their vocation. The bride and groom may be called to marriage but not to each other. I have known a few couples that knew this in their hearts but went through with the wedding because they didn't want to upset anyone. Then they got divorced years later because they finally realized that their hearts were right. God could also be calling one or both of the bride and groom to celibacy in either priesthood and/or religious life. There are a few priests in this diocese who were either dating or engaged to someone when they realized they were called to be a priest. There were also some nuns, from our diocese serving in religious orders, who were dating someone when God called them to be a nun.

God knows us because he created us and he watches over us with care and devotion every moment of our lives. God not only knows what will bring us peace, joy and love but His will for us is the way to peace, joy and love.

Mass Intentions

July Saturday, 4:00pm St. Joseph

25 Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Jake & Jen Trahan(L), Vida McFarlain

July Sunday, 8:00am St. Jules

26 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

July Tuesday, 5:00pm St. Jules

28 Lauren Comeaux (5th & 6th grades catechist)

July Wednesday, 6:30am St. Joseph

29 Craighton LaCombe

July Thursday, 5:00pm St. Jules

30 Arista & Hazel Guidry

July Friday, 6:30am St. Joseph

31 Patrick Aton (7th grade catechist)

Aug Saturday, 4:00pm St. Joseph

1 Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Brenis Kershaw, 1st Saturday- Vocations for parish, poor souls in purgatory

Aug Sunday, 8:00am St. Jules

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

Sunday, 10:00am St. Joseph

Pro-Populo, Robert Terry Hebert, Tucker Fontenot, Fr. Don Leger, Fr. Paul LaFleur, Fr. Comeaux

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 26-1 Kgs3:5,7-12, Rom 8:28-30, Mt 13:44-52

July 27-Jer 13:1-11, Mt 13:31-35(401)

July 28-Jer 14:17-22, Mt 13:36-43(402)

July 29-Jer 15:10,16-21(403), Jn 11:19-27

July 30-Jer 18:1-6, Mt 13:47-53(404)

July 31-Jer 26:1-9, Mt 13:54-58(405)

Aug 1- Jer 26:11-16,24, Mt 14:1-12(406)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Prayers during the hurricane season are a must. We pray the hurricane prayer after all masses, as our Bishop requested. However, it also a good practice to pray prayers of thanksgiving when the Lord averts a storm for us or limits its strength. May the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be praised forever and ever. Amen.

In the hearts of JMJ,

Fr. Comeaux

Our Stewardship

St. Joseph: \$ 2072 2nd - 1062
St. Jules: \$ 1193 2nd - 381
2nd collection next week is maintenance.

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:

INSTALLATION MASS

Fr. Comeaux's installation mass as pastor will be on Sunday, August 2 at the 10:00 am Mass.

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.

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.

1st Saturday Mass

Saturday, August 1 at 8:00am at St. Joseph. Adoration will follow until 4:00pm mass, please consider signing up for an hour.

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Blessing of the Child within the Womb

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