

Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time June 10, 2018

The first reading today is quite familiar, but it is cut off before we hear the consequences that befall Eve, Adam, and humanity for their disobedience. Only the serpent is punished in this selection. The serpent plays the role of Satan here. Cunning and deceptive, the serpent has tricked the woman into disobeying God. Eventually, however, the serpent will meet its match: her offspring “will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel” (Genesis 3:15). From generation to generation, temptation will always have to be fought, but God has given us an advantage over Satan.

Satan makes a return appearance in the Gospel. The scribes accused Jesus of being possessed by Satan because he healed people and drove out demons on the Sabbath. Mark, writing to convince people that Jesus was the Son of God, has Jesus show how ridiculous their conclusion is: “How can Satan drive out Satan?” (Mark “23). He reveals the Holy Spirit as the true power behind his work. This is the “clean” spirit if you will, driving out the unclean spirits. Since we are all blessed with the Holy Spirit in us, this means that we too have the power to defeat temptation, to drive out Satan.

When we act in accord with the Spirit, we show our kinship with Jesus, “for whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother” (Mark 2:35). Resisting temptation is not easy, for the serpent is a formidable foe, but when we do we progress toward the reward of “an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison” (2 Corinthians 4:17).

Question of the Week

How do I resist temptation? Does it help to focus on the effects of allowing the Spirit to work through me?



Masses For The Week

Saturday, June 9, 2018

Vigil of the Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p.m. Darrell and Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Leonard Belton – Rita Whitehead – Wanda Fleming – Duane Payton – Thelma James – Gina Greenlee – Suzanne Boulogny – Fr. Timothy Pieris – Louis Isadore – Tu Tran

Sunday, June 10, 2018

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30a.m. Darrell & Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Earthy B. Lazard – Walter Banks, III – Lawrence Miller, Jr. – Melvina Kepp – Corrine Singletary – Nathaniel Wilson, Sr. – Paul and Gloria Andoh – Calvin Tate – Beverly Wilkerson – Maria Pham – Gina Greenlee – Guillory and Faciane Families – Intentions of Tu Tran

10:30a.m. Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Charles Valteau – Cinque Stallworth – Gina Greenlee – Intentions of the McKinney Family – Tu Tran

12:00p.m. Gina Greenlee – Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Maria Goretti Parish – Elysian Fields St. Joseph Altar

Monday, June 11, 2018

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Katherine Bertrand – Joseph Nguyen – Intentions of the Mitchell Family – Tu Tran

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Maria Pham – Peter Vu – Intentions of Blair McDonald – Stacey Martin – Patricia Casmire – Tu Tran

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Maria Pham – Maria – Intentions of Tu Tran

Thursday, June 14, 2018

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Maria Pham – Maria Nguyen – Intentions of Tu Tran

Friday, June 15, 2018

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Maria Pham – All souls of our ancestors – Intentions of Tu Tran

Saturday, June 16, 2018

8:30a.m. Maria Pham – Sylvannine Guillory – Intentions of Tu Tran – The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Men's Prayer Breakfast 2018

The Saint Maria Goretti Catholic Men's fellowship invite all men and young men under the age of 18 experience an Emmaus Moment at the Annual Men's Prayer Breakfast on June 16, 2018 from 8:30-11:00 a.m. in the Monsignor Gauthreaux Center. Sign-up sheets are on the table at the entrance of the church. Admission is free, Jesus paid the price for us. For more information see our page on the church's website at smgnola.com, or on face book at www.facebook.com/smgcmf.

Announcements

“We can fix our hearts on Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and encounter Jesus, personally!” Come and See!
 Eucharistic Adoration Monday – Friday, 9:00a.m. – 12:00 Noon and Saturdays, 12:00 noon – 3:00pm.

Commission to spread the community of Love
 The Bible Study theme for The Tenth Sunday in ordinary Times is: **Build A Bridge And Cross It!** The Bible Study is based on the readings for the **Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B: Reading I: Genesis 3:9-15; Responsorial Psalm: 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Reading II: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1; Gospel: Mark 3:20-35.** The bible study can be found on our parish website smgnola.com/Bible Study, and it can be downloaded for your personal use. Bible will resume June 11, 2018 in the Center at 7:00p.m. **Come and be warmed by the word of God.**

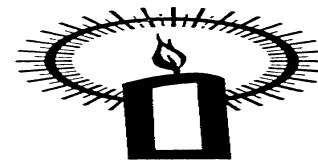
The Annual St. Maria Goretti Gospel Concert for Haiti will take place on July 15, 2018 from 3:00 - 5:00p.m. in the Church. Tickets are \$10 and will be available after all weekend masses beginning June 10, 2018 until the concert. All proceeds are dedicated to rebuilding our partner in Haiti, St. Threse De L'Enfant Jesus and supporting the parish school.



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends & family.

RCIA
 The Bible Study theme for the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ conclude the Easter Season.** They remind us how deeply God loves us. We live in the family of God, who has revealed Himself as a **Trinity of love.** We share in His divine nature through His **Body and Blood (2 Peter 1:4).** During Ordinary Time, we live our great commission to bring others into God's community of love called His Church. In gratitude for that great love, we embrace the need to renew and strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ.
I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (PS 22:26-27). The RCIA will commence its summer schedule and will meet on June 12, and July 19, 2018 at 7:00 in the Chapel. The RCIA will commence its summer schedule and will meet on June 12, and July 19, 2018 at 7:00 in the Chapel.
 For more information contact the RCIA Team: Deacon Terrel J. Broussard, Harold Broussard, Sheila Thompson, Byron Martin, Dianne Wiltz-Huntley or any member of the RCIA Team or by email at tbroussard@smgnola.com, or visit the website at <http://www.smgnola.com>.

We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn for the intentions of Helen Cheatham
 The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will burn in memory of Ruth Cornwell and Herman Mitchell.

In Our Parish

Monday, June 11, 2018

- 10:30a.m. Senior Dance Class – Centen
- 6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise Class – Center

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

- 9:00a.m. Elder Care – Center
- 6:00p.m. ENONAC – Center
- 7:00p.m. First Place Class – Rm. 10

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

- 10:30a.m. Senior Dance Class – Center
- 6:00p.m. Exercise Class – Center
- 6:00p.m. Lake Carmel HOA – Rm. 8
- 7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance – Center
- 7:00p.m. Catholic Men's Fellowship – Library

Thursday, June 14, 2018

- 6:00p.m. Bingo – Center

Friday, June 15, 2017

- 12:15p.m. Exercise Class – Center

Saturday, June 16, 2018

- 8:00a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast – Center & Kitchen

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade the land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose wounds seem to refuse to heal. With passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Imprimatur: August 29, 1967
 +Maurice Schexnayder
 Bishop Of Lafayette in LA
 Diocese of Lafayette 2006