

Saint Leo IV Prayer List

Roland Dartez, All Students & Teachers, For all the Sick, Special Intention, Charlie Habetz, Margaret Leonards, Kip Link, Joseph "Joe" LaCombe, Connie Cramer Melzer, Charles Thevis, Mike Hoffpauir, Ann Philip, Dwight Habetz, Louise Landry, Suzette Forestier, Glenn Boudreaux, Lula Mae Broussard, Michael Cramer, Laura LeLeux, Ray Schneider, Marie Louise Berken, Sherry Rimmer, Andrew John, Joselin Simoneaux Landry, Randy Champagne, William Reiners, Eddie Johnson.

Lectors

September 26 - 4:00 p. m.: Marlene Courvelle
 September 26 - 5:30 p. m.: Gretchen Zaunbrecher
 September 27 - 7:30 a. m.: Beverly Rayon
 September 27 - 9:00 a. m.: Johnny Hains

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

September 26 - 4:00 p.m.: Pam Harmon
 September 26 - 5:30 p.m.: Kay Habetz
 September 27 - 7:30 a.m.: Betty Guidry
 September 27 - 9:00 a.m.: Cindy Habetz

Ushers

September 20 - September 26: Jerry & Todd Leonards, Dale Olinger, Al Cramer
 September 27 - October 3: Tommy, Zachary, & Nicholas Benoit

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

The title, Our Lady of Sorrows, given to our Blessed Mother focuses on Her intense Suffering and Grief during the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the Seven Dolors or Seven Sorrows of Blessed Mary, which were foretold by the Prophet Simeon who proclaimed to Blessed Mary: "This Child (*Jesus*) is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a Sign that will be opposed and Thee Thyself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare (Luke 2:34-35).

The Seven Sorrows of our Most Blessed Mother include:

- ✠The Prophecy of Simeon at the Presentation in the Temple
- ✠The Flight into Egypt
- ✠The Loss of Jesus in the Temple
- ✠The Encounter of Jesus on the Way of the Cross
- ✠Jesus Dies on the Cross
- ✠Jesus Is Taken Down From the Cross
- ✠Jesus is Laid in the Tomb

In all, the Prophecy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Most Blessed Mother's Immaculate Heart was fulfilled in these seven sorrowful events. For this reason, Blessed Mary is sometimes depicted with Her Heart exposed and with seven swords piercing Her Heart. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed Her Fiat: "Let it be done unto me according to Thy Word", first uttered at the Annunciation.



Prayer

O God, in Whose Passion, according to the Prophecy of Simeon, a sword of grief pierced through the Most Sweet Soul of Thy Glorious Blessed Virgin Mother Mary: grant that we, who celebrate the memory of Her Seven Sorrows, may obtain the happy effect of Thy Passion, Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us.

Saint Leo IV Roman Catholic Church
Saint Edmund Roman Catholic Chapel

The Sacrament of Holy Confession

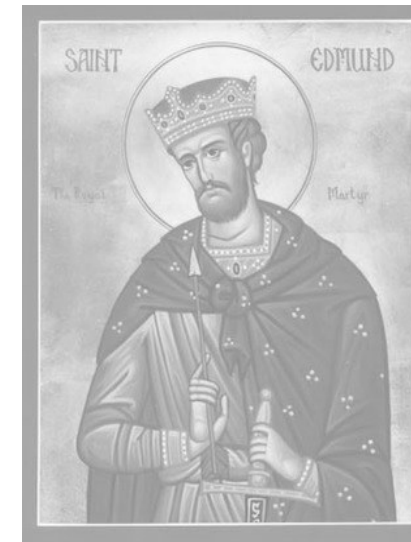
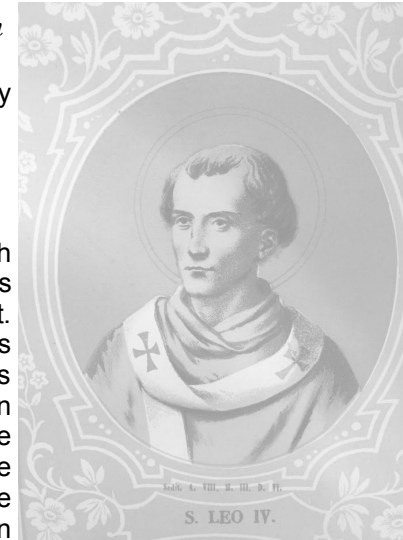
Thirty minutes prior to each Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Parents must contact the Church Parish Office before the child is born to fill out a Baptismal Packet. Once completed, the parents must be interviewed. Sponsors must be practicing Roman Catholics who regularly attend the Sunday Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Sponsors must be practicing and Confirmed Roman Catholics.

The Rite of Holy Christian Burial

The Holy Roman Catholic Faith teaches the infinite value of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the repose of the soul of the faithful departed. The Roman Catholic Church law states that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass of Christian Burial is properly celebrated in the Catholic Church. (*Code of Canon Law: 1177 § 1*)



Church Office Staff

Father Paul Broussard
 Pastor

Mrs. Josette Dupuis
 Office Manager

The Sacrifice of Holy Mass

Saturday
 4:00pm Saint Edmund
 5:30pm Saint Leo IV
 Sunday
 7:30am Saint Edmund
 9:00am Saint Leo IV
 12:00pm Saint Leo IV (*Latin*)

Weekday Schedule

Monday: 6:00pm Saint Leo IV
 Tuesday: 6:30am Saint Leo IV
 Wednesday: No Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
 Thursday: 8:00am Saint Edmund
 Friday: 6:30am Saint Leo IV
 First Saturday: 9:00am Saint Leo IV

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least six months in advance. To avoid schedule conflicts, all wedding dates held in Saint Leo IV Roman Catholic Church or in Saint Edmund Roman Catholic Chapel must be confirmed with the Pastor, who should be the first contact of the couple. Please pick up a wedding guidelines booklet at the Church Parish Office for details of paper work and preparation requirements.

The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20 September 2020

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Church Office Hours: Monday—Wednesday 8:00am-12:00pm; Friday 8:00am-12:00pm

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offering from previous weekend

Saint Leo IV	\$1,407.00
Saint Edmund	\$1,152.00

"Giving is not really giving until it hurts."
Saint Teresa of Calcutta

ANNOUNCEMENTS



✠ The Saint Leo VI Church Ladies Altar Society is hosting a "Donation Drive" for those affected by hurricane Laura in the Diocese of Lake Charles. The items needed are: water, sports drinks, non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, baby items, toiletries or monetary donations-checks, cash or gift cards (no clothing). These donations will be given to the Church Parishes in the Diocese of Lake Charles which have been hardest hit by this tragedy. Any checks may be made out to: Saint Leo IV Roman Catholic Church. Donations will be accepted in Saint Leo IV Church Office until Wednesday, 30 September 2020, only during office hours or may be left in the Annex under the Saint Mary Magdalene Window during the weekend Holy Masses. Danke!

✠ The Saint Joseph Votive Candle is burning this week in memory of Joyce Breaux.

If you would like to have the votive candle burn in memory of a loved one during the Year of Saint Joseph, (September—April) please contact the Saint Leo IV Church Office. (Offering of \$25.00 for a seven day candle. Only six weeks remain available.)



HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 21 September
Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist
6:00pm (Saint Leo IV): Deceased members of H. L. Habetz, Sr., & Bernard Meyer Families, In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Gerald (ann.) & Joyce Breaux, Nikolas Trosclair, For Our Country

Tuesday, 22 September
6:30am (Saint Leo IV): Britany Dubuc, Marie C., Josephine M., & Henry C. Habetz, Thecla Berken (birthday), For Our Country

Wednesday, 23 September
Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
No Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Thursday, 24 September
8:00am (Saint Edmund): Jared Broussard, Jerry Trumps, S. Joey Taylor, Forgotten & Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Our Country

Friday, 25 September
6:30am (Saint Leo IV): Special Intention (ann.), Henry L. Meyer (birthday), For Our Country

Saturday, 26 September
4:00pm (Saint Edmund): Living & Deceased members of Clyde & Antonia D. Leger Family, Oliver & Azetille Primeaux, John Quentin Leger, Eddie & Amy Thibodeaux, Berlin John Doucet, Willie Joe, Dale, & Donald Reiners, For Our Country

5:30pm (Saint Leo IV): Priests & Religious, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Sybil Thompson, Emmet & Betty Arboneaux, John Irvin Pousson (birthday), Jeanette Heinen, Matthew Heinen, John & Gert Heinen, For Our Country

Sunday, 27 September
The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am (Saint Edmund): Pro Populo

9:00am (Saint Leo IV): Choir, Marie C., Josephine M., & Henry C. Habetz, Christine, Simon, Anthony, Jeanette, & Timmy Hornsby, Living & Deceased members of Alphonse Habetz, Sr. Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Mark Olinger, Leo Spaetgens, Sr. Clare Cramer, Terry & Johnny Quebodeaux, M/M Joe O'Neal Doucet, M/M Liness & Gary Sonnier, Haven & Ahni Schultz, Moise & Randal Thibodeaux, Angelle Olivier, Leola Smith, Eula Simoneaux, Lullan Sonnier, Aldus Sonnier, Benno Leonards, Dennis Leonards, For Our Country

Nota Bene: If a name is not printed above, due to human error, be assured that God has accepted the intention in Heaven. Code of Canon Law, 945

2020 VISION

The general cleaning of Saint Leo IV Roman Catholic Church was always headed by the members of the Ladies Altar Society with the help of the members of the Sodality of Mary. This weekly cleaning is done on a volunteer basis by members of both groups to this day.

One of the main duties of the ladies in the Altar Society is the washing and the ironing of the Altar linens and the Altar Boy vestments. Ms. Janie Wright is the volunteer who dutifully keeps the linens washed and ironed. She took over this duty at the retirement of her mother Mrs. Bertha Spaetgens. Assisting her in this duty are Mrs. Kay Habetz and Mrs. Debbie Meche, the sacristans of Saint Leo IV Church.

The decorations for special feasts and for Christmas and Easter are set under the direction of Mrs. Marie Habetz and her daughter Mrs. Fara Boudreaux.

Some of the other activities that the Saint Leo IV Ladies Altar Society handled in the past were the receptions of all the native Priests, the Pastors and the Religious for their special anniversaries.

Highlights of the Ladies Altar Society minutes:

The roll call of the Altar Society for 1953 was 135 members with Mrs. Veronica O. Thevis serving as president, Mrs. Josephine D. Olinger as vice president, Miss Marcella Leonards, secretary and Miss Bertha Habetz, treasurer.

Under the pastorate of Father Gerard O. Wolbers, a sewing circle was formed to make new vestments for the new Church. They met once a month under the leadership of Mrs. Edward Olinger for the first year. Mrs. Bertha Zaunbrecher took over these duties from her sister the next year.

During the meeting on 5 February 1956, it was decided that Mrs. Anthony Ohlenforst would begin the Indulgence Prayer after each Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If she was absent, any other member should begin the prayer.

During the meeting on 6 December 1959, Father Alois Reznicek stated that a new set of dishes was needed for the Rectory. A drive was held to purchase the dinnerware. The dinnerware purchased was *Vieux Luxembourg*, which is still used in the Rectory today.

During the meeting on 4 December 1962, Father Reznicek thanked the ladies for their cooperation in not wearing sleeveless blouses or dresses to Church.

It is sad how the times wickedly change.



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Now is the time of Saint Joseph!



Holy Mother Church and the world greatly need Saint Joseph. We need him to help us return to the love of Jesus Christ and to living authentic lives of virtue.

We desperately need his protection as well. The family, the foundation of society, is under attack. The family of Almighty God, His Holy Roman Catholic Church, is undergoing vicious attacks from the world, the flesh, the evil one, and from within by some of Her own shepherds and children.

We need Saint Joseph to protect us. He is our loving and merciful spiritual father: holy, strong, and ready to assist us. He is forever linked to Jesus Christ, his beloved wife, the Blessed Virgin Mary as well as Holy Mother Church. He protected his Most Holy Family. He will protect us, too, if we entrust ourselves to his paternal heart and his spiritual care.

Saint Joseph is our spiritual father. All children resemble their parents. We are children of Saint Joseph so we must strive to resemble him, especially by imitating his virtue and faithfulness to Jesus Christ and the Most Blessed Virgin Mary. Saint Joseph plays a vital role in our spiritual growth.

He (Saint Joseph) was not a passive instrument in the great work of our salvation; he played a very active role, and that is why he is included in the merciful counsels of the Holy Incarnate Wisdom.

Blessed William Chaminade

Who and what manner of man this Blessed Joseph was, you may conjecture from the name by which, a dispensation being allowed, he deserved to be so honored as to be believed and to be called the father of God. You may conjecture it from his very name, which, being interpreted, means "Increase."

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Saint Joseph is certainly the "Increaser." He has paternal love for us and the heavenly power to increase the presence of Almighty God in our lives and take us to greater heights in the spiritual life. For centuries, this secret of Saint Joseph lay hidden. Saints, Mystics, Hermits and a handful of Popes knew of it. Now it is our turn to discover him and his assistance in obtaining a greater degree of holiness and virtue.

Glorious Saint Joseph, pray for us.