

## THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY



Sunlight and Shadow



Allan Rohan Crite



Drawing by Crite of Father Clark's Dad, Joe Clark



School's Out



**Allan Rohan Crite** was a notable artist who sought to depict Black people as ordinary American citizens instead of sharecroppers or entertainers. Crite was born in 1910 in Plainfield, N.J. and raised in Boston's South End. He developed an interest in art early on by way of his mother, and his father, a doctor and engineer, was also a great influence. Crite was accepted to Yale University but opted instead to attend the School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Tufts University.

After leaving school in 1936, Crite became one of a handful of African-American artists employed by the Federal Arts Project under the New Deal. In 1940, he began a 30-year career as an engineering draftsman but continued to work on his art in the meantime. Crite focused on pieces that showed Black people of all ages in various settings. In an interview, Crite stated that he wanted to show the "real Negro" and not the "Jazz Negro" or "Harlem Negro," which he felt were images promoted solely by white people. Along with an honorary doctorate from Suffolk University and was bestowed with the Harvard University Anniversary Medal.

Crite's works hang in such major American art galleries as the Smithsonian, the Museum of Fine Arts, Grossman Library, the Art Institute of Chicago, and the Boston Athenaeum, to which he left a substantial collection upon his death in gratitude for his long tenure there as a visiting artist and which now holds the largest public collection of his paintings and watercolors.

Allan Rohan Crite passed in 2007 at the age of 97.

### Sacraments

#### RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

**FUNERAL:** Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

**VISITING THE SICK:** If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call **the** parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

**MARRIAGES:** Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. **Please** make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

**ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION:** Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

**RCIA:** Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:** Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the

### To Whom Do We Go

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....	778-1977
Altar Servers: Bradley DeRouen .....	218-8292 / 284-597
Child Protection Coord:.....	Andrea Toles
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....	229-6076
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....	936-4051
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder .....	428-5981
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....	775-7067
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
Ministry to the Sick: Gene Decuir.....	229-6076
Pantry/Food and Vouchers: .....	774-3661
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr. ....	362-0907
Traditional Choir: Theresa Carmen.....	921-7315
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....	775-7332

### This Week's Prayer

Forgive me, Lord, my sins, for failing to live up to your standards of goodness and justice. I confess my shortcomings. Make me willing to change and help me become a person of godly character. Amen.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.

**DIALOGUE ON RACE LOUISIANA:  
ORIGINAL SERIES SEPT 24-OCT 29**



Dialogue on Race Louisiana will offer its original series on Tuesdays from September 24 to October 29 at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of the Lake Medical Center. DORLA is a six week, facilitated dialogue on the history of race in the US and how systemic racism functions in our society. Participation in the dialogue is a concrete way of working to bridge the racial divide in our city and nation. Registration is \$30.00. You must attend the first session which is 2.5 hours long (other sessions are 2 hours long) and commit to attend five of the six sessions. You may register at [info@dialogueonracelouisiana.org](mailto:info@dialogueonracelouisiana.org) or 225-274-6902.

**CIVIC ACADEMY ON  
A GROCERY STORE IN SCOTLANDVILLE**



On Thursday, October 10 at 6:30 PM in our Activity Center we will host a Together Baton Rouge Civic Academy on the location of grocery stores in Scotlandville and north Baton Rouge. The presentation will provide an update on the progress in locating a grocery store in the community. There will also be small groups to discuss what participants feel are priorities in the neighborhood/community that we should work on to address and solve. Please plan to come out and participate in this meeting.

**CELEBRATING  
THE RENOVATION OF OUR CHURCH**



In December we are planning three events to celebrate the renovation and re-opening of our church. On Sunday, December 1 at 4:00 PM we will have an Inter-faith Prayer Service in which we will invite pastors and congregations of local churches to join us in prayer in our new space. The Southern University Gospel Choir will be joining us for that celebration along with our own Gospel Choir. On Sunday, December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, members of the parish are encouraged to invite family and friends to the 10:30 AM Mass as we celebrate our patronal feast. A reception will follow in the Activity Center (much like our parish picnic but indoors!). On Sunday, December 15, we will have the formal blessing of the renovated church at 2:00 PM with Bishop Duca presiding. Please plan to join in our celebrations!

**WALKING WARRIORS HEALTH  
AND WELLNESS MINISTRY**



**HEALTHY TIDBIT:** This football season are you looking for an alternative to the usual calorie dense bread crust pizza? Try a gluten free, nutrient-rich cauliflower recipe that the Baton Rouge Clinic offers. Copies of the recipe will be found on the table in the foyer.

**Announcements and  
Upcoming Events**

**SCOTLANDVILLE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP  
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**



**WE CARE  
NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP**  
On Saturday, September 21 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, CADAV will be participating in the annual Scotlandville Community Clean Up along Scenic Highway. Father Clark is asking that Immaculate Conception come out and clean up the KFC site on Scenic and Curtis. Please plan to join in this community effort to beautify the neighborhood. This is our opportunity to contribute community service as a church family.

**GOING FORWARD IN OUR  
CHURCH RENOVATION PROJECT**



**Donation**  
71% of the parishioners who pledged money for the church renovation have completed or exceeded their pledge. For this generosity we are very grateful. We ask that those who still owe money on their pledge to continue to pay on it as you are able. There is no time limit. Every contribution to the building fund will be used toward the project.

Going forward, Father Clark is asking for two hundred and fifty (250) parishioners to pledge to give \$30.00 per month to the Building Fund in addition to your regular stewardship contribution. With this fund, we will be able to pay double payments on our loan from the diocese and retire our debt in eight years. We will also save on interest because we will be reducing the principal. This amounts to approximately \$7.00 per week. If someone wants to give more to Building Fund each month, of course you may do so! All money donated to the Building Fund will go to the reduction of the debt. Please fill out a form pledging \$30.00 per month to retire our debt.

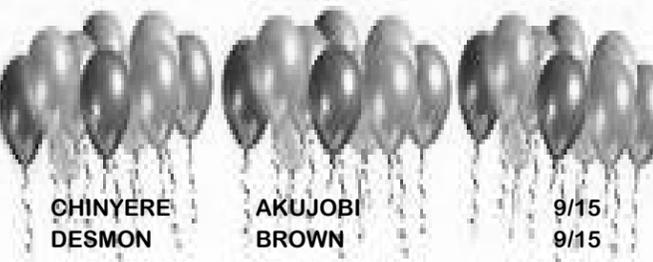
**SAINTS-FALCONS TICKETS RAFFLE  
FOR BENEFIT OF MLK  
CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER**



Two Saints-Falcons Plaza Seating tickets with Parking Pass included for Sunday, November 10, will be raffled off for the benefit of the MLK Catholic Student Center. Chances are \$2.00 each and 3 for \$5.00. The drawing will take place on Sunday, November 3 after the 10:30 AM Mass. The winner need not be present. Help the MLK Center and win an opportunity to see the defeat of the Dirty Birds!



**Happy Birthday**



CHINYERE	AKUJOBI	9/15
DESMON	BROWN	9/15
CHRISTOPHER	CROPPER	9/15
KIMBERLY	DAIGRE	9/15
ARNOLD	JOHNSON	9/15
ANNA CLARE	WILSON	9/15
CLARENCE	CROPPER	9/16
SHALENA	DUGAS	9/16
SALLIE	NEWMAN	9/16
JENNIFER	DAVIS	9/17
ANTHONY	LEGARD	9/17
KENDRA	PAUL	9/17
JOHN	SULLIVAN	9/17
KEVIN	WALKER	9/17
EPHRAIM	WHITE, III	9/17
TIA	EDWARDS	9/17
SADIE	BONTON	9/18
CHARRISE	CROPPER	9/18
BARBARA	DUNBAR	9/18
MYLES	FABRE	9/18
BEVERLY	ROBERTS	9/18
BRANDON	BUTLER	9/19
TYLER	GRIFFIN	9/19
REGINALD	GUIDROZ	9/19
ANDRIDE	REESE	9/19
PETRA	SULLIVAN	9/19
LUCILLE	VEAL	9/19
LACEY	BODLEY	9/20
SHEILA	FLOYD	9/20
LORI	GREGORY	9/20
LIONEL	SMITH	9/20
REAGAN	NAVARRE	9/20
DANIELLE	CUNNINGHAM	9/21
DAVID	DARTEZ	9/21
LARRY	EAGLIN	9/21
ASHLEY	MARTIN	9/21
RANDI	THOMAS	9/21



**ROSARY GROUP**  
The Rosary Group is back in session. Meetings are held on Wednesday at 4:00 PM in the Ministry Building. We welcome all.



**Mass Readings  
September 15th- September 22nd  
Sunday**

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Psalm 51; 1 Tm 1:12-17  
Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

**Monday**  
1 Tm 2:1-8; Psalm 28  
Gospel: Luke 7:1-10

**Tuesday**  
1 Tm 3:1-13; Psalm 101  
Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

**Wednesday**  
1 Tm 3:14-16; Psalm 111  
Gospel: Luke 7:31-35

**Thursday**  
1 Tm 4:12-16; Psalm 111  
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50

**Friday**  
1 Tm 6:2c-12; Psalm 49  
Gospel: Luke 8:1-3

**Saturday**  
**Feast of Saint Matthew**  
Eph. 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19  
Gospel: Matt 9:9-13

**Sunday**  
Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; 1 Tm 2:1-8  
Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

**JESUIT APOSTOLIC PREFERENCES AND THE  
JESUIT PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE SUMMIT**



This past week two of our parishioners, Donald Victorian and Sharyn Wilcox, participated in the Jesuit Parish Social Justice Summit that took place in Morristown, New Jersey. Representatives from Jesuit parishes all over the country gathered to learn more about and discuss the Universal Apostolic Preferences that the Jesuits have adopted as the guidelines for their future ministerial choices. The UAP are: (1) show the way to God through the Spiritual Exercises and discernment; (2) walk with the poor and outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice; (3) journeying with youth, accompanying them in the creation of a hope-filled future; (4) caring for our common home by collaborating, with Gospel depth, for the protection and renewal of God's creation. We will be discussing these preferences at our Parish Council of Ministries meetings. For more information: see <https://jesuits.global/en/uap>