



Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.

**THANK YOU FOR THE PARISH PICNIC**

On behalf of the whole parish we extend our gratitude to all who made the Parish Picnic such an enjoyable time. Thank you to the Youth Choir for their music ministry at the 10:30 AM Mass. We were delighted with our new soloists! Thank you to our youth who served as lectors,



Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, and ushers. We thank all who worked so hard to provide the picnic meal for us: the shoppers, the decorators, the chicken cleaners, the cooks, the servers, the game coordinators, the bingo facilitators, the Zydeco man, the name tag team, the PSR, the RCIA, and all who secured our vendors (face painting and snowballs). Special thanks to those who helped clean up with a special shout out to our teens. What a wonderful way to celebrate our church family.

**TOGETHER BATON ROUGE**



Together Baton Rouge is sponsoring a series of Citizen Academies to inform and educate citizens about important

issues facing our civil parish, city and community. On Monday, September 24 at 6:30 PM at the Greater Mount Carmel Baptist Church, there will be a presentation on Public Education and Educators Salaries. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Future academies will include Criminal Justice and Police Reform (October 11 at Immaculate Conception); Access to Healthcare and Healthy Food (November 8 at St. Mark United Methodist); and Flood Recovery and Flood Prevention (December 3 at Antioch Full Gospel Baptist Church.)

**A DAILY PRAYER**



Father Mychal Judge, a Franciscan priest, was the chaplain of the New York City Fire Department. On 9/11 he went with firefighters to the World Trade Center to assist. He was killed as the first tower collapsed. Firefighters carrying his body from the rubble became one the iconic images of that fateful day. Father Mychal had a daily prayer which we share with you.

**LORD, TAKE ME WHERE YOU WANT ME TO GO.  
LET ME MEET WHO YOU WANT ME TO MEET.  
TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT ME TO SAY.  
AND KEEP ME OUT OF YOUR WAY.**

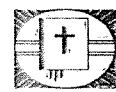
**DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETREAT**



Father Clark will be joining the Diocesan Priest Retreat at Manresa Retreat House in Convent, LA on October 1-4. During those days there will be no daily Mass. Daily Mass will resume on Friday, October 5.

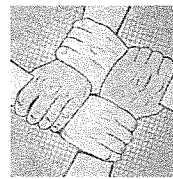
**Announcements and Upcoming Events**

**BIBLE STUDY**



Bible Study resumes on Monday, September 17 at 7:00-8:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to come and learn more about God's Word and to reflect and pray on it together. Please bring a Bible preferably the New American Bible, Revised.

**RACIAL HARMONY COMMISSION:  
LECTURE BY BISHOP EDWARD K. BRAXTON**



The Racial Harmony Commission of the Diocese of Baton Rouge will present a public lecture by the Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, the Bishop of Belleville, Illinois on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Westerfield Center of the Catholic Life Center. The title of his talk will be: LISTEN! LEARN! THINK! PRAY! ACT! The Catholic Church and the Racial Divide in the United States. Everyone is welcome and admission is free. Bishop Braxton has written a pastoral letter on this topic as well as follow up lectures and articles. His lecture will include addressing the reasons why only a small number of African Americans are Catholic; the "All Lives Matter" vs. "Black Lives Matter" debate; the negative impact of the erroneous expressions "minorities" and "minority groups." He will also address the question of what the Catholic Church can do to help bridge the racial divide. This lecture is presented in collaboration with OLOL Franciscan University.

**THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES  
OF SAINT IGNATIUS**



Father Clark will be offering the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius in the form of the 19th Annotation which is also called A Retreat in the Real World. You make a retreat in the midst of your daily life. The retreat lasts from September through May. The advantages of this retreat are that you deepen your relationship with the Lord; you learn how to use Scripture in your prayer; you will experience a deeper meaning to the celebration of the Eucharist. Your commitment is to pray each day on the theme of the week, meet every two weeks with fellow retreatants to share about your prayer, and to enter the experience with an open heart. Please consider if this experience will help you grow in your relationship with the Lord. Please contact Father Clark if you are interested.

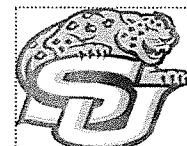


**Love. Grow. Serve.**

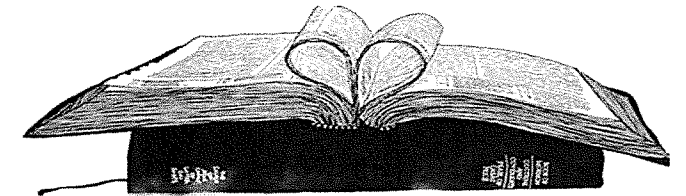
**Happy Birthday**

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
DANIELLE	CUNNINGHAM	9/21
DAVID	DARTEZ	9/21
LARRY	EAGLIN	9/21
ASHLEY	MARTIN	9/21
RANDI	THOMAS	9/21
REMIKA	BOWIE	9/22
RONALD	JOHNSON	9/22
MARIE	MYLES	9/22
GINA	CLARK	9/22

**SOUTHERN UNIVESITY HOMECOMING 2018**



The Southern University Homecoming is on Saturday, September 29. The Knights of Peter Claver will be selling parking places to fund their scholarship program and to regulate our property. Because of the heavy traffic and the lack of parking spaces, **THERE WILL BE NO VIGIL MASS AT 4:00 PM ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.** We will have regular Masses on Sunday morning at 8:00 and 10:30 AM.



**Mass Readings**

**September 16th - September 23rd**  
**Sunday**  
 Isaiah 50:5-9a; Psalm 116; James. 2:14-18  
 Gospel: Mark 8:27-35  
**Monday**  
 1 Cor. 11:17-26, 33; Psalm 40  
 Gospel: Luke 7:1-10  
**Tuesday**  
 1 Cor. 12:12-14, 27-31a; Psalm 100  
 Gospel: Luke 7:11-17  
**Wednesday**  
 1 Cor. 12:31-13:13; Psalm 33  
 Gospel: Luke 7:31-35  
**Thursday**  
 1 Cor. 15:1-11; Psalm 118  
 Gospel: Luke 7:36-50  
**Friday**  
**Feast of Saint Matthew**  
 Eph. 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19  
 Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13  
**Saturday**  
 1 Cor. 15:35-37, 42-49; Psalm 56  
 Gospel: Luke 8:4-15  
**Sunday**  
 Wis. 2:12, 17-20; Psalm 54; James 3:16-4:3  
 Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

*Forms for new parishioners or changes are located in the vestibule of the church.*

