

**DUE:** Wednesday,  
January 29th

## Bible Quiz #43

### The Book of Exodus (Chapters 12 - 16)

1. The Israelites were asked to celebrate Passover in which month?
2. How long was the Israelites instructed to observe the Passover meal?
3. How many years did the Israelites stay in Egypt?
4. The son asks, "What does this mean?" at the Passover meal. What was the father's response?
5. What did Moses carry with him while leaving Egypt?
6. Who/what showed the way to the Israelites after leaving Egypt?
7. How did the Israelites cross the red sea?
8. How did the bitter water at Marah turn into fresh water?
9. When the Israelites kept a part of manna to the next morning, what happened to it?
10. Why did the Lord ask Moses to keep an omerful of manna for their descendants?

## The Liturgical Calendar: Ordinary Time is Extraordinary Time

Ordinary Time can truly be an extraordinary time in our lives if we fully embrace the liturgical calendar and its purpose. By understanding the deeper meaning behind the liturgical calendar, we come to understand that Ordinary Time can be incredibly fruitful in our discipleship with Christ if we use it well.

### Biblical Roots of the Liturgical Calendar

In the Old Testament, the Israelites celebrated feasts and holy days to enter into the presence of God. These feasts followed an agricultural theme, and captured the acts of God in the life of Israel. There were seven main feasts commanded by God in Leviticus 23; Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits, Pentecost, Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and Booths (or Tabernacles). These feasts are still observed by the Jewish people today.

In the new covenant era, Christians also

remember the saving actions of God in the life of Jesus. The Catholic Church in her wisdom has developed the liturgical calendar so that you can live out the life of Christ in your own life. There is a certain logic to the calendar, it is broken up into seasons which guide us through Christ's life.

### The Liturgical Seasons

Advent – Preparing for the coming of Christ the King.

Christmas – Celebrating the birth of Christ.

Ordinary Time – Learning the teachings of Christ and working to build the Kingdom.

Lent – Preparing for Christ's Passion.

Easter – Entering into the Resurrection of Christ

Ordinary Time (Again... it's that important!)

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(To be continued next week.)

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## Bayou Vista

### January 12, 2025



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**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 3:15 - 3:50pm;

Sundays and weekdays 20 minutes before Mass.

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Contact the office to schedule a meeting with the pastor, at the parents' convenience, one month prior to the desired Baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after 10:30am Mass.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Couples wishing to get married should call the office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding to begin the marriage preparation.

**Marriage annulment:**

Contact the pastor for easy guidance.

**Anointing the Sick:**

Call during office hours to schedule an appointment.

**Youth Faith Formation:**

Classes begin in September and end in April on Wednesdays.

Grades Kindergarten - 5th — 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Grades 6th—Confirmation — 6:30pm to 7:30pm.



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January 4-5, 2025

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# Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, January 14th**  
**9:00 am**

†John Ourso †Danny Peterson  
†Becky & Kim.

**Wednesday, January 15th**  
**12:10 pm**

†Becky & Kim.

**Thursday, Jan. 16th**  
**12:10 pm**

†John Ourso  
†Danny Peterson.

**Friday, Jan. 17th**  
**12:10 pm**

†Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Jonathan Delatte,  
Chris Hardy,  
Nick Gardemal,  
Matt Bosworth,  
Cameron Campos,  
Matthew S. Landry, Luke  
Zweigle, Kadin Dinger,  
Caleb Von Buelow, Bart  
Von Buelow, Rebecca  
Rotolo, Jennifer Hebert,  
Jonathan Jenson, Logan  
Gros, Liam Guillotte,  
Elise Buonopane, Alex  
Mund, Jonah Foreman,  
Carson LeBlanc.



Kevin Theriot, James Bergeron, Kenny Guillot, Daisy Roberts & Family, Don Campos, Alice Waguespack, Susan Legendre, Darryl Dimaggio, Alice Boudreaux, Michael Silva, Ryan Arcemont, Karen Duhon, Maddi Duhon, Mynette Zimmer, Jane Mayo, Dalton Dupree, Lisa Morel, Mary Ann Lambert Adams, Elma Braus, Cherie Schlatve, Matt Braus, Nelwyn LaHoste, Jamie Huffman, Maria McGinnis, Sonya Meranta, Wilson Acosta, Sr., Christie Mayea, Steve Meranta, Kenny Meranta, JY & Elaine Mula, Benny Castalano, Audie Pete, Blaine St. Romain, Robert David, Jr, Robert Paul David, Gert Simoneaux, Kristi Wisdom, Juanita Prestenbach, Barbara Rivet, Rosa Rosaro, Bill Vincent, Judy Cornwell, Ella Ryker, Brenda Dawson, Mike Reed, Rhodes Family, Jaret Matte, Carl Written, Mary Liles, Jean Derise, Barry Clark, Ross Mire, Ina Miller, Greg Verret, Father Wilber Todd, Don Pierrotti, Doug Pillsbury, Aubry "Poochie" Sutton, Paul Wooten, Merian Rock., Horace Pete, Jr., Gerald Hotard, Carolina Rodrigue, Dwayne Meranta, Ernie Meranta, Darlene Aucoin, David Rossen, Whybra Duay, Stuart Aucoin, Andy Robichaux, Robin Bailey Jeansonne, Christopher Frederick, Crue Hotard, Vanessa Solet, Roy Lunk, Shirley Barras, Dawn Spinella, Laila Claire Gardemal, Cynthia Athinson, Logan Gros, Seth Hepler.

## Renewal of Baptismal Promises

- Do you reject Satan? **I do.**
- And all his works? **I do.**
- And all his empty promises? **I do.**
- Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth? **I do.**
- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? **I do.**
- Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **I do.**
- God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever. **I do.**

**Saturday, January 18th**  
**Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm**

†NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Clarence & Ella Walker  
†Yvonne Anne Adams †Jimmie Aloisio †Floyd Verret  
†Velma Williams †Eldridge Williams †David Stansbury  
†Ray LaHoste, Jr †Raymond LaHoste, Sr †Dr. Robert  
Blereau †Gene Bosworth †Thomas Rivet, Jr †Thomas  
Rivet III †Thomas Rivet IV †Mary Bernard Blanchard  
†Peggy & Albert Hebert †Holy Souls in Purgatory  
†Paul & Johnny Messersmith †Patricia & Donald Torres,  
Sr. †Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families

**Sunday, January 19th**  
**7:30 am**

†Albert Solet †Maria & Ruben Trevino  
†Ruby & Roland Crappel.

**10:30 am**

†Rose Lipari †Terry Wiggins †Ruth Wiggins  
†Carlo Streva, Sr †Scholler & McGinnis Families -  
Living & Deceased †Landry & Justilian Families - Living  
& Deceased.



## FAITH FORMATION Gospel Weeklies

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The story of Jesus' baptism in Sunday's Gospel shows the mystery of the Blessed Trinity. After John baptizes Jesus in the Jordan, God announces to the crowd that Jesus is his beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove settled on him. Baptism gives us new life as adopted children of God and gives all the gift of that Holy Spirit. Living the Gospel helps those who follow Jesus be a witness to the world that the Good News is for everyone.

Talk to your child about the memories you have of his or her Baptism. Talk about the white garments, the candle, the godparents, the priest or deacon who performed

the ceremony, and the pouring of the water. Remind them that their baptism made them members of the Church. It is also a call for everyone to act justly and to make a positive difference in all the communities we belong.

Take some time to share together how important it is for your family to be active members of the Christian community, to worship together, and to be signs to others of the presence of the Holy Spirit in the world. Before the evening meal or at some other time when you are all together, renew your baptismal promises to believe what the Church teaches and to follow in the footsteps of Christ.

God Bless! BW, DRE

## Liturgical Ministries

| Date             | Mass     | Sacristan    | Lector           | Min of Comm.      | Altar Servers          |
|------------------|----------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Saturday Jan. 18 | 4:00 pm  | Julia Hepler | Linda Russo      | Julia Hepler      | Luke J.                |
| Sunday Jan. 19   | 7:30 am  | Kim Meranta  | Kathy Shilling   | -----             |                        |
|                  | 10:30 am | Renee Garris | Gisseli Sustaita | Jenny/Joe Guillot | Dylan Connor Christian |

## EQUAL DIGNITY WITH THE FATHER

On January 19, 383 AD, the Christian Roman Emperor Theodosius named his son Arcadius as co-emperor. It was during a period in Church history when the Arian Heresy was spreading throughout the Roman Empire. The Arian Heresy held that Jesus Christ was not fully God. Theodosius called for a treaty (peace) between Christians and Arians and called for a conciliatory conference.

One Christian Bishop who was not willing to compromise his faith in Christ's divinity was Amphilochus of Iconium. So he had to suffer persecution from the Arians. On the coronation day, Bishop entered the reception hall, bowed to the emperor, ignored his son and made a poignant speech and turned to

leave. *"What!" said Theodosius, "Do you take no notice of my son the co-emperor? Is this all the respect you pay to a prince that I have made equal dignity with myself?"*

At this the bishop gave Arcadius a blessing and replied, *"Sir, do you so highly resent my apparent neglect of your son because I do not give him equal honor with yourself? What must the eternal God think of you, who has allowed his coequal and coeternal Son to be degraded in his proper divinity in every part of your Empire? Remember God the Father's proclamation on the day Jesus was baptized by John in the River Jordan." "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."*

## An Important Date:

An old gentleman walked into a fashionable florist shop. *"I want a beautiful bouquet,"* he said, *"not a big one, but just about the prettiest one you can make."* He smiled broadly, *"It's for my granddaughter, and she is having her first date tomorrow."* The florist was all curious. *"How old is the young lady?"* he asked, eyeing his flowers speculatively. *"Two weeks,"* replied the grandfather. The florist turned in utter amazement. *"Did you say, a date... a bouquet...two weeks old?"* *"Precisely,"* said the old gentleman. *"And I want the bouquet that's exactly right. She'll never have more important date than she has tomorrow. My little granddaughter will be baptized."*

## Birth Day Celebration:

The 13th century king of France, St. Louis IX (1226-70), insisted that the grand celebration of his birthday should be held on the day of his Baptism, and not on his birthday proper. His argument was that Baptism was the beginning of a life that would continue for eternity in the everlasting glory of Heaven.



## Characteristics of the Jubilee: Profession of Faith

The profession of faith – also known as the 'Symbol' - is a sign of the identity of the baptized person. The profession of faith expresses the central content of the faith: it succinctly captures the main truths that a believer accepts and witnesses to on the day of his or her baptism and shares with the entire Christian community for the rest of his or her life.

There are various professions of faith which show the richness of the experience of encountering Jesus Christ. Traditionally, however, there are two that have gained special recognition in the Church: the baptismal creed of the church of Rome and the Nicene-Constantinopolitan creed, originally formulated in 325 at the Council of Nicaea, in present-day Turkey, and then refined at the Council

of Constantinople in 381.

"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved," (Romans 10:9-10). This passage from St. Paul emphasizes how proclaiming the mystery of faith requires a deep conversion not only in one's words, but above all in one's understanding of God, of oneself and of the world. "To say the Creed with faith is to enter into communion with God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and also with the whole Church which transmits the faith to us and in whose midst, we believe" (CCC 197).[www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html](http://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html).