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EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 13-14, 2025



Mass Schedule

Tuesday through Friday	7:00 a.m.
Saturday (Vigil)	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.

Devotions

Novena Holy Mass to O.L.P.H.

Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday 5:30 p.m.

Novena Holy Mass to Sacred Heart

First Friday 7:00 a.m.

PARISH DIRECTORY

PASTOR: Rev. Ronan Sarmiento

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For your Mass intention and the Sanctuary Lamp, please call Becky Ledee ((340)-513-8007 or (340)-774 9266), **Monday through Friday** or anytime via church email.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 13

†**Jean Augustine Quetel** Rb. Wfie, Children and Grandchildren

Sunday, September 14

The Wholihan and Lannen Families Rb. Pete and Nicole Wholihan

Tuesday, September 15

†**Mary Jo and Joseph Graham** Rb. Mary Angela Myer

Wednesday, September 16

Marie Magras Rb. Sainte Anne Parish

Thursday, September 17

The Brunt Family Rb. Pia Brunt

Friday, September 19

Marshia Adrien Rb. Suzanne Adrien

Saturday, September 20

†**Joseph and Bertile Vante** Rb. Alicia Vante and Family

Sunday, September 21

†**Melanie and John Aubain** Rb. Betty Quetel

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

The cross of Jesus stands as one of the most potent and enduring symbols in human history. It is etched not only into the architecture of churches and cathedrals, but also into the hearts and minds of countless individuals who have sought hope, forgiveness, and purpose within its shadow. To reflect on the cross is to embark on a journey through paradox—the intersection of suffering and love, humiliation and glory, death and life. It is an invitation to explore mystery and meaning, to confront the depths of human brokenness and the heights of divine compassion.

Before it became the emblem of Christian faith, the cross was a Roman instrument of execution—a brutal and public display of imperial power. Crucifixion was reserved for the lowest: criminals, rebels, and slaves. For Jesus of Nazareth, an itinerant teacher and healer from Galilee, the path to the cross was marked by betrayal, misunderstanding, and injustice. Yet, early Christians saw in this ignominious death not merely an end, but a beginning.

The cross, carved from rough timber and driven into the earth outside Jerusalem's city gates, would become the axis around which history turns. What was intended to extinguish a movement instead ignited transformation. The humiliation of one became, paradoxically, the hope of many.

Within the Christian tradition, the cross is not only a historical fact but a theological mystery. It is the locus of sacrifice—a place where the innocent suffers for the sake of the guilty. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son," writes John, encapsulating the idea that Jesus' death was not accidental but purposeful. The cross thus becomes both altar and battleground: a place where the weight of sin, guilt, and

separation is borne and overcome.

HURRICANE PRAYER

God, All-powerful Father, Christ, our Savior, Spirit of Love, You reveal yourself in the depths of our being, drawing us to share in Your life and love. Be near to the people formed in Your image. Close to the world, Your love brings us to life. Save us from all harm. Draw us ever closer to You as we confidently seek Your protection from the destructive force of all storms which frighten us. Let every hurricane or natural threat of disaster serve only to blow us ever more securely into Your loving, merciful embrace. We ask this, Father, with the intercession of the Virgin Mother, Mary, Lady of all Nations, through your Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Last Weekend's Collections

First Collection: \$ 791.00

Second Collection: \$ 403.00

Candles: \$ 57.00

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 14: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Nm 21:4b-9

Phil 2:6-11

Jn 3:13-17

Monday, September 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 2:1-8

Jn 19:25-27

Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday, September 16: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

1 Tm 3:1-13

Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 17:

1Tm 3:14-16

Lk 7:31-35

Thursday, September 18

1 Tm 4:12-16

Lk 7:36-50

Friday, September 19

1 Tm 6:2c-12

Lk 8:1-3

Saturday, September 20: S. Andrew Kim Tae-gon and companion martyrs

1Tm 6:13-16

Lk 8:4-15

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

Angela Quetel, Michael & Marie Greaux, Jessica T. Magras, Annette Magras, Marie Magras, Florie Magras, Florence (Nini) Quetel, Edwin Olive(Pinky), Betty Quetel, Reynaldo and Gloria Turbe, Carol Cerge

Please call to add or remove names to or from this list.

MASS ATTENDANCE September 6-7, 2025

Saturday 5:00pm 25/ Sunday 8:00am 46/ Total 71

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2025

September 7 Church in Africa

September 14 Unforeseen Expenses

September 21 Unforeseen Expenses

September 28 Maintenance Fund

Announcements



Seven Days Sanctuary Lamp Devotion
The Sanctuary Lamp is a reminder of our Lord's presence. For the week of September 14-20, the sanctuary lamp is burning for the eternal repose of +Edwin and Cecilia Quetel as requested by their children. Likewise, the altar flowers are donated in their memory.

Launching of Parish Projects

The parish is embarking on two major projects:

1. **NEW AIR CONDITIONING UNITS FOR PARISH HALL.** The parish hall air conditioning systems need to be replaced. The total estimated cost is \$7,000 to replace two systems in the hall and one system in the office. A generous couple has already donated \$4,000. Let us now put our efforts together to raise the remaining fund.
2. **REPAINTING AND REFURBISHING OF INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF THE CHURCH.** We will start with the interior of the church, especially the high altar and the sanctuary area. We are still in the process of looking for estimates.

Parish Bingo/Raffle

In order to help raise our parish funds, the Fundraising Committee will launch a monthly Parish Bingo along with a Cash Raffle that will be drawn this December. Please standby for more details.

Candles

Candles are \$8.00 each but you can always give \$10.00.

Parish Information

Sacrament of Baptism

Fourth Sunday of every other month. Please register your children. Present a copy of the child birth certificate. A minimum of 4 classes is required.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Classes

Classes will be held every Sunday during the school year and begin with attendance at Holy Mass and instructions thereafter.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Classes

RCIA is the journey of faith by which interested persons become members of the Roman Catholic Church. The program instructs adults to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church through Baptism and/or Confirmation and Holy Communion. To register, please call the Office at (340) 714-1101.

Sacrament of Penance

Confession is the sacrament that allows us to admit our faults and develop humility, but the most profound part is we get to experience Christ's gift of mercy. **Confession is available by appointment and every Saturday at 4:00pm – 4:50pm.**

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please call the church office at (340) 714-1101 whenever a family member or friend is seriously ill or hospitalized.

Funerals

All funeral services begin at 10:30 a.m. No funerals are held on weekends. Arrangements must be made with the Church before funeral arrangements with the funeral home.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please make arrangements with Fr. Ronan Sarmiento 6 months before your wedding by calling the church office.

Parish Registration

Parishioners who are 18 years and older are invited to register at the Church Office as well as become active and contributing members. We would like to maintain an up-to-date-listing of all Saint-Anne-parishioners.- Registration-also- helps in providing quick services for the request and proof of miscellaneous church letters for individuals, Baptism, Confirmation, etc.

**MASS INTENTIONS & SANCTUARY LAMP
DEVOTION AVAILABLE DATES**

**Please note that the 2025 Mass intention book is
open for request.**

Please contact Becky Ledee for reservation.



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