

## Ministers of the Liturgy June 11 & 12, 2016

### Saturday - 4 P.M.

*Intention:* Karen Hebert (L), Edwin Melan, Jr.  
George Spaulding, Carl A. Guidroz,  
Rose Marie Greco Federico, Flora Maria Be,  
Merle & Charles Dittmer, Patrick C. McKinney,  
Cherie Pumila (L), Calvin Tozel, Joseph Segari,  
Mr. & Mrs. Terry Meyer (L), Auburn Quigley,  
Elvera Youngblood, Corinne Youngblood  
*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:*  
C. Casente, K. Hartdegan  
*Cantor:* Trish Foti

### Sunday - 9 A.M.

*Intention:* Ray Dunn  
*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:*  
J. & G. Rojas, K. Klapatch, R. Theriot  
*Song Leaders:* Traditional Choir

### Sunday - 11 A.M.

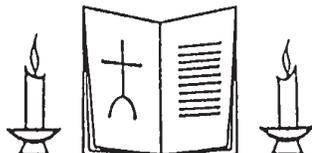
*Intention:* Madison Comeaux, Raymond Goodrich,  
James Whelan, Joseph Donald Bernard,  
Special Intention (L), Betty A. Dugas, Ebling Family,  
Kelvin Ducote, Melvin Ducote, Hilton Daigle, Jr.,  
Dianne Z. Harrison, Colgan Family,  
Mary Comberrel, Mary & Jules Haydel  
*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:*  
P. & R. Serio, C. & T. Pitre  
*Song Leaders:* Contemporary Choir

### Sunday - 6 P.M.

*Intention:* Parishoners  
*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:*  
L. Daigle, B. David  
*Cantor:* Lauren Gisclair  
*Pianist:* Beth Kettenring

### Weekday Masses (6/13-17)

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	Amy Cavallino (L) & Sharon Ayers (L) & Stephanie Domingue (L)
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Ellwood Soupenne
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	Marian Quigley
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	Larry Hart
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	James Ernest Cifreo
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Earl Lowrie
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	James Ernest Cifreo



## All Catholic Youth Relay for Life

Our CYO members will again participate in the All Catholic Youth Relay for Life on June 24 & 25. The event this year is at St. Angela Merici. The purpose of the Relay is to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Members will be selling luminaries this weekend after each Mass. They may be purchased in thanksgiving for a cancer survivor or in memory of a loved one who died from cancer. The cost is \$5 each. Please support this great event. **The Relay for Life would like to invite cancer survivors to attend the opening ceremonies on June 24.** Please contact John Stiegman at 504-382-4081 so an invitation will be sent to you.



Congratulations to the following parishioners who were honored at the recent Archdiocese of New Orleans Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration: **Raymond & Lynda Arroyo, Lawrence & Erin Chighizola, Gordon & Toby Gsell, Charles & Ann Haury, Medardo & Maria Jimenez, and Rene & Diane Landry.**

### Collection Total

The collection on May 28 & 29 totaled \$6,982.00. Thank you for your generosity

## Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

### June 18/19

4 p.m.	J. Rodosta, L. Segari
9 a.m.	C. Rispoli, B. Soletto, J. Tusa, P. Cifreo
11 a.m.	J. Ackermann, J. Wright, D. Childers, R. Meece
6 p.m.	M. Drawe, D. Powers



Adoration Chapel Sanctuary  
Light in memory of  
Stuart and Gloria Fourroux



### Altar Ladies

*Week of*  
M. Seeber, F. Alvarez

### Linens

*Large -* L. Ducrow *Small -* S. Taylor

### Last Week's Collection

Envelopes .....	\$6,202.00
Loose .....	3,081.00
Repairs and Maintenance .....	2,347.00
Msgr. Richaud Endowment Fund .....	210.00
<b>Totalling .....</b>	<b>\$11,840.00</b>

## Fr. Cooper's Corner

### *Receiving and Extending Jesus' Mercy*

There are many ways to live out the Year of Mercy, but I think perhaps the most fruitful is to ponder and imitate Jesus' own merciful example. The theme of this Year of Mercy is "Merciful like the Father," and no one has shown us how to emulate the Father's Mercy better than the "image of the invisible God" Himself, the one who identified himself to St. Faustina Kowalska as "Mercy Incarnate."

All of Jesus' life is a manifestation of God's loving mercy, but when we look at the demonstrations of that merciful love in the Gospel, we see that they fall into five general categories.

The first was to teach. St. Mark tells us, "When he saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things" (Mk 6:34). We need the truth! "Teach me your ways, O Lord," we pray in the Psalms, "so that I may walk in your truth" (Ps 86). Jesus — who identified Himself as the Truth and said He had come to "witness to the truth" and to "proclaim the Gospel to the poor" — through His preaching and teaching sought mercifully to cure us of our spiritual cluelessness. The Church has always carried out the spiritual work of mercy of "instructing the ignorant," through the teaching of the magisterium, through schools, universities, catechetical programs, daily and Sunday homilies and more.

The second thing was to heal. The evangelists tell us often that Jesus' heart was moved with pity for the multitudes and He "cured their sick" one-by-one (Mk 14:14; Mk 9:27; Mt 20:34; Mk 1:41; Lk 7:13). He healed lepers, cripples, the blind, the deaf, hemorrhaging women, the possessed, even raising the dead. The Church continues this work of mercy, caring for the sick, founding hospitals, clinics and nursing homes, ministering to the homebound within parishes and so many other ways. In this Jubilee Year, we are all called to a similar compassion, recognizing that in every ill man or woman, Jesus is saying, "I was sick and you cared for me."

The third was to feed. "My heart is moved with pity for the crowd," Jesus said at the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish (Mt 15:32; Mk 8:2). God always responds to our prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread" and Jesus wanted us to continue that ministry of feeding, commanding us to invite beggars, the blind, and the crippled to our dinner parties and to see Him in the hungry. The Church continues that mission of mercy in soup kitchens, pantries, St. Vincent de Paul Conference work, Catholic Charities, Catholic Relief Services and more. During this Year of Mercy, Jesus is hoping that we will be sick to our stomachs knowing that so many go to bed with empty stomachs.

Fourth, Jesus forgave. Jesus forgave the paralyzed man, the sinful woman who with tears washed His feet, the tax collector Zacchaeus, the Samaritan Woman, the woman caught in adultery, St. Peter, the Good Thief and many others. The Lamb of God, who had come to take away the sins of the world, was denigrated as a "friend of tax collectors and

sinner," and proved His love by dying for them, begging the Father's pardon from the Cross. The Church continues this work of God's mercy, reconciling sinners through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, and helping people to learn how to forgive those who have wronged them. This work of forgiveness, receiving it from God and giving it toward others, is the foundation and most important of all the works of mercy.

The last act of mercy is not as conspicuous as the others. When Jesus' heart was moved with pity for the crowds because they were "mangled and abandoned like sheep without a shepherd," He told His disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few, so pray the Master of the Harvest to send out laborers for his harvest" (Mt 9:36). Then Jesus immediately called from among those same praying disciples the twelve whom He would send out as apostles. Praying for vocations to continue Jesus' saving mission, and then responding to Jesus when He calls us, is an essential work of mercy. During this Holy Year, Jesus is calling us to see that we are the response to the prayers of the saints and sinners across the centuries until the present day.

This Jubilee Year is a time when Jesus wants us, with Him, to observe how many are lost and instruct them how to follow Him who is The Way; to see how many are suffering physically, psychologically and spiritually and become nurses of the Divine Physician; to notice the crowds starving physically or spiritually and give them the nourishment God provides; to spot the multitudes carrying the wounds of unexpiated guilt or severed relationships and bring them to receive and extend God's mercy; and in all of this, to become laborers of mercy and to pray insistently that others join us in becoming the compassionate "upset stomach" of the Mystical Body of Christ. (*Full article on [frcooper.info](http://frcooper.info)*)

### Jazzin' on the River

The sixth annual Jazzin' on the River fundraiser for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be held **July 9, from 6 to 9 p.m., on the Steamboat Natchez**. (Cruising will be from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.) Admission tickets are \$100 per person. The cost includes dinner, drinks, dancing, and silent auction. Music will be provided by the Dukes of Dixieland. In addition to give-a-ways and other prizes, there will be a raffle drawing for "Dining at the Top 10 Restaurants in Metro-New Orleans." You do not need to be present to win the raffle. **Next weekend members of St. Benilde SVDP will be available with more information, raffle tickets, and to accept cruise registrations.**

### Church Cleaning Crew

Looking for a way to burn some calories, commune with Jesus, beautify our church, and fill a desperate need at the same time? Come help us vacuum - it is only a 30 - 45 minute obligation each month! For more information, please call Anita at 504-874-1210.