

United Parish

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Pastor Hours are

Monday-8:30-12, 1-4:30

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-12, Afternoon visitations

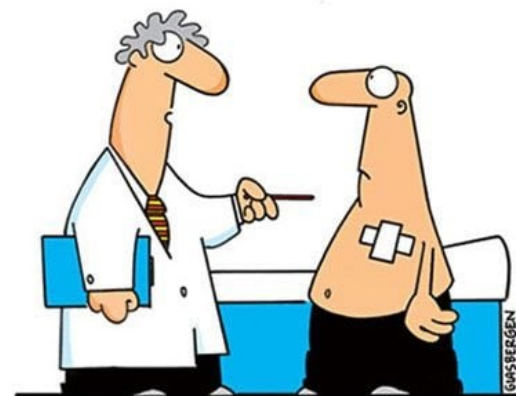
Wednesday-8:30 -12

Fridays off

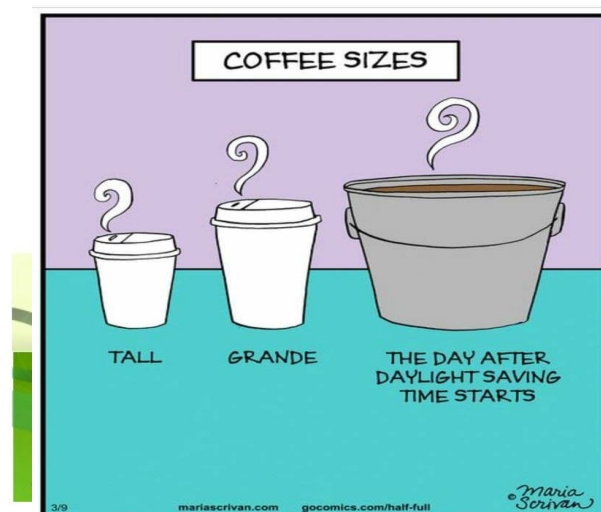


March 15, 8:00 a.m. Bottineau Food Pantry

In Ephesians 4:11-16, God calls on different people to come together to provide works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up, as each part does its work in love. God can turn ashes into beauty through people from all walks of life banding together in love to make a difference in the lives of others.



"It's a pacemaker for your heart.
Plus, you can download apps for your liver,
kidneys, lungs, and pancreas!"



UP BEAT

March 2023

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E. Stanley Jones said, "Evangelism is one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread." That pretty much sums up how the Christian faith is passed from one person to another, from one generation to another.

When John the Baptist was in prison, he sent his messengers to ask Jesus "Are you the one to come or are we to wait for another?" Jesus responded, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard" regarding Jesus' ministry. "Go and tell" was how John and his followers would realize Jesus was the "one to come".

In Acts 4, Peter and John are being challenged by city authorities, wanting to make sense of Peter and John's healing a crippled beggar. Peter answers saying, "You have to decide. We cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard."

This year's theme for our Lenten suppers is "Faith Alive." Five people in the parish will share what they "have seen and heard" during their respective journeys in faith with Jesus Christ. This is the schedule:

March 1: Sharon Marquardt

March 8: Pat Kippen

March 15: Doug Bremner

March 22: Jay McKay

March 29: Howard Beyer

Everyone has a story to tell. W.H. Auden wrote, "There's always another story, there is more than meets the eye." When we tell others about our journey as Christians, we offer our listeners a glimpse into our walk with Christ and that certainly is "more than meets the eye."

In sharing, we learn about ourselves. In listening, we learn about the person talking. John S. Donne wrote that there is more than that happening. He was a theologian at Notre Dame University and developed the concept of "passing over."

According to him, when we listen to a life journey being shared we "pass over" to hear the story and, when it is completed, we "pass back" to ourselves. But we are not the same because the story has changed us. We may change a little, maybe a lot. But we are not left the same.

And so our faith grows. I hope you will decide to join our Lenten journey as our faith becomes more alive. Supper is at 5:30 and program will start 6:20-6:30.

Where's The Piccolo? At certain times in life we may feel insignificant and useless. Surrounded by people with greater talent than ours, we are tempted in our weak moments just to settle back and let somebody else do the work. We reason that what we have to offer won't make much difference anyway. We forget the truth suggested by our Lord's use of five loaves and two small fish to feed a multitude ([John 6:1-14](#)). Each of us has something important to offer in His service. Sir Michael Costa was conducting a rehearsal in which the orchestra was joined by a great chorus. About halfway through the session, with trumpets blaring, drums rolling, and violins singing their rich melody, the piccolo player muttered to himself, "What good am I doing? I might just as well not be playing. Nobody can hear me anyway." So he kept the instrument to his mouth, but he made no sound. Within moments, the conductor cried, "Stop! Stop! Where's the piccolo?" It was missed by the ear of the most important person of all. It's much the same way with the use of our abilities for the Lord. Whether our talent is great or small, the performance isn't complete until we do our best with what we have.
-Richard De Haan

Thank you

Thank you to our church family for all of your prayers, help and support during the time of our daughter Rhonda's death. It was all deeply appreciated and will never be forgotten. Love to you all.
Howard & Dorothy Beyer and family.

United Parish Missions,

Thank you for the donation of gloves, sweat-pants, and milk cards. Our Students will greatly benefit and we appreciate your generosity!
Teresa Munson
Bottineau Elementary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00 Sunday Sch 9:00 Fellowship 10:30 Worship Service			1 3:00 PW 5:30 Lenten	2	3	4
5	6 10:00 Quilters 6:00 Happy	7	8 3:00 UMWIF 5:30 Lenten	9	10	11
12 Daylight Savings time	13 10:00 Quilters	14	15 8:00 Botno Food Pantry	16 11:30 Widow's Luncheon	17	18
19 5:30 Family Fun Night	20 10:00 Quilters 6:00 Happy	21	22 5:30 Lenten Meal	23	24	25
26	27 10:00 Quilters	28	29 5:30 Lenten Meal	30	31	

United Parish Memorial

Rhonda Beyer - Pat & Scott Kippen
David & Faye Bernstein
Steven & Randy Gorder

United Parish Building Fund

N.R. Smith- (M. Bremner grandfather)
Karol Patterson
Beth Kelsey

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Thank you for your generous donation to the MS Support Group. Our funds are used to help people with Multiple Sclerosis pay for financial needs such as wheel chair batteries, air conditioning, grab bars for stairs etc. Thank you again ! God Bless

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Who Is St. Sarah?

St. Sarah is traditionally identified with the Sarah of the Hebrew scriptures, the wife of Abraham, as described in the Book of Genesis. A second “St. Sarah” is identified in the medieval legend that has Mary Jacobe, Mary Salome, and Mary Magdalene arriving in southern France after the crucifixion of Christ accompanied by a black Egyptian servant named Sarah.

The Sarah of the Hebrew scriptures is often referred to as the “laughing saint.” Genesis tells us that Abraham was 99 years old when God made a covenant with him. God promised Abraham land and numerous progeny. When Abraham’s wife Sarah was told that she was to bear a child in her old age, scripture says that “she laughed.” Sarah did give birth to a son, Isaac, whose name means “laughter.” Melissa Musick at The Catholic Catalogue states, “Sarah believed in God’s promises and rejoiced in them, but she also got the joke.”

Every year gypsies and others gather in the small village of Saintes Marie de la Mer on the Mediterranean Sea in the South of France in honor of St. Sarah, patron saint of the gypsies. Legend has it that Sarah was an Egyptian servant girl who came to southern France in the year 42 A.D, accompanying Mary Magdalene, Mary Jacobe and Mary Salome, all followers and disciples of Christ.

Another version of the legend, told by the Gypsies of France, describes Sarah as a Gypsy. After a vision of the coming of the ship carrying the three Marys, Sarah waded out into the sea and saved them when their boat capsized in a violent storm. She was later converted to Christianity.



11 – Gloria Olson


12 – Eric Sand

23 – Marsha Martin

25 – Nick Milbrath

27 – Dwight Olson

28 – Sara Milbrath



5- Ken & Nora Bangs

A tourist is in Cork but wants to go to Dublin for the [St. Patrick's Day celebrations](#). He stops Paddy in the street and asks him, “Excuse me, can you tell me the quickest way to Dublin?”Paddy says, “Are you on foot or in the car?”The tourist says, “In the car.” Paddy says, “That’s the quickest way.”