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Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am  
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

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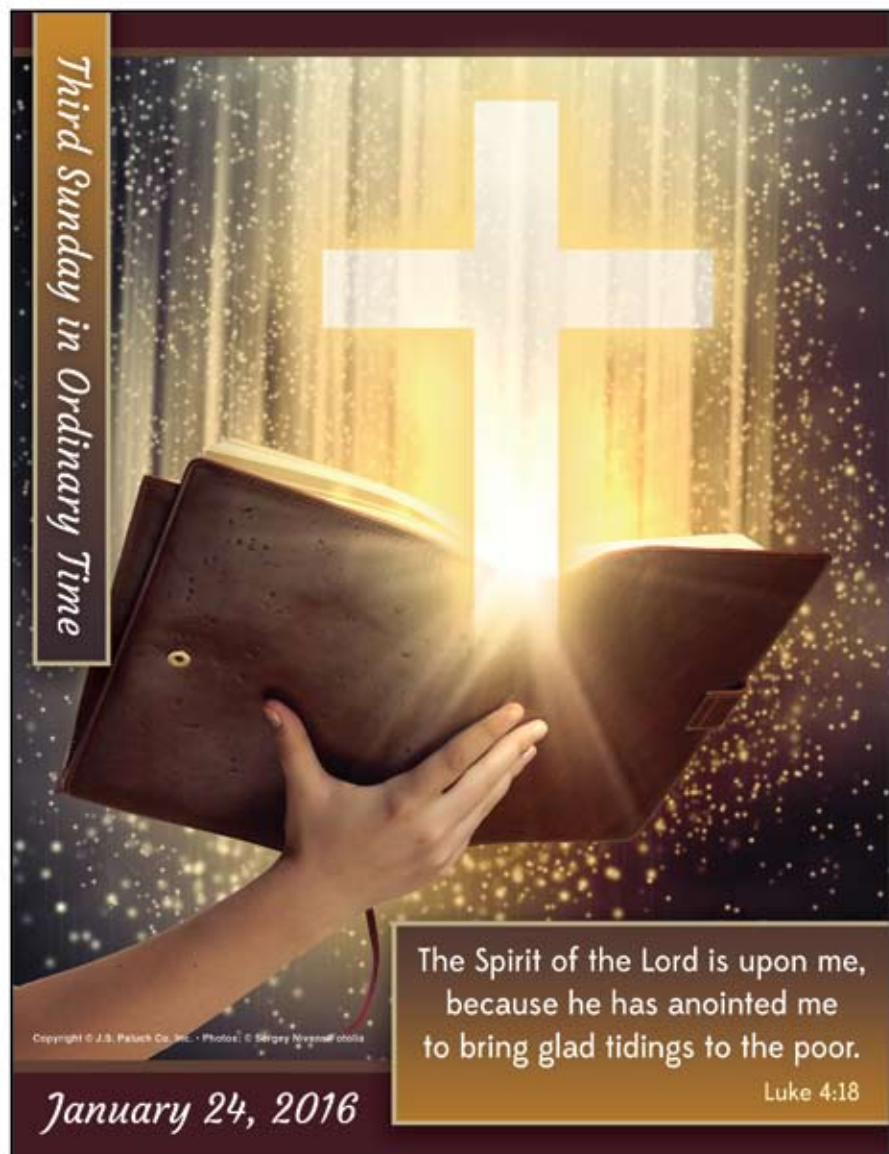
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## DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

### ACTS RETREAT – St. Anthony of Padua Parish (Eunice) and Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish (Duralde)

Today the Women’s ACTS RETREAT scheduled from April 7 – 10, 2016 conducts a pulpit talk inviting women of Annunciation and St. Anthony Parishes to the retreat scheduled. Registration opens on Monday. We begin using a new method of discernment process. It will not be first come first served. It is a Biblical process found in Acts 1:15 -26.

The Men’s ACTS RETREAT is scheduled for January 28 – 31, 2016. Parishioners are encouraged to pray for the success of the retreat. Please offer an hour of prayer for the men on retreat and for those on the retreat team. There still is time to sign up on the poster in church. The return mass for the retreat will be the 11:00 a.m. mass on January 31st. Following mass a small reception is held in Jeanmard Hall. As next Sunday’s 11:00 a.m. mass is the return mass, parishioners are invited to attend and welcome all involved in the retreat.

### Catholic Schools Week, 2016



Catholic Schools week is celebrated at St. Edmund School this week (Jan. 25-29, 2016). Other schools are celebrating Catholic Schools week the first week of February.

This year’s theme is “Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.” The theme encompasses several concepts that are at the heart of a Catholic education. First, schools are communities - small families in their own right, but also members of the larger community of home, church, city and nation. Faith, knowledge and service are three measures by which any Catholic school can and should be identified. The logo [a three year multi-year logo] features a swirl of colors interacting around a cross, which is at the center of all Catholic education. The vibrancy of the colors and the movement and shadows in the logo portray the inner-connectivity and community life that are present in our Catholic schools.

Among the many activities at St. Edmund are: 1) In conjunction to the Year of Mercy, each class selects a corporal or spiritual Work of Mercy to carry out; 2) Campus ministry hosts adoration at 7:30 a.m. every morning; 3) Selected students speak before masses at church on what Catholic education entails.

### “How to be an Amazing Family”

Come see Justin Fatica, nationally renowned speaker who is known for his dynamism and passion for bringing the Gospel and awakening the world to the power of God’s love. Justin is the Executive Director of Hard as Nails, a best-selling author of four books, a husband and a father of four. He

works evangelizing youth and families across U.S.A., letting everyone know how amazing they are as God’s kids!

During this talk, Justin will give practical steps to becoming an amazing family. God loves us not for what we do, but for who we are. This event will teach us how to draw closer as a family and make commitments to deepen our family’s faith in everyday life. Justin will be reading parts from his new children’s book “You’re Amazing!” as he goes through the steps to bring your family closer to one another and to heaven. This event is for the family! All ages are welcome.

He will be at St. Anthony of Padua Church on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited - grandparents, parents, teenagers, children. In the morning he will be at Eunice High School and in the afternoon he will be at St. Edmund School. He will be at St. Anthony Church at night. See the bulletin for more information on Justin Fatica.

### Pre-Lenten and Lenten Missions

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish has a Pre-Lenten Mission from February 1 – 3, 2016 from 6 – 7 p.m. each night. Mr. Andy Reviere will conduct it. The theme is ‘Divine Mercy’ as provide by Sister Faustina. St. Anthony of Padua Parish has a Lenten Mission from Feb. 15 – 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. each night. Father George Knab, O.M.I. will conduct it. The theme is ‘Face of the Father’s Mercy’.

### Gospel for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C – Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The passage from St. Luke’s Gospel today helps us understand the relationship between sacred tradition and sacred Scripture. As Catholics, we believe that the Bible is an essential part of divine revelation that goes hand in hand with the teachings that were established by Jesus and passed on by his apostles. *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that the church “does not derive her certainty about all revealed truths from the holy Scriptures alone. Both Scripture and Tradition must be accepted and honored with equal sentiments of devotion and reverence” (#82). Here, Luke emphasizes that what he writes is a confirmation of what was already being taught.

This fact should help us appreciate the gift of the Bible. Although the Bible is not the only source of revelation, it does help us to have what Luke calls “certainty” regarding our faith. We do hear Bible readings at Mass, but we would do well to read the Bible on our own as well. Let us not miss the opportunity to hear God’s word speaking to us every day.

### Questions of the Week

**Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21:** What do you find interesting about Luke’s prologue?

**Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10:** How well-received is the study of Scripture in our faith community?

**1 Corinthians 12:12-30:** What do you find compelling in Paul’s discussion of “many parts” but “on body”?

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 24, 2016

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January 17, 2016

Sunday's Offertory .....\$7,874.00

Mailed-In Offertory .....

Total Offertory for the week .....**\$7,874.00**

Weekly Average 2016 ..... \$11,522.00

Children's Contribution .....\$5.00

\* Extra Prayers ..... Matthew

\* Helping Mom ..... Reese

\* Praying for others ..... Shawna, Reese, Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....1604

Number of Envelopes Used.....190

Number of Children's Envelopes Used ..... 4

**Thank you for your generosity.**

*Please remember St. Anthony Church  
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

## 2015 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

If you have made any contributions to the church through the envelope system or by bringing the contributions to the office -- your 2015 contribution statement will be available at the Rectory office. Call the office (457-5285) and leave your name and address -- and the contribution statement will be mailed to your home.

## EUNICE AREA MEN'S RETREAT

The Eunice Area Men's Retreat will be held at Our Lady of Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau from Thursday night, Feb. 4 to Sunday noon, Feb. 7. Plan for a spiritually and physically refreshing weekend. For room reservations call Don Mayeux at 457-9610 or 457-7624 or the Rectory.

## NEW SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

The new weekend Liturgical Servers Schedule for February - March will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **January 25** to get your changes into the new schedule.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, January 25

6:15 a.m.: Thelma & Leroy (*Liv.*) Vige; Charles Lear & Rose Comeaux

### Tuesday, January 26

12:00 p.m.: Melba Rider; Raymond Fontenot

### Wednesday, January 27

6:15 a.m.:

### Thursday, January 28

12:00 p.m.: Irving Ledet; George Schneider family (*Liv. & Dec.*)

### Friday, January 29

6:15 a.m.: : Joyce Fontenot

### Saturday, January 30

4:00 p.m.: George Sonnier; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Leonce Thibodeaux; Kevin Fontenot

family (*Liv.*); Burley Marcantel; Merlin Moreau; Drucey Rougeau; Leon Stelly

### Sunday, January 31

#### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau; Merlin Marcantel (*Anniversary of Death*)

9:00 a.m.: J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Carole Sue & Debbi Hargroder; Frankie LaFleur; Special Intention; Merlin Moreau; Lena F. Gerace

11:00 a.m.: M/M Lincoln Bordelon; Gerald Bordelon; Dwayne Bordelon; Vickie Arnoville; Dr. Jack & Lois Miller

6:00 p.m.:



## PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2016

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Abadie	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Vergie Ardoin, Candy Atteberry, Tommy Dietz, Stephanie Manuel	Kay Dietz	Anna Belle Fontenot, Christopher Luke Fuselier, Ariana Manuel, MacKenzie Manuel
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### SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Brad Miller, Norma Diaville, Charles Feucht	Genny Dischler	Abby Miller, Brad Miller, Clay Miller, Mary-Helen Miller
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Abadie	Mitch Fontenot, Jason & Kelly Bertrand	Craig Soileau	Ashley Bertrand, Nicholas Bertrand, Alex Fontenot, Gabby Fontenot
11:00 a.m. ACTS Return Mass	Msgr. Romero	Deacon Gary Gaudin, ACTS Members	ACTS Member	Philippe Aguiard, Doug Summerlin Jr., Brennon Thompson <b>Thurifer:</b> Daniel Lombas <b>MC:</b> Cole Bergeron
6:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Brayden Gaspard, Janice Aguiard, Maggie Parks	Life Teen Member	Dominic Dupre, Elijah Dupre, Sarah Fruge, <i>Altar Server Needed</i>

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER

“He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.” *Psalms 147:2*



**Please pray for:** Shirley Mae Leger, Delores Labbie, Alberta Frey, Paul Rozas, Louis Flores, George Coleman, Edward Fontenot Jr., T.J. LeBouef, Darlene Faul, Ben Burson, Sally Fontenot, Judson Ardoin, Kathlyn Mire, Charlotte Fox, Gilbert Young, Deanna Prather, Hazel Miller, Linda & Lacy Slocum, Ronnie Singh, Karl Aucoin, Ann Duran, Roger Hollier, Kathy Henderson, Georgie Manuel, Liz Moreau, Cody Lalonde, Fenrick Manuel, Craig Durbin, Bruce Vige, April DeRouen, Jim Miller, Joe Elfert, Mable Courville, Calvin Lavergne, Elliot Arabie, Kelly McFarland Sr., Nelda Durbin, Norbert Young, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Lenard Craig, Shirley Janot, Mary ‘Bobbie’ Thibodeaux, Phillip Venable, Lisa LeBouef.

*Pray for our troops & peace in the world!*

**For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:**  
[www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Monday, January 25

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
Elementary Faith Formation (C.C.D.) -- 3:30 p.m.  
Centennial Campaign -- 5:30 p.m.  
Jr. High Faith Formation (C.C.D.) -- 6:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, January 26

That Man Is You! -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.  
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.  
Hard As Nails Program -- 6:00 p.m. in Church.

### Wednesday, January 27

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
St. Edmund Catholic School Week Mass -- 8:00 a.m.  
Women’s Faith Sharing -- 5:30 p.m. in Parish Hall  
Women’s ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. in Parish Hall  
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Mathilda Parish Hall.

### Thursday, January 28

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.  
***Men’s ACTS Retreat (Thursday - Sunday) at A.B.C.***

### Friday, January 29

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
Eunice Manor & Oaklane Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

### Saturday, January 30

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 pm

### Sunday, January 31

Masses -- 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.  
***Men’s ACTS Retreat Return Mass & Reception -- 11:00 a.m.***  
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.  
Confirmation Class -- 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

# Catholic Student Centers

A Catholic student center serves as a welcoming presence of the Church on a university campus, offering students a welcoming community of faith and an opportunity to further develop a Christ-centered life. Here in the Diocese of Lafayette, we are blessed to have active campus student centers at UL Lafayette and LSUE. Both our Catholic student centers have capital needs that the **Centennial Campaign: *Building Our Future Together*** will help address. 12% of the total goal will be designated to the Catholic student centers at UL Lafayette and LSUE.

- \$5,000,000 will help subsidize the construction of a new Catholic Student Center at UL Lafayette
- \$250,000 will help build a dedicated chapel at LSUE



*"Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)*

Centennial Campaign: *Building Our Future Together*  
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## 2016 ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Masses are sponsored annually by the Office of Marriage and Family Life Ministry. The Mass is designated for the recognition of couples who are celebrating **25, 40, 50, 60 or more** years of married life. Pre-registration is required by all couples who wish to be recognized during the Marriage Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be on **February 28, 2016 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Eunice at 2:00 p.m.** with Bishop Michael Jarrell presiding. Go to [www.diolaf.org/marriage](http://www.diolaf.org/marriage) or call 337-261-5653 to register.

# JUSTIN FATICA OF HARD AS NAILS

South Bus Tour -- January 22-29, 2016

St. Anthony of Padua Church -- Eunice, LA

Tuesday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m.



Since Hard as Nails was founded in 2002, Justin Fatica has impacted over one million people. He has been speaking professionally since he was 19 years old. He is a graduate of Seton Hall University with a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Elementary Education and Master's degree in Education.

He has been featured on numerous media outlets such as Good Morning America, ABC Nightline, TBN, EWTN, and was the subject of an HBO film called "Hard as Nails," as well as a new 10-part series on EWTN called "You're Amazing with Justin Fatica," which focus on his dynamic life and ministry.

Justin is the author of 4 books: "Hard as Nails: A Mission to Awaken Youth to the Power of God's Love;" a Publisher's Weekly best-seller; "Win it All: The Way to Heaven for Catholic Teens;" "The Prayer Workout Devotional: 40 Days of Biblical Reflections to Jumpstart Your Workout Routine;" and brand new "You're Amazing" children's book.

He has been endorsed by numerous priests and bishops, including Bishop Rhoades, of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, IN, who said: "With deep passion, Justin shares this faith, hope and love with young people, teaching and inspiring them to have a living relationship with the Holy Trinity. Justin Fatica is indeed a new evangelizer, helping others to encounter Christ and the liberating truth of the Gospel."

He is currently the Executive Director of Hard as Nails Ministries. He resides in Syracuse, New York, with his four children and his beautiful wife, Mary.

