



# Come, Lord Jesus!

NEWSLETTER

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## THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF CHRISTIANS

**October**  
**Every Thursday**  
**Memorial Mass**  
**for the enrollees**  
**in the CLJ!**  
**Memorial Burse**

**October 4**  
**27th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

**October 11**  
**28th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

**October 18**  
**29th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

**October 25**  
**30th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

God the Father is the origin of all things; the Son carries out the Father's plan; and the Holy Spirit makes us capable of participating in it. It is difficult to explain who the Holy Spirit is, but his action in the lives of those who allow themselves to be transformed by him can be seen. In fact, the Spirit so transforms the life of believers that the profound change in their being is clearly noticeable. The change that is made from the life of the flesh to a life in the Spirit is observable. St Paul tells us in Galatians 5:19-21 – *“Now the works of the flesh are obvious: immorality, impurity, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, occasions of envy, drinking bouts...”* It is also possible, on the other hand to observe the effects of one who lives by the spirit. St. Paul continues in verses 22-23, *“In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control”*. One's whole demeanor, disposition, and looks are affected by the transformation caused by living according to the spirit.

### PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE LIFE

Sacred Tradition calls the sanctifying work of the Spirit “divinization” or “deification”. These expressions refer to the action of the Holy Spirit making us God-like. Divinization already begins on earth: the creature is transfigured and God's kingdom is inaugurated.

Jesus said that *“the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father”* (Mt 13:43). We read in Acts of the Apostles that *“Now Stephen, filled with grace and power... (throughout his witness before the Sanhedrin) his face was like the face of an angel”* (6:8, 15).

We are called to participate in God through the Holy Spirit. Human nature was meant to be perfected by divinity. God wants to make everyone *“perfect in Christ”* (Col 1:28). We partake of the divine nature in the Spirit, that is, in communion with the Holy Spirit. The extent of this participation depends on the degree of our union with God in love. It is because we participate in the divine nature that we can say that the Spirit makes those in whom he is present divine.

Being holy means to share in the divine nature through Christ in the Spirit. The Holy Spirit is truly the heart of the spiritual life and its very breath. It is not a case of being devoted to the Holy Spirit but one of living and breathing the Spirit. His life has become our very own.

*Father Conley Bertrand*

# 2026 LEADERS' SEMINAR

## Living the Life of the Spirit

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

### LAFAYETTE, LA



# Anniversary Mass St. Joseph Catholic Church Cecilia, LA



# Anniversary Mass St. Aloysius Catholic Church Baton Rouge, LA



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Abbeville, LA:** Claire Roy, John Ledet

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**Schriever, LA:** Sheila Guillot

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## RETURNING MEMBERS

**New Iberia, LA,** Eric Villermin, Pegge Villermin

## NEW GROUPS

**Church Point, LA :** Karen Hardy - **Leader**

Charlotte Cormier, Susie Thibodeaux,  
Geraldine Savoy, Brenda Matte

**Lafayette, LA :** Anita Fontenot - **Leader**

Barbara Fain, Shelby Fruge, Theresa Bodker,  
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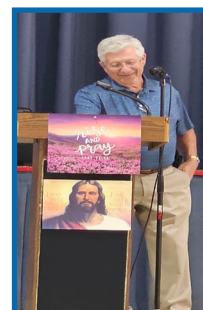
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## *Spiritual Formation Archdiocese of New Orleans ST. Agnes, Jefferson, Louisiana*



## August 24 - Sept 23, 2026

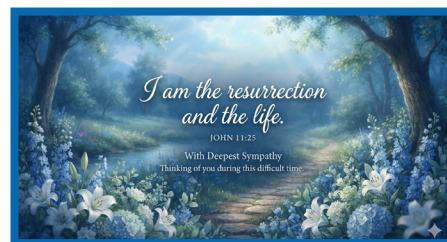
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## Condolences

To member Kathleen Murphy of Gretna, LA on the death of her husband, Steve Murphy.

To member Gina Rivere Rojas of Westwego, LA on the death of her godmother, Judy LeBlanc Helmer.



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