

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 6:30 a.m.

St. Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 / Mk 6:53-56

Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D), JPL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mk 7:1-13

Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D), Leroy Naquin

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

1 Kgs 10:1-10 / Mk 7:14-23

Calvin LeLeux, Monica Mancuso, Edna Theriot fly. (L&D)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

1 Kgs 11:4-13 / Mk 7:24-30

Angelique LeLeux

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 12:10 p.m.

Sts. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 / Mk 7:31-37

Luella Smith, Onesime Richard

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15-20 / 1 Cor 2:6-10 / Mt 5:17-37

4:00 p.m. M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Dana G. Robin, Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Cody Cousins, Gary Melancon, In Thanksgiving, Donovan LeBlanc

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:00 a.m. Calvin LeLeux, Bobby Monceaux, Michael Naquin, Jr.

10:00 a.m. M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Willie & Emily Smith fly. (L&D), John Menard, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

6:30 p.m. M/M Louis Fromenthal

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Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

Historically, is there some explanation for the confusion about the true meaning of the Mass so prevalent today? How is it that so many have lost sight of the teaching of the Church:

The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ’s Passover, that is, of the work of salvation accomplished by the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, a work made present by the liturgical action. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, number 1409, Publisher: United States Catholic Conference.)

If I could answer this question satisfactorily within the parameters of the weekly bulletin of a small parish, I would be offered immediately an endowed chair at a prestigious university. This question requires an examination and evaluation of dynamics theological, sociological, and anthropological, among other dynamics. Neither I nor anyone else will be able to adequately provide an answer to the question any time soon.

On the other hand, I lived through that time period. Even though I do not understand everything that happened, I experienced it personally.

Prior to 1962 the ritual of the Mass, the manner of celebration was firmly set. The ritual of this Mass, referred to as the Tridentine Mass, was arguably in use for a thousand years. Note the use of the word, arguably. The ritual was modified periodically. For example, Pope Pius XII extensively changed and modified the rituals for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

The language of the Mass was Latin. The same Latin missal was used throughout the world for the Western or Roman or Latin Rite. Any priest could find himself in any country and walk into any Roman Catholic Church and celebrate the Mass because it was in Latin and the same throughout the world.

Servers at the Mass had to learn the responses in Latin. Because girls or women were not allowed to be in the sanctuary during the celebration of Mass, the servers were boys or men. Until recently, especially while travelling, I frequently had elderly men come up to me, strangers, introduce themselves, and then tell me that they were altar boys, “back in the day.” Inevitably, these older men would recite from memory the first response of the altar boy during the Mass, “Ad Deum qui lactificat juventutem meam.”

That these men remembered the response some thirty years after the suppression of the ritual is amazing. More importantly, these men had very positive feelings and thoughts about the Mass of their youth.

At first, the changes to this ancient ritual of the Mass were gradually implemented. By the time 1965 came around, the readings were in the vernacular, English for us here. The prayers were still in Latin. By 1970, the structure of the Mass, the ritual, had changed substantially. Among those changes, the entire Mass was now in the vernacular. The Tridentine Mass was suppressed, that is, priests were no longer able to use the older ritual.

To be continued ...

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Come Lord Jesus and Religion Class Volunteers: Please take a few minutes to express your gratitude to those who assisted in our religion program this year:

Monique Ratcliff Robin Guarisco
Nicole Menard Matthew Guarisco
Sandi Paradee Christine Henry
Kathy LaBouve Martin Vasquez
Abby Beadle Kim Vasquez
Mary White Catherine Thomas
Constance Richard Laura Dozar
Mary Grace Gray Reed Stewart
Debra Parker Chuck Boudreaux
Karen Schon Michelle Boudreaux
Carla Loupe Angie Sampey
Allison Osburn Belinda Boudreaux
Anne Theriot Karen Duhon
Robert Marcel Tina Galler

Repeat Announcements

Lent: The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26. There will be three Masses on Ash Wednesday: 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 5:30 p.m. Ashes will be blessed and imposed at all three Masses. Confessions will be heard before each Mass.

First Communion: The date for First Communion has been changed to May 3, 2020. This will be during the 10 a.m. Mass. The practice will be on Saturday, May 2, at 10 a.m.

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
February 15, 4:00 p.m.	Linda Thomas	Barbara LeLeux	3:30 p.m. Linda Thomas
February 16, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Prissy Davis Cliff Journey Anne Theriot	Debra Parker Brian Theriot	

Jubilee of the Word: The Community of Jesus Crucified is sponsoring a public reading of the Bible at Holy Ghost Church, 747 N. Union Street, Opelousas, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 26, at 12:30 p. m. and ending on the First Sunday of Lent, March 1, at 4:30 p.m. For more information or to volunteer as a reader, telephone Holy Ghost rectory at 337 942-2732 or go to fetedieuduteche@gmail.com

Pray for the following priest each day: Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

February 10, Rev. Angelo Cremaldi
February 11, Rev. Barry Crochet
February 12, Rev. Francis Damoah, SVD
February 13, Rev. Hampton Davis
February 14, Rev. Msgr. Jefferson DeBlanc
February 15, Rev. Michael DeBlanc
February 16, Rev. Edward Degeyter

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, IJL, John Czajka, MIL, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Bridget Thibodeaux, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, CJL, Marlene Cole, Brenda Doo-ley, Lee Nini, Jr., Marilyn Simmons, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa All-briton, Shirley Gilfour, Archer Rogers, Laurie Hale, Susan Cantrell, Linda DeHart, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Sawyer Allums, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Hunter Chaisson, BGL, Cohen Callas, Debbie Zorn, Eddie Hamlett, Richard Clark, Chad Arnaud, Mary Jack Geoffrey, Peter Scaramella, Janet Lee Slaughter, Jonathan Wainwright, Eddie Bradberry, Terence Donnelly, Nate Furlette, Ryan Bowman, Joel Nor- ton, Brendan Kidder, Laura Magee Larive, Pearl Lyons, Erin & Simon, Oscar “Sonny” Landry, Jerry Barrilleaux, Lonnie Michel, Mary Etta Race, Dr. Geoffrey Fleming, Shelby Baldree, David Peveto, Wesley Burnham, Pete Marcell, Mac Percle, Lois Theriot, Leslie Hardaway, Irvin Trahan, Jr., Ruby & Herman Pellerin