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MASSES

Saturday Anticipated: 4:00pm Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:15pm Monday/Friday: 7:00am Holy Day Vigil: 5:15pm Holy Day Masses: 7:00am, 12:05pm, 5:15pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1pm - 4pm Tuesday ~ Thursday: 9am - 12pm & 1pm - 4pm Friday: Closed

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Confession is available from 2:45pm to 3:45pm on Saturday and 1/2 hour before all Sunday & Weekday Masses.

BAPTISMS

Registration for Baptismal Class is to be made at the Parish Office, preferrable before birth of the child.

MARRIAGES

Couples are asked to make arrangements with the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We ask you to introduce yourselves & to register at the Parish Office at your earliest convenience.

PARISH STAFF

Joan Sims, Secretary Paulette Bussey, Bookkeeper Gordon Ryder, Maintenance John Ray Perkins, Maintenance

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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Dear Padre May 21, 2023

Why should I be confirmed?

In baptism, God calls you to be a priest, prophet and king. In confirmation, you receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live out those vocations. A priest offers prayer and sacrifice. In confirmation, you are moved to make your everyday life a sacrifice that you join to the sacrifice of Christ on the cross (Romans 12:1). Prophet is from prophētēs, a Greek word meaning "spokesperson." In confirmation, you are compelled to preach the gospel (1 Corinthians 9:16), just as the apostles were when they received the Holy Spirit on the original day of Pentecost (Acts 2:2-4). When you were baptized, you were made a member of the royal family of God (1 Peter 2:9). Just as Jesus showed what it means to be a Servant King, so are we called to serve others in love. In confirmation, we are inspired by the love that God pours into us in his Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5).

In his first public preaching, Jesus quoted from Isaiah the prophet: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me" (Luke 4:18). That was the beginning of his public ministry. When the bishop anoints you with chrism, you can say the same. Your confirmation is the beginning of your own public ministry.

Bishop Bruce Lewandowski. CSsR

OC CORNER

Congratulations to our Class of 2023 who graduated in a beautiful Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement in St. Landry Catholic Church! May God be with them as they pursue their careers and remain strong in their faith!

Let us pray for our students who are taking their final exams this week, looking forward to summer vacation beginning May 26.

We are proud of our Varsity Baseball Team for a great season all the way to the State Semifinals! And congratulations to senior Chris Brown for signing a football and track scholarship to Bethel University!

In its final days, please gift our 2022-2023 Angel Appeal Drive! Mail your donation, large or small, to the OCS Advancement Office, 428 East Prudhomme Street, Opelousas, LA 70570. God bless our angels!

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS 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. Sunday: Very Rev. Chester Arceneaux,: Monday: Rev. Michael Arnaud: Tuesday: Rev. Justin Arockiasamy, SVD; Wednesday: Rev. Alfred Ayem, SVD: Thursday: Rev. Matthew Barzare; Friday: Rev. Herbert Bennerfield; Saturday: Rev. Paul Bergeron.

HOLY FATHER'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION

For church movements and groups. We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

LAST PEWS IN CHURCH

Please kindly remember the last pews in the Church on all sides are for the handicapped. Please be considerate and allow those who are handicapped to sit first. Many thanks.

We are happy to announce that Lauren Wiltz, one of our Altar Servers, has been elected to the 2023-2024 Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council for the 2nd year. Well done Lauren!

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Next Sunday at 1:00PM, we will celebrate Msgr. DeRouen's 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. The Anniversary Mass will be followed by a reception in the Church Hall.

RED BIRD MINISTRY MOTHER'S RETREAT

Red Bird Ministries will hold a retreat for mothers of child loss (pregnancy through adulthood) on Sept. 8-10, 2023 at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center in Shriever, LA. Contact www.REDBIRD.LOVE for information and registration.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Parents of this parish who wish to have their children baptized should contact Deacon Bill Pollingue at the church office at 337-942-5628 to make an appointment.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOCAL SEMINARIANS

Deacon Michael Vidrine - Melville Tré Fontenot - Ville Platte

Michael Darbonne - Washington, LA, who is studying to become a Brother Extra prayer cards can be found in the back of the Church

St. John Vianney, Patron of Priests, pray for us and all our priests.

Congratulations to Rev. Mr. Michael Vidrine from Melville, LA who will be ordained to the priesthood on June 3, 2023 at 9:00 AM at the Cathedral of St John the Evangelist.

The mass is open to the public and will also be livestreamed on the Diocese of Lafayette YouTube channel

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR JUNE 2023

May 28-June 3, 2023-Pat & Willie Boyd June 4-10, 2023 - John & Dr. Laura Braham June 11-17, 2023 - Charles Brilev June 18-24, 2023—Joey & Renee Broussard June 25-July 1, 2023-Rose Brown Thank you for your commitment!



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Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship! "Everything we have and give comes from God." (1 Corinthians 29:11-17)

READERS

May 27	4:00 p.m.	Mike Ortego
May 28	7:00 a.m.	Stephen Woods
•	8:30 a.m.	Charles Cravins
	10:30 a.m.	Josie Prudhomme
	5:15 p.m.	William Jarrell

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ALTAR SOCIETY

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ACTIVITIES			
Sun., May 21	The Ascension of The Lord		
8:30 a.m.	Altar Society Annual Breakfast		
Wed., May 24 4:30 p.m.	Pro-Life Rosary continues		
Sun., May 28 1:00 p.m.	Msgr. DeRouen 40th Aniversary Mass		
	Followed by reception – Church Hall		

PRO LIFE QUOTE

"I think these cjildren have a right to live. And I think that these mothers have a right to support them in a decent way. We are dealing with human beings.." Fannie Lou Hamer

NO 5:15PM Mass

The Altar Society will have their annual breakfast this Sunday in the

MASS CANCELED FOR 5:15PM ON SUNDAY, MAY 28TH

There will be no 5:15PM Mass next Sunday May 28th.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

Fr. Andrew Killeen will be leading an unbelievable trip to the holy ground of Ireland on June 12-21, 2023. Experience the unmatched beauty and serenity as you weave your way through the countryside. Please contact MAGNIFICAT TRAVEL at 337-291-1933 for more information.

CENACLE FOR PRIESTS

Would you like to become a participating member of your Church, but you feel like you just don't have the time? Please consider joining a "Cenacle for Priests". The Cenacle group meets to pray for priests. It will take about an hour of your day every 6 weeks (the group can meet at your home or another location). You can join a group or start your own. For more information contact Judi Lucito or any Cenacle member. Contact information can be found at your parish office.

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is open from 7AM - 6PM Monday through Saturday. f you would like to commit to an hour of adoration, please contact Deacon Jerome Collins @ 337-781-7185 or Claire Robichaux @ 337-351-4674.

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Sun., May 21....... 7:00 a.m. Harry & Lorraine Soileau, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer, M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux **Families**

8:30 a.m. Sylvia Morel, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Glenda Pitre, Sarah Jarrell, Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Mark G. Robertson (Anniversary of Death)

10:30 a.m. Leopold A., Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle & Lloyd Smith, M/M Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffery Spring, M/M E. W. Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Lynwood Hebert, Gene Boudier, Lennie Marks (Birthday), Eunice, Hilton & Paul Prejean, Morgan Adams, Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie, Herbert W. Soileau, Cecily C. Soileau, Cecile P. LeBlanc, Lennie LeBlanc, Allie Soileau, & Herbert Soileau, Jackie Bordelon, Lester Lalonde, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Eunice, Hilton & Paul Prejean

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli

Mon., May 22...... 7:00 a.m. Morgan Adams, & Neva & Raymond Ryder, Margie Jagneaux Quebedeaux (AIC Class of 1963)

Tues., May 23 7:00 a.m. Louis H. Higginbotham, Lezime J. Leger, Louise H. Leger, Neil Bertinot, Gladys & Anthony Bertinot, Johnny & Dona Clary, Martha & Alphonse(Anniversary of Death) Clary

Wed., May 24...... 7:00 a.m. John E. Bradley (Anniversary of Death) Thurs., May 25..... 7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Queen of Angelsc

Fri., May 26...... 7:00 a.m. Ronnie Ardoin

Sat., May 27....... 4:00 p.m. Lee M. Andrepont, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Norbert J. Auzenne, M/M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Newton & Michael Janise, Gregory Speyrer, Rand Speyrer, Ralph Marks, Marie Marks, Lvnn Marks, Rives & Wilda Cradeur, Dwain & Alfred Benoit & Sandra & Curtis Hooks, Peggy Gerace, Frank Gerace, Jos. & Lita Culotta, Edward Lastrapes

Sun., May 28...... 7:00 a.m. M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer

8:30 a.m. J.C. Dupre, Clarence Dupre, Leroy Lafleur, Mary G. Dupre, Essie O. Lafleur, Sandra D. Fuselier James G. Lafleur, Svlvia Morel, Sarah Jarrell, Glenda Pitre, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradnev, Dennis, Daniel & Wilbur Reed, Jr., Carrol & Leticia Olivier. & Ward & Ruth Savoie

10:30 a.m. Leopold A., Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle & Lloyd Smith, M/M Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffery Spring, M/M E. W. Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie, Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Dwain Pitre, Sr., Herbert W. Soileau, Cecily C. Soileau, Cecile P. LeBlanc, Lennie LeBlanc, Allie Soileau, & Herbert Soileau, Morgan Adams, Lennie Marks, Lester Lalonde, errit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families

1:00 p.m. Sis & Lucius DeRouen, Jerry DeRouen, John B. Mengarelli, Mary Olive Brignac

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new in the parish and are not registered in our parish census, we invite you to do so by providing your:

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Address		
Phone#		
	office to get acquainted.	

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