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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

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Dear Padre August 6, 2023

For the past year or so I have been trying to pray on a regular basis, but I am constantly distracted. My mind wanders so easily. Do you have any suggestions?

Distractions in prayer are an inescapable part of the human condition and the result of our imagination. Even great saints experienced distractions in prayer, and some of their suggestions may help. When St. Thérèse of Lisieux struggled with prayer, she would recite an Our Father or a Hail Mary or read from the Gospels. Praying an act of faith or returning to God's presence and love can turn our focus away from other concerns, but even then, distractions may still arise.

When we become aware of them, we should calmly renew our focus and continue our prayer. Saint Teresa of Ávila offers this guidance: "We should not be distressed by reason of our thoughts, nor allow ourselves to be worried by them....The thing is inevitable, therefore do not let it disturb or grieve you" (The Interior Castle). No matter how often distractions return or how long they last, they are not sinful. Rather, they are opportunities to show God that we are sincere about praying.

Saint Alphonsus, another great teacher of prayer, reminds us that prayer is necessary, beneficial, and always possible. Hang in there, he says, because the devil would like nothing better than for you to stop praying.

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OC CORNER

Preparations have been ongoing for the new school year! Teachers are attending "in-service" sessions this week; and faculty and staff will be spiritually fed through this Wednesday's "Faculty/Staff Retreat".

Students are reminded to report to campus in school uniform on Friday for ID photos: (grades 6-12 from 8 to 11 am; grades PK to 5 from 12 noon to 3 pm).

Another reminder to families interested in OCS: Classes have been filling up quickly, especially in Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4 and grades 3 and 8. Please contact Mrs. Joanne Briley as soon as possible at 337-942-5404 ext. 109 or email at brileyj@ocsvikings.com.

The first official day for all students is August 16. May God bless our current and new families with a successful and enjoyable year!

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: Rev. Richard Fabre; Monday: Rev. James Fallon, SSJ; Tuesday: Rev. Joel Faulk; Wednesday: Rev. Emmanuel Fernandez; Thursday: Rev. Sam Fontana; Friday: Rev. Abelardo Gabriel, SVD; Saturday: Rev. William Gearheard.

HOLY FATHER'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION

For World Youth Day: We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

FIRST COMMUNION. CONFIRMATION AND CCD **REGISTRATION IS PAST DUE**

Thank you to all who have taken care of registering their child/ children for CCD, First Communion & Confirmation. If you have not registered your child, please do so right away. Remember to bring copies of Baptism and First Communion certificates when registering.

MANDATORY PARENTS MEETING FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

The Mandatory Parents meeting for First Communion is Sat., Aug. 26 at 8:30AM and for Confirmation at 9:30AM.

KC'S PO - BOY FUNDRAISER IS SUNDAY AUGUST 13

The KC'S will be having their annual po-boy fundraiser on Sunday, August 13th. Tickets are available through any KC member.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have a Vigil Mass on Monday, Aug. 14th at 5:15PM. On Aug. 15th Masses will be at 7AM and 12:15PM.

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

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.

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR AUGUST 2023

Aug. 13-19, 2023 — Jerome & Sylvia Collins Aug. 20-26, 2023 — Priscilla Taylor Aug. 27-Sept. 2, 2023 — Elaine Dartez Thank you for your commitment!



OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD .\$10,538.00 .\$10.00 Opelousas Catholic. .\$57.00 This weekend, the second collection, after Holy Communion, will be for OC tuition assistance for Queen of Angels Parishioners. Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship!

"Everything we have and give comes from God." (1 Corinthians 29:11-17) **READERS**

Aug. 12 4:00 p.m.	John Braham
Aug. 137:00 a.m.	Claire Reed
8:30 a.m.	James Doherty
10:30 a.m.	Russell Jesclard
5:15 p.m.	Kathy Hebert
ALTAR SOCIETY	
Aug. 12	Kathryn Jarrell
Linens	Claire Robichaux
ACTIVITIES	
Sat./Sun., Aug. 5,6	Second Collection for OC tuition
	assistance
Sun., Aug. 6	KC Monthly Breakfast

Offertory

Wed., Aug. 9 ...

Sun., Aug. 13

PRO LIFE QUOTE

. 4:30 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary continues

KC Po-Boy Fundraiser

"Before we go looking for life on other planets, can we stop killing life on this one?" Unknown

KC MONTHLY BREAKFAST

The KC'S will have their monthly breakfast this Sunday after the 8:30AM Mass in the Church Hall.

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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. If you would like to commit to an hour of adoration, please contact Deacon Jerome Collins @ 337-781-7185 or Claire Robichaux @ 337-351-4674.

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.

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.

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MASSES

Sat., Aug. 5......... 4:00 p.m. Mary M. Graves & Terry Kellum, Rives & Wilda Cradeur, Allen Ardoin, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Gregory Speyrer, Rand Speyrer, Newton Janise, Dennis Cooley, M/M Leroy Carriere, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Jos. & Lita Culotta, Marcus Paul Fontenot, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Beulah Martin, Norbert J. Auzenne, M/M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Ralph Marks, Marie Marks, Lynn Marks, Aldon Daigle (Birthday), Jerome Leblanc, Peggy Gerace, Frank Gerace

Sun., Aug. 6....... 7:00 a.m. M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Bailey Landry, Yvonne

Mouton, Glenda Pitre, Hazel & Joe Riley, Dennis, Daniel & Wilbur Reed, Jr., Austin J. Fontenot (Anniversary of Death), Joshua Peck(Birthday), Jesse & Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Sylvia

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, Lester Lalonde, Curtis "Black" Soileau, Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., James "Jim" Lastrapes, Shirley Fontenot, Dr. Glen & Marguerite Hunt, Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Herbert W. Soileau, Cecily C. Soileau Cecile P. LeBlanc, Lennie LeBlanc, Allie Soileau, & Herbert Soileau, Kymber Nezat, Lennie Marks, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families. Morgan

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli

Mon., Aug. 7...... 7:00 a.m. Morgan Adams, & Neva & Raymond Ryder Tues., Aug. 8...... 7:00 a.m. Louis H. Higginbotham, Lezime J. Leger, Louise H. Leger, Dwight Case

Wed., Aug. 9 7:00 a.m. Millie Benoit (Anniversary of Death), Mary Olive Brignac

Thurs., Aug. 10... 7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Queen of Angles

Fri., Aug. 11 7:00 a.m. Gene Boudier (Birthday), Suzy and James Foster, In Thanksgiving to St. Philomena Jessica Dupre

Sat., Aug. 12...... 4:00 p.m. Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Peggy Gerace, Frank Gerace, John G. Fontenot, Wilbur & Alice Reed, Wilbur, Jr., Anita Durio, Myrtle Gibson, Raleigh Vige, Jr., Gregory Speyrer, Rand Speyrer, Ralph Marks, Marie Marks, Lynn Marks, Rives & Wilda Cradeur, Hilman Theriot, Paul Spell, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Lynwood Hidalgo, M/M Felix Hidalgo, Jr. & M/M Vincent Guidry, Fly., Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Norbert J. Auzenne, M/M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, J.C. Dupre, Neil Bertinot, Gladys & Anthony Bertinot, Martha & Alphonse Clary, Johnny & Dona Clary, Raymond Couvillion, Jerome Leblanc, Marie Louise Mills Tully, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Alvin Taylor, Novella Taylor, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Lebon Simoneaux

Sun., Aug. 13...... 7:00 a.m. Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer, M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Mary Lou & Shelton Darbonne

8:30 a.m. Bailey Landry, Yvonne Mouton, Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Dudley Fontenot Family, Sylvia Morel, Glenda Pitre, Sarah Jarrell, Hazel & Joe Riley

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, Stelly & Willingham Families, Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Lester Lalonde, Lennie Marks, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Reiners & Gossen Families, Morgan Adams, Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr.

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli

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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Or come by the office to get acquainted	

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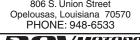


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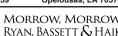












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