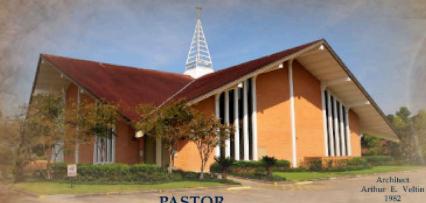
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PASTOR Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen

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Deacon William Pollingue Deacon Jerome Collins Director of Religious Education Coordinator of Liturgical Ministries

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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 vourselves & 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

### THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# **Dear Padre** November 12, 2023

I was taught that Catholic churches are built on consecrated ground. How can a church be torn down and replaced by a shopping mall if it's sacred ground?

Church buildings are blessed and considered by the Church to be sacred places. But when they're damaged and can no longer be repaired or their repair is impractical or they no longer effectively serve their purpose for the faithful of God, the bishop can remove that blessing. By doing this, the bishop opens them for nonsacred use. Subsequently, they can be torn down or sold, as long as the new purpose is not scandalous to the people of God.

In the end, what is truly sacred is not the brick and mortar or even the soil, but the purpose for which they were built. Churches are blessed and declared sacred because we perform sacred rituals within them. When those rituals are no longer being performed in that location, there is no longer a need for them to be declared sacred.

When a church is closed, it is often a sad event. Many people carry deep emotional ties to their parish churches. But a diocese cannot always maintain all of its churches. Catholic populations shift, local needs change. Money is limited, and good stewardship demands that bishops sometimes make the difficult decision to close or merge parishes. Remember what is truly important and of ultimate and sacred value—our worship and service of God.

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO DEACON JEROME COLLINS

We want to wish Deacon Collins a Very Happy Birthday next Saturday, Nov. 18th. We appreciate all Deacon Collins continues to do for our parish.

### **OC CORNER**

Let's remember "Cane's Night" on Wednesday (3 pm to 8 pm)! Mention OC when making your purchase, and Cane's will donate a percentage to our school!

OC applauds the 2023 Homecoming Court: Grace Lafleur, Queen; Demi Zerangue, 1st Maid; Rheagan Butler, 2nd Maid; members Brooklyn Gerald, Whitney Higginbotham, Emily Jesclard, Alexis Lafleur, Reese Ledoux, & Mary Katherine Trahan.

Congratulations to the "Vikings of the Month of October": McCall Jones & Ben Hatfield, grade 5; Remi Bihm & Tristin Fontenot, grade 8; and Grace Lafleur & Chase Fontenot, grade 12.

Please remember two important giving opportunities, the Annual Angel Appeal Drive and "iGiveCatholic Day". For the appeal, send a gift to the OC Advancement Office at 428 East Prudhomme Street or make an online gift on the website (www.OCSvikings.com). "iGiveCatholic Day" is on November 28 with an advanced giving phase from November 14-November 27. Online gifts may be made through our OC profile page at https://lafayette.igivecatholic.org/organizations/opelousas-catholic-school

### 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. Michael Richard, JCL; Monday: Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Romero; Tuesday: Rev. Mario Romero; Wednesday Rev. David Rozas; Thursday: Rev. Michael Russo; Friday: Rev. Francois Sainte-Marie, MIC; Saturday: Rev. Donald Saunders, SJ.

### **VETERANS DAY PRAYER**

O Lord, let us not forget the sacrifice of our Veterans. Bless them and remind them that their service was for the good of our country. Thank you for bringing them home safely. Bless their future. Give them faith to overcome obstacles they may face. Help their families, friends, and country to appreciate their sacrificial service to their country. In Jesus Name, Amén.

# HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

For the Pope. We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission. may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him with the help of the Holy Spirit.

# **ALL PARISH MINISTRIES**

Please be aware that the office needs at least 10 day notice to advertise in the bulletin for the weekend you desire. Thank you!

### **KC'S THANK YOU**

The Knights of Columbus Council 11270 express its appreciation to Msgr. DeRouen and all the parishioners who supported our Annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectually Disabled on Oct. 14 and 15. Your support made this drive a great success.

### THANKSGIVING POTLUCK LUNCHEEON

Next Sunday, the 19th, we will have our Thanksgiving Pot Luck Luncheon after the 10:30AM Mass in the Church Hall. All are invited. Please see the bulletin insert concerning the Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon next weekend and the Thanksgiving week schedule.

# RACE TRACK MINISTRY BLANKET DRIVE

Our Annual Blanket Drive is beginning this weekend at Our Lady Queen of Angels and ending Dec. 3rd. We are collecting clean, new or used blankets, sleeping bags, other bedding or small heaters to be distributed to the barn workers at Evangeline Downs in Carencro and Opelousas. This outreach is in conjunction with the Evangeline Christian Outreach Ministry to minister to the backstretch workers who are primarily Catholic from throughout the country. Please consider making a donation. For your convenience boxes have been placed at the doors of the Church now through Dec. 3rd. For more information, please contact Keith Hebert at 337-351-2872 or Don Fisher at 337-942-3041. Thank you for helping others and May God Bless.

# 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

Let us also pray for Brother Andre Marie (Michael Darbonne) from Washington who is studying to become a Brother.

Extra prayer cards are in the back of church

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

# **VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR OCTOBER 2023**

Nov. 19-25, 2023 — Steve & JoAnn Guidroz Nov. 26-Dec. 2, 2023 — Damian & Tiffany Hebert Thank you for your commitment!



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### **READERS**

Nov. 18 4:00 p.m.	Charles Briley
Nov. 197:00 a.m.	Claire Reed
8:30 a.m.	The Gaudins
10:30 a.m.	Iggie Castille
5:15 p.m.	Kathy Hebert
ALTAR SOCIETY	
Nov. 18	Anna Pitre
Linens	Claire Robichaux
ACTIVITIES	
Sun., Nov. 12	Annual Blanket Drive Begins
4:00 p.m.	Couples Group - Church Rectory
Mon., Nov. 13	CCD Classes - Church Hall
5:00 p.m.	OCIA – Conference Room
Tues., Nov. 14 6:00 p.m.	Catholic Daughters meeting
	- Church Hall
Wed., Nov. 15 4:30 p.m.	Pro-Life Rosary continues
Thurs., Nov. 16 5:00 p.m.	OCIA – Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Altar Society Meeting - Church Ha
Sun., Nov. 1911:15 a.m.	Thanksgiving Luncheon - Church
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group - Church Hall

### PRO LIFE QUOTE

"We cannot diminish the value of one category of human life-the unbornwithout diminshing the value of all human life." Ronald Reagan

### **CCD CLASSES**

CCD classes are on Monday's in the Church Hall beginning at 4PM for grades 1st through 6th and 6PM for grades 7th through 11th.

## **PRO-LIFE ROSARY CONTINUES**

The Pro-Life Rosary will be recited on Wednesday at 4:30PM.

# **OCIA**

OCIA classes have begun. If you are interested in joining please call the Church Office ASAP to register.

## **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 IN NEED OF ADORERS

The Adoration Chapel needs adorers from 9-10AM on Mondays. Please contact Claire Robichaux if you can help at 337-305-6118.

# **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 @ 337-305-6118.

# ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK \_



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### MASSES

Sat., Nov. 11 ...... 4:00 p.m. Ralph Marks, Marie Marks, Lynn Marks, Ed Lastrapes, 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, Raphael Guidry, Hilman Theriot, Neil Bertinot, Gladys & Anthony Bertinot, Martha & Alphonse Clary, Johnny & Dona Clary, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Charles F. & Mercedes Going and family, The William & Dorothy Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph O. Breaux, Fr. Joseph C. Deluca, Peyton Cornette, J.C. & Bernice Diesi, Eldon & Sue Cornette, Cyril Diesi, Albert Hollier, Philip & Isaure Boudreaux, Rachel Hollier, Florence Domingue (Cyril's Death Anniversary), Richard (Dicky) Parker, Gregory Speyrer, Rand Speyrer, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Georgia McClain, Gail Phillips

8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Raphael Guidry, Louis & Gertie Soileau, Tom, Georgiana & Terry Bellow, Winton Tommy Dupre, Adam Deville, Sylvia Morel, Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Ramsey Soileau, Raymond Beauxis, Dennis, Daniel & Wilbur Reed, Jr., Hazel & Joe Riley, John

**10:30 a.m.** Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie, Desiree P. Richard, Larry Prudhomme, Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Raymond Couvillion (Anniversary of Death), Lennie Marks, 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, Wayne Reed, Gene Boudier, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Mary Ann Dugal, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Morgan Adams, Elvin & Ena Ortego, Jim

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli

Mon., Nov. 13 ...... 7:00 a.m. Anna Culotta (Anniversary of Death) Tues., Nov. 14...... 7:00 a.m. Louis H. Higginbotham, Lezime J. Leger,

Louise H. Leger, Karen Burger

Wed., Nov. 15....... 7:00 a.m. Lennie Marks

Thurs., Nov. 16 ..... 7:00 a.m. Janelle Savoie (Birthday), Mary Olive Brignac (Birthday), Rita Ann Chachere

Fri., Nov. 17............7:00 a.m. Morgan Adams, Neva & Raymond Ryder, Todd Lastrapes, Dr. Kim Michels

Sat., Nov. 18 .......4:00 p.m. Peyton Cornette, J.C. & Bernice Diesi, Eldon & Sue Cornette, Cyril Diesi, Albert Hollier, Philip & Isaure Boudreaux, Rachel Hollier, Florence Domingue, Dudley Fontenot (Birthday), Gregory Speyrer, Rand Speyrer, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Georgia McClain, Ralph Marks, Marie Marks, Lynn Marks, Lebon Simoneaux, Norbert J. Auzenne, M/M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Wilbur & Alice Reed & Wilbur Reed, Jr., Anita Durio & Myrtle Gibson, Raleigh Vige, Jr., Dallas Barron, Jr., M/M George Going, Sr., M/M William Reed, Charles F. & Mercedes Going and family, The William & Dorothy Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph O. Breaux, Fr. Joseph C. Deluca, Richard (Dicky) Parker, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Gail Phillips, Desiree P. Richard, Larry Prudhomme, Ed Lastrapes, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Beryl O. Sebastien & family (Birthday), Rene Fontenot, Scotty Artigue Sun., Nov. 19 ....... 7:00 a.m. Connie Deville, Taylor Deville, Lisa Deville, M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer

8:30 a.m. Raymond Beauxis, Hazel & Joe Riley, Maurice Cottano (Anniversary of Death), Ramsey Soileau, Ida Ann Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradnev, Sarah Jarrell, Louis & Gertie Soileau, Tom. Georgiana & Terry Bellow, Winton Tommy Dupre, Adam Deville, Raphael Guidry, Sylvia Morel

10:30 a.m. Dwain Pitre, Sr., Morgan Adams, James

"Jim" Lastrapes, Mildred & J.D. Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Lester Lalonde, Jim Reynolds, Mary Ann Dugal, Wayne Reed, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, 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, Lennie Marks, Georgia McClain, Janelle Savoie

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli, Alvin Taylor, Novella

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### **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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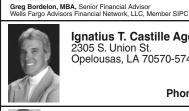






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