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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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1pm - 4pm Tuesday/Wednesday: 9am - 4pm Thursday 9am - 12pm Friday: Closed

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Confession is available from 2:45pm to 3:30pm on Saturday and before all Sunday & Weekday Masses until 15 minutes before Mass time

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.

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The Parish was founded in 1967 and the Church was built in 1982.

THE MOST BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST CORPUS CHRISTI

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Dear Padre June 22, 2025

Some of my non-Catholic friends say the bread and wine are just symbols of the Body and Blood of Jesus. Is there documented proof that we receive the Body and Blood at Communion?

Your non-Catholic friends are accurately representing their understanding of the Eucharist within their Christian denomination, but it is not the Catholic understanding. Catholics believe that, "in the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist, the 'body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ, and therefore, the whole Christ, is truly, really, and substantially contained" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1374). Therefore, Catholics do not believe that the Eucharist is a symbol of Jesus but rather, "This presence is called 'real" (CCC 1374).

To answer your question regarding "documented proof," this can be offered only by the consistent and unchanging witness of the Christian community, found in the Catholic Church, that has never wavered in belief or practice of this understanding. At the same time, we understand that it is a mystery. It is not something that can be placed under a microscope or dissected. As a mystery, it is not subject to the laws of science and biology. Such laws are not applied to theological mystery, which goes beyond what can be physically seen but is "seen" through the eyes of faith. As the hymn proclaims: "Look beyond the bread you eat, see your Savior and your Lord" ("Look Beyond," Darryl Ducote).

OC CORNER

CONGRATULATIONS to all 5th graders for completing the D.A.R.E. program. And special recognition for the following students who won the essay contest.

1st Place John Eric Emonet and Alaina Benoit 2nd Place Audrey Torian and Andrew Jesclard 3rd Place Emma Blanchard and Allison Stelly

1st Place in District - John Eric Emonet. He will move on to compete at the state

level.

July 28 Office will reopen daily 9am-2pm

August 8 Meet & Greet; Supply Drop off - more details

to come

August 14-15 Staggered entrance for students

August 18 All Students attend

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS EACH DAY

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all 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. Gregory Heslip, LC; Monday: Rev. Matthew Higginbotham; Tuesday: Rev. Brian Hoelzer, LC; Wednesday: Rev. J. Patrick Hough, SJ; Thursday: Rev. Francis Huete, SJ; Friday: Rev. Stephen Irudayasamy, HGN: Saturday: Rev. Salinger Istre.

HOLY FATHER'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION

<u>That the World might grow in compassion.</u> Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

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.

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.

AMERICAN FLAG SIGNS

As the 4th of July is fast approaching, Our Lady Queen of Angels Men's Mass Group is offering signs of our American Flag with the words of the Pledge of Allegiance printed on white stripes, to be purchased. The signs will be in <u>full color</u> and will be <u>printed on both sides</u> (see sample outside each door in church.) The idea is to put this sign in our yards in time for the 4th of July and leave it for a few days for the general public to see. This is a no-profit...break-even only project...with signs being sold for \$15.00 each. If interested, please contact Keith Hebert at 351-2872 or by email at hebertkeith1@aol.com. Thank you, Happy 4th of July and may God bless America!

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR DearPadre.org © 2025 Liguori Publications

PRO LIFE QUOTE

"If we are truly committed to social justice, creating an environment where people are treated equally and given equal rights, then that has to include the unborn."

Charlotte Pence

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During the months of June and July, the Church Office will be open 9:00am-1:00pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and closed on Monday and Friday.

SUMMERTIME

Summer is here and vacations have begun. Please remember your weekly contribution commitment even if you are away. You can make donations online.

Remember to check MASSTIMES.ORG for Mass schedules in the cities you will be visiting. SAFE TRAVELS to all.

ACADIANA VETERANS HONOR GUARD

The Acadiana Veterans Honor Guard is seeking retired and military veterans to join our organization helping us to honor any deceased Veterans. You will need to provide a DD214 for verification. You will be issued a uniform, training, also be required to stand at attention or at ease for about 10-15 minutes and be able to carry a rifle that weighs 9.6 pounds. If you need any more information, please call 337-873-1526, email us at avhonorguard.com or visit our web page at avhonorguard.com. We welcome all to our mission honoring our veterans.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO VOLUNTEER

The Ladies Altar Society is looking to welcome new members. Meetings are once a month and it is a wonderful way to make new friends, and enjoy fellowship while having fun. Please contact Claire Reed if interested. 337-351-2671. We would love to see you in September.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOCAL SEMINARIANS

Sebastian Cramer - Church Point

Let us also pray for Michael Darbonne (Br. Andre Marie) 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 JUNE 2025

June-22-28, 2025 — Richard Gaiennie June-29-July 5, 2025 — Blake & Monette Gerace Thank you for your commitment!



OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD Offertory\$16,183.00 BSA\$170.00 OC\$35.00 Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship! "Everything we have and give comes from God." (1 Corinthians 29:11-17)

READERS

June 28. 4:00 p.m. Charles Briley June 29.7:00 a.m. Claire Reed 8:30 a.m. Gina Tuttle 10:30 a.m. Jeff Coreil 5:15 p.m. Kathy Hebert

ALTAR SOCIETY

June 28 Bessie Bourdier Linens Claire Robichaux

ACTIVITIES

Wed., June 25...... 4:30 p.m. Pro-life Rosary

Sat., June 28...... 6:00 p.m. Seminarian Banquet - Church Hall

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

The PRO-LIFE rosary will be recited Wednesday at 4:30p.m.

IT'S HERE YOU ASKED...WE DELIVERED **BIBLE STUDY WITH SR. CHARLOTTE**

Sr. Charlotte will be having a Summer Bible Study for adults beginning Wednesday, June 25th for six consecutive weeks focusing on the Old Testament. Sign up sheets are at the church entrances or you may call the office @ 337-942-5628.

ANNUAL SEMINARIAN BANQUET

The Most Reverend Bishop Jules B. Jeanmard, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly, Annual Seminarian Banquet will be held in the Church Hall on June 28th. This years guest speaker will be Rev. Donovan Labbe, Pastor of St. Basil Catholic Church in Judice. Beginning with a Seminarian Fellowship hour at 6:00pm and followed by dinner, tickets are \$15.00. Please contact Harvey Wimberly about ticket information.

HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

This Sunday, June 22nd, Holy Ghost Catholic Church will host the THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI, THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST Procession. As an institution of Faith, they have extended an invitation to our congregation to join in this great event of THE PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT beginning at 12noon from the Holy Ghost Church Grounds.

AUGUSTE "NONCO" PELAFIGUE ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS On Friday, June 27th at St. John Regis Catholic Church, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel will celebrate a memorial Mass for "Nonco" Pelafigue. Beginning with the Litany of Saints at 5:30p.m. and Mass at 6:00p.m. followed by a reception in the Little Flower Auditorium, all are invited as we WORK TOWARD SAINTHOOD FOR "NONCO".

THE OPELOUSAS PREGNACY CENTER EVENT

The Opelousas Pregnancy Center invites you to FLIGHT FOR LIFE a community event dedicated to celebrating, protecting and nurturing the GIFT OF LIFE. The event takes place on June 28th at COURTHOUSE SQUARE - Opelousas, LA. Festivities begin at 4:00p.m. with live music, fun activities for the whole family, food and a beautiful live butterfly release all leading up to the 4th ANNUAL LIFE PARADE at 6:00p.m. What a meaningful way to get involved.

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MASSES
Sat., June 214:00 p.m. Luday Sonnier, Lynic Stelly (Luday & Lynic's Death Anniversary), Edward Lastrapes, Leland & Grace Devillier, Mike, Carl, Leland, Jr., Dale, Glen, Barbara Gayle, Kenny & David Devillier, Dudley & Eula Fontenot & Family, Lucien & Barbara F. Richard, J.D. & Mildred Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Hermina & Adam Lagrange, Jr., Essie & J.K. Briley, Lloyd & Birdie Ardoin, Jeremy Wilson, Sandra Collette, Theresa Tolar, Larry Lafleur, Maydel & Joe Jagneaux, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Andre Nguyen van Cay, Maria Nguyen Thi Ngai, Maria Nguyen Thi Thuy, Peter Tran Thanh Long, Maria Nguyen Thi Than, Maria Nguyen Thi Gia, Dominico Nguyen van Ke, Joseph Nguyen Gia Truong, Gioanna Nguyen thi tu, Gioanna Nguyen thi Riep, Gioanna Nguyen Thi Ty, Albert Speyrer & Irrna Speyrer, Gregory Speyrer & Rand Speyrer, Paul Venable (Special Intention), Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Barbara Abraham Roban, James R. Fontenot, Carl Schwartzenburg, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Dr. Robert Morrow and Ruth Grace Morrow, Dale Doucet, Keith Stout, Dicky Parker, Edward, Beulah & Judy Martin, William F. & Mercedes Going & Family, William H. & Dorothy Hatch & Family, Fr. O. Joseph Breaux, Fr. Joseph C. DeLuca, Norbert J. Auzenne, M.M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Brian A. Charles Sun., June 22
8:30 a.m. Patrick (Pat) Doherty, Dale Doucet, Barbara Hidalgo, John & Geraldine Noel, Terry Noel (John & Geraldines Wedding Anniversary), Sarah Jarrell, Marie Dalfrey Lalonde, Charles Ralph Nezat, Lawrence Kelly, Nick Salinas, Darius Deville, Zetta Deville, Esther
10:30 a.m. Edwin "Red" Tate, Leopold A., Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle & Lloyd Smith, M/M Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffrey Spring, M/M E. W. Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Paul Prejean (Anniversary of Death), Lorella L. Sonnier, Gus Dupre, Morgan Adams, Raymond & Neva Ryder, Lester Lalonde, Cecil Lavergne, Kasie Briley, Ryan Marks, Cecile Chelette, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Lynwood & Elsie Hebert, Jim Reynolds, Frank Diesi, II. Desiree Prudhomme Richard, Josie

& Larry Prudhomme 5:15 p.m. John & Dora Mengarelli
Mon., June 23......7:00 a.m. Andre Nguyen van Cay, Maria Nguyen Thi Ngai, Maria Nguyen Thi Thuy, Peter Tran Thanh Long, Maria Nguyen Thi Than, Maria Nguyen Thi Gia, Dominico Nguyen van Ke, Joseph Nguyen Gia Truong, Gioanna Nguyen thi tu, Gioanna Nguyen thi Riep, Gioanna Nguyen Thi Tv

Wed., June 25.......7:00 a.m. Elvin/Ena, Marty & Paula Ortego, M/M Robert, Madeline & Albert Going, Neil Bertinot, Anthony & Gladys Bertinot, Martha & Alphonse Clary, Johnny &

Fri., June 27......7:00 a.m. Elvin/Ena, Marty & Paula Ortego, M/M Robert, Madeline & Albert Going, J.D. & Mildred Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Hermina & Adam Lagrange, Jr., Essie & J.K. Briley, Lloyd & Birdie Ardoin, Jeremy Wilson, Sandra Collette, Theresa Tolar, Larry Lafleur, Maydel & Joe Jagneaux, Gus Dupre, Morgan Adams, Raymond & Neva Ryder, Charles Ralph Nezat (Birthday), Evelyn P. White

Bobby Joe Soileau, Carl Schwartzenburg, J.D. & Mildred Dupre, Burnel Manuel, Sr., Hermina & Adam Lagrange, Jr., Essie & J.K. Briley, Lloyd & Birdie Ardoin, Jeremy Wilson, Sandra Collette, Theresa Tolar, Larry Lafleur, Maydel & Joe Jagneaux, William F. & Mercedes Going & Family, William H. & Dorothy Hatch & Family, Fr. O. Joseph Breaux, Fr. Joseph C. DeLuca, Albert Speyrer & Irma Speyrer, Gregory Speyrer & Rand Speyrer, Norbert J. Auzenne, M.M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Brian A. Charles, James "Jim" Lastrapes, Keith Stout, Joseph, Lita, Salvatore, Frances, Anna, Nita & Ruth Culotta, George Soileau, Sam Lusco, James R. Fontenot, Dale Doucet, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Edward Lastrapes

Sun., June 29......7:00 a.m. M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux and Families, Keith Sebastien, Greyson Myles Sebastien, Leroy & Joy Sylvester, Ida Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer, Elvin/Ena, Marty & Paula Ortego, M/M Robert, Madeline & Albert Going, Paul Dugal

8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Marie Dalfrey Lalonde, Charles Ralph Nezat, Barbara Hidalgo, Patrick (Pat) Doherty
10:30 a.m. Lorella L. Sonnier, Lester Lalonde, Cecil Lavergne, Kasie

Briley, Ryan Marks, Cecile Chelette, Gus Dupre, Morgan Adams, Raymond & Neva Ryder, Special Intention, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Edwin "Red" Tate, Jim Reynolds, Leopold A., Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle & Lloyd Smith, M/M Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffrey Spring, M/M E. W. Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Lynwood & Elsie Hebert, Desiree Prudhomme Richard, Josie & Larry Prudhomme

5:15 p.m. John & Dora Mengarelli, Thelma & Paul Spell

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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