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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.

PARISH STAFF

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

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Dear Padre August 31, 2025

Is it sacrilegious to throw away a sacramental?

"Sacramentals do not confer the grace of the Holy Spirit in the way that the sacraments do, but by the Church's prayer, they prepare us to receive and dispose us to cooperate with it" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1670). Therefore, sacramentals confer grace through the Church's power of prayer and, if blessed, should not be thrown away but burned and/or buried. If the object has not been blessed, it can be discarded; however, it could also be donated to a Catholic ministry (school, prison, hospital, etc.) that would benefit from its distribution. (If a religious object was included in an unsolicited appeal letter from a charitable organization, it is safe to assume that it was not blessed.)

If the object is worn or broken, it should be substantially altered so that it loses its form as a sacramental and then returned to the earthly elements. For example, a worn scapular should be burned and the ashes buried; a damaged statue should be further broken into smaller fragments and buried. A European tradition on the Vigil of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist (June 23) is to burn old sacramentals in bonfires and bury the ashes. Burning and/or burial respects the sacred nature once held by these items and prevents their adaptation for trivial use. Reverence and discretion are proper for whatever method of disposal.

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OC CORNER

Registration inquiries should be made to Margaret Joubert @ joubertm@ocvikings.com

Supply lists are now available online - www.ocsvikings.com under Parent Resources.

September 1 Labor Day - No School September 3 Rosary at the Pieta @ 5:30

September 4 All School Mass - St. Landry Church @ 9:35 September 5 1st Friday Adoration - School Chapel

September 7-8 Senior Class Retreat

September 19-20 Alumni Softball Tournament - email BLWagley@gmail.com September 23 Flea Fly Registration - more information to come

Please keep all of the student & faculty of all surrounding areas in your prayers as we begin this new school year

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. Mikel Polson; Monday: Pope Leo XIV; Tuesday: Bishop Douglas Deshotel; Wednesday: Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell; Thursday: Rev. Anand Raju; Friday: Rev. Louis Richard: Saturday: Rev. Michael Richard, JCL.

HOLY FATHER'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL OF CREATION. Let us pray

that, inspired by St. Francis, we might experience our independence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend, at all Masses, the Second Collecton will be for CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE for our parishoners.

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.

PRO LIFE QUOTE

"The right to life is the first human right. Abortion is killing someone that cannot defend himself." Pope Francis

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Monday, Labor Day, is a holiday and the Church Office will be closed. The Office will reopen on Tuesday at 1:00p.m.

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.

MANDATORY PARENTS MEETING FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE

Next Saturday, September 6th, a MANDATORY PARENTS MEETING will be held for ALL parents of students making their First Communion and Confirmation this coming school year. First Communion parents meet at 8:30a.m. and Confirmation parents meet at 9:30a.m. in the Church. If you have not registered your child, please do so as soon as possible.

SR. CHARLOTTE'S FALL BIBLE STUDY

Beginning October 1st, Sr. Charlotte will have a Fall Bible Study focusing on the New Testament.

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.

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 SEPTEMBER 2025

Aug. 31-Sept. 6, 2025--- Nell Hurst

Sept. 7-13, 2025 - Charles & Sandy Jarrell

Sept. 14-20, 2025 - William & Kathryn Jarrell

Sept. 21-27, 2025 - Eric & Tina Hebert

Sept. 28-Oct. 4, 2025 - Mia and Rusty Jesclard

Thank you for your commitment!



OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD Offertory\$13,756.00 BSA\$20.00 School Tuition Assistance for our parishioners.

Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship!

READERS September 6...... 4:00 p.m. John Braham September 7......7:00 a.m. Claire Reed 8:30 a.m. Charles Cravins 10:30 a.m. Iggie Castille 5:15 p.m. Kathy Hebert September 6...... Laura Noel Linens Mary Ann Fontenot

ACTIVITIES Sat./Sun. Aug. 30, 31 OCIA speaker at all Masses Mon. Sept. 1 LABOR DAY - Church Office closed Tues. Sept. 2 1:00 p.m. Office reopens Wed. Sept. 3 4:30 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary 6:30 p.m. KC general meeting - Church Hall Thurs. Sept. 4...... 6:00 p.m. Baptismal Instruction - Conference Room Pre-registration required Second Collection for Catholic School Sat./Sun. Sept. 6, 7 **Tuition Assistance**

OCIA SPEAKER THIS WEEKEND

Sun. Sept. 78:30 a.m. KC monthly breakfast - Church Hall

This weekend at all Masses, someone will speak briefly about the upcoming OCIA program.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

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

KC GENERAL MEETING

The KC's will have their monthly general meeting on Wednesday at 6:30p.m. in the Church Hall.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION CLASS

The monthly Baptismal Class will be held Thursday at 6:00p.m. in the Conference Room. Pre-registration is required.

KC MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Next Sunday at 8:30a.m., the KC's will host their monthly breakfast at the Church Hall.

THE DESORMEAUX FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

On Friday, Sept. 26 at 6:00p.m. at THE LINDEN, 530 W. Pinhook Rd. Lafayette, LA a Fundraiser for The Maternity Home will be held. To be a part of the celebration visit desormeauxfoundation.org/donate and click Birthday Bash or call 337-280-6157.

DAY OF REFLECTION

BEHOLD CATHOLIC MINISTRIES,INC. and Sacred Heart Evangelizing are hosting a Day of Reflection "BLOOM WHERE GOD PLANTS YOU" on Sat. Oct. 18th from 8:00a.m. – 2:30p.m. @ Sacred Heart Church in Ville Platte. Special guest will be the Cajun Mamas, Christie Domingue and Deacon Bill Vincent with music by Laura Huval. Early bird tickets are \$75 and are available before 9-15. Visit www. BEHOLDCATHOLICMINISTRIES.COM for more information.

OHS CLASS OF 1975 REUNION

The OHS class of 1975 is having their 50th Class Reunion Celebration on Oct. 18, 2025. Please refer to the class Facebook page (OHS Class of 1975) for more information.



MASSES

Sat., Aug. 30................ 4:00 p.m. J.C. Dupre, LeRoy & Essie Lafleur, Clarence & Mary Dupre (J.C. Dupre's Death Anniversary), James "Jim" Lastrapes, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger, & Jesse, Jr., Carl Schwartzenburg, Norbert J. Auzenne, M.M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Brian A. Charles, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Rose Fadaol McCarthy, Keith Stout, Dicky Parker, Edward, Beulah & Judy Martin, Dale Doucet, 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, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Dr. Robert Morrow and Ruth Grace Morrow, Leland & Grace Devillier, Mike, Carl, Leland, Jr., Dale, Glen, Barbara Gayle, Kenny & David Devillier, Dudley & Eula Fontenot & Family, Lucien & Barbara F. Richard, M/M Ballard Credeur, Albert Speyrer & Irma Speyrer, Gregory Speyrer & Family F. & Joseph Program F. & Control of Mercedes Going & Family, William H. & Dorothy Hatch & Family, Fr. O. Joseph Breaux, Fr. Joseph C. DeLuca, Edward Lastrapes, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Ruby Carroll
Sun., Aug. 317:00 a.m. Keith Sebastien, Greyson Myles Sebastien, Leroy

& Joy Sylvester, M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Ida Arceneaux,

Theresa Irma Gradney, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer

8:30 a.m. Barbara Hidalgo, Sarah Jarrell, Dr. Daniel H. Buller,

Tom and Georgiana Bellow, Louis & Gertie Soileau

10:30 a.m. Edwin "Red" Tate, Jim Adams, 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, Linnise Joseph Smith, Jane Dale Smith, Roberto Valle, Minnie Valle, Minnie Mitche Valle, Lorella L. Sonnier, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux families, Lynwood & Elsie Hebert, Lester Lalonde, Cecil Lavergne, Kasie Briley, Ryan Marks, Cecile Chelette, Gus Dupre, Morgan Adams, Raymond & Neva Ryder, Charles Ralph Nezat, Desiree Prudhomme Richard, Josie & Larry Prudhomme
5:15 p.m. John & Dora Mengarelli, Thelma & Paul Spell

Mon., Sept. 01......7:00 a.m. 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, Irvin Deranger (Birthday) **Tues., Sept. 027:00 a.m.** Wilfred Miller (Birthday), Louis H. Higginbotham,

Lezime J. Leger, Louise H. Leger Wed., Sept. 03......7:00 a.m. Mary Medora Budd (Anniversary of Death) Thurs., Sept. 04......7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Queen of Angels

Fri., Sept. 05......7:00 a.m. Marcus Paul Fontenot, Elizabeth Ritter, Jolene

Gremillion, Keith Sebastien, Greyson Sebastien, Leroy & Joy Sylvester

Eula Fontenot & Family, Lucien & Barbara F. Richard, Edward Lastrapes, Eddie Wiltz, Merlin Frederick & Jacqueline James, Norbert J. Auzenne, M.M Felix B. Fontenot, M/M Octave Auzenne, M/M Stanley Abbott, Aubrey Fontenot, Brian A. Charles, James "Jim" Lastrapes, 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, Bryan Ortego (Birthday), Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger, & Jesse, Jr., Dale Doucet, Dwain Pitre, Sr., Ruby Carroll, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Dr. Robert Morrow and Ruth Grace Morrow, Carl Schwartzenburg Sun., Sept. 07......7:00 a.m. Ida Arceneaux, Theresa Irma Gradney, Dr. Robert Speyrer, Scotty Speyrer, M/M James Hunt & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux Families, Keith Sebastien, Greyson Myles Sebastien, Leroy & Joy Sylvester

8:30 a.m. Barbara Hidalgo, John Harvey Auguste, Dr. Daniel

H. Buller, Jerry Thompson & Keith Gile

10:30 a.m. Linnise Joseph Smith, Jane Dale Smith, Roberto Valle, Minnie Valle, Minnie Mitche Valle, Lester Lalonde, Cecil Lavergne, 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, Kasie Briley, Ryan Marks, Cecile Chelette, Gerrit Paul Ryder & Ryder & Quebedeaux families, Gus Dupre, Morgan Adams, Raymond & Neva Ryder, Lynwood & Elsie Hebert, Charles Ralph Nezat, Curtis(Black) Soileau, Lorella L. Sonnier, Desiree Prudhomme Richard, Josie & Larry Prudhomme

5:15 p.m. John & Dora 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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