



## ST. ELIZABETH

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

6:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 6:30 am - Sisters Convent

Friday, 7:40 am - St. Elizabeth

Holy Days: As Announced

### ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - Sisters Convent

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, 3:00 to 3:50 pm - St Elizabeth

Monday, 5:00-5:45 pm - St. Jules

By Appointment

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Couples must contact the parish office concerning pre-marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Expectant parents should contact the parish office for information and preparation requirements.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** Emergency calls are made immediately. Families are asked to notify the parish office concerning parishioners who are seriously ill.

**CHRISTIAN BURIAL:** Families should contact the parish office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

### OFFICE HOURS:

8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri

Closed Wed and 12:00-1:00 pm daily

[www.sesjchurch.com](http://www.sesjchurch.com)

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### OF THE MOTHER OF CARMEL:

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## ST. JULES

Post Office Box 38  
7165 Highway 1  
Belle Rose, LA 70341



### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent December 3, 2017

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

While we begin this final month of 2017, the Church is beginning a new liturgical year as we enter into the Season of Advent. As with many things in life, as one thing comes to end something new begins especially in the life as a Christian. Last week I mentioned that the Feast of Christ the King was the culmination of an entire year that involved praying, confessing our sins, learning about our faith, living out our faith in word and deed, and hopefully deepening our faith. Even the readings for the last month of the liturgical year helped us to remind us of all these things to prepare for the 2nd coming of Christ. In essence we are people in waiting but never staying still. Well just as the year ended on this note, we begin Advent waiting for the coming of our Lord at Christmas along with his 2nd coming. So as you begin this Advent season, please ask yourself: how am I preparing for the coming of the Lord? What is one thing I am going to work on that I have always meant to do in my spiritual life? Besides doing this individually please consider the same questions if you are married and/or have a family.

One of the things I hope you will consider is taking the opportunity when the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered. You will have an opportunity this coming week to do so. The priests in this area have scheduled the Advent Penance Services during this first week of Advent. Two will be nearby and at least 5 priests will be available each night. Here are the locations of the two nearest penances services:

- Monday, December 4th at 7:00pm at St. Jules in Belle Rose
- Tuesday, December 5th at 7:00pm at St. Anne in Napoleonville

I encourage if you have not been in awhile, please take this opportunity to begin this new liturgical year and Advent on a high note.

Finally, next Friday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Besides this being a special day for the United States as it is our patronal feast day, it is a Holy Day of Obligation. Here are the Masses being offered in the area:

- Thursday, December 7th at 6:00pm at St. Jules in Belle Rose
- Friday, December 8th at
  - 7:40am at St. Elizabeth with the School community
  - 12:10pm at St. Anne in Napoleonville
  - 6:30pm at the Church of the Assumption in Plattenville

Through the Alliance of the Two Hearts,  
Fr. Matthew

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 25-26, 2017

St. Elizabeth

St. Jules

Offertory	\$2,444.50	\$2,035.50
Special Collections	\$110.00	\$110.00

The special appeal to assist St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College in their recovery from the devastating flood that affected their campus in 2016 will be December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Harvey Giroir, Sheila Scioneaux Bourque, Mary Sanchez, Sonny Rodso, Paul Daigle, Jr., Joselyn Yaeger, Marcia Saisorn, Jacob Mabile, Sandy George, Billy Faulks, Dean Sciambra, Kaycee Hebert Blanchard, Rita Charlet, Alice Sanford, June LeBlanc, Brenda Sedatol, Tony Vavasasseur, Erin Trent

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

A common feature of our weekly bulletin is our Prayer List. Please call the office or email [office@sesjchurch.com](mailto:office@sesjchurch.com) with your request to add names to the list or to remove them in the future. We have begun a new policy to remove the names on the list for 2 months. Also, please let us know if you have had a prayer request answered.

### SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If anyone is homebound and would like to have an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion bring them Communion, please call the Parish Office. We are not always aware when a parishioner has become ill and is homebound. It is very helpful when we are notified of this need.

### 2017-2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal

#### Diocese of Baton Rouge

Thank You for Your Generous Support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal

More than thirty years ago, the Diocese of Baton Rouge established the Bishop's Annual Appeal with a desire to expand ministry and increase Catholic influence in each city and rural community in the diocese. All those *Moved by Faith* have helped make an historic vision a success, and neighbors in need have been the greatest beneficiaries.

If you have already mailed your contribution this year, please accept our thanks for your gift of support. If you've not yet made your commitment, we invite you to do so this weekend. Each contribution furthers the building of the kingdom of Christ in our day. *"I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you"* (Mt 17:20b). Prayerfully remember the many essential ministry efforts funded through each campaign, and celebrate God's blessing and your parish's generous involvement. For additional information concerning the impact of your gracious gifts or to donate online, visit [www.baabr.org](http://www.baabr.org).

## FAITH FORMATION/PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

9<sup>th</sup> grade PSR will have their next two classes on December 4, 2017 and December 18, 2017 at St. Jules Church Hall 6:30pm to 8:30 pm

K-8<sup>th</sup> Grades PSR will have their next two classes on December 3, 2017 and December 17, 2017 at St. Jules Hall from 9:30am to 10:30am

### A VOCATION VIEW

#### First Sunday of Advent- December 3, 2017

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Some are called to teach, preach and witness those teachings as priests and religious. God may be calling you to a church vocation. If you think God is calling you to a church vocation, contact Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, [amerrick@diobr.org](mailto:amerrick@diobr.org).

### PARISH WEBSITE

Don't forget to visit our parish website at [www.sesjchurch.com](http://www.sesjchurch.com). Updated regularly, it's a great way to keep up with parish schedules, programs & activities, daily scripture, articles from the National Catholic Register, videos from Fr. Robert Barron, and much, much more. Add us to your favorites!

#### **A candlelight service: THE LONG NIGHT**

The longest night of the year is the winter solstice on December 21<sup>st</sup> when the darkness threatens to overtake the light. Those who have experienced loss often feel as though they are enduring that long night. Yet, Jesus promises to comfort those who have heavy hearts when He says. "Come to me all you who labor and are heavily laden and I will give you rest." Many in our community have heavy hearts due to the loss of a loved one in death, the loss of homes and property, the loss of employment or the loss of a significant relationship. *The Long Night* is a non-denominational prayer service intended for anyone who has experienced a loss during the past year. The service will provide an opportunity to be comforted by the shared expression of grief and the promise of the Lord's healing presence.

For additional information, contact the Office of Marriage & Family Life at 225-242-0323.

THE LONG NIGHT- Thursday, December 21, 2017

6pm at St. Aloysius Church

2025 Stuart Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA

#### **CHRISTMAS TREE GIVING - St. Elizabeth and St. Jules**

It's that time again for the Christmas Giving Tree for the residents of Heritage Manor of Napoleonville. The Red ornaments are for the Ladies, and the Green ornaments for the Men. The gifts must be turned in by December 17, 2017 in order to have time to distribute. Any questions call Janet Landry at 985-369-2118 or Penny Savoie at 225-572-8146.

### **Willwoods Newly Married Couples Retreat**

Married couples celebrating 10 years of marriage or under are invited to attend a special retreat beginning the morning of December 9<sup>th</sup> and ending after lunch on December 10<sup>th</sup>. The retreat will be held at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center. Come grow, recharge and be strengthened in your love for God and each other! Attending a married couples retreat annually is a wonderful way to deepen your love for God and each other! To register or for more info call Jason Angelette at 504-830-3716 or visit [FaithandMarriage.org](http://FaithandMarriage.org). The suggested donation of \$275 for the couple is requested but not required.

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### **Notre Dame Hospice - A Catholic Healthcare Ministry - Becoming a Volunteer**

Notre Dame Hospice is looking for Volunteers. Volunteers can provide companionship, caregiver relief, run errands, play music, or offer any talent that you have to share. If you are interested or would like more information please contact: Melissa Meyers, Volunteer Coordinator  
504-920-8442 or Email: [mmeyers@arch-no.org](mailto:mmeyers@arch-no.org) Volunteers are needed in your local community.

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### **Theology For Teens - Middle School Edition Training**

St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body is changing lives around the world through its positive portrayal of human sexuality as a good and essential part of love and life. The Theology of the Body for Teens brings this exciting teaching into a practical format that teens and preteens will enjoy and understand. Join us for this timely and important training where you will be introduced to the Theology of the Body as it specifically relates to teens.

When: Saturday, January 6, 2018 - 9:00am - 3:00pm check in from: 8:15am

Where: St. John Evangelist Catholic Church Activity Center, 15208 Hwy 73, Prairieville, LA 70769

Note: Activity Center is on the same campus as the parish. For directions and logistics, call Marlene Bruce at 225-205-7172

Cost: \$45 includes all materials, TOB MS leader's guide, continental breakfast and lunch

Online Registration: <https://evangcatbr.org/registration/> Please register by December 20, 2017

For more Information contact: Shannon Baldridge - Office of Evangelization & Catechesis

Phone: 225-336-8760 ext. 136 - Email: [sbaldridge@diobr.org](mailto:sbaldridge@diobr.org)

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### **SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS**

DATE	TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTANS
12/9/17 St. Elizabeth	4:00 PM	Jeri' Dupre Mark Dubreuil	Cathy Theriot Lenis Theriot Norma Blanchard	Jacob & Megan LeBlanc	Cathy & Lenis Theriot
12/10/17 St. Jules	8:30 AM	Joyce Bergeron Sandra Landry	C.J. Daigle Sister Vandana	Logan Falsetta Haden Cedotal Landon Daigle	Ivy Landry Patsy Daigle
12/10/17 St. Elizabeth	10:45 AM	Donald Cire Paula Simoneaux	Gerry Lou Sternfels Chris Mattingly Sister Alphonse	Maddex & Vaughn Blanchard Brennan Simoneaux	Sister Alphonse
12/16/17 St. Elizabeth	4:00 PM	Sandy Landry Vickie LeBlanc	Janelle Simoneaux Robin Guillot Barry Aucoin	Grant Dupaty	Linda Aucoin
12/17/17 St. Jules	8:30 AM	Rosie Landry Jeannie Morris	Raymond Landry Ivy Landry	Andre' & Noah Giroir	Ivy Landry Patsy Daigle
12/17/17 St. Elizabeth	10:45 AM	Diane LeBlanc Carla Hernandez	Sister Sudeepa Sister Anija Norma Blanchard	Andrew & Austin Thibodaux Melanie Gros	Erin Gros

### ADORATION

**St. Elizabeth:** Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Sisters' Chapel

**St. Jules:** Every Monday, 4:45 PM (followed by 6:00 PM Mass)

### THE LORD'S HOUSEKEEPERS-December

**St. Jules:** Mary Ann Naquin & Sandra Landry

### THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

**St. Elizabeth:** (Week of December 3) Eves & Mary St.Germain

**St. Jules:** (Week of December 3) - Paul & Heloise Grisaffe and Julius & Mildred Daigle

### FORMED.ORG

To create your **FREE PERSONAL PROFILE:**

.Go to [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org).

.Scroll past first image.

.Under the question "**Does your parish already have FORMED?**" type in our parish access code, **ANM34M**, and click "**SUBMIT CODE**".

Fill out your profile information and click "**SUBMIT PROFILE**".

### NEWLY BAPTIZED!!

*"People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them."* Luke 18:15

If you are expecting or just recently had a child, please call the Church Office (225-473-8569) and talk to Angelle Blanchard about arranging a baptism. Parents and Godparents who have not attended a baptismal seminar in the last 3 years are required to do so. The seminar lasts approximately one hour and will be scheduled upon request.

### Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, Church History, the Sacraments, Catholic Scripture, and many more topics? Consider taking Ministry and Theology (MAT) courses! To learn more visit the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis website at [ecangcatbr.org](http://ecangcatbr.org) under the Certification tab. If you have any questions, call the staff at 225.336.8760



### St. Elizabeth School

St. Elizabeth School has an available 3rd thru 5th grade English, Language, and Arts teaching position. If interested, please send a Letter of Interest and resume to Dr. Kathy Herpich at [kherpich@yahoo.com](mailto:kherpich@yahoo.com). No phone calls please.

### CEMETERY FUND

Cemetery Fund donations are now being accepted for St. Elizabeth, St. Jules, and St. Martin - suggested donation is \$35.00 per family. This helps to defer the cost for maintenance and upkeep of the cemeteries.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, December 2

4:00 PM - *St. Elizabeth* - Giroir, Landry & St.Germain Families, Pete & Petey Simoneaux & Chickie Alleman, Alma & Paul Daigle, Sr.& Dr. & Mrs. Julius W. Daigle & Brett Batulis, Lucy & Lloyd Giroir, John Harris Savoie

#### Sunday, December 3

8:30 AM - *St. Jules* - Raymond & Doris Blanchard, The Anthony Grisaffe Family, The Lawrence Bergeron Sr. Family, Mr. & Mrs. Eneaux Blanchard, Lugger & Audrey Sedotal, Thomas J.& Erna B. Richard, Joan Newchurch, Maria Russo, Cleve Landry, Gibert Blanchard, Lucie Mae Dupre, Matilde Sernfels, Annie Russo, Rosa Mae Cancienne

10:45 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish

#### Monday, December 4

6:00 PM - *St. Jules* - A.J. Frey

#### Tuesday, December 5

6:30 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - Departed Souls of CMC Sisters, Anna Thomas

#### Friday, December 8

7:40 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish

#### Saturday, December 9

4:00 PM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday, December 10

8:30 AM - *St. Jules* - Raymond & Doris Blanchard, Gilbert Blanchard, Joan Newchurch, Maria Russo, Cleve Landry, Anna Mae Charlet, Annie Russo, Rosa Mae Cancienne, Brenda Landry, Kim Charlet Family

10:45 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - Mederic, Sr. & Mildred LeBlanc, Lenny LeBlanc, Julie L. LeBlanc, Ores & Brent Rivere, Maira Russo, Annie Russo, Eric "CoCo" Rousseau & Mr. & Mrs. Roy Rousseau, Sr.

