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Mass Times:

Tuesday 5:30 P.M.
Wednesday 6:30 A.M.
Thursday 6:30 A.M.
Friday 6:30 A.M.
First Saturday 8:00 A.M.

Saturday 4:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:00 A.M.
10:00 A.M.
5:00 P.M.

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday
8:00 A.M. — 4:00 P.M.

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MARCH 22
2020



FOURTH SUNDAY
OF
Lent

"I CAME INTO THIS WORLD FOR JUDGMENT,
SO THAT THOSE WHO DO NOT SEE
MIGHT SEE, AND THOSE WHO DO SEE
MIGHT BECOME BLIND."

~ JOHN 9:39

Sacraments

Baptism

Parents should contact the Parish Office regarding Baptism prior to the birth of the child.

Matrimony

Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

Those who are seriously ill or in danger of death should contact the Parish Office to request the Sacrament of the Sick



Sunday of Lent.

My dad, Eldridge, died in November of 2011. He was 82 years of age. For the last 20 years of his earthly life he was blind and I, my mother, and siblings had to care for his

every need. It was hard, but indeed fulfilling knowing that he provided for us as a family built upon our Catholic Faith and the Lord, Jesus Christ.

The Church invites us on this Fourth Sunday of Lent to consider light and darkness, as well as human blindness and the gift of sight. Both practically and metaphorically, it is a healthy Lenten exercise to think about light and darkness in our lives, even to imagine for a moment that we are blind, only to be able to rejoice more fully in the gift of sight.

We hear this weekend in the Letter to the Ephesians, "you were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord." This light in the Lord implies a relationship between you, me, and the Lord.

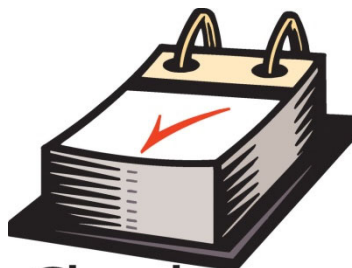
Psalm 27 says, "the Lord is my light and my salvation." And concludes, "whom do I fear!"

Our act of faith brings us out of darkness and into the light. That act of faith represents a cure for our blindness and brings us into the light. By that act of faith, we become light, and because of our presence in the world, the world is a brighter place, that much closer to finding its way home to our creator.

So, believe, and give thanks to God for the faith that is ours.

With much love and great affection, I remain,

Fr. Jason Mouton
St. Martin de Tours, Pray for Us!



Check Your Calendar

Mar. 21: Minister's Workshop, 9-12noon in Cafeteria for Lector's, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers.

- Mar. 25: Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.
- Mar. 28: Permanent Diaconate Ordinations by Bishop Douglas Deshotel at Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Lafayette, 10:00a.m.
- Mar. 28/29: Presentation by representative of St. Edward's Catholic School in New Iberia at the END of Mass.
- Mar. 29: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

The month of April is traditionally, in our Catholic Faith, dedicated to the Holy Spirit and the Holy Eucharist.

April comes from the Latin, *aperier*, to open. In the midst of spring, the buds open. Another suggestion is the Greek word *Aphro*, short for Aphrodite, the goddess of love, because in spring human fancy turns to love.

April 4: 8:00a.m., First Saturday Mass/First Reconciliation of First Communicants following Mass.

- April 4/5: Palm Sunday/Passion of the Lord
- April 8: Parish Offices CLOSE AT NOON
- April 9: Parish Office Closed
7:00p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
- April 10: Good Friday, 3:00p.m. Word Service/Veneration of the Cross. Parish Office Closed
- April 11: Holy Saturday, 8:00p.m. Vigil Mass

April 12: 8 & 10a.m. Masses ONLY/EASTER SUNDAY. NO 5P.M. EVENING MASS!!!
 April 13: Easter Monday, Parish Office Closed
 April 13-17: Fr. Mouton – Time Off after Lent and Easter Marathon.
 April 16: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's 93rd Birthday.
 April 17: Scott Boudin Festival & Parks Cracklin Festival Weekend
 April 18: Survivors of Violence Mass, 10:00a.m., Immaculata Chapel celebrated by Bishop Douglas Deshotel.
 April 25: 10:00a.m. Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist/Communion.
 April 19-26: Volunteer Appreciation Week April 22: Administrative Professionals Day—please give Tammy, Dianne, and Deacon Boutte' a friendly call or note in appreciation for their ministry to our thriving parish.
 April 22-26: Festival International De Lousiane Begins.
 April 30 – May 3: New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival.
 May 1: Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Begins.



May 10: 10 a.m., Graduate's Recognition Mass.

2020 Graduates' are asked to call the parish office 394-6021 to confirm attendance and wear cap and gown to process in with Fr. Mouton and be seated in reserved pews. Please note that grads are asked to meet our pastor in the cafeteria at 9:30a.m. for a group photo which will be included in the following weekend's bulletin. This invite includes all graduates from pre-k, Jr. High, High school, College, and Grad school. A lite reception of cake and punch will follow in our cafeteria. Assistance is needed to help with reception so please call the parish office to sign-up in helping us in recognizing our parishioners who are this year's graduates.

May 16: Armed Forces Day
 May 22: Students' Last Day of School – All St. Martinville Schools.

May 25: Memorial Day – Parish and Diocesan offices CLOSED!

Reminder: Calendar is updated weekly with activities and/or events.



Pro-Life Corner!

As we prepare to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*,

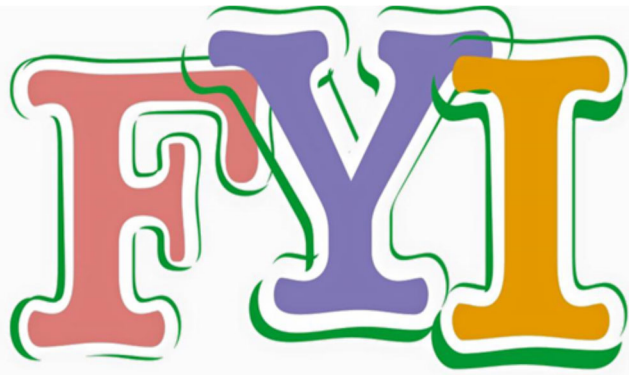
may we recommit ourselves to protecting human life in all stages and circumstances; *We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.*

Marriage Tips!



sacrament!

Married couples are the ministers of the Sacrament of marriage to each other. How do you minister to each other in your daily life? Don't forget to pray for all the graces of your
 “In a family you don't have to look very far to find your cross,” a father observes in *Follow the Way of Love*. Who in your family seems to have a mission to purify YOU today, to teach you patience, or to challenge you? What cross do you bring to the others in your family?



• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

Specifics for next year's Holy Land Pilgrimage will be provided soon. Please keep up with the bulletin for dates, costs, departure airport, etc. And, another pilgrimage will be scheduled for Fatima, Portugal and Lourdes, France shortly as well. Please consider one or both. There will be an orientation meeting on Monday, May 11, 6:30p.m. conducted by Magnificate Travel Agency in our hall cafeteria for all interested individuals for the Holy Land Pilgrimage; please spread the word as this pilgrimage is open to St. Martin de Tours parishioners and others as well. Deacon Wynard Boutte' and myself will be the spiritual guides and Mass and confessions will be provided daily. As stated previously, the dates are April 24 – May 2, 2021 with departure from St. Martin de Tours Church parking lot, travel via chartered bus to Houston, Texas and then departure to Tel Aviv from Bush Continental Airport.

CANDLES



Sanctuary Candle: Louis & Maude Champagne

Consecration Candles: Georgean A. Babin; Lawrence J. "Pee Wee" & Lillie Mae "Dottie" Barras & Andrew

Church Humor



Food for Thought!



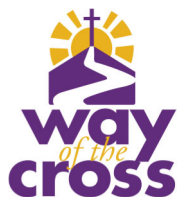
PLEASE NOTE

Advance Notice!

Every year as a seminarian at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland in the beautiful Catoctin Mountains, from 1988 to the present, I have attended the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. then as associate in Kaplan, then Pastor at Our Lady, Queen of Peace in Lafayette and then Pastor of St. Anne in Youngsville, I conducted pilgrimages to overturn this horrendous roe v wade decision. Please consider also thinking about attending next year with me. Details will be provided shortly through a local travel agency. It will be a weeklong pilgrimage with visits to Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Md., Baltimore, and perhaps (not confirming) New York City with a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The tentative dates of next year's pilgrimage is January 20-28/29 with the actual March taking place on Friday, January 22nd, 2021. I've written often about my Graduate School, Mt. St. Mary's, and invite you to google their website. It is my home-away-from-home each year and you will fall in love with it should you consider a pilgrimage with me.

Way of the Cross

The Way of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 5:30PM.



Church Photo **Directory**



Pictorial Directory

The last pictorial directory of families and/or individuals for *Eglise St. Martin de Tours* was done way back in 1984; that is, 36 years ago. We have contacted the services of the LifeTouch Pictorial Directory Company and specific information will be forthcoming. However, we are able to inform parishioners that there will be four (4) opportunity weeks to schedule a seating for family members to take their photos beginning the third and fourth weeks in May and the first and second weeks of June. Please, consider taking photos so that we can get to know our growing faith community better and put names to faces.



Come & See Weekend

If you are a young man age 16 or older there will be a "come and see" weekend at St. Joseph Seminary College/St. Ben's in Covington, La. Palm Sunday weekend, April 3-5. To register call Fr. Patrick Broussard, Vocation Director, at 261-5690



Easter Memorial Flowers

We are now accepting donations for the Memorial Easter Flowers. If you would like to donate in honor of your loved ones please use the Envelopes provided at all entrances of the church



BLESSED MOTHER STATUE

WILL BE AT
THE HOME OF

Jerry & Al
Cormier
March 24-30,
2020

St. Martinville Garden Club



Plant Sale –April 4
9:00am-12:00noon
Community Bank Parking
Lot

Save Our Tree -
The Evangeline Oak
Tuesday, March 24, 2020-
3:00pm-5:00pm

Acadian Memorial Building- Free-donations accepted

CONFIRMATION 2019



If you received the Sacrament of Confirmation on October 22, 2019, we have your complimentary photo at the office. Please come by during office hours or call 394-6021 and we can mail picture to you.



On Palm Sunday immediately following the 10a.m. Mass we will have an Easter Egg Hunt for our little ones ages 2-10 and our parish assistant Tammy LeBlanc will be coordinating but, help is needed. To assist her in this project please call to sign-up to begin coordinating this event and, kids, bring your own Easter baskets. More information will be forthcoming.



THE special
Collection this
weekend is for the
Catholic Relief Services.

Please use the envelopes provided in the one and only passing of the basket.

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Date - Time	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Altar Server	Mass Intentions
Tuesday Novena Mass 3/24/20 5:30pm	Gail Blanchard	Gerry Cormier		Georgian A. Babin; Ethel G. Oubre & Mark; Maude & Louis Champagne
Daily Mass 3/25-27/20 6:30 AM	Suzanne Durand	Doreen Durand		Wed. 3/25/20 Thad Bourque Thurs. 3/26/20 Hugh Mark Courville Fri. 3/27/20 Georgian A. Babin
Saturday 3/28/20 4:00 PM	Kathleen Durand; Michelle Bienvenu	Jody Theriot	Joshua Theriot; Rylee Borel	Esther Lejeune (DA); Ethel G. Oubre; M/M Anicet Berard & Children (SI); Jean & Yola Poirier; Georgian A. Babin, M/M Anisette Babin & Lally; Michael Anthony Mire & Clifton Mire, Sr.; M/M Jack Trail. Sr.; Clara Trahan Dwyer & JD Dwyer; Adam Paul Champagne (DA); Shirley Hulin Delcambre; Ida & Roland Robichaux; Therese G. Delcambre; Dennis, Lucette & Walter Hulin; Sidney Berard; Beranger D. Theriot; George Resweber; John "Noonie" Viator; Stanley Maria Granger (DA 3/28); Dalton Nola & Susie Touchet
Sunday 3/29/20 8:00 AM	Gail Blanchard; Dot Daspit	Louella Champagne	Abbey, Bailey & Billy Poirier	Robert "Woody" Woodburn; Priscilla Hulin; AJ "Bon" & Leona Champagne (AJ BD 3/29 & Leona BD 3/31); Myrtle Girouard & Roy Breaux; Bryan James Poirier; Ava Nicole Douet; AJ "Jay" Melancon, Jr. & Keith
Sunday 3/29/20 10:00 AM	Marilyn deMahy; Doreen Durand	Lydia Guidry	Conner Durand	Yvette Romero Cartwright; Ethel Maraist Babin; Garrett Matthew Tabor, Lilly Belle & DeBlanc; Harold G. Bienvenu, Jr.; Zoel Romero & Helen (BD 3/28); Russell & Jeanelle Landry; M/M Albert Landry; M/M Alfred Landry; Genevieve "Jenny" Theriot & Ben; Hazel Robertson; Marin & Joanna C. Durand; Lynne Viator Judice; Donna & Gerald Hulin, Stanley & Della Melancon; Hubert & Lorena Hulin(Anicet BD); Special Intention; Pim & Pecko Eastin; M/M Desire Delahoussaye & Betty; Harvey Pelafique; Enola & Eric Bergeron
Sunday 3/29/20 5:00 PM	Juanita Boudreaux; Debbie Latiolais	Cala Hadley	Colin & Britten Guidry	Leonce "Cas" Jr. & Cory "Cas" Boudreaux; Wade & Kathryn "Kat" Watkins; Howard, Irene & Raymond Duplantis; Marie & John Sonnier, Sr.

If a name is not printed above due to human error, be assured God has received the intention in heaven. - Canon law 945. If a daily Mass is cancelled or substituted with a Word Service, Mass intentions MAY be transferred to another Mass.

Be included in the Saint Martin de Tours Catholic Church Directory

Lifetouch will be photographing all of our
families for a new church directory.



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so that those who
do not see might see

What to expect

- A professional photography session, no session fees.
- View your images after your session and make your selections.
- You will receive one FREE 8x10 standard print and church directory plus other special offers.

Photography Dates

May 19-23, 26-30
June 2-6, 9-13

Don't Miss Out!

Stewardship of Treasure
Many Thanks for Your Continued
Generosity!

General Offertory 3/15/2020	\$ 6,493.00
Weekly Budget (2019/2020)	\$ 9,000.00
Difference	\$ - 2,507.00
Reduction of Church Debt	\$ 3,219.00

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