

MOTHER CHURCH OF THE ACADIANS



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Office Hours
Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm
Closed Fridays and Holidays

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please call or come by the Parish Office for registration.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (Anticipated): 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am (Solemn)
12:00 pm Traditional Latin Mass
Tuesday: 6:30 am
8:00 am Traditional Latin Mass
Wednesday: 6:30 am
Thursday: 6:30 am
Friday: 6:30 am
8:00 am Traditional Latin Mass
Saturday: 8:00 am (Grotto)

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3-3:45 pm
30 min. before all other Masses or by request

Sacrament of Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and Funeral Arrangements

Please see website or contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples must contact Pastor at least six months prior.

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Deacon Joshua LeBlanc
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CCD Program

September-April
Grades 1-8 At home/Monthly meeting

First Holy Communion (Grade 2) and

Confirmation Prep
(Grades 9-11)
twice per month

December 4, 2022

www.saintmartindetours.org

Pastor's Corner



~ From the Pastor ~

"My heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved." Romans 10:1

Mes chers amis,

On the Second Sunday of this short, but important season of Advent, we move closer to the celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas. But it isn't here yet! So, what is our society celebrating? This is an important question to ask ourselves. Let the Collect of this week's Mass help us to ponder it:

Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to His company. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

In last weekend's Collect - the first prayer of the Liturgical Year - we asked God that we, the faithful would have, "the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at His coming." This expressed the truth that, during this Advent Season, we are readying ourselves for Christ who comes! Likewise, this week's Collect acknowledges that we are hastening to meet the Son of God who is coming. But in order to be able meet Him with joy, we ask God to let "no earthly endeavor hinder" us.

So many people are kept from receiving the grace of Christmas and celebrating that feast of Our Lord's birth with joy because they are caught up in the worldly celebration of "Christmas" now. These "earthly endeavors" include shopping, decorating, partying, etc. All of these things consume their time and remove their focus from preparing to celebrating. But December 25 hasn't even arrived!

In this collect, we likewise ask God that "our learning of Heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to His company." What is this Heavenly wisdom? It includes understanding from God's perspective who His Son is, what His birth means, and how we should respond. Christmas is about love and life: *"In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him."* (1 John 4:9) But how can we know this love and respond with our own love if we do not understand what Christmas is about? And how can we know the meaning of Christmas when we give ourselves to the human endeavors of the world that is already celebrating it in an artificial way?

I again urge you to take advantage of the richness of this Liturgical season of Advent. Allow the daily Scripture readings of Holy Mass to speak to you through meditation. Attend Holy Mass an extra day of the week and/or spend an extra hour a week before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in our Adoration Chapel. Pray the Holy Rosary - especially the Joyful mysteries - as a family. Take one of the opportunities on the Wednesday nights' Light is On For You to make a good confession and spend some time in Adoration of Our Lord. Please, do not allow the secularization of "Christmas" that the world offers us to keep you from experiencing the true joy of Christmas, after having prepared well during Advent. *A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord!"*

Dans le Sacré Cœur du Christ,

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

**Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian?
Do you want to follow Jesus Christ for the rest of your life?**

Starting Wednesday, December 15, 2022



This is the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship! This is the Catholic Church's process to bring people, through study, spiritual growth, and community. Formally, it is called the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), which is our formation process for adults who desire to follow Jesus Christ and be a member of His Catholic Church.

Who should join?

- Those who have never been baptized.
- Those who were baptized in another Christian faith tradition, grew up in a Christian family and have a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Those who were baptized Catholic but want to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- Those who were baptized Catholic but did not grow up in a Catholic setting or family.

Register online at www.saintmartindetours.org or
Registration forms are located at all entrances of the church. For more information call the Parish Office at 337-394-6021.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY 12/6/22

6:30AM Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux; Kayson Sonnier

8:00AM Jim & Anne Karaba (living)

WEDNESDAY 12/7/22

6:30AM Hazel Robertson (BD); M/M Perry Derouen & Family

6:00PM Vigil Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux

THURSDAY 12/8/22

6:30AM Jim Guidry (BD); Patrick Henry Maraist; Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux; James Akers (BD); Joseph E. Landry; Sidney P. Vincent; Media Dore Landry; Rev. P. Austin Leger; Yvonne Bulliard; Shirley Romero & Yvette Romero Cartwright; Hubert & Lorena Hulin Family, Adalyn (Hubert BD); Blackie & Rhena Bienvenu

6:00PM Latin

FRIDAY 12/9/22

6:30AM L.J. D'Albor (BD); Harvey & Josh Pelafigue (DA); Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux; Pim & Pecko Eastin, Bryson (Pim BD); Sidney P. Vincent (67th WA)

8:00AM

SATURDAY 12/10/22

8:00AM Walter Duplantis (DA)

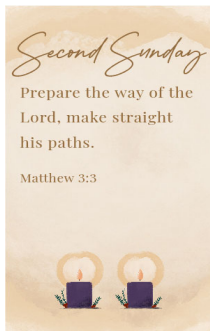
4:00PM George Resweber; M/M Ivan Lavergne Family; Allen & Shawn Theriot; Glen Martin; Rev. P. Austin Leger; James "Jim" Douet, Jr.; Kenneth Thibodeaux; Carroll, Sr., Bib & Carolyn C. Fuselier; Romero & Dwyer Families; Mac & Evelyn Champagne & Carolyn (Mac DA); Georgean A. Babin, M/M Lucier Angelle Family; Ethel G. Oubre & Mark; Jean & Yola Poirier; John "Noonie" Viator; Antoine & Eursule Latiolais Family; Leona & Dudley David, Sr. & David; Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux; M/M Desire Delahoussaye & Betty; Dennis, Lucette & Walter Hulin; M/M Jack Trail, Sr.

SUNDAY 12/11/22

8:00AM M/M Joseph Gaudet, Sr., Dennis, Hilda & Lillian Gaudet Fontenot; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Garrett Matthew Tabor, Lilly Belle & DeBlanc; Jerry Blanchard (BD 12/14); Donna & Gerald Hulin, Stanley & Della Melancon; Albert & Vance Rodriguez; Dalton & Nell Hebert & Family; Jim Guidry; Gercie & Oswald Fauchaux; Rivers J. & Janice T. Albert; Myrtle Oubre; Marcel & Joann Fuselier; Joe & Winona Standridge; Scott Boggs; A.J. "Bon" & Leona Champagne; Priscilla Hulin

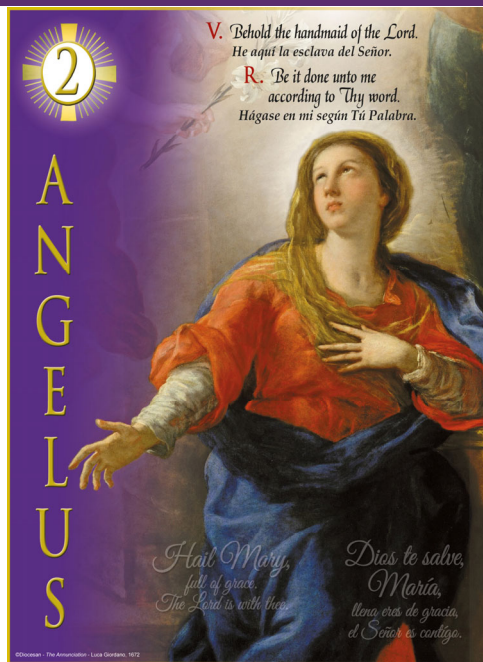
10:00AM Marin & Joanna Durand; Nolan, Sr. & Etta Champagne, Marilyn & Boo (Nolan DA 12/11); Hubert & Lorena Hulin Family, Adalyn; Shirley Romero & Yvette Romero Cartwright; Cliff Durand; Lorena & Philip Laperouse; Therese G. Delcambre; Leonce "Cas" Jr. & Cory "Cas" Boudreaux; Wayne Bienvenu & Suzette Bienvenu Judice; Kim Dugas & Dale Dugas; Alex Bourque; M/M Willis Dugas, Sr. & Glenn; Frank Latiolais & M/M Murphy Latiolais; Genevieve "Jenny" Theriot & Ben; Pim & Pecko Eastin, Bryson; Thomas K. "Dickie" Bulliard; Harvey & Josh Pelafigue; Hazel Robertson

12:00PM M/M Henry Richard; Gregory Oehl; Marty Pitre; Jim & Anne Karaba (living); Fr. Enos J. Babin C.S.S.R.

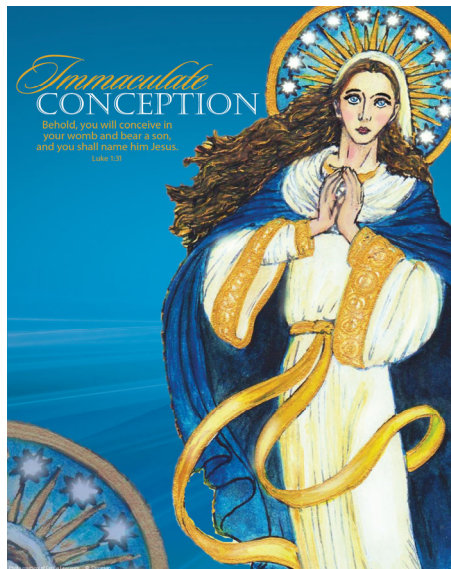


Second Sunday
Prepare the way of the
Lord, make straight
his paths.
Matthew 3:3

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



**Tuesday
December 7**

Vigil
6:00 PM

**Wednesday
December 8**

6:30 AM

6:00 PM
Solemn High
Mass

ADORATION

Eucharistic



Adoration

"Can you spend one hour
with HIM"

Sunday: 1:00AM; 9:00AM

Thursday: 2:00PM; 3:00PM

Friday: 8:00AM; 10:00AM;
7:00PM; 9:00PM; 10:00PM

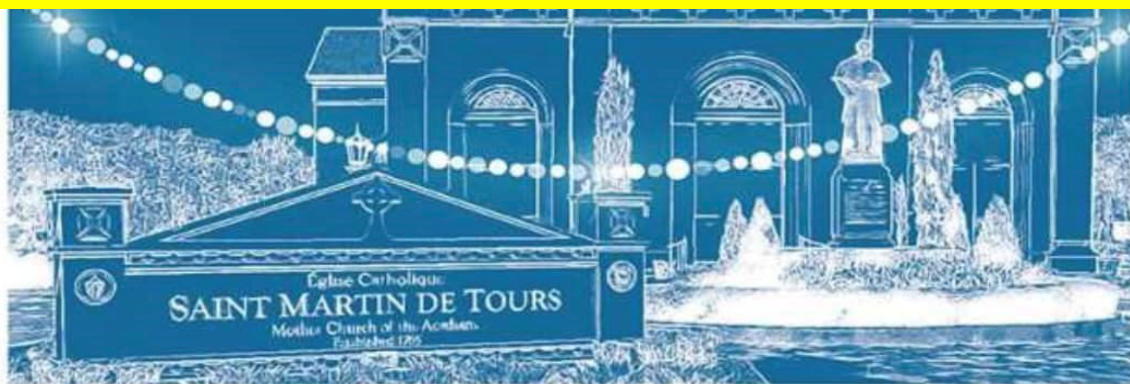
Saturday: 1:00AM; 2:00AM;
11:00AM; 2:00PM; 8:00PM

Sunday: 2:00AM

Parish Events



**PLEASE JOIN US NEXT SATURDAY FOR
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**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 10**

**ST. MARTIN DE TOURS
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

ST. MARTINVILLE, LA

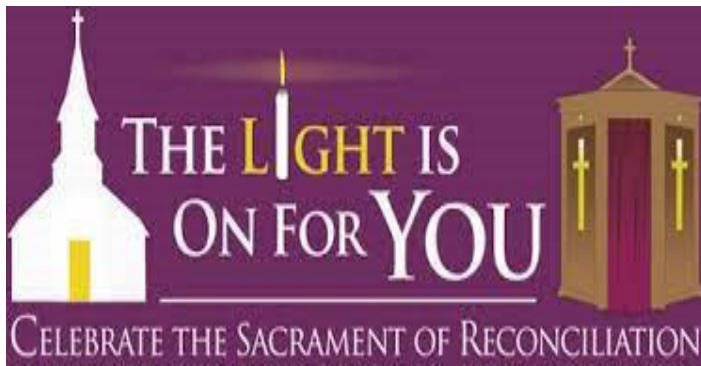
- 4:00PM Mass—St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church
Chariot Parade Registration
- 5:15PM Blessing by Father Vidrine
Chariot Parade • Christmas Music
Open House—St. Martin de Tours Rectory
Photos with Santa & Mrs. Clause
- 6:00PM Lighting of the Square
Cajun Music • Movie • Christmas Caroling
Community of Jesus Crucified Spiritual Care Unit
- 6:30PM Live Nativity followed by
Memorial Candle Lighting for Our Lost Loved Ones

HOT CHOCOLATE • SWEETS • GUMBO

For more information, call Chairman Tilly Duplechein
at 337.303.4097 or 337.394.6021

PILGRIMAGE TO ALABAMA





Father Vidrine will be offering
the Sacrament of Reconciliation
during the Advent Season on
Wednesday
December 7, 14, 21, 2022
St. Martin de Tours Church
6:30 PM-8:00 PM

GENERAL INFORMATION



Save These Dates

Dec. 7	The Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 6:00 PM
Dec. 8	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 6:30 AM & 6:00 PM
Dec. 10	St. Lucy Festival 4:00 PM
Dec. 24	The Nativity of the Lord 5:00PM & 12 Midnight Solemn High Mass Christmas Mass 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM & 12 Noon Traditional Latin Mass
Dec. 25	Wedding: Fruge/Martin 6:00 PM
Dec. 30	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
Jan. 1	Martin Luther King Day
Jan. 16	Wedding: Theriot/Bienvenu 6:00PM
Jan. 21	Wedding: Trahan/Couvillion
Feb. 3	Valentines Day
Feb. 14	Mardi Gras
Feb. 21	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 22	

COMMUNITY OF JESUS CRUCIFIED

JUBILEE OF THE WORD



MARATHON

The Holy Bible will be read cover to cover publicly in the

Square of St. Martinville

Beginning

Wednesday, January 18th at 12:30pm

and Ending

Word of God Sunday, January 22nd at 4:30pm

*A 100-Hour Marathon with over 300 Assigned Readers!
Come Marinate in the Word!*

**For More Information or to Sign Up as a Reader Call
St. Martin de Tours Church**

(337) 394-6021

or email

fetedieuduteche@gmail.com

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Donations are now being accepted for Christmas Flowers.
Please come by the Parish Office or drop your donations
with names in the envelopes provided at all entrances of
the church.

THANK YOU
Parishioners of St. Martin
de Tours, each year you
have stepped up and
generously donated so the
center can continue its vital
works of helping moms and
babies in need. This year
parishioners donated a total
of \$4,339.00. Because of
donations such as these, the
center has continued to
grow and expand its
outreach.

*Happy Holidays
The Unexpected Pregnancy
Center, New Iberia LA*



St. Martinville Garden Club

St. Martinville Garden Club invites everyone within the city
limits to show their Christmas spirit by decorating the outside of
their homes and businesses. The deadline will be Dec. 12th.
Three homes and three businesses will be selected for awards.
Questions and recommendations can be directed by text to Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 04, 2022

Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Monday Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Nicholas, Bishop

Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 & 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday Memorial of Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday Memorial of Our Lady of Loreto

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday Third Sunday of Advent Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10.; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Pope Francis

Saints do not come from a "parallel universe". They are believers rooted in their daily activities with their families, study, work; social, economic and political life. In all these settings, they fearlessly strive to carry out God's will. 11/10/22

AROUND THE PARISH

Candle Light Service in Memory of Children

Local families will be joining "The Compassionate Friends" Worldwide Candle Lighting observance, on Sunday Dec 11, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in St. Martinville, La.. Co-ordinators Gerri Cormier, Cindy Guidry, and

Gwen Tabor say that the observance involving people around the world lighting candles on that day to honor children and grandchildren that have died. The candle lighting service will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Martin Des Tours church hall, on Main Street in St. Martinville. Our hope is that through this combined act, people will realize that they are not alone and that their child, grandchild, or sibling is remembered during this difficult holiday season. We invite all those who have lost a child or grandchild to join in this moving tribute.... "that their light may always shine" and will always remain in the hearts of loved ones. Candles will be provided. For more information please call Cindy @ 337-380-3997 or

Gwen @ 337-288-3080

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Come Lord Jesus:

A small faith filled community for the purpose of deeper reflection of the Sunday readings proclaimed at Mass. Meets every Wednesday evening at 4:30PM in the cafeteria. Contact, Brook Dauphine at 342-0040.

Men's Cursillo Ultreya: Meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. Everyone who has made or is interested in making a Cursillo is welcomed. For more information contact: Kevin Theriot at 337-380-1298.

Knights of Columbus:

A Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to promoting and conducting educational, charitable, religious and social welfare works. Monthly meeting held every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall; Rosary starts at 6:30 PM. Contact Jared Normand: 337-945-2906

St. Martha's Guild:

A group of volunteers that help provide a meal before or after a funeral. Contact Marlene Castille at 394-9551.

Catholic Daughters:

Meeting 1st Thursday of every month at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall. Ladies 18 or older, please join us to learn more about Catholic Daughters of America. Contact: Christine Gaspard at 967-1592.

That Man Is You:

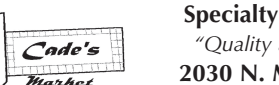
Attention Men of St. Martin de Tours, Do you seek to be the best man you can be? Come join with other men of the parish every Tuesday morning at 5:30AM in the Parish Hall. Contact Brody Hulin at 337-298-4100



Using the Abundant mobile app in ACS for eGiving is easy and convenient for parishioners as well as visitors. After downloading the Abundant app, parishioners will be able to give one-time gifts or set up recurring donations, pay for cemetery dues, and even view their eGiving history. For those who prefer not to donate from their mobile device, using online giving provides the same benefits as mobile giving, allowing your congregation to choose the best option that fits their busy lifestyle. To enroll in online giving: Visit www.saintmartindetours.org

Stewardship of Treasure Many Thanks for Your Continued Generosity!

Weekly budget 2021/2022	\$ 9,000.00
Reduction of Church Debt 11/20/22	\$ 2,875.00
General Offering 11/13/22	\$ 7,216.00
General Offering 11/20/22	\$ 9,763.50
Christmas Lights 11/13/22	\$ 2,036.00
2nd Collection Next weekend	RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
2nd Collection THIS weekend	BUILDING FUND

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