

Donation of Sacred Heart of Jesus Painting to St. Landry Church

We acknowledge the donation of a hand painted picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus painted by the artist Carl Mauch (born January 7, 1854; died June 18, 1913). This painting is placed in the Chapel at Valentin Hall over the tabernacle. Dr. John B. Vandergriff brought this picture with him when he came to the United States from Germany. Dr. Vandergriff's children by generations inherited this painting. From Dr. Vandergriff to his son, John B. Vandergriff, then to John B. Vandergriff's daughter, Nita Vandergriff David (wife of Leonce T. David). From Nita Vandergriff David to her daughters Leona D. Moss, Mickey David Moore, and Eva David Austin. Leona D. Moss inherited the painting then gave it to her sisters Mickey David Moore and Eva David Austin. All three sisters thought St. Landry Church should have it. One interesting note about the painting is that it was behind another picture, that of Mary. When Nita Vandergriff David and husband, Leonce David, had the picture of Mary cleaned they found the painting of the Sacred Heart behind the one of Mary. The Vandergriff family was parishioners at St. Landry Church. The sisters who gave the painting to St. Landry Church live to the west of Opelousas – Leona David Moss (age 98) lives in Beaumont, Texas; Nita (Mickey) David Moore (age 90) lives in Lake Charles, Louisiana; Eva David Austin (83) lives in Houston, Texas. I thank Nita Vandergriff David and her children for this beautiful donation. After trying a few different places to put the picture, the chapel in Valentin Hall seems to be the best location. Placing the painting over the tabernacle allows parishioners to see the painting up close and it enhances the chapel. May God bless Mickey, Leona, and Eva for their thoughtfulness and generosity. Msgr. Romero

Graduation Prayer

Dear Jesus, you have blessed me with many gifts. The gift of an education provides me the skills to advance toward a career and a vocation. Please help me do my best to always bring your values to my life's activity. Please help me work for a better world, where you are the focus of life and work. Amen.

St. Landry Church Pastoral Council Elections

Please find inserted with today's bulletin the ballots for the Pastoral Council Election. We have three parishioners to elect. We have six parishioners running. The last day for the ballots to be turned-in is May 25th. Parishioners may return these ballots in either the collection at mass or at the church office.

Please remember to vote only one time, but make three choices. Ask God to lead you on the best choice. The Pastoral Council is an advisory board to help the pastor in decision-making for the church. It is designed to provide input from parishioners in these decisions.

Remember we have an extended election time. It is almost like early voting in our political elections, so each parishioner has an opportunity to vote. Be honest. Be prayerful. Be discerning. Please vote.

FORMING GOOD STEWARDS

"I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work you gave me to do" John 17:4

Jesus spoke these words as part of his prayer to the Father for his disciples at the Last Supper just before he went to the Garden of Gethsemane. What was the work the Father had given Jesus to accomplish on earth to glorify Him? Part of that work was to be a living, breathing, walking, talking example and model to show us how we can accomplish the work the Father has given to each of us to accomplish on this earth. For each of us that work is different. Each of us have received from God a vast array of talents, abilities, and gifts that are unique; we each have a unique life.

WEEK OF MAY 5, 2008 READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

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| Reading I | Acts 1:1-11 | Lord Jesus ascends into a cloud |
| Psalm 47 | "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: A blare of trumpets for the Lord." | |
| Reading II | Eph. 1: 17-23 | Christ is the head of the church; where he is, we are called to follow. |
| Gospel | Matt. 28:16-20 | Jesus commands us to go and baptize. |

Theme: WE ARE SENT, AND Christ is with US.

The mystery of the Ascension is all about the Lord's enduring presence. The risen Jesus promises his continued presence in and through the power of the Holy Spirit until he comes at the end of time. His final command to his disciples was that they were to go into the whole world, baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. As we listen to the sacred word of God proclaimed today, let the words of Saint Paul's letter to the Ephesians inspire us. May we know the hope that belongs to Christ's call.

Step One: Listen to the Word

What words or phrases in today's reading touch your heart and mind? What feeling do you have after hearing the hopeful words of St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 1:17-23?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Questions of the Week

Question for Children: Jesus helps us be brave when we need to be. When do you need to be brave?

Question for Youth: Ascension: Jesus commanded his disciples to go and make disciples of all people. How can you help to make disciples of your peers?

Question for Adults: How do you experience the divine power of Christ-among-us in your daily life?

Current and Upcoming Events

- First Communion at 10:00 a.m. Mass today.
- 2008 Recognition Mass for St. Landry Civil Parish High School Seniors at 5:00 p.m. (Mass Today)
- Confirmation at 10:00 a.m. mass on May 11th
- Opelousas Catholic School Graduation at 7:00 p.m. on May 16th.
- North Regional Prayer Service before Hurricane Season at 6:30 p.m. in Holy Ghost Church on May 21st.
- Dedication of Flag Poles at Father Lafleur's Monument, May 25th after 10:00 a.m. mass.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY/DIOCESE

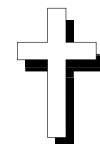
WHAT Opelousas Community Choir presents "Swinging in Springtime"
WHEN Sat. & Sun. May 10 and 11
TIME 7:00pm 3:00pm
WHERE Our Lady Queen of Angels Church
COST FREE

WHAT Diocesan Charismatic Pentecost Eve Mass
WHEN May 10, 2008 @ 7:00pm
WHERE St. John's Cathedral
CELEBRANT Fr. Albert Nunez

LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group IV**Sarah Wagley, Week of May 10, 2008
- Group V**Betty Leleux, Week of May 17, 2008

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

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| Saturday, May 3 | 4:00 p.m. | Jeanette Lalonde, M/M Robert Going Sr., James E. Martin (DA), Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Walfred "Wally" LeBlanc Jr., Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr. |
| Sunday, May 4 | 8:00 a.m. | M/M John FaKouri, John Jr. & Jacob, Howard & Mable Richard, Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Alton & Elizabeth Joubert, Hilary Dupre, Sol Reed, Carol Pitre |
| 10:00 a.m. | | Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Quentin R. Joubert, Bobbie, Julie & Ruth Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardoin & The Ryder Fly., Lafond-Kaufman Family, Allen Richard, Francis, Elsie & Al Gautreaux & Bart Bernard, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Carl Lanclos |
| 5:00 p.m. | | St. Landry Catholic Parishioners, Dotsy Edwards, Lee Martin |
| Monday, May 5 | 12:10 p.m. | Anna Ruth Halphen DaGian, Walfred LeBlanc Jr. |
| Tuesday, May 6 | | NO MASS |
| Wednesday, May 7 | 12:10 p.m. | Loretta Marcantel, Dotsy Edwards, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Mitchell Fontenot (B) |
| Thursday, May 8 | 12:10 p.m. | Terry & Eula Lavergne |
| Friday, May 9 | 12:10 p.m. | Dotsy Edwards |
| Saturday, May 10 | 4:00 p.m. | Jimmie Roland Greco (BD), Jeanette Lalonde, James E. Martin, Pearl (BD) & John Marino, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, St. Ange Fournier Jr., Lee, Vivian & Kristie Artigue, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Wally, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Marcylee Thibodeaux |
| Sunday, May 11 | 8:00 a.m. | Eddie Beaugh, Noemie Greco & Laura Thibodaux, Ruby & Joseph Lalonde, Ann Tuminello, Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Irl White, Hilary Dupre, Pearl & Alphonse Thibodeaux, M/M Henry Fontenot & Fly., M/M Robert Joubert & Family, Carol Pitre, Edna Gaspard & Marily Decuir |
| 10:00 a.m. | | Mary Manuel, Ruth Mouton, Quentin R. Joubert, Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Anna Ruth Halphen DaGian, Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly & Mickey Hollier, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Oscar & Agnes Roy, Carl Lanclos, Alexis, Carl, Curley & Velma Lanclos, Lucille Baillio, Mary Manouvrier Parker, Bobbie, Julie Ruth Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardoin, The Ryder Fly., Huey Paul Miller, Julia Palazzo, Joyce Bertrand Essie Oge |
| 5:00 p.m. | | St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, John Ledoux |

Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m. 11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.

SECOND COLLECTION
Week of May 11, 2008
 Bishop's Services Appeal

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God

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| Total Offertory Collection | \$3,976.64 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$277.00 |
| BSA | \$30.00 |
| O.C.S. | \$595.52 |

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Sunday, May 4 | 10:00 a.m. | First Holy Eucharist |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Recognition Mass for 2008 graduates of St. Landry Civil Parish |
| Monday, May 5 | 6:30 p.m. | Pastoral Council |
| Thursday, May 8 | 5:30 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| | 7:00 p.m. | KC Meeting |
| Saturday, May 10 | 5:00 p.m. | Confirmation Practice |
| Sunday, May 11 | 10:00 a.m. | Confirmation |

ST. LANDRY CATHOLIC CHURCH GRADES 1-8 SCHOOL OF RELIGION SUMMER SCHEDULE

8:00 A.M. —12:00 P.M. JULY 14TH-17TH AND JULY 21ST-24TH

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bonnie Amy, Marie Amy, Leola Arnaud, Lambert Austin, Sr., Angela Aymond, Dorothy Beaugh, Dusty Bellard, Shirley Bellard, Dougie Bergeron, Katherine Bertrand, Gloria Berzas, M/M Nathan Berzas, Stephen Berzas, Mary Aline Bihm, Lillie Briggs, Jackie Artigue Bordelon, Jared Broussard, Lucy Chapman, Leslie Chatham, Estelle Chautin, Dona Clary, Logan Comb., Norma Cortez, Shelton Daigle, Angela Dautrueil, Hilda Deballion, Lillian Delafosse, J.C. Diesi, Sharon Doucet, Connie Duffy, Landon James Duplechin, Norward Duplechain, Carl Dupre, Jane Dupre, Michael Dupre, James Elder, Sr., Tristan Estis, Georgia Fiegel, Drake Fontenot, Harold Fontenot, Joseph L. Fontenot, Shala Fontenot, Lauren Giminez, George Gremillion, Larry Greer, Ann Guidroz, Elaine L Guillory, Louis Guillory, The T. Guillory Family, Gabrielle Marie Hanson, Benny Hargroder, Brooke Hargroder, Sydney Harmon, David Huckaby, Doris Hudspeth, Annie Jagneaux, Austin Jagneaux, Landon James, Frazier Jordan, Taylor Jordan, Agnes Kidder, Nathan Kimble, Brenda Lafleur, Sister Mary Joseph Lafond, Deionne Lalonde, Louis Lanclos, Berchman Lavergne, Dotty Lavergne, Floyd Lavergne, Glenn Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Brenda Lee, Ronald Leger, Mildred Lemelle, Tonya Londero, Thelma Macip, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, Simone Marcantel, Mary Martin, Shirley Meche, Byron L. Miller, Jeffery Miller, Theo Frank Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, Dot Nezat, Katherine Olivier, Craig Ortego, Marty Ortego, Avery Ozenne, Callie Palmer, James Palmer, Linda Pefferkorn, Johnny Pellerin, Yvonne Pellerin, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Irene Pitre, Kermit Pitre, Joey Prather, Kathleen Prather, Gregory Richard, Melanie Richard, Lilly Richard, Ronald Richard, Joseph James Robin, Marie Saucier, Harold Savoy, Jane Smith, Eddie Stanford, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Rodney & Viola Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Jeanette Tatman, Adolph Taylor Sr., Flo Thibodeaux, Mrs. Titard, Lena Trahan, Ryan Trahan, Pierre Troclair, Trista Venable, Lou Vidrine, Charlene Ruffino Whaley, Gene Williams, Ivan Winn, Wayne Wylie

Please help update our list. If any name is omitted and should be on the list, please call if anyone is well enough to be taken off the list, please call. We appreciate your cooperation.
St. Landry Church Staff

RECENTLY CELEBRATED MARRIAGE VOWS
 Charles Ryan and April Heather Marks Gautreaux
 Blake Jude and Krystle Lavergne Andrus

May the love and trust you enjoy grow evermore in your lives.

O.C. CORNER

Congratulations to the OC team of Kyle Begnaud and Lane Bihm who placed overall in the group competition at the Regional Social Studies Fair.

The Viking and Lady Viking track teams are having a great year! First place Regional Meet honors went to Meghan Curley in the 1600 and 3200; Trey Schwartzenburg in the 1600; Lane Carrier in the 3200; and the relay team of Leah Verdin, Lindsey Verdin, Brittany Bihm and Libby Irving in the 4 x 200.

Please be an "Angel" for Catholic education by contributing to the 2008 Angel Appeal Drive. God bless you!

RETURNED TO CHRIST THROUGH DEATH

The St. Landry Church parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the families of:

Eddie Stanford, Joyce Bertrand, John LeDoux

O Lord, grant those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this. Amen.

WEEKEND RETREATS FOR WOMEN
 May 8-10, 2008
 May 29-June 1, 2008 Aug. 7-10, 2008
WHERE: Our Lady of the Oaks
CALL: For Information (337) 662-5410

IN HONOR OF ST. ANTHONY
\$25.00 donation

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Church.....First Communicants
 Chapel..... Sol Reed