

A Prayer for Mothers

God, our Loving Father,
we ask You to bless and reward our mothers.
Through their examples they have planted seeds
of love and care in us.
Through their stories and listening,
they have taught us
to open our hearts to others.
Through their frequent prayers for us,
they have taught us how to pray.
May the seeds of faith and care
they have so lovingly planted in us
continue to prosper and grow.

Heavenly Father, also remember the
mothers who have gone to their rest.
May they be eternally rewarded
in Your garden of Joy.

Amen.

Confirmation and Pentecost

Today we welcome Bishop Jarrell as he confirms our 11th grade parishioners. This is an opportunity for our whole church parish to appreciate the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives as God the Holy Spirit continues to form us into the full stature of Christ.

Confirmation Candidates

Brittany Julia Andrus	Amanda Brooke Foret
Brittany Nicole Arnaud	David Carl Guidry
Olivia Marie Batton	Dillan Jules Helton
Christopher Connor Doucet	Elizabeth Paige Ledoux
Alayna Angelle Dye	Skyler Benjamin Pham
Lauren Rebecca Emma Dye	Stefan Chandler Savoie
Amy Marie Fontenot	Sarah Louise Stelly

May God send the Holy Spirit into all of our hearts keeping us always in His love and helping us show God's salvation to the whole world. Amen.

**THE PILGRIMAGE: WHY TURKEY?
CRADLE OF CHRISTIANITY**

Please find inserted with today's bulletin an article prepared for the Acadiana Catholic in regard to the recent pilgrimage. Several people have asked me about the pilgrimage. It was truly a blessing. The enclosed helps everyone understand it better. Msgr. Romero.

**Congratulations to the following who received
their First Holy Eucharist on May 4, 2008**

Ryan James Arceneaux	Adrienne Lynn Lalonde
Kane Thomas Armand	Alex Michael Lanclos
Rene Peter Briggs IV	Alex Cain Ludeau
Evan Martin Cosgrove-Richard	Sydney Paige Mayeaux
Gavin Michael Deville	Lauren Elizabeth Miller
Grant Alexander Fontenot	Tyler Alice Morrow
Alyssa Chasse Guillory	Morganne A. Ned
Sophie Lynn Guillory	Emily Nguyen
Emery Elizabeth Hammond	Olivia Grace Sebastien
Savannah Grace Hidalgo	Luke Stelly
Reid Anthony Labruyere	

**Review of the Liturgical Guidelines
from the third edition of the Roman Missal
Msgr. Romero**

Recently we reviewed the guidelines of the third edition of the Roman Missal. These guidelines were first presented in 2003. In this review, I would like to point out two guidelines:

(1) "Before the liturgy begins, it is commendable that silence be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to devoutly celebrate the sacred action" (GIRM #45). That is why we strive to have no singing practice within 5 minutes of mass. I encourage parishioners to please try to be in church at least 5 minutes before mass. The spirit of the missal calls us to prepare our hearts for the sacred meeting at mass.

(2) "The sign of reverence before the reception of the Body of Christ and before the reception of the Blood of Christ is a bow of the head, not kneeling or genuflecting or some other action (GIRM #160). I have noticed some parishioners remembering to do this simple bow. Yet it seems I have noticed a large minority of parishioners who forget to do this. Please come to communion with a heart ready to receive Jesus. Let our posture show this readiness. Remember: "We bow our heads as the person in front of us is receiving Communion, then we step forward and receive, either in the hand or on the tongue. We bow our heads again before we partake of the Precious Blood." Let us all do this especially in preparation of the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ on May 25th.

PENTECOST

Today's Gospel continues with the Last Supper Discourse. Jesus leaves no room for ambiguity: If you love me you will keep my commandments. For His part, Jesus promises, I will ask the Father and He will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees him nor knows him. Our God created us, keeps us in existence, lived like us, died for us, rose from the dead as our guarantee of eternal life, and is with us always. As the popular Song of Worship proclaims, Our God is an Awesome God. He reigns from heaven above, with wisdom, power and might. Our God is an Awesome God. How can we respond to such an Awesome God? Our response: acknowledge, accept, develop and use all that God created us to be for our own benefit and enjoyment, and for the benefit and enjoyment of others. If we listen carefully, we may be able to hear Jesus shout, That would be awesome!

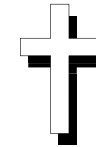
**FORMING GOOD STEWARDS
"Peace be with you!" John 20:19**

On that first Easter Sunday the frightened disciples who had abandoned Jesus were behind locked doors. Jesus appeared and said, "Peace be with you!" When Karol Wojtyla stepped onto a balcony as Pope John Paul II he told the crowd, "Do not be afraid." In Cajun country people say, "Mais cher, laissez les bon temps rouler!" [My dear, let the good times roll!] On Pentecost Sunday, fifty days after being in a room behind locked doors, the Apostles accepted their responsibility to be good stewards of the message and mission of Jesus Christ. They were at peace with their faith in Jesus as the Risen Lord. They came out from behind the locked doors and courageously proclaimed the Good News. They have passed on that responsibility to each of us in our own time. Are we at peace with our faith in Jesus as the Risen Lord? Are we doing our part to carry on the mission and speak the message of Jesus? Then, Peace be with you! Do not be afraid! Mais cher, laissez les bon temps rouler!

POPE BENEDICT'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

That Christians may use literature, art, and the media to greater advantage to favor a culture that defends and promotes the values of the human person.

**MASS
INTENTIONS
FOR THE
WEEK**



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. and Wally, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr., Marcylee Thibodeaux, Gladys Hollier, Hollier & Stelly Families
Sunday, May 11 8:00 a.m. Eddie Beough, Noemie Greco and Laura Thibodeaux, Ruby & Joseph Lalonde, Ann Tuminello, Martin J. St.Amand, Youle and Therese Fontenot, M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull, Irl White, Hilary Dupre, Pearl and Alphonse Thibodeaux, M/M Henry Fontenot & Family, M/M Robert Joubert and Family, Carol Pitre, Edna Gaspard & Marilyn Decuir, Gertrude A. Marks & Maryina Courvelle, Gertie Bastien & Iris Pitre, Velma & Patsy Gail Boss, Emily Darby
10:00 a.m. Mary Manuel, Ruth Mouton, Quentin R. Joubert, Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Anna Ruth Halphen DaGian, Ernie and Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly and Mickey Hollier, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas and Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Oscar and Agnes Roy, Carl Lanclos, Alexis, Carl, Curley and Velma Lanclos, Lucille Baillo, Mary Manouvrier Parker, Bobbie, Julie Ruth Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardoin, The Ryder Family, Huey Paul Miller, Julia Palazzo, Joyce Bertrand, Essie Oge, Alice Lafleur, Allie Joubert, Liz Poitier, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Lois Lemelle
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, John Ledoux, Inez L. Mott and Rhea Y. LeDoux, Elizabeth Puckett
Monday, May 12 12:10 p.m. Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally
Tuesday, May 13 NO MASS
Wednesday, May 14 12:10 p.m. Anna Ruth Halphen DaGian, Clayton (BD) & Eula (BD) Soileau, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward, and Allen Jr.
Thursday, May 15 12:10 p.m. Dotsy Edwards, Charles Adam Herbert
Friday, May 16 12:10 p.m. Jill (BD) Boullion and Family
Saturday, May 17 4:00 p.m. Jeanette Lalonde, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward, and Allen Jr.
Sunday, May 18 8:00 a.m. Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull, Hilary Dupre, Carol Pitre, Walfred LeBlanc Jr., Emily Darby
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard, and Marian Smith, Quentin R. Joubert, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas and Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Houston Richard, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Elizabeth Puckett
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Terry & Eula Lavergne, Lee Martin

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
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Total Offertory Collection	\$7,020.42
Maintenance Fund.....	\$2,080.05
BSA	\$25.00
O.C.S.....	\$12.00
A/C Repair Fund.....	\$32.92

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SECOND COLLECTION
Week of May 18, 2008
Religious Education/CCD

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 13	6:00 p.m.	CDA Meeting
Wednesday, May 14	6:00 p.m.	CCD Testing
Thursday, May 15	9:00 a.m.	High School Awards
	5:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday, May 16	7:00 p.m.	O.C. Graduation

OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC BASEBALL CAMP
Boys ages 5-16 – Mon., June 2-Wed., June 4
9:00am-12:00pm
Opelousas Catholic Baseball Field
For more info. Call Coach Scott Roy @ 258-5020

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bonnie Amy, Leola Arnaud, Dorothy Beough, Dusty Bellard, Shirley Bellard, Dougie Bergeron, Katherine Bertrand, Gloria Berzas, M/M Nathan Berzas, Stephen Berzas, Mary Aline Bihm, Lillie Briggs, Jared Broussard, Lucy Chapman, Leslie Chatham, Estelle Chautin, Dona Clary, Logan Comb, Norma Cortez, Shelton Daigle, Sr., Angela Dautrueil, Hilda Debillion, Lillian Delafosse, J.C. Diesi, Sharon Doucet, Connie Duffy, Landon James Duplechain, Norward Duplechain, Carl Dupre, Jane Dupre, Michael Dupre, 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 & Austin Jagneaux, Frazier Jordan, Taylor Jordan, Agnes Kidder, Nathan Kimble, Brenda Lafleur, Sister Mary Joseph Lafond, Deionne Lalonde, Berchman Lavergne, Dotty & Floyd Lavergne, Glenn Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Brenda Lee, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Ronald Leger, Mildred Lemelle, Tonya Londerno, Thelma Macip, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, Simone Marcantel, Mary Martin, Byron Miller, Jeffery Miller, Laura Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, Dot Nezat, Katherine Olivier, Craig Ortego, Marty Ortego, Cameron Ozenne, Callie 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, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Rodney & Viola Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Jeanette Tatman, Adolph Taylor Sr., Flo Thibodeaux, Mrs. Titard, Lena Trahan, Ryan Trahan, Pierre Trosclair, Trista Venable, Lou Vidrine, Charlene Ruffino Whaley, Gene Williams, Ivan Winn, Wayne Wyble

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

O.C. CORNER
Important events this week include the Athletic Awards Banquet on Monday; Senior Awards Banquet on Wednesday; and Graduation Mass & Ceremony on Friday.
Please keep our graduates in your prayers!
Congratulations to Aneil Prasad who placed 2nd in Civics and to Simone Splane who earned 2nd place honors in Accounting in the State Literary Rally at LSU in Baton Rouge.
May God bless all of our mothers on this special weekend!

THANK YOU FRIENDS OF THE BEREAVED
The family of Julia Palazzo sends heartfelt thanks for the mass offering.

RETURNED TO CHRIST THROUGH DEATH
The St. Landry Church parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the family of James Palmer
O Lord, grant those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this.

TRIP TO NATCHITOCHES
Our Lady of Mercy Altar Society is sponsoring a FUN ONE DAY TRIP TO NATCHITOCHES ON JUNE 21ST. Visit Melrose Plantation; St. Augustine Church; have lunch and browse in Louisiana's oldest city. Attend anticipated Mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Leave 9AM and return 7 p.m.. For more info— Call Bonnie Wyble at 942-6940.

OUR LADY OF THE OAKS RETREAT HOUSE
Women's Weekends
May 29-June 1
August 7-10

SANCTUARY LIGHT
Church.....Mothers & Grandmothers
Chapel..... Peace In Families

LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY
Group VBetty Leleux, Week of May 17, 2008
Group VINorma Hargroder, Week of May 24, 2008