

Priesthood Ordinations

On Saturday, June 7, 2008 Bishop Jarrell ordains three men to the Order of Priest (Presbyterate) in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. These are: **Deacon Clint James Trahan** who is from Kaplan and will be assigned to Saint Joseph Church as Associate Pastor, Rayne; **Deacon Michael Keith Landry** who is from Henderson and will be assigned to Sacred Heart of Jesus Church as Associate Pastor, Broussard; and **Deacon Durel Blaine Clement** who is from Eunice and will be assigned to Our Lady of Wisdom Church as Associate Pastor, Lafayette. These appointments for the newly ordained priests are effective June 18, 2008.

As Deacon Clint Trahan soon to be “Father” was with us in his internship program, everyone is invited to the ordination on Saturday. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. in St. John the Evangelist Cathedral, Lafayette.

Please pray for these new priests and for all priests:

Heavenly Father, you guide your people by the ministry of priests. Keep them faithful in obedient service to you that by their life and ministry they may bring you glory in Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Seminarian Mr. Jared Suire

Mr. Jared G. Suire is an Abbeville native, who attended the public school system and graduated from Abbeville High School in 1997. During high school he had some extracurricular involvement in church activities. During his senior year, he attended the March for Life in Washington, DC with many classmates. This is when Mr. Suire began to become more convinced about his religious beliefs, particularly God’s presence in the Eucharist and the need to be involved in the pro-life cause.

Mr. Suire attended UL Lafayette from 1997 to 2001 earning a Bachelor of Science in psychology. It was during the summer before his senior year of his undergraduate studies that he became familiar with the Newman Club (a Catholic student organization) on campus. Before long, he was attending mission trips, chaperoning retreats, lecturing, being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and attending daily Mass.

As he began graduate studies, he decided to do his Master’s thesis on Alcoholics Anonymous, since it was a topic which included both a psychological and a spiritual dimension. He had a teaching assistantship position and enjoyed lecturing on psychology. The thought of priesthood came to him every now and then, and he began spiritual direction with a priest at the university. After finishing his Master’s degree he worked for a brief stint administering psychological tests and assessing client behavior.

Mr. Suire felt a need to more fully discern whether or not God was calling him to priesthood, so he entered the seminary, and has since completed his philosophy studies at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. Currently he is in his second year of theology studies at Catholic University in Washington, DC. He has had pastoral assignments in New Iberia, Lydia, and at Children’s Hospital in Washington, DC. He hopes to combine his interests in religion, psychology, legislative advocacy, and missionary work as a priest.

Prayer at Dedication of Flags and Flagpoles Monument of Father Lafleur St. Landry Catholic Church – Opelousas, Louisiana May 25, 2008 – Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend Msgr. Romero

O God, As we celebrate Memorial Day this weekend, we ask you to bless our Veterans and those who were Prisoners of War and or Missing in Action.

We come to dedicate flags and flagpoles to complete the monument to Father Lafleur. We dedicate these in honor of POW and MIA Veterans as well as all Veterans.

We do this outside your Church – your Church where we

gather for the Holy Memorial of your Son’s dying and rising, where we experience his unique presence in the Bread and Wine – in the Sacred Host and Precious Blood.

The sacred action taking place inside the Church building is reflected in the achievement of Father Lafleur and all Veterans as these monuments attest.

Bless our dedication. Renew our resolve. May we imitate these Veterans in their service to You and to our country. May we especially join them in the love of your Son, Jesus – so that your holy will is in our heart, attitude, desire, and deed.

Amen.

Pastoral Council Election Results

Congratulations to the following on their election to the Pastoral Council: Alice Cormier; Kathryn Cosgrove-Richard and Louis Fay. We extend a big “THANK YOU” to all those who participated.

Week of June 1, 2008 Readings for Faith Sharing

Reading I Dt. 11:18, 26-28, 32
Observe the Lord’s statutes and decrees.

Psalm 31 “Lord, be my rock of safety.”

Reading II Romans 3:21-25, 28
Justification by faith.

Gospel Matthew 7:21-27
The house built on rock.

THEME Journey of Faith

Moses’ words to these people are inspiring for us as we prepare to listen to God’s word today: “Take these words of mine into your heart and soul.” Today these words call us to deeper faith. The Lord Jesus tells us that listening to these words is not enough; we must act on them. Once we do this we build our spiritual house on solid foundations. We open mind and heart to the action of the Holy Spirit through the proclamation of God’s word.

Points for Reflection and Discussion

1. What do Paul’s words, “a person is justified by faith,” mean to you?
2. Do you believe there is a hell? If so, who is there? If not, what happens to murderers and plunderers and all those who wreck havoc in the lives of others when they die?

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON Bishop Maurice Schexnayder

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a storm less eternity awaits us. Amen.

LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group I**Alverda Deshotels, Week of June 7, 2008
Group IIPap Roy, Week of June 14, 2008

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 31 **4:00 p.m.** Therese Fontenot (B), Jeanette Lalonde, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Marcylee Thibodeaux, Sr., Mary Joseph Lafond
Sunday, June 1 **8:00 a.m.** M/M John FaKouri, John Jr. & Jacob, Howard & Mable Richard, Martin J. St. Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Alton & Elizabeth Joubert, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Irl White (B), Carol Pitre
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Quentin R. Joubert, M/M Rene (B) Brasseaux, Francis, Elise & Al Gautreaux & Bart Bernard, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Bobbie, Julie & Ruth Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardoin & The Ryder Family, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Elizabeth Puckett, Joyce Bertrand, Clyde Pitre
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Dotsy Edwards, Lee Martin, Ludy David Latiolais
Monday, June 2 **12:10 p.m.** Alexis (DA), Carl & Curley Lanclos, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Wally, Mary Titard (B)
Tuesday, June 3 NO MASS
Wednesday, June 4 **12:10 p.m.** James P. Dugal (DA), Dotsy Edwards, Walter Baillio (DA), Mamie Lowe
Thursday, June 5 **12:10 p.m.** Loretta Marcantel; Mary Titard
Friday, June 6 **12:10 p.m.** Anna Ruth Halphen DaGian, Ethel & Teddy Meaux & Lou Ella Lognion, Clyde Pitre, Alfred Fontenot & Pearl D. Vidrine, Mamie Lowe
Saturday, June 7 **4:00 p.m.** M/M Robert Going Sr., Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, St. Ange Fournier Jr., Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Sr., Mary Joseph Lafond
Sunday, June 8 **8:00 a.m.** Martin J. St.Amand, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Carol Pitre, Elizabeth Puckett
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Quentin Joubert, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Alexis, Carl, Curley & Velma Lanclos, Houston Richard, Mary Manouvrier Parker, John LeDoux, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, Ludy David Latiolais

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	\$4,104.41
Maintenance Fund.....	\$47.00
Bishop’s Services Appeal	\$5.00
O.C. School Foundation.....	\$617.25

Thank you for your generosity!

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REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 1	WELCOME SEMINARIAN JARED SUIRE @ 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Masses
Monday, June 2	6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Social @ Valentin Hall
Thursday, June 5	5:30 p.m. Choir Practice
	6:30 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class
Friday, June 6	7:00 a.m. Adoration Begins
Saturday, June 7	8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass
	10:00 a.m. Ordination in Lafayette

COLLECTION FOR CYCLONE VICTIMS IN MYANMAR
Bishop Jarrell has asked us to make an appeal for the needs of the victims in Myanmar. Anyone wanting to make a contribution is asked to place it in an envelope with the notation on the outside of the envelope “Myanmar Contribution”. These donations will be forward to Catholic Relief Services. We ask God to bless the victims of Cyclone Nargis and all who suffer from natural disasters.

THANK YOU FRIENDS OF THE BEREAVED
Thank you for the mass for Sr. Mary Joseph Lafond. We deeply appreciate your kindness.
Aline and Juliette
Thank you so much for all your kind expressions of sympathy and for the food provided for my family and friends. We greatly appreciated all of your efforts.
Sandra Titard

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK
Bonnie Amy, Leola Arnaud, 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, Jared Broussard, Rick Carter, Lucy Chapman, Leslie Chatham, Estelle Chautin, Jerome Chavis, Logan Comb, Norma Cortez, Angela Dautrueil, Hilda Deballion, Lillian Delafosse, Sharon Doucet, Landon James Duplechin, Norward Duplechain, Carl Dupre, Jane Dupre, Jesse 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 Jagneau, Frazier Jordan, Taylor Jordan, Agnes Kidder, Brenda Lafleur, Laura Lafleur, Deionne Lalonde, Dotty & Floyd Lavergne, Glenn Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Brenda Lee, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Tonya Londero, Thelma Macip, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, 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 Pepperkorn, Johnny Pellerin, Yvonne Pellerin, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Irene Pitre, Kermit Pitre, Joely Prather, Kathleen Prather, Gregory Richard, Melanie Richard, Lilly Richard, Ronald Richard, Joseph James Robin, Marie Saucier, Harold Savoy, Tom Schexnayder, Jane Smith, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Rodney & Viola Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Jeanette Tatman, Adolph Taylor Sr., Flo Thibodeaux, Lena Trahan, Ryan Trahan, Pierre Troclair, Trista Venable, Lou Vidrine, 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

RETURNED TO CHRIST THROUGH DEATH
The St. Landry Church parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the families of:
J. C. Diesi & Berchman Lavergne
O Lord, grant those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
SAFE ENVIRONMENT CONTINUED EDUCATION CLASS
St. Landry Church is sponsoring a Safe Environment Continued Education Class on June 11th at 6:30PM in Valentin Hall. **IT IS A DIOCESAN POLICY THAT ALL EMPLOYEES & VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST ATTEND AN ANNUAL CLASS.**

NATIONWIDE MASS SCHEDULE
With summer almost upon us, nationwide Mass times and the locations become important. Call 1-800-627-7846 or the internet @ **HYPERLINK "http://www.Masstimes.org"** for Mass times.

NOTICE
Please join us in prayer at St. Landry Catholic Church on Wednesday, June 25, beginning at 10:00 a.m. This is a Day of Prayer for Peace in honor of Our Lady Queen of Peace. The day will end at 3:30 p.m.
More info call Ms. Lavergne @ 942-6325.

SUMMER RELIGION REGISTRATION
Summer religion class registration has begun for grades 1-8 and is ongoing through June 20 Please observe this deadline. We need to have an accurate count before we order books and supplies.
The fees are \$15 for one child and \$30 for two or more children. The fee changes if a child is making First Holy Eucharist
Classes will be from July 14-17 and again from July 21-24. Time is 8:00 am-12:00pm.
Classes will be held at Opelousas Catholic.

ATTENTION PARENTS!
1st Communion pictures are available at Valentin Hall during office hours.

SANCTUARY LIGHT
Church.....Intentions of our Holy Father
Chapel..... Protection from Hurricanes

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