

**YEAR OF ST. PAUL  
THE MESSAGE**



The Church's task is none other than to spread the message of Christ, who came, as St. Paul writes in the Letter to the Ephesians, to proclaim peace to those who are far away and to those who are near. (cf. Eph 2:17)  
Pope Benedict XVI's address to the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See on 09 January 2006.

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK  
MSGR. ROMERO**

The Church celebrates "World Day of the Sick" on February 11th, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This day was designated by Pope John-Paul II as "a special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church and of reminding us to see in our sick brother and sister the face of Christ who, by suffering, dying and rising, achieved the salvation of humankind" (Letter Instituting the World Day of the Sick 13 May 1992, paragraph 3)

As we look at "World Day of the Sick", I refer to thoughts expressed by Pope Benedict XVI on February 1, 2009. He said "Christ gives meaning to our suffering". He expressed these thoughts as Italy marks the Day for Life with this year's theme "The power of life in suffering". This is a good theme also for "World Day of the Sick". The Pope said, "Jesus always taught His disciples that in order to enter into glory He had to suffer, to be rejected, condemned, and crucified. Suffering was an integral part of His mission." "Jesus suffered and died on the cross for love. In this way He gave meaning to our own suffering, a meaning that many men and women of all ages have understood and made their own, thus experiencing profound serenity even amid the bitterness of harsh physical and moral trials".

Let "World Day of the Sick" be an invitation to each of us, whether we ourselves are sick or whether we help the sick, an invitation to let Jesus bring us in his love through illness. Join Jesus in love for the Father and love for humanity. Offer our illness for reparation for sin and conversion of humanity. Grow in love. Focus on Jesus; "Jesus, I love you. Jesus I trust in you. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy." Let us bear "witness to the love that helps people face pain and agony in a human way. We can be certain that no tear, either of those who suffer or of their loved ones, is lost before God."

As we celebrate World Day of the Sick on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes let us entrust to Mary's protection those who suffer "and those who work day after day to support them, serving life at every stage: parents, healthcare workers, priests, religious, researchers, volunteers, and many others".

I ask parishioners who are scheduled for surgery to please inform me so we can pray the Sacrament of the Sick before you go to the hospital. Please remember that the hospitals do not have a full time priest. The area priests attend to emergencies on a rotating schedule. So it helps when we are proactive and attend to our spiritual needs before we go to the hospital. Many thanks!

**UPDATE ON THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY  
MSGR. ROMERO**

The committee has completed the proof and has forwarded to the printers the Pictorial Directory. When we receive them, they will be available to the parishioners who have taken their picture. We thank everyone for your patience, as it has taken longer than expected to complete our task.

**READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING  
Week of February 8, 2009**

Reading I Job 7: 1-4, 6-7  
Job complains that his life is filled with drudgery.  
Psalm 147 "Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted."  
Reading II 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23  
Paul does all for the sake of the gospel of Christ  
Gospel Mark 1:229-39  
Jesus cures Simon's mother-in-law and many other sick people.

**THEME:  
LET US PREACH THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL!**

When we hear the words of Job, we can be pulled down into his despair. It is important to remember that, even in the enormously difficult times that characterized his life, he still found a way to praise and thank God. As the word is proclaimed today, let us be inspired by Job's faithfulness and ask that God heal us and change us.

**Questions for children:**  
What can you do to help your friends and classmates know more about Jesus?

**Questions for youth:**  
What can you do to help your friends and classmates know more about Jesus?

**Questions for adults:**  
If you were going to pray for healing for any reason, what would it be? What needs to be healed in our world and society?

**NORTH REGIONAL CONFERENCE  
Saturday, February 14, 2009**

Our Lady Queen of Angels Church - Opelousas

**Cost: \$5.00 per person**

Contact: Jackie Griffin, 337-831-2621

Please print and complete the form below.  
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**PICTURE OF ST. LANDRY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

With today's bulletin, we are happy to provide an insert, a picture of St. Landry Church taken on December 11, 2008, the day we had snow in Opelousas. This picture was taken by Dr. Richard Harmon and provided to us by BODEMULLER THE PRINTER, INC.

Dr. Harmon has been working on a pictorial book of St. Landry Church for some time. He hopes to have his book published by April 2009. The title of the book is *St. Landry Catholic Church-100 Years*.

I thank Dr. Harmon and BODEMULLER THE PRINTER, INC. for their generosity in giving us this unique picture of the church in snow.

**ALTAR SOCIETY**

**Group II** .....Pap Roy, Week of Feb. 14, 2009  
**Group III** .....Irene Soileau, Week of Feb. 21, 2009

**MASS  
INTENTIONS**



**FOR THE  
WEEK**

**Saturday, February 7** ..... **4:00 p.m.** M/M Clayton Titard, Jeanette Lalonde, Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Joyce & Lisa Bertrand, M/M Robert Going, Sr., Dr. Richard W. Hargroder, Souls in Purgatory, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally  
**Sunday, February 8** ..... **8:00 a.m** Tom Schexnayder (BD), Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Carol Pitre, Frances Reed, Eugene Hebert, In Thanksgiving  
**10:00 a.m.** ..... Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Elizabeth Puckett, Marise Martin, Deanna Dohmann Chachere, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris . Philippe  
**5:00 p.m.** ..... St. Landry Church Parishioners  
**Monday, February 9** ..... **12:10 p.m.** Cora Baillio (BD), Lou (BD) & Joe Arceneaux  
**Tuesday, February 10** ..... **NO MASS**  
**Wednesday, February 11** ..... **12:10 p.m.** Jody Leger  
**Thursday, February 12** ..... **12:10 p.m.** Special Intention  
**Friday, February 13** ..... **12:10 p.m.** Lee, Vivian (DA) & Kristie Artigue, Dalton Olivier (DA), Koby Joubert (BD)  
**Saturday, February 14** ..... **4:00 p.m.** M/M Clayton Titard, M/M St. Ange Fournier, Sr., Anna & St. Ange Fournier, Jr., James Palmer, Jeanette Lalonde, Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr., Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Louis (BD) & Regina Burleigh, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Angela & Martin Cosgrove, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Eugene Hebert  
**Sunday, February 15** ..... **8:00 a.m.** Hilary Dupre & Carolyn Arnaud, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Carol Pitre, M/M Pierre Hebert, M/M E.J. Leonard, Frances Reed  
**10:00 a.m.** ..... Daniel Lagrange, Sr.; Deanna Dohmann Chachere, Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Charlie, Hazel & Floyd Leger  
**5:00 p.m.** ..... St. Landry Church Parishioners

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

**Second Collection For Week of Feb. 15  
Bishop's Services Appeal**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION  
Your Stewardship To God**  
Regular Offertory Collection .....\$4,940.85  
Maintenance & Repair Fund.....\$1,654.75  
Latin America.....\$153.00  
Assistance to the Poor .....\$199.00  
**Thank you for your generosity!**

*Every Gift  
Comes From  
Above.*



**REMINDERS OF THE WEEK**

Sunday, Feb. 08	10:00 a.m.	Rel. Ed.Attend Mass as Group—Grades 1-8
Monday, Feb. 09	6:00 p.m.	Conf. Class
Tuesday, Feb. 10	6:00 p.m.	CDA
	6:30 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday, Feb. 11	5:00 p.m.	Altar Society
	5:30 p.m.	1st. Penance Class
Thursday, Feb. 12	7:00 p.m.	KC Meeting
Friday, Feb. 13	8:40 a.m.	OC All School Mass
	6:00 p.m.	Beginning of Conf. Retreat @ Our Lady of Mercy thru Sunday evening

**A PILGRIM'S SOJOURN TO PORTUGAL AND ITALY  
12 DAYS – 10 NIGHTS**  
Fr. Mike Arnaud is the host-spiritual leader for a trip to Fatima, Portugal and Italy (November 8-19, 2009) with a Papal Audience in Rome.  
If interested and want a brochure to see all the places and price, call Fr. Arnaud at 337-364-8360 in New Iberia, LA.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Mason Alsandor, Bonnie Amy, Leola Arnaud, Ella Attole, Mary Bertha Attole, Angela Aymond, Dusty Bellard, Shirley Bellard, Dougie Bergeron, Katherine Bertrand, Gloria Berzas, M/M Nathan Berzas, Stephen Berzas, Mary Aline Bihm, Lillie Briggs, Richard Briley, Jared Broussard, Estelle Chautin, Peggy Chelette, Logan Comb, Peter Lloyd Cormier, Franklin Courville, Ward Courville, Lisa Curley, Shelton Daigle, Robert Danaher, Angela Dautrueil, M/M Billy Dean, Hilda Debillion, Lillian Delafosse, Sue Deville, Sharon Doucet, Carl Dupre, Raymond Dupre, Georgia Fiegel, Harold Fontenot, Joseph L. Fontenot, Catherine Fournier, Dempsey Fuselier, Lauren Giminez, George Gremillion, Larry Greer, Elaine L. Guillory, Louis Guillory, The T. Guillory Family, Gabrielle Marie Hanson, Brooke Hargroder, Sydney Harmon, Carlos Hebert, Andrea Hernandez, Glenda Hicks, Lauren Margaret Higginbotham, Doris Hudspeth, Annie & Austin Jagneaux, Logan Joubert, Louis Vernon "Moe" Joubert, Juliette Kaufmann, Agnes Kidder, Dorothy LeBlanc, Brenda Lafleur, Richard Lafleur, Laura Lanclous, Raymond Lashute, Audra LeJeune, Dotty & Floyd Lavergne, Glenn Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Dorothy LeBlanc, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Therese Leger, Tony Leger, Tonya Londero, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, Mary Martin, Mistric & Prudhomme Families, Byron Miller, Jeffery Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, James Naquin, Dot Nezat, Craig Ortego, Marty Ortego, Cameron Ozenne, Gene Paillet, Callie Palmer, Louis Paternestro, Johnny Pellerin, Gentry Peltier, Tracie Peltier, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Irene Pitre, Marla Lafleur Pitre, Ruby Pitre, Brandon Prudhomme, Ronald Richard, Claire Robichaux, Joseph James Robin, Ruby Romero, Rose Ryder, Marie Saucier, Harold Savoy, Anna Belle Soileau, Elaine Soileau, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Elizabeth Kate Sumer, Adolph Taylor Sr., Russell Thibodeaux, Lena Trahan, Pierre Trosclair, James Vidrine, Lou Vidrine, Brandy Willingham, Wayne Wyble and Ivy Zerangue

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**

Registration for the 2009-2010 school year is underway for current students at Opelousas Catholic, while registration for new students begins this Wednesday, February 11th. Call Barbara Fontenot at 942-5404 ext. 101 for more information  
Congratulations to OC's "Students of the Year":  
Tiffany Smith, 5th grade; Gabrielle Semien, 8th grade; and Taylor King, 12th grade. They were selected for their outstanding qualities and accomplishments after a portfolio and interview process.  
O.C. is organizing a trip to Europe for the summer of 2009. The trip will be in June and will last 13 days including stops and tours in Berlin, Prague, Switzerland, and Paris. Space is limited and sign-up ends February 28. For more information contact Jervis Thibodeaux or John Braham at 942-5404.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

WHAT	Vocation Supper for Young Women
WHEN	Wednesday, February 18 @ 6:30 p.m.
MORE INFO	261-5690
DEADLINE TO REGIS.	February 11, 2009
WHAT	Married Couples Retreat
WHEN	February 13-15, 2009
WHERE	Our Lady of the Oaks Grand Coteau
MORE INFO	662-5410
WHAT	Men's Retreat
WHEN	February 26—March 1, 2009
CONTACT	Dr. Lucius Doucet II @ 942-4425 Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday
DEPOSIT REQUIRED	
WHAT	Annual Day of Recollection
WHEN	Thursday, February 26
WHERE	St. Edmond's Church, Lafayette
COST	\$9.00 in advance
CONTACT	Ms. Simon 232-2849

**FYI**

For a stipend of \$5.00 the Sanctuary Light in church or the chapel will burn for your intention for one week.  
For the same amount, masses may be offered for people close to your heart, both living and deceased as well as for a special intention or in thanksgiving.  
Come by the office to schedule.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

Church.....Souls in Purgatory  
Chapel.....Deceased Members of Guidroz Fly.

