

**YEAR OF ST. PAUL
RECONCILIATION**



You will also learn, as the Apostle Paul says, to let yourselves be reconciled with God (cf. 2 Cor 5:20). Especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus waits for you to forgive your sins and reconcile you with his love through the ministry of the priest. By confessing your sins humbly and truthfully, you will receive the pardon of God himself through the words of his minister. What a great opportunity the Lord has given us with this sacrament to renew ourselves from within and to progress in our Christian life! I recommend that you make good use of it all the time!

Pope Benedict's message to young Catholics in the Netherlands on November 21, 2005

LENT 2009

Lent is the penitential season of the Church's year. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Lent has six Sundays. The sixth is called Passion or Palm Sunday and marks the beginning of Holy Week.

The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. It commemorates the Lord's death on Good Friday. The Easter Triduum reaches its high point at the Easter Vigil and ends with evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Then the joyful Easter Season of 50 days begins.

Traditionally the Lenten season is a time of penance throughout the Catholic Church. Lent is a season in which prayer, the reception of the sacraments, charity and almsgiving are emphasized. Fast and abstinence are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

LENTEN REGULATIONS 2009

Weekdays **except** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday of Lent: There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:

These are days of Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent)

All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

Easter Duty Obligation:

After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

As part of our faith community's Lenten observance, we will participate in Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, Operation Rice Bowl. Since 1975, Operation Rice Bowl has inspired Catholics in the United States to pray, fast, learn, and give as we increase our understanding of our global community. We will connect this understanding with the principles of Catholic Social Teaching throughout our Lenten journey. We encourage you to participate in Operation Rice Bowl at home with your family and loved ones.

**READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING
Week of February 22, 2009**

Reading I	Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25 God remembers the sin of the people no more.
Psalm 41	"Lord, heal my soul, for I have sinned against you."
Reading II	2 Corinthians 1:18-22 Jesus Christ was not "yes" and no".
Gospel	Mark 2:1-12 Jesus heals the paralyzed man.

**THEME:
Jesus Forgives Our Sins**

Today Isaiah announces that the Lord God is doing something new. Even though the people of Israel had burdened the Lord with their sins, the Lord decided to wipe out their offenses and remember their sins no more. As the Gospel story of the healing of the paralyzed man is proclaimed, let us absorb the wonder and miraculous power of the one who comes to save us.

Questions for children:

How does the Church help us see that Jesus forgives our sins?

Questions for youth:

When have you experienced forgiveness from God or others? What does forgiveness feel like to you?

Questions for adults:

What powerful signs have you seen that God forgives us and heals us?

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Mass Schedule

Ash Wednesday

8:40 a.m. Opelousas Catholic Mass
12:10 p.m. Parishioners Mass
5:30 p.m. Parishioners Mass

Lenten Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday – 12:10 p.m. in Church

Stations of the Cross followed by Adoration and Benediction

Fridays – 6:00 p.m.
Religious Education Children are expected to attend as part of the Religious Instruction.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.
Weekdays: 11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**City Wide Penance Service... St. Landry Church
April 6, 2009 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Parishioners are asked to come to confession **before** Wednesday, April 8, 2009, which is the **last day for confession** before the Easter Vigil on April 11, 2009. The Easter Vigil begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 9, 2009. Confessions are suspended during the Easter Vigil and will resume on Easter Monday, April 13, 2009.

Lenten Mission

A Mission is scheduled for Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday; March 23-24-25, 2009 with Father Mark Thibodeaux, S.J. as the Director. The Mission begins at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars.

**MASS
INTENTIONS**



**FOR THE
WEEK**

Saturday, February 21 4:00 p.m. M/M Clayton Titard, Jeanette Lalonde, Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Kourtney Valin Rose, Souls in Purgatory, Amy Wagley
Sunday, February 22 8:00 a.m. Eddie (BD) & Dorothy Beaugh, Dalton Olivier & Jeanette Angelle, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Carol Pitre, Frances Reed
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard, Marian Smith, Deanna Dohmann Chachere, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey & Joyce Hollier
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lester & Judy (DA) LeJeune
Monday, February 23 12:30 p.m. Linda Artall (BD) & Fly.
Tuesday, February 24 NO MASS
Wednesday, February 25 12:10 p.m. Lee (DA), Vivian & Kristie Artigue, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Sam (BD) & Helen Guillory, Eugene Hebert
Thursday, February 26 12:10 p.m. Souls in Purgatory
Friday, February 27 12:10 p.m. Special Intention
Saturday, February 28 4:00 p.m. M/M Clayton Titard, Jeanette Lalonde, Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr., Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Dr. Richard W. Hargroder, Velma & Patsy Gail Boss, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Amy Wagley, Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, February 29 8:00 a.m. Howard & Mable Richard, M/M John FaKouri, John. Jr. & Jacob, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Alton & Elizabeth Joubert, Carol Pitre, M/M Pierre Hebert, Frances Reed, Eugene Hebert
10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Deanna Dohmann Chachere, Allen Richard, Bobbie, Julie & Ruth Mouton Steve & Ronnie Ardoin & The Ryder Fly., Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe
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 March 1
St. Landry Church Maintenance Fund**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God

Regular Offertory Collection	\$3,596.45
Maintenance & Repair Fund.....	\$90.00
Bishops Service Appeal.....	\$20.00
Assistance to the Poor	\$73.00
Catholic Relief	\$8.00
Opelousas Catholic Foundation	\$675.56

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, Feb 24	OFFICE CLOSED
Friday, Feb. 27	6:00 p.m. Way of The Cross

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.

**RETURNED TO CHRIST THROUGH DEATH
Nolton Sittig III**

Lord, grant that we may hold dear the memory of your servant, never bitter for what we have lost nor in regret of the past, but always in hope of the eternal kingdom where you will bring us together again. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Mason Alsandor, Bonnie Amy, Leola Arnaud, Ella Attole, Mary Bertha Attole, Angela Aymond, Nela Badeaux, 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 Deballion, Lillian Delafosse, Sue Deville, Sharon Doucet, Carl Dupre, Raymond Dupre, Georgia Fiegel, Harold Fontenot, Joseph L. Fontenot, Larry J. Fontenot, Catherine Fournier, Dempsey Fuselier, Lauren Gimenez, 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 Lanclos, Raymond Lashute, Audra LeJeune, Dotty & Floyd Laverne, Glenn Laverne, Renella Laverne, Dustin Lavoie, Dorothy LeBlanc, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Therese Leger, Tony Leger, Tonya Londerno, Emma Rosemary Ludeau, Andre Magallanes, Therese Major, Mary Martin, Connor Miller, Mistic & 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 Paternostro, 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, Bobby 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

A special mass will be held in the OC chapel at 6:45AM on Ash Wednesday for the maintenance and cafeteria staff. Masses for the remainder of Lent in the chapel for students, staff, parents, and friends will be on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00AM and on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:20AM.

Registration for 2009-2010 is in progress. Call Barbara Fontenot, bookkeeper, at 942-5404 ext. 101 for more information.

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	Annual Day of Recollection
WHEN	Thursday, February 26
WHERE	St. Edmond's Church, Lafayette
COST	\$9.00 in advance
CONTACT	Ms. Simon 232-2849

THANK YOU

Dear Bereavement Committee,
Thank you so much for the large platters of sandwiches and cookies that you sent to the funeral home.
Your sympathy and kindness means a tremendous amount to all of us and is greatly appreciated.
Sincerely, Frances Reed Family.

MUCH THANKS

The Catholic Daughters of St. Landry Court 119 wishes to thank everyone who helped to make our recent gumbo fundraiser a success. We appreciate your support

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Church.....Eugene, Genie & Jonie Hebert
Chapel.....Emma Rosemary Ludeau

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group IVSarah Wagley, Week of Feb. 28, 2009
Group VBetty Leleux, Week of Mar. 7, 2009