YEAR OF ST. PAUL

OUR MOTHER

Mary is Mother of the Savior. Just as obviously, however, we can and must affirm that she is our Mother because, by living her very special maternal relationship with the Son, she shared in his mission for us and for the salvation of all people. Homily for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.
December 31, 2007

MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING

God bless you on this Mother's Day,
God guide you always on life's way,
and may His Love for you impart
true happiness unto your hearts.

Happy Mother's Day!

GRADUATION

St. Landry Church Parishioners offer words of congratulation to all graduates – High school and College and University. While many times we focus on graduations as completion of study, let us see it as a commencement of activity. It begins a new aspect of life. It may be more school; it may be military service; it may be professional work. Graduation is the time to look ahead, seeing what we can do for society and for God. May God bless each and everyone with a sense of purpose and a strong desire to do God's will.

We suggest each graduate pray the following prayer:

Dear Jesus, you have blessed me with many gifts. The gift of an education provides me the skills to be a better person and 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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The nominating committee has come up with four candidates for election. However, it so happens that one other member of the Pastoral Council has chosen to step down and three were to be elected. This means that the four nominated are appointed without election as there are four positions to fill. These new members are Mr. Dwayne Joubert, Mr. Richard LaFleur, Mr. Kenny Moreau, and Mrs. Cindy Prather. Please find inserted with this bulletin information on these new members.

LENTEN MISSION

This past Lent, Father Mark Thibodeaux, S.J. conducted a Parish Mission on the topics of "Cloister, Community, and Hospitality." As a way for us to keep the mission's message alive in our hearts, the handout for each session is inserted in the bulletin. This Sunday, "How to Have Daily Cloister Time With Jesus" is inserted. Next Sunday, "Session II: Community" will be inserted. On the 24th of May, "Session III: Hospitality" will be inserted. Parishioners are encouraged to leisurely reflect on these handouts. Let the content inspire us to grow in the Lord Jesus. Msgr. Romero

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR MAY

"That the laity and the Christian communities may be responsible promoters of priestly and religious vocations."

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING
Week of MAY 10, 2009

Reading I Acts 9:26-31
Saul spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord.

Psalm 22 "I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people."

Reading II 1 John 3:18-24
We should believe in the name of Jesus Christ and love one another.

Gospel John 15: 1-8
"I am the vine, you are the branches."

THEME:
I Am The Vine, You Are The Branches

A marvelous image of the Church is set before us in today's readings. Jesus refers to himself as the vine and calls his followers the branches. Saint Paul, who once persecuted the early Christians---in a sense, attempting to sever the branches—is converted to Christ and begins to proclaim boldly the name of the Lord. The Church is made up of a wide variety of people who together make up this glorious vine that bears the fruits of justice and peace, forgiveness and reconciliation, comfort and consolation.

Question for Children:
How do you keep yourself connected to Jesus in your daily **life?**
Question for Youth:
Jesus is the vine and we are the branches, connected to Him as our life-source. When do you feel most connected to Jesus in your everyday life? How can you go there more often?
Question for Adults:
How does your own connection to Christ, the vine, affect your daily life? What image from this reading helps you see the importance of this connection to Christ?

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP JARRELL

In view of the fact that there are confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza in the Lafayette area, I hereby issue the following directives for all Churches in the Diocese of Lafayette.

1. The faithful should not attend Mass or other services if they have symptoms of Influenza. They should be reminded that it is not sinful to miss Mass when one is sick. Remaining at home under these circumstances is an act of charity.
2. All ministers of Communion, ordinary and extraordinary, are to sanitize their hands immediately before and immediately after distributing Holy Communion. Pastors should make alcohol-based sanitizers available.
3. Holy Communion shall be offered to the faithful only in the form of the consecrated bread.
4. It is recommended that the faithful receive Holy Communion in the hand.
5. For the greeting of peace or any other prescribed greetings, physical contact should be avoided. A nod or bow may be substituted.

These directives are in effect until May 29, 2009. Let us pray for all who are ill and for good health for all of our brothers and sisters.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Church.....All Mothers-Living & Deceased
Chapel .....All Graduates of The Parish

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group I .....Alverda Deshotels, Week of May 16, 2009
Group II.....Pap Roy, Week of May 23, 2009

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 9 .....4:00 p.m. Clayton & Mary (DA) Titard, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Jimmie Roland Greco (BD), Dr. Richard W. Hargroder, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Jeanette Lalonde, Gil Deville, Sr., Alex Robertson, Mary J. LaFond, DC
Sunday, May 10 .....8:00 a.m. Eddie & Dorothy Beaugh, M/M John FaKouri, John, Jr., & Jacob, Dalton Olivier & Jeanette Angelle, Hilary Dupre & Carolyn Arnaud, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Noemie Greco & Laura Thibodeaux, Edna & Jules Gaspard & Marilyn DeCuir, Carol Pitre, M/M Pierre Hebert, Burke & Frances Reed, Helen & Sam Guillory, Eugene, Genie & Jonie Hebert, Charles, Hazel & Floyd Leger, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Paul Sylvain Fontenot, Henry & Lillia Fontenot, Robert & Verlie Joubert, Velma & Patsy Gail Boss, Edna Gaspard & Marilyn DeCuir
10:00 a.m. ..... Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Mrs. Leroy (Gail) Marks, Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey & Joyce Hollier, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Lillie Guilbeau, CDA Residents @ Local Nursing Homes, Bobbie & Julie Mouton, Steve & Ronnie Ardoin, The Ryder Family, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe
5:00 p.m. ..... St. Landry Church Parishioners, Ludy David Latiolais, Lee Martin
Monday, May 11 .....12:10 p.m. Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr.
Tuesday, May 12 .....NO MASS
Wednesday, May 13 .....12:10 p.m. Sol Reed
Thursday, May 14 .....12:10 p.m Souls in Purgatory
Friday, May 15 .....12:10 p.m. Ludy David Latiolais (DA)
Saturday, May 16 .....4:00 p.m. Jill J. Boullion (BD) & Fly., M/M Clayton Titard, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Dr. Richard W. Hargroder, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, James G. & Bertha C. Firmin, Jeanette Lalonde, James E. Martin, Souls in Purgatory, Joseph LaFond Family
Sunday, May 17 .....8:00 a.m. Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Carol Pitre, Frances Reed, Sylvain Fontenot
10:00 a.m. ..... Daniel Lagrange, Sr., Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Charlie, Hazel& Floyd Leger, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe
5:00 p.m. ..... St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin

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 May 16
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – CCD

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Regular Offertory Collection $6,229.55
Maintenance & Repair Fund.....$1,697.35
Opelousas Catholic School $13.00
Bishops Services Appeal.....$5.00

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, May 12	6.00 p.m.	CDA
Wednesday, May 13	6.00 p.m.	Rel. Ed. Grades 1-8 Assessments Tests
Thursday, May 14	7.00 p.m.	K.C. Council Meeting
Friday, May 15	7:00 p.m.	O.C. Graduation

Welcome Into Our Catholic Family by the Sacrament of Baptism

Coby Mark & Kyle Anthony Johnson
sons of
Timothy and Rachal Kidder Johnson

Returned to Christ through Death

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

Henrietta Christ Childs

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Mason Alsandor, Bonnie Amy, Winnie Ardoin, 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, Paula Bienvenu, Mary Aline Bihm, Lillie Briggs, Jared Broussard, Estelle Chautin, Peggy Chelette, Johnny Clary, Peter Lloyd Cormier, Franklin Courville, Ward Courville, Lisa Curley, Shelton Daigle, Robert Danaher, Angela Dautrueil, Mrs. Billy Dean, Hilda Deballion, Lillian Delafosse, Sue Deville, Sharon Doucet, Carl Dupre, Raymond Dupre, Georgia Fiegel, Harold Fontenot, Joseph L. Fontenot, Larry J. Fontenot, Dempsey Fuselier, Lauren Giminez, Paula Graffagnino, George Gremillion, Larry Greer, Elaine L Guillory, Louis Guillory, The T. Guillory Family, Gabrielle Marie Hanson, Brooke Hargroder, Sydney Harmon, Andrea Hernanndez, Glenda Hicks, Lauren Margaret Higginbotham, Creighton Hoffpauir, Doris Hudspeth, Annie & Austin Jagneaux, Richard Jeffers, Logan Joubert, Juliette Kaufmann, Agnes Kidder, Brenda Lafleur, Aline Lafond, Anita Labbe Lanclos, Laura Lanclos, Janice Roy Landry, Raymond Lashute, Glenn Lavergne, Lillie Mae Lavergne, Renella Lavergne, Dustin Lavoie, Dorothy LeBlanc, Mary Alice LeBlanc, Phyllis Cormier LeBlanc, Therese Leger, Tony Leger, Deacon Tom Lindsey, Tonya Londerno, Andre Magallanes, Mary Martin, Connor Miller, Mistric & Prudhomme Families, Byron Miller, Jeffery Miller, Shirley Morris, Julie Mouton, James Naquin, Dot Nezat, Craig Ortego, Delores 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, Phillip Prejean, Brandon Prudhomme, Joseph James Robin, Maxine Robison, 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, Betty Vidrine, 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

OC CORNER

OC is happy to announce its official "Groundbreaking Ceremony" on Thursday at 10:00 am on the campus to celebrate the beginning of the school's revitalization made possible by the 150th Anniversary Capital Campaign.

Other important events taking place this week include the Athletic Awards Banquet on Monday at 6:00 pm; Senior Awards Banquet on Wednesday at 7:00 pm; and Graduation Mass on Friday at 7:00 pm in St. Landry Church celebrated by Bishop Michael Jarrell.

Happy Mother's Day to all! Consider a gift to the Angel Appeal Drive in honor (or in memory) of your mother!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

WHAT: Support Group for Singles, Divorced, Widowed
Healing Ministry NOT a social activity
WHERE: St. Anthony's Catholic Church Hall
Eunice, La.
MORE INFO: 457-7637 or 457-4087

MAY-----MONTH OF MARY

All parishioners are invited to pray the rosary every Monday evening in May at 5:30 pm in honor of our Blessed Mother. The Catholic Daughters will gather at the grotto behind St. Landry Church for the rosary.

Everyone is welcome to come; bring your own intentions and join them in praying the rosary.

Don't forget your lawn chairs!

THANK YOU

Thank each and everyone within the group for the prayers, thoughts and the special Mass for our father. It is comforting to know that a select few donate their time to doing God's will.
Gil Deville Sr. Family