



YEAR OF ST. PAUL

THE CALL

Paul explicitly defines himself as “apostle by vocation: (cf. Rom 1:1; 1Cor 1:1) or “apostle by the will of God” (2 Cor 1:1; Eph 1:1; Col 1:1), as if to emphasize that his conversion was not the result of a development of thought or reflection, but the fruit of divine intervention, an unforeseeable, divine grace .Pope Benedict XVI’s address to the general audience 25 October 2006

**SPECIAL YEAR DEDICATED FOR PRIESTS
PROCLAIMED BY POPE BENEDICT XVI
Msgr. Romero**

On March 16, 2009, Pope Benedict XVI announced that he will proclaim a special Year for Priests beginning on June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010. The theme of this Year for Priests is “Faithfulness of Christ, faithfulness of priests.”

There are a few events coming together. We celebrate the 150th anniversary of the death of the saintly Cure’ of Ars, St. John Mary Vianney. We celebrate on June 19, 2009, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. We celebrate a special Year for Priests.

While we all have a participation in the common priesthood of the faithful by reception of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation [Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist], the ministerial priesthood is the focus of the Year for Priests. We strive to deepen our knowledge of Christ’s intention when He instituted the Ordained Priesthood at the Last Supper. This deeper knowledge is meant for the priest to rediscover and grow with more intensity in his life. The whole church is called to understand and appreciate the need for ministerial priesthood. Without the Ministerial Priest, there is no Eucharist, no church.

The Holy Father points out four dimensions. These are ecclesial, communal, hierarchical, and doctrinal. However, I can best summarize by stating what I ask the first Communion students. “ When I pray the words “this is my body”, “this is my blood” at Mass, why is it Jesus’ Body and Blood?” Why is it not Msgr. Romero’s body and blood?” The answer is that I stand in the place of Jesus Christ at the altar. It is Jesus Christ’s Body and Blood, because there is one priest, Jesus Christ himself. I take his place because I am ordained and set aside in the church to be in the place of Christ as Head of the Church. This is a new life, a new way of life that is special to the ministerial priest. This is an aspect the priests of the church are called by, Pope Benedict, to make more intensely their own. It is the life of Jesus Christ in his love for the church. It is the church’s, that is those in the common priesthood of the faithful, to appreciate in the ministerial priest at the altar, Christ’s love for the church and the church’s love for Christ.

In addition, Pope Benedict XVI will name St. John Vianney patron of all priests, not just patron of diocesan priests. St. John Vianney lived the theme for the Year for Priests. That theme is “Faithfulness of Christ, faithfulness of priests”. In his own person, the church sees in St. John Vianney the faithfulness of Christ. In his own person, the church sees in St. John Vianney the faithfulness of priests to Christ and to Church. St. John Vianney’s ministry is filled with a dedication and love for Christ and for everyone to love Christ themselves. Pope Benedict XVI then hopes the whole church will be more dedicated to Christ in every parishioner’s life as the priests of the church strive to intensify their life with Jesus Christ and as parishioners see the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the life of every ordained priest.

At St. Landry Church, on the side where Mary’s altar is, we have a statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to the left of Mary’s altar as we view the altar from the pews. We also have a statue of St. John Vianney on the wall to the right of Mary’s altar as we view the altar from the pews. You may notice that we may turn the statue of St. John Vianney facing the congregation. We also will try to highlight the statue of St. John Vianney during the Year for Priests.

**READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING
Week of JUNE 14, 2009**

- Reading I Exodus 24:3-8
“This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you.”
- Psalm 116 “I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.”
- Reading II Hebrews 9:11-15
The blood of Christ will cleanse our consciences.
- Gospel Mark 14:12-16, 22-26
This is my body. This is my blood of the covenant...

THEME:

Jesus Is Our Food For The Journey

Today’s Gospel tells the story of the preparation of the place where Jesus and his disciples were to eat the Last Supper. During that meal, the new covenant in Christ’s blood was established as an everlasting covenant that we celebrate to this day. As today’s Gospel is proclaimed, let us remember that it is at the table of the Eucharist that we can truly be transformed. Here at this table we taste newness of life.

Question for Children:
Why do you like receiving Holy Communion?

Question for Youth:
What does it mean for you that the bread and wine becomes Jesus’ Body and Blood during the liturgy of the Eucharist?

Question for Adults:
When you receive Holy Communion and hear the words “Body of Christ; Blood of Christ”, what are some of the thoughts and feelings that you have?

**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 stormless eternity awaits us. AMEN

ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group VINorma Hargroder, Week of June 20, 2009
- Group VII.....Gwen Fruge, Week of June 27, 2009



MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 13 4:00 p.m. M/M Clayton Titard, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Jeanette Lalonde, Donald Hollier

Sunday, June 14 8:00 a.m. Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Carol Pitre, Burke & Frances Reed, Paul Sylvain Fontenot, Donald Hollier, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Ita & Carl Dupre, Clay (DA) & J.C. Billeaudeau, Thomas Artall (BD) & Fly.

10:00 a.m. Daniel Lagrange, Sr. Oliver & Dully Fruge, Charlie, Hazel & Floyd Leger, Wilfred, Annette, Richard & Marian Smith, Dr Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Lillie Guilbeau, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Goldie Young (DA)

5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, Jackie Benoit

Monday, June 15 12:10 p.m. Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen Jr., Donald Hollier

Tuesday, June 16 NO MASS
Wednesday, June 17 12:10 p.m. Christian M. Miller (BD), Ernie & Steven (BD) McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey & Joyce Hollier, Donald Hollier

Thursday, June 18 12:10 p.m. Donald Hollier
Friday, June 19 12:10 p.m. Alex Robertson (DA), Donald Hollier

Saturday, June 20 4:00 p.m. M/M Clayton Titard, Glenn & Vickie Vidrine, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Jeanette Lalonde, James E. Martin, Katherine Reed (DA), Donald Hollier, L. J. Dossmann, Ben & Elda Perry, Topsy & Ethel Perry, Erick Nezat, Douglas P. Stevens

Sunday, June 21 8:00 a.m. M/M John FaKouri, John, Jr. & Jacob, Hilary Dupre, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Wayne Dupre, Frank Greco & Ervin Thibodeaux, Carol Pitre, M/M Pierre Hebert, M/M E.J. Leonard, Burke & Frances Reed, Eugene, Genie & Jonie Hebert, Alexis, Carl, Curley & Velma Lanclos, Souls In Purgatory, Allen Hudspeth, Sr., Van, Edward & Allen, Jr., Rodney Stelly & Howard Hidalgo, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, M/M Henry Fontenot & Fly., M/M Robert Joubert & Fly.

10:00 a.m. Allen Richard, Mrs. Leroy (Gail) Marks, Wilfred, Annette, Marian & Richard Smith, Walfred LeBlanc, Sr. & Wally, Hazel, Charlie & Floyd Leger, James G. & Bertha C. Firmin, Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey & Joyce Hollier, Alex Robertson, Dr. Sidney & Alice Rozas & Dr. Dudley & Putsy Bienvenu, Earlie Ray Savoy, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. & Doris H. Philippe, Agnes & Pat Doucet, Donald Hollier, Jackie Benoit, Clement Ned, Sr.
5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Lee Martin, Jackie Benoit, Ita & Carl Dupre

**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 21 JUNE 2009
Opelousas Catholic Foundation Fund**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God
Regular Offertory Collection\$5,938.65
Maintenance & Repair\$1,730.25
Thank you for your generosity!

Every Gift Comes From Above.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!!!

We are in need of new Altar Servers AT ALL MASSES!!!
A special invitation to those **NEWLY ELIGIBLE** boys and girls who have just completed the 4th grade!
A workshop will be scheduled in the near future.
Call Dwayne Joubert @594-8408 if interested.

ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

A day of prayer honoring Our Lady Queen of Peace will be held in St. Landry Catholic Church on 25 June beginning at 10:00 am. For more information call Renella Lavergne @ 942-6325 or Lois @ 942-6552.

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, Shirley Metrejean Blackwell, Jared Broussard, Estelle Chautin, Peggy Chelette, Johnny Clary, Peter Lloyd Cormier, Ward Courville, Lisa Curley, Shelton Daigle, Robert Danaher, Angela Dautrueil, Hilda Debillion, Lillian Delafosse, Sue Deville, Sharon Doucet, Carl Dupre, Raymond Dupre, Tristan Estes, Georgia Fiegel, Harold Fontenot, Joe 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 Hernandez, Glenda Hicks, Lynwood Hidalgo, Lauren Margaret Higginbotham, Creighton Hoffpauir, Torris Hornsby, Doris Hudspeth, Annie & Austin Jagneaux, Dick Jefferies, Logan Joubert, Juliette Kaufmann, Agnes Kidder, Gerald Kidder, Brenda Lafleur, Aline Lafond, Anita Labbe Lanclos, Laura Lanclos, 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 Londero, Andre Magallanes, 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 Paternestro, Johnny Pellerin, Gentry Peltier, Tracie Peltier, Keith Perry, Mary Perry, Irene Pitre, Marla Lafleur Pitre, Ruby Pitre, Brandon Prudhomme, Joseph James Robin, Maxine Robison, Ruby Romero, Rose Ryder, Marie Saucier, Harold Savoy, Anna Belle Soileau, Bobby Soileau, Elaine Soileau, Stephanie Soileau, Aaron Stelly, Annabelle Stelly, Erika Stelly, Melanie Stoute, Elizabeth Kate Sumer, Adolph Taylor Sr., Russell Thibodeaux, Beryl Trahan, 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

The 2009 Commencement announced the following prestigious awards:
American Legion Awards: Hilary Tuttle and Logan Perry, 4 Yr. Religion Awards: Taylor King and Wesley Guidroz.
OC continues to receive gifts for the 2009 Angel Appeal Drive. Those gifts received by 19 June will be acknowledged in the summer SAGA newsletter under the designated giving level.
Mail your gift, small or large, to the OC Development Office at 428 East Prudhomme St. in Opelousas.
God Bless!

Planning a Summer Trip?

Do not take a vacation from Mass!
Traveling Catholics offer nationwide Mass times & locations. Call 1-800-627-7846 or check the internet @ www.masstimes.org

NOTICE

The First Holy Eucharist pictures and the Pictorial Directory of the Parishioners of St. Landry are still in the office patiently waiting to be picked up. Please see about this soon.

Registration is on-going for Religious Education (grades 1-8). Classes will begin 13 July at 8:00am.
A copy of your child’s Baptism certificate is required.
The fees are as follows: 1 child---\$15.00
2 or more children---\$30.00

ATTENTION ALL CATHOLIC MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Any licensed mental health professional who is interested in being part of the counseling referral list for the Office of Family Life, please call 261-5653 to make an appointment with our director, Fr. Jude Halphen, to discuss the professional services you have to offer.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

ChurchKatherine Reed
ChapelProtection From Hurricanes

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