



YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Faithfulness of Christ, faithfulness of priests

The only legitimate ascent towards the shepherd's ministry is the Cross. This is the true way to rise, this is the true door. It is not the desire to become "someone" for oneself, but rather to exist for others, for Christ, and thus through him and with him to be there for the people he seeks, whom he wants to lead on the path of life.

LENT, 2010

Lenten Mission - February 22, 23, and 24



A Lenten Mission is scheduled at St. Landry Catholic Church on Monday, Feb. 22, Tuesday, Feb. 23, and Wednesday Feb. 24 2010 at 6:30 PM. Pope Benedict XVI's homily at the mass for the ordination of priests. . . May 7, 2006.

Presenter: Father Jerome Neyrey, S.J.

Title: The Paschal Mystery: What the New Testament and the Early Church have to say about the Death and Resurrection of Jesus

Contents:

1st night: Monday, Feb. 22 - Despising the Shame of the Cross

2nd night: Tuesday, Feb. 23 - Looking at the Cross as the Early Church Did

3rd night: Wednesday, Feb. 24 - You killed him, God raised him: What do Christians say about Jesus who was raised?

Father Jerome Neyrey, a native of New Orleans, entered the Jesuits in 1957. He received academic degrees of a B.A. at St. Louis University, two Masters of Theology at Regis College in Toronto, and a Ph.D. at Yale University. He taught for 14 years at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology and 15 years at the Notre Dame University in South Bend, IN, from which he retired May 2007. As professors must, he taught for 36 years at all levels: undergraduate – masters – doctoral students. He published books and especially articles which are available full text at www.nd.edu/~jneyrey1. He is a recent president of the Catholic Biblical Association. As a "retired" Jesuit, he took up a new ministry, that of preaching retreats at Our Lady of the Oaks, Grand Coteau LA. Most importantly, he is an avid bird watcher, a stamp collector, and a glutton for fiction, good and bad.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING
Week of Feb. 21, 2010

- Reading I Deuteronomy 26:4-10**
The Lenten fast, like the Exodus, leads to a land flowing with milk and honey.
- Psalm 91** "Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble".
- Reading II Romans 10:8-13**
The journey of faith is open to all.
- Gospel Luke 4:1-13**
The fast can be a sign that we live on more than bread.

THEME:

Lent is time to open our hearts more fully to Jesus.

Real conversion begins when we recall the deeds God has accomplished throughout salvation history, as well as in the histories of our own faith journeys. Today's sacred word summons us to remembrance and strengthens us in our own deserts of temptation. As the word is proclaimed, we humbly ask for this strength and, echoing the words of the psalmist, ask the Lord to be with us in times of trouble.

Questions of the week

Question for Children:

When you feel tempted to do wrong, how do you remain strong in your faith?

Question for Youth:

What is one thing you will do during Lent to become more open to God in your life?

Question for Adults:

As you come to understand the temptation of Jesus in the desert, which one of the devil's offerings is hardest for you to resist?

Forming Good Stewards

"When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time." Luke 4:1-13

Now there's a scary thought. Jesus, the Word made Flesh, Son of God, and Son of Mary, is tempted by the devil—not just once, but again and again. How was Jesus really tempted?

Turn stones into bread. That is a temptation to acquire material security and financial wealth. The Holy Land is full of stones. Turning stones into bread would have made Jesus very wealthy.

All the kingdoms in the world...will be yours.

That is temptation to use wealth to gain power over others. Tyrants, large and small, national and in families, use wealth to control others. Many people live in poverty and fear of a tyrant who has political and military power. Some people spend their lives catering to the whims of the person who controls a family's fortune.

Throw yourself down and the angels will protect you.

This is the most sinister temptation of all. To do something that will amaze people so you can gain control over their minds and hearts and souls. In various ways, we constantly face these same temptations in our lives.

How do we deal with them? Jesus resisted them again and again. As his disciples, we must do the same.

Lent progressively leads us to Christ's ultimate expression of love in his personal sacrifice of life. Each person is at a different point of his/her spiritual journey this Lent over prior Lents. Consider what you have learned and how you have grown this past year. Bring love to others in daily living by reflecting the face of Jesus in all you do. God bless you.

ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group VII**Gwen Fruge, Week of Feb. 27, 2010
- Group I**Alverda Deshotels, Week of Mar. 6, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, Feb. 20** 4:00 p.m. Francis J. Bertrand Sr., Jeanette Lalonde, Special Intention, Bobbie Mouton (BD), James E. Martin, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Therese Pollingue, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Noeli Andrus, Sue Deville
- Sunday, Feb. 21** 8:00 a.m. Youle and Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St.Amand, M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull, J.Y. Fontenot, Ethel Soileau, Harold Savoy
- 10:00 a.m.** Wilfred, Annette, Richard, and Marian Smith, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Percy Credeur, Earl Briggs, Clarence Dye
- 5:00 p.m.** St. Landry Church Parishioners, Jackie Benoit, Evie B. Soileau
- Monday, Feb. 22** 12:10 p.m. J.Y. Fontenot, Judy LeJeune (DA)
- Tuesday, Feb. 23** 12:10 p.m. Eula Savoie, J.Y. Fontenot
- Wednesday, Feb. 24** 12:10 p.m. J.Y. Fontenot
- Thursday, Feb. 25** 12:10 p.m. Lee (BD), Vivian and Kristie Artigue, Linda (BD) Artall and family, J.Y. Fontenot
- Friday, Feb. 26** 12:10 p.m. Una L. Moreau, M/M Rene Brasseaux, M/M John Marino, Layton Brasseaux, J.Y. Fontenot
- Saturday, Feb. 27** 4:00 p.m. Francis J. Bertrand Sr., Jeanette Lalonde, Special Intention, Velma and Patsy Gail Boss, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Lee Martin, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Martin and Angela Cosgrove, Therese Pollingue
- Sunday, Feb. 28** 8:00 a.m. Angela Aymond, Youle and Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St.Amand, Ethel Soileau
- 10:00 a.m.** Wilfred, Annette, Richard, and Marian Smith, Allen Richard, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Earl Briggs
- 5:00 p.m.** St. Landry Church Parishioners, Jackie Benoit

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

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- Bishop's Services Appeal\$475.33



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Second Collection

Week of February 28, 2010
Eastern Europe & Africa

Reminders for the week

- Monday, February 22** 5:30pm Choir Practice
6:00pm Rel. Ed.
6:30pm Mission
- Tuesday, February 23** 6:30pm RCIA
6:30pm Parish Mission
- Wednesday, Feb. 24** 6:30pm Parish Mission
- Friday, Feb.26** 8:30am Elem. Mass
6:00pm Way of the Cross

Returned to Christ Through Death

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

A.B."Bernard" Reed Jr.and Joyce Cortez Dupre

O Lord, grant to those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this.

OC SPRING DINNER

Bar-B-Que chicken or pork dinners on Sunday, March 7, at a cost of \$6.00 per dinner. Serving from 10:30am until 1:00pm. Tickets available from OC students or at the school.

Prayer Intentions

Kaleb Amond, Anna Lee Beadle, Mary Joubert Bihm, Chris Brewster, Adrienne Savoy Campbell, Kirk Courville, Robert Danaher, Paul Franks, Lani George, Frank Miller, Julie Mouton, Lilly Ann McKinney, Mary Jane Scherer, Grace Soileau, Patrick Steward Jr.

It is Diocesan policy that to put someone on the Prayer List, you must first have his or her permission.

Around the Diocese

Jesus Spirituality Center

An individually directed retreat will be held on-March 3; March 8-17 and Holy Week, March 25-April 3.

Come and See Retreat:

March 26-28 (Friday through Saturday) for men, high school age and up at St. Joseph Seminary College in Covington, La.

There is no cost and transportation is provided. Meet with the faculty and seminarians. Enjoy great food and fun as well as pray about a priestly vocation.

Register as soon as possible and no later than March 15.

Contact Fr. Aaron Melancon at 261-5690 for more information.

Divine Mercy Conference...Plan Ahead

The Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette sponsors an annual celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

The Regional Celebration will include a one-day Divine Mercy Conference on Saturday, April 10, 2010.

The scheduled speakers for this one-day conference are Rev. Hampton Davis; Rev. Michael Champagne; Immaculee Llibagiza (Rwandan Genocide Survivor & Author); Marcus Grodi (Convert & Founder of "Coming Home Network International); Dr. Bryan Thatcher, MD (Founder of Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy); and Annie Karto, Catholic Singer/Songwriter).

The cost is \$25.00 and registration forms are available at Valentin Hall.

For information or to register, contact Mary Bergeron (654-8682) or visit www.centralreligiononline.org

Matthew Kelly Event:

Australian-born bestselling author and gifted speaker Matthew Kelly will speak in Lafayette on Sunday, April 11 and Monday, April 12 at 7:00pm. The event will be held at St. Thomas More High School. Admission is free and open to all.

Sunday night's talk is entitled "A Call for Joy" while Monday night's talk will ask "What holds you back?"

For more information, call 232-4656

O.C. Corner

OC is expecting a visit of 32 French students and their 4 teachers from the Catholic High School, Lycee Sainte Marie de Port, off the western coast of France. OC French I and II students have been exchanging emails with them. OC French teacher, Celine Alis, PH.D. is still seeking host families for their visit from March 23 to April 1. Please call her at 942-5404 ext. 227 if you can help.

Registration for new students is now in progress for 2010-2011. Call the school at 942-5404 ext. 101 for more information.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH.....For the Bereaved
CHAPEL.....Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

