



YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Faithfulness of Christ, faithfulness of priests

Listening to God and obeying him has nothing to do with external constraint and the loss of oneself. Only by entering into God's will do we attain our identity. Our world today needs the testimony of this experience precisely because of its desire for "self-realization" and "self-determination".

Pope Benedict XVI's homily at Vespers with clergy and religious at Mariazell, Austria on September 8, 2007.

Ordinations to the Priesthood

On Saturday, June 5, 2010, Bishop Jarrell ordains three men to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. They are Deacons Corey Campeaux, Kendal Faulk, and Jared Suire. Two of the three served here at St. Landry as Seminarians, that being Corey and Jared. The ordination is at the Cathedral of St. John in Lafayette at 10:00 a.m. Please keep all three in your prayers.

A Seminarian for this summer

A Seminarian is appointed for St. Landry Church for the summer. He is Alex Albert. He is a student at St. Joseph Seminary College. During the first few weeks of June, he will be chaplain at the Scouts Camp at Mountain Bayou. We will see him maybe on weekends and then full time when the Camp is over.

New Pastor Appointed

Msgr. Romero

As announced last weekend, I am being transferred to Eunice and Duralde. Bishop Jarrell has asked me to be the Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Eunice and Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Duralde. That is right, two (2) church parishes. Bishop Jarrell has appointed Father James Brady to be Pastor of St. Landry Parish in Opelousas. The date that the appointments are effective is on June 22, 2010.

God challenged me on Friday, May 21, 2010. The gospel reading for the mass on that day (Friday of Seventh Week of Easter, Year II) was John 21:15-19. It is the gospel where Jesus asks Peter three times "do you love me?" Peter says, "Yes, Lord ..." Jesus answers, "Feed my sheep." Then Jesus ends by saying, "Follow me."

As I was giving the homily, I realized the homily was for me. Jesus is the gateway to love. When we love Jesus, Jesus gives us something to do. In the doing, we follow Him. Bishop Jarrell's request was an opportunity to accept Jesus' love and then respond in love. It also becomes for me a time of pruning selfishness out of my life and letting love grow more intense. However, it is not just me, it is all parishioners also being challenged by Jesus to love Him as Jesus gives us a task. Then Jesus says to us, "Follow me". May we together ask Jesus, "Jesus, console us as we accept your invitation. Help us love you more intensely. Amen." [We love Jesus first. Then Jesus gives us a task. When we do the task in love, we follow Jesus.]

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of May 30, 2010

Reading I Proverbs 8:22-31
Holy Wisdom is God's playmate, God's creative companion

Psalms 8 "O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!"

Reading II Romans 5:1-5
Faith matures into a well-founded hope for God's promised glory.

Gospel John 16:12-15
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one in perfect communication.

THEME:

God is Love

Today we listen to words that reveal the marvelous works of our God--- Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, our hearts are opened to the transforming love of our God. Let our attentiveness to the sacred word be a sign of our praise and gratitude to God for sending the Lord Jesus to be our redeemer and friend.

Questions of the week

Question for Children:

God fills us with love.

This week, how will you show your family---your mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparents, cousins---that you love them as God loves them?

Question for Youth:

When Jesus left the world, He sent the Holy Spirit to be with us.

Have you ever given something important to someone else as a sign of your love for them?

Have you ever experienced the Holy Spirit as a similar gift to you?

Question for Adults:

Today we celebrate the relationship of love among the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

In what similar community of love do you live?

BULLETIN BITES

"Everything the Father has is mine..." John 16:12-15

We live in a world in which the spirit of competition is so strong that it is difficult for some people to acknowledge that they are not solely responsible for their achievements. We can be very presumptuous. Yet the manner in which we speak the words and phrases we use, our tone and dialect, come from the people who raise us, or from teachers who help us learn another way. People who are successful in business or sports owe much to the teachers, coaches, teammates, supervisors and co-workers who helped them on their journey to success.

The intimate, albeit mysterious, union of the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity, and our union with Jesus, is reflected in the words of Jesus, "Everything the Father has is mine, for this reason I told you He will take from what is mine and declare it to you." Do we demonstrate in the way we live that everything we have comes from God, belongs to God, and is intended to be used for ourselves and for others? Does our life reflect our gratitude to our Triune God for all that we have, are, and ever will be?

Summer Expressions

Ponder the daily activities surrounding a vocation as a priest, and as either a father or mother to a family. Pray that each may faithfully honor his or her vows/roles, accept responsibility, reflect love, and serve with a willingness to respond as called and needed.

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 29 4:00 p.m. James E. Martin, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Martin and Angela Cosgrove, Lee Martin, Ronnie J. Vidrine, Richard E. Savage, Jeanette Lalonde, Kelly Danaher, Earl (Bubba) Kidder Jr.

Sunday, May 30 8:00 a.m. Youle and Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Mary Joubert Bihm, Ezra, Velma (BD) Martin and Denise Hull, Lynch Sylvester, Debrah Faye Prejean

10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard, and Marian Smith, Allen Richard, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Dr. Dale Dupuis, Patsy Stelly

5:00 p.m. St. Landry Church Parishioners, Jackie Benoit, Harold Savoy

Monday, May 31 **Memorial Day - Office Closed NO MASS**

Tuesday, June 1 **NO MASS**

Wednesday, June 2 12:10 p.m. Una L. Moreau, Theresa D. Speyrer, Alexis (DA), Curley and Velma Lanclous, Irl White (BD)

Thursday, June 3 12:10 p.m. Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr., Mary Titard (BD), Wayne Wyble

Friday, June 4 12:10 p.m. Ethel L. Meaux, Lou Ella S. Lognion, Teddy J. Meaux, Walter Baillio (DA)

Saturday, June 5 4:00 p.m. M/M Robert Going Sr., James E. Martin, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Martin & Angela Cosgrove, Harold Savoy, Ronnie J. Vidrine, Lee Martin, Richard E. Savage, Jeanette Lalonde

Sunday, June 6 8:00 a.m. M/M John FaKouri Sr., John Jr. and Jacob, Una L. Moreau, Youle and Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. StAmand, Mary Joubert Bihm, M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull, Lynch Sylvester, Lydia Brasseaux, Alice Evelyn T. Batton, Debrah Faye Prejean

10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Bobbie & Julie Mouton, Steve & Ronnie Ardoin, the Rider family, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Wayne Wyble, Alex Chachere, Ronnie Zerangue, Dr. Dale Dupuis, Lucio Sanchez, Jack Robert, Patsy Stelly

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Your Stewardship To God

Regular Offertory Collection\$4,307.31
Opelousas Catholic Foundation\$589.89
Maintenance and Repair\$176.00
Cemetery Upkeep.....\$5.00

Every Gift Comes From Above.



Thank you for your generosity!

Reminders for the week

Monday, May 31 OFFICE CLOSED
5:30pm Choir Practice
6:00pm Rosary @ Grotto

Thursday, June 3 6:30pm Pre-Baptism Class

Friday, June 4 7:00am First Friday Adoration Begins
Saturday, June 5 8:00am First Saturday Mass
10:00am Ordination at St. John's Cathedral

NOTICE

The American Legion Post 45 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct a Memorial Day Ceremony after 10:00am Mass in front of Fr. Joseph V. LaFleur Monument on Sunday, May 30.
For more information, contact Ken Thibodeaux at 942-2736.

THANK YOU

A \$100.00 donation to St. Landry Parish Maintenance Fund was given in memory of
Ms. Alice Evelyn Titard Batton

Prayer Intentions

Kaleb Aymond, Anna Lee Beadle, Evelyn Bertrand, Chris Brewster, Kirk Courville, Loretta Crouch, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Shirley Emonet, Larry Fournier, Lani George, Lynwood Hidalgo, Agnes Kidder, Mrs. James Ivy Louviere, Frank Miller, Deacon John Miller, Julie Mouton, Kevin Prestenbach, Mary Jane Scherer, Novella Sebastien, Patrick Steward Jr., Warren Wyble

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

Special Needs Cursillo for Women

There is a Special Needs Cursillo for Women scheduled for July 22-25, 2010 at the Cursillo Center located in Prairie Rhonde, 3651 Hwy. 104, Opelousas. This special Cursillo is for anyone who wants to make a Cursillo, which is an experience of a deeper understanding of his or her Catholic faith and a way of learning to live more profoundly a life dedicated to Christ. This Cursillo will be at a slower pace for women of all ages and backgrounds. We are excepting physically handicap, as well as anyone who is elderly and the young who might have difficulty at a regular Cursillo.

For more information contact Gloria Matte (896-0524)

OC CORNER

Congratulations to the graduates of 2010 led by Valedictorian Elridge "Trey" Schwartzburg III; Salutatorian Laura Gerace; and Historian Jenny Hanna.

In the Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement, prestigious awards included **American Legion Award** to Nicole Barry and Trey Schwartzburg; **4 year Religion Awards** to Nicole Barry and Jason Howard;

Fr. J. Wilson Matt Scholarship to Nicole Barry.

Announced in recent Sports Banquet recognitions were:
Lady Viking of the Year, Ashleigh Wagley and Will Gibson
Viking of the Year. Scholastic Athletes, Laura Gerace and Trey Schwartzburg.

NOTICE

First Communion pictures are now in. Come to the office in Valentin Hall for them.
NOTE: The office is closed from 12 noon until 1:00pm and on Friday afternoon as well.

Returned to Christ through Death

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

Mildred Royer Guidry and Marie Grace Stelly Soileau

O 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

ENGAGED COUPLES

Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend** in preparation for your marriage.

Upcoming weekend dates are July 16-18; August 13-15 and September 10-12. For other dates and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org or to register call Tom and Geraldine Rizzuto at 337-984-7954.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCHTheresa Fontenot
CHAPELSafe Summer For Children

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group VII.....Gwen Fruge, Week of June 5, 2010
Group I.....Alverda Deshotels, Week of June 12, 2010