

The Pastor's Corner

Today, we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. We now enter a time of preparation and anticipation of the coming of Our Lord.

The world is already celebrating Christmas, with "black Friday" or "black Wednesday" last week. However, we know that in order to receive Jesus properly, we have to prepare for Him within our heart and soul.

There is no doubt, the world will try to tell us what Christmas means and how to celebrate it, but we as Christians know that the real meaning of Christmas is to receive the greatest gift of all: the gift of Christ Incarnate, our Savior, as a new born infant, who will transform our heart and soul. If we do not receive the grace of the Incarnate Word of God in the next few weeks, then we truly have lost the real meaning of Christmas.

Our job, over the next few weeks, is to keep our focus on that real meaning of Christmas, to prepare to receive Christ in prayer and by reflecting on our lives, and to receive Him in full at Christmas.

Fr. James Brady

Come Home for Christmas

As Advent approaches, we celebrate the coming of Jesus. During this particular season of the Liturgical Year, we are reminded of our family and friends who have drifted away from the church.

Once again, the Diocese of Lafayette will be sponsoring their annual "Come Home for Christmas Program". We want our brothers and sisters to return home to be with their spiritual family.

Every active Catholic is encouraged to invite someone to accompany them to Mass on Christmas Day. Offer to pick them up and bring them with you. Please pray for the success of this outreach.

We also encourage you to participate in your parish program by submitting to the church office, the name of a special friend or family member that you would like to invite to Come Home for Christmas.

Please submit the names and addresses by December 11th. If you prefer, the information made be dropped in the collection baskets on the weekends or mailed in.

Advent Holy Hour

Msgr. Keith DeRouen, Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Angels Church and Liturgist for the Diocese of Lafayette, will conduct a Holy Hour on the first Sunday of Advent, November 28th from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in Our Lady Queen of Angels Church.

During this Holy Hour, there will be exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and a presentation on the history and spiritual meaning of the Holy Season of Advent.

All are invited to attend.

Reminder from Fr. Brady

Please remember to join us for a social with coffee, juice and donuts after the 8am and 10am masses in the south sacristy.

ALL are welcome and it would be especially nice to meet our **new parishioners as well as visitors.**

CHILDREN: Don't forget to see Father after Mass and receive your Children's Bulletin!

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of November 28, 2010

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Reading I Isaiah 2:1a

They shall beat their swords into plowshares.

Psalm 122 "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord".

Reading II Romans 13:11-14

Now is the hour to awake from sleep.

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

The Son of Man will come at an hour you least expect.

THEME.

Waiting, hoping, and preparing

The rich feast of Advent scriptures is spread before us today as we hear the prophetic words of Isaiah. His vision of God's kingdom challenges us to work for peace and justice. In a time when war grips too many areas of the world, let us allow these words to prompt us to be real peacemakers in our homes, our places of work, and in our neighborhoods. As the sacred word of God is proclaimed, let us be alert, awaiting the very presence of Christ.

Bulletin Bites

"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace, we might do well to contemplate that moment when we actually meet Jesus face to face. Imagine that you are told that Jesus will come to meet you. You are taken to a vast open field and told that Jesus will approach from a certain direction. You train your eyes on the horizon and wait. Then, in a far distance, you see a figure moving toward you. As the figure gets closer, you begin to make out some features, such as height, gait, clothing, and more. As the person steadily walks closer, you can make out hair color and facial features. Suddenly, you realize that you know this person. It is someone you encountered who was in need of your assistance. There are two possibilities. You did help this person or you did not. Knowing it is Jesus who approaches, what do you hope you did? So we must always be prepared, for at an hour we do not expect, the Son of Man will come to us.

Pray for our Troops

Jonathan David Ardoin, Christopher Briley, Brandi Darbonne, Jacob DeKerlegand, Brian James Dendy, A.J. Korn, Andre Ledoux, Benjamin Pitre, Danny Pitre, Julian Wiltz
Please call the office (942-6552) to add names.

All Powerful God, we pray for your continued guidance and blessings on all who serve our country in the military.

Junior Catholic Daughters

The Jr. Catholic Daughters will have a living rosary on Sunday, December 5th, following the 5pm Mass at St. Landry Church.

All children, ages 7-14, members and non-members, are invited to participate. Please call Mary Joubert @ 594-8408 or Cindy Noel @ 942-5124 to sign up.

Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI

General: "That victims of drugs or of other dependence may, thanks to the support of the Christian community, find in the power of our saving God, strength for a radical life-change."

Mission: "That the Churches of Latin America may move ahead with the continent-wide mission proposed by their bishops, making it part of the universal missionary task of the People of God".

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Nov. 27 4:00 p.m. John H. Kewley (DA), Mary Joubert (BD) and family, Terry Dupre (DA), Anna Nhiem Pham, Velma and Patsy Gail Boss, Kelly Danaher, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Ronnie J. Vidrine, Dr. Richard Hargroder, Oscar, Agnes and Dr. Robert Lee Roy, Angela and Martin Cosgrove, Verlie Savoy, Jeanette Lalonde, M/M Lee Martin, Kirt Cormier, Gertrude Marks(DA)

Sunday, Nov. 28 8:00 a.m. Youle and Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard, Eddie DeKerlegand

10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Grace Soileau, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Frank Miller, Eumae Dupuis, M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull, Hilda Trosclair and family

5:00 p.m. St. Landry Catholic Church Parishioners, Harold Savoy, Francis Crofton (BD)

Monday, Nov. 29 12:10 p.m. James E. Martin, Sarah Joubert (BD)

Tuesday, Nov. 30 NO MASS

Wednesday, Dec. 1 12:10 p.m. Lane Williams (BD), Pauline Christ

Thursday, Dec. 2 12:10 p.m. Wayne Wyble, Harold Savoy

Friday, Dec. 3 12:10 p.m. Ethel L. Meaux, Lou Ella Lognion, Teddy J. Meaux

Saturday, Dec. 4 4:00 p.m. M/M Robert Going Sr., James E. Martin, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Ronnie J. Vidrine, Grace Soileau, Angela and Martin Cosgrove, Jeanette Lalonde, Kirt Cormier, Debbie Joubert, M/M Lee Martin

Sunday, Dec. 5 8:00 a.m. M/M John FaKouri Sr., John Jr., and Jacob, Una L. Moreau, Martin J. St. Amand, Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard, Eddie DeKerlegand, Debbie Joubert

10:00 a.m. Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Allen Richard, Bobbie & Julie Mouton, Ronnie & Steve Ardoin and the Rider family, Jerry Chauvin, Raymond J. and Doris H. Philippe, Frank Miller, Mary H. Moore

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

Confessions, Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.

Second Collection
Week of December 5, 2010
St. Landry Church Maintenance Fund

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 28	10:55am	Practice for 10:00am Mass Choir
	6:15pm	Religious Ed for High School Students
Monday, Nov. 29	6:15pm	Rosary at Monument
Wednesday, Dec. 1	6:30pm	Pre-Baptism Class
	6:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Friday, Dec. 3	7:00am	First Friday Adoration
	8:40am	All School Mass
	12:10pm	First Friday Mass in Church
Saturday, Dec. 4	7:45am	Benediction
	8:00am	First Saturday Mass
Sunday, Nov. 14	10:55am	Practice for 10:00am Mass Choir

Welcome into our Catholic Family through the Sacrament of Baptism

Ricky Gloston
son of Burley Gloston and Christie Nolan

Prayer Intentions

Betty Jane Andrus, Janet Andrus, Clifford and Jane Ardoin, John Aucoin, Thelma Aucoin, Antoine Bajat, Anna Lee Beadle, Steve Bienvenu, Gerry S. Bouchereau, Gerard Boudreaux, Wilbur Briley, Chris Brewster, Dr. Dan Buller, Holly Burleigh, Brandon Castille, Raylyn Chapman, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Harley Doucet, Brad Douget, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, Paul Franks, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Agnes Kidder, Renella Lavergne, Edward Leblanc, Norma Jean Leger, Deacon John & Mrs. Laura Miller, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Helen Richard, Melanie M. Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Novella Sebastien, Al Soileau, Special Intentions, Vernita Stelly, Patrick Steward Jr., Ervin Thibodeaux, James Touchet, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, Brandy Willingham, Warren Wyble

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

OC Corner

A special "Open House" for **prospective** parents and students will be held this Wednesday evening, December 1st at 5:30pm beginning in the school chapel. Those interested in a quality Catholic education for their children are encouraged to attend.

Once again, OC is proud to announce **CHAMPIONSHIP** seasons for both the Vikings' 7th & 8th grade team and the 6th grade team in the Acadiana Christian School Football League. These teams have consistently gone to the Crawfish Bowl finals under the outstanding direction of Coach Roddy Dye and staff. **GOOD JOB, VIKINGS!!**

THANK YOU

To Fr. Brady and the Friends of the Bereaved,
On behalf of the Francis Crofton family, I thank you for the Mass offering for my brother.
It is a blessing to be a member of the St. Landry Church family of faith.
Sincerely, Irene Soileau

Thank you Friends of the Bereaved for the food that was sent.
Your support during this time is greatly appreciated.
The Cormier Family

Returned to Christ through Death

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

- Gertrude Darbonne Johnson
- Bessie Landry Fontenot
- Alice McKeever Miller
- Eddie "Gator" DeKerlegand
- Verna Mae Dupre Pellerin
- Earl Emile Godchaux Jr.
- Eurline Myers Carpenter
- Bennie Richard Hollier
- William J. Ziegler Jr.
- Evanus Fontenot
- Mary Hollier Moore
- Marguerite Doucet Wyble
- Mary Bergeron Martin

O Lord, grant that we may hold dear the memory of your servants, 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

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH.....Souls in Purgatory
CHAPEL.....Special Intention

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group IV Betty Leleux, Week of Dec. 4, 2010
Group V Norma Hargroder, Week of Dec. 11, 2010