

The Pastor's Corner

At the beginning of this year, we wanted to survey our costs and to make sure the resources of the parish were being used in the most effective way possible.

Please be assured this does not affect any parishioner's status as a St. Landry Church parishioner or the Church in general, it just saves St. Landry the cost of ordering and mailing the envelopes, which over the course of a year is substantial.

Congratulations to Deacon Candidate Dwayne Joubert!! Deacon Candidate Joubert took another step towards ordination yesterday when he was officially installed as a Lector by Bishop Jarrell in Lafayette.

Fr. James Brady

LENTEN REGULATIONS

During Lent, the Church requires us to participate in worldwide Lenten disciplines in unity as a Church. These disciplines are considered a minimal response to the call of Jesus to go up to Jerusalem with Him in order that we might experience true Christian conversion in our lives.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat. Therefore, no meat should be consumed (abstinence) on these days and there is a limit of one full meal and two smaller meals that do not constitute a full meal together (fast) on these days.

All Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence, so no meat should be consumed by those who have reached 14 years of age.

Of course, those who may have health issues associated with their diet are exempt from these Lenten disciplines, but are encouraged to replace them with other appropriate disciplines during the season.

DINNER AFTER STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please come join us in Valentin Hall for a Lenten dinner on Fridays during Lent after Stations of the Cross at 5:15pm. The meal will consist of homemade soup and bread.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of March 13, 2011

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- Reading I Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
Psalm 51 "Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned."
Reading II Romans 5:12-19
Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

REFLECTION:

Pope Benedict XVI calls the temptation of Jesus in the desert "a descent into the perils besetting mankind." This happens so that we will be counted among those "who receive the abundance of grace, coming to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ."

Parish Lenten Mission

Our Lenten Parish Mission will take place on March 14, 15, and 16, 2011. The theme of the mission is "The Mystery of Suffering: Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?"

The mission will be presented by Fr. Brady and will be introduced at the Sunday Masses on March 12 and 13, 2011.

The mission will begin each night at 6:30pm with Mass and the mission talk will take place after Mass beginning at about 7pm. Each talk will last 45 minutes to an hour, so the mission should be concluded by 8pm each evening.

The mission will address issues related to the mystery of suffering, beginning with how God created the world "good", the fall of mankind, suffering in the Old Testament, and how Jesus redeemed suffering in his life, death, and resurrection.

Suffering is something we don't talk about enough, and at times may not be prepared to be more cognizant of God's love for us and each other in our suffering...

The mission will be recorded and will be available on the internet each evening, in case you are not able to make a night. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us!

Bulletin Bites

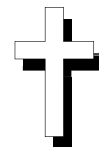
Command that these stones become bread

In Chapter 2 of his book, Jesus of Nazareth, Pope Benedict XVI reflects on the temptation of Jesus: This demand for proof is a constantly recurring theme in the story of Jesus' life, again and again he is reproached for having failed to prove himself sufficiently, for having failed to work that great miracle that will remove all ambiguity...

Pope Benedict XVI's Intentions for March

- General: That the nations of Latin America may walk in fidelity to the Gospel and be bountiful in social justice and peace.
Mission: That the Holy Spirit may give light and strength to the Christian communities and the faithful who are persecuted or discriminated against because of the Gospel.

MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT



- Saturday, Mar. 12. 8:00am Father Brady
4:00pm Father Brady
Jeanette Lalonde, Una Moreau, Walfred LeBlanc Sr. and Wally, Cleo and Thelma Aucoin
Sunday, Mar 13 8:00 a.m. Father Brady
Carol Pitre and M/M E.J Leonard, Youle & Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Brian Dendy (Deployment), Linda & Pat Artall (WA), Jules & Edna Gaspard and Marilyn DeCuir, Clay (BD) and J.C.(DA) Billeaudeau, Johnny Thibodeaux
10:00 a.m. Father Brady
Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Marie Grace Stelly Soileau, Frank Miller, Joseph & Ruby Lalonde, Edward-Perrault family, Mae H. Moore
5:00 p.m. Father Brady
St. Landry Church Parishioners, Terrell Wayne Fontenot, M/M Lee Martin, Harold Savoy
Monday, Mar. 14. 12:05 p.m. Father Brady
Thelma Aucoin Istre
Tuesday, Mar. 15 12:05 p.m. Msgr. Melancon
Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr., Marcylee Thibodeaux (DA)
Wednesday, Mar. 16 12:05 p.m. Father Brady
Ernie & Steven McKinney, Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey and Joyce Hollier, Mary Aline J. Bihm (BD)
Thursday, Mar. 17. 12:05 p.m. Father Brady
Travis Williams (BD)
Friday, Mar. 18 12:05 p.m. Father Brady
Saturday, Mar. 19 8:00 a.m. Father Brady - Valentin Hall

**Celebrants subject to change

Confessions, Saturdays 2:30-3:30 p.m.
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

Second Offertory Today
Black and Indian Missions
Second Offertory
Week of March 20, 2011
Eastern Europe and Africa

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

- Your Stewardship To God
Regular Collection\$6,250.52
Maintenance/Repair Fund\$2,159.06
Bishop's Services Appeal\$10.00
Opelousas Catholic School\$5.00

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Thank you for your generosity!

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, where great needs remain. This Collection provides support for basic pastoral programs and makes scholarships available for students studying to serve their local church.

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Activity. Includes entries for Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday with various masses and practices.

Prayer Intentions

Betty Jane Andrus, Janet Andrus, Clifford and Jane Ardoin, John Aucoin, Gervis "BB" Babin, Anna Lee Beadle, Steve Bienvenu, Nita Bordelon, Jerry S. Bouchereau, Gerard Boudreaux, Wilbur Briley, Chris Brewster, Dr. Dan Buller, Holly Burleigh, Brandon Castille, Raylyn Chapman, John Clary, Maryina Courvelle, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Dr. Seldon Deshoteles, Harley Doucet, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Wanda Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Lillian Hooks, Agnes Kidder, Renella Lavergne, Brittany LeBlanc, Marcel & Pat LeBlanc, Norma Jean Leger, Deacon John & Mrs. Laura Miller, Charlene Mistrick, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Yvonne F. Pellerin, Ruby Pitre, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Novella Sebastien, Vernita Stelly, Patrick Steward Jr., Tommy Strange, Mary Thomas, James Touchet, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, Gene Williams, 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

Congratulations to the high school students who were recently inducted into the National Honor Society based on their outstanding scholastic achievements, character and service: Gabe Stelly, Alexis Ardoin, Elizabeth Bragg, Benjamin Hargroder, N'Kendra Kimble, Victoria Peck, Celeste Quebedeaux, Megan Richard, Ashley Robert and Peyton Taylor.

Parents are reminded about the 1:30pm early dismissal on Wednesday along with the PTO meeting that evening at 6:00pm.

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 date is April 8-10.

For other dates and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org OR call 984-7954.

Pray for our Troops

Jonathan David Ardoin, Christopher Briley, Brandi Darbonne, Jacob DeKerlegand, Brian James Dendy, Dakin Doyle, A.J. Korn, Andre Ledoux, Benjamin Pitre, Danny Pitre, Joshua Thomasse, 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.

Friends Day

Friends Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 19 at the Community of Jesus Crucified, 421 1/2 Carmel Dr., Lafayette. The day begins at 9:00am and ends at 12 noon.

Fr. James Brady, the guest speaker, will speak on the topic of "What constitutes a sacramental marriage? Everything About Annulments". Find answers to questions about annulments: how long the process takes and why?, Why can't Catholic couples who are waiting an annulment enter into another relationship? How much does it cost and why does the Church grant them?

Everyone is invited to attend, registration is not necessary. Contact Gloria Matte at 337-896-0524 for more info.

Vocation Supper for Young Men

On Monday, March 21, 2011, at 6:30pm. Bishop Michael Jarrell will host a vocation supper for young men high school age or older. This will be held at Bishop Jarrell's residence.

To register phone 337-261-5690 by March 17. Space is limited to 15, so register early.

REMINDER FROM FR. BRADY

Children, don't forget to get your bulletins from Fr. Brady after Mass.

RELIGIOUS RAMBLERS

On May 6th the Religious Ramblers are going on a 1 day trip to Shangri La Gardens and the Starks Museum in Orange,

On September 2nd, the Religious Ramblers will go on a ten day pilgrimage to Ireland.

We will visit Cathedrals, Churches, Abbeys, Relics, a Shrine, a Monastery, Gardens and Landscapes.

Please call Bonnie Wyble at 337-942-6940 for more information or bbwyble@bellsouth.net

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH.....Faith-filled Mission
CHAPEL.....Mary J. Bihm

ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group VI Norma Hargroder, Week of Mar. 19, 2011
Group VII Gwen Fruge, Week of Mar. 26, 2011