

The Pastor's Corner

As many of you know, we are looking forward to Msgr. Melancon moving into the rectory here at St. Landry Church in mid-June and becoming a more permanent part of our community. He and I will both be living on the second floor of the rectory. The renovations for the first phase of the rectory restoration are nearly complete and should be completed this week. The first phase focused on the common areas, or public areas, of the building, repairing, restoring, and updating several areas in need of it due to age and water damage from roof leaks. Several parishioners approached me about the condition of the bathrooms and the upstairs rooms. As I've reported to you previously here, there was significant water damage upstairs that needs to be repaired, and the bathrooms were original to the building in fixtures and tile from some 60 years ago. That group of parishioners suggested we should finish renovating the second floor before Monsignor and I move into it. I was a bit hesitant at first about undertaking the project due to the shortness of time between now and mid-June, and putting together the resources for the project. However, after deliberating the situation, I believe it would be best to finish repairing the second floor before we move into it.

In that regard, we will need the resources of our parish, in time, talent and treasure, to complete the project timely. We have been blessed with a finishing carpenter who has agreed to repair the water damage in the rooms, and we are in need of others with construction expertise. We will also dedicate our time in a parish workday to paint some of the rooms, and of course, we will need financial resources for those things which we need to purchase. We want the whole parish to be involved in the restoration of our buildings and grounds, so anyone who may be able to help with their expertise, particularly with electrical and plumbing work, please call me at the parish office. If you would like to make a donation, please call Martha Moise at 948-8562 for details, or you can drop the donation at the office or put it in the offertory in an envelope noting that the donation is intended for "Rectory Renovation." Of course, all are invited to help at any parish workday!

I want to thank all who have helped to put this project together. The continued beautification of our grounds has been, and will continue to be, a parish project of which all who walk into our Church can be proud, as all who wanted have been able to participate. Thanks again and God Bless!

Fr. James Brady

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- PALM SUNDAY: April 17 You may bring your Own palms to be blessed.
CITYWIDE PENANCE SERVICE HERE April 18 6:30pm April 20 7:00pm
PASSION PLAY April 18 6:30pm April 20 7:00pm
HOLY TRIDUUM: Holy Thursday April 21 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday April 22 10:30am Way of the Cross for children
Good Friday Services 3:00pm
Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) 8:00pm
Easter Sunday Masses April 24 8:00am; 10:00am; 5:00pm

Pope Benedict's Intentions for April

GENERAL: That the Church may offer new generations, through the believable proclamation of the Gospel ever-new reasons of life and hope.
MISSION: That missionaries, with the proclamation of the Gospel and their witness of life, may bring Christ to all those who do not yet know Him

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of April 10, 2011
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- Reading I Ezekiel 37:12-14
Psalm 130 1-8
Reading II Romans 8:8-11
Gospel: John 11:1-45

Bulletin Bites

"Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

Such was Martha's greeting to Jesus when he arrived at Bethany, a small village approximately four miles southeast of Jerusalem. He receives the same greeting from Mary. Their greetings reveal both faith and doubt, faith that Jesus could have prevented the death of Lazarus and doubt that he could now do anything about it. Jesus understood their doubts. If we do not occasionally doubt our faith, we may not have a faith to doubt. Jesus was teaching Martha and Mary what he would later teach Thomas, "Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe" (John 21:27). Jesus uses this whole episode to teach all of us that we must be good stewards of our faith. When we have doubts do we let them linger and fester; or do we try to resolve them by seeking the counsel of our clergy, studying the teachings of our Church, or discuss them with a spiritual director or someone we can trust? If not, we may sink deeper into our doubt and lose our grip on our faith.

REMINDER FROM FR. BRADY

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

Welcome into our Catholic Family through the Sacrament of Baptism

AUBREY GRACE BEZET

Daughter of Joshua Michael Bezet and Shelby Lynn Boudreaux

OWEN JOHN BREAUX

Son of Adam Paul Breaux and Diawana Nichole Thibodeaux

Recently Celebrated Marriage Vows

Jarred Joshua Breaux and Amber Micheal Dubois
May the love and trust you enjoy, grow evermore in your lives.

NEEDED

We are in need of palms for the weekend of April 16/17. If any of you have Sago palms that you wish to have trimmed with St. Landry reaping the benefits of the cut palms, please call the office. Lois or Priscilla will need your name, phone number and address. We are planning on going to the different homes on Tuesday morning, April 12. Your cooperation is most appreciated.

Fr. James Brady

Mark Your Calendars!!!

Mark your calendars for our St. Landry Church picnic on May 15, 2011. It will take place beginning after the 10am Mass that morning and will continue until about 2:00pm, here on the Church grounds
All are invited! There will be games and activities for people of all ages. Keep reading future bulletins for more information Looking forward to seeing you there!

Fr. James Brady

MASS INTENTIONS



AND CELEBRANT

Saturday, Apr. 9. 8:00am Father Brady In Chapel Special Intention
4:00pm Msgr. Melancon

Jeanette Lalonde; Richard Savage
Sunday, Apr. 10. 8:00am Father Brady Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard; Youle & Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Willard Andrepont, Gertrude A. & Alvin Marks, Amar, Maryina and A.B. Courville Sr., Souls in Purgatory, Brian J. Dendy (Deployment)
10:00 a.m. Father Brady Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Marie Grace Stelly Soileau, Frank Miller, Vernita Stelly
5:00 p.m. Father Brady St. Landry Church Parishioners, Steve and Joanne M. Guidroz (WA), Terrell Wayne Fontenot, Harold Savoy
Monday, Apr. 11. 12:05 pm Father Brady Alice Titard
Tuesday, Apr. 12. 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr., Richard Savage (DA)
Wednesday, Apr. 13. 12:05 pm Father Brady Rose Moreau Richard
Thursday, Apr. 14. 12:05 pm Father Brady Special Intention
Friday, Apr. 15. 12:05 pm Father Brady Casey Olivier
Saturday, Apr. 16. 8:00 am Father Brady

\*\*Celebrants subject to change

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

- Your Stewardship To God
Regular Collection \$6,687.58
Maintenance/Repair Fund \$2,270.20
Opelousas Catholic Foundation \$15.00
Bishop's Services Appeal \$55.00
Eastern Europe & Africa \$4.00
Flowers for Easter \$170.00

Every Gift Comes From Above.



Thank you for your generosity!

Second Offertory Today Catholic Relief Services

Second Offertory Week of April 17, 2011 Bishops Services Appeal

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

- Sunday, April 10 10:55am Choir Practice for 10:00am Mass 6:15pm Religious Ed.
Monday, April 11 5:15pm Altar Society 5:30pm Choir Practice for 5:00pm Mass
Tuesday, April 12 6:00pm CDA Meeting
Thursdsday, April 14 7:00pm KC Meeting
Friday, April 15 8:40am High School Mass 5:15pm Way of the Cross
Followed by soup and bread in Valentin Hall
Saturday, April 16 8:00am Mass in Valentin Hall

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. The upcoming weekend dates are May 13-15 and July 15-17
For other dates and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org OR call 984-7954.

In Jesus' Name Be Healed

A special healing Mass with the sacrament of Anointing will be held on Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1 at 1:00pm. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is to be prayed after Mass.
The Mass will be at the Nat'l Shrine of Blessed Francis Seelos at St. Mary's Assumption Church in New Orleans.
Be refreshed at a sanctuary of hope, healing and miracles. For more information phone 1-504-525-2495 or 1-504-525-2499

Prayer Intentions

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 Courville, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Dr. Seldon Deshotels, Harley Doucet, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Wanda Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Larry Hargroder, Lillian Hooks, Roberta Johnson, Agnes Kidder, Vanessa Landry, Renella Lavergne, Brittany LeBlanc, Marcel & Pat LeBlanc, Norma Jean Leger, Deacon John & Mrs. Laura Miller, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Bertha Pavy, Yvonne F. Pellerin, Ruby Pitre, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Novella Sebastien, Carrie Soileau, Patrick Steward Jr., Tommy Strange, Mary Thomas, James Touchet, Paul Vidrine, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, Gene Williams, Brandy Willingham, Warren Wyle

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

OC Corner

Don't miss the last performance of "The Giver" by the OC Drama Club this weekend in the school gym (Saturday at 7pm and Sunday at 2pm). Family and friends are invited to attend.
The technology department continues to collect used ink and toner cartridges and old cell phones for recycling. Thank you for sending these items to OC to help technology needs at OC.

Pray for our Troops

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

Around the Diocese

Benefit for Immaculate Conception Church
A benefit bazaar will be held on April 10 from 10:30am until 4:00pm across from the church site on Moundville St. Washington, La.
There will be Sausage PoBoy dinners for sale as well as baked goods. A live auction is scheduled for 2:00pm. And souvenirs of the old church will also be on sale.
All proceeds will be donated to the Immaculate Conception Church Recovery Fund.

Presentation on Annulment Process;

On April 11 at 6:00pm in Our Lady Queen of Angels Church Hall, Msgr. Robie Robichaux, JCL, will give a presentation on the annulment process as part of the outreach during our "Catholic Come Home program.
Call the office at 942-5628 for additional information. everyone is invited.

Mass for the Elderly:

Join the Diocese of Lafayette in honoring all Senior Citizens at a Mass with Bishop Michael Jarrell.
The Mass is to be held on Sunday, May 1 at 2:00pm in Immaculata Chapel, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette.
For more information, please call the Office of Justice and Peace at 261-5545.

Mother's Day of Reflection: Will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, from 8:30am to 2:00pm in the Fusilier Auditorium Immaculata Center Building. Pre-registration is required by noon on Monday, April 18, 2011. The registration fee of \$35.00 includes a catered lunch, supplies and books for each participant.

For more information call 261-5653.

Upcoming Retreats: For women: April 18-20, 2011
May 5-7, 2011
Married couples: April 29-May 1, 2011
Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House. For more information call (337) 662-5410 or visit our website www.ourladyoftheoaks.com

SANCTUARY LIGHT
CHURCH.....Steve & Joanne Guidroz
CHAPEL.....Souls In Purgatory

ALTAR SOCIETY
Group III ..... Irene Soileau, Week of Apr. 16, 2011
Group IV ..... Sarah Wagley, Week of Apr. 23, 2011