

The Pastor's Corner

This evening at the 5pm Mass approximately 15 of our young adults will receive the sacrament of Confirmation. They have been in training since January preparing for the reception of the sacraments. We welcome back to St. Landry Church our former pastor, Monsignor Robert Romero, who in his capacity as Episcopal Vicar will confirm the Confirmation candidates. Please be sure to keep in your prayers the confirmands and their sponsors. We also want to thank those who helped to prepare the confirmands for this special day, namely Lois Joubert, Anne Hollier, Ann Zorn, Dwayne Joubert and Curt Miller. Their work is very much appreciated! We pray that the Holy Spirit endow the confirmands with great graces in the conferral of this sacrament!

Fr. James Brady

REMINDER FOR CHILDREN

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

Pope Benedict's Intentions for May

GENERAL: That those who work in the media may always respect truth, solidarity and the dignity of each person.
MISSION: That the Lord may grant the Church in China the capacity to persevere in fidelity to the Gospel and to grow in unity.

Around the Diocese

Upcoming Retreats: **For women:** May 19-22 and June 2-5
 July 7-10
Mid-week for Women
 June 27-29
Married Couples
 September 9-11 and October 28-30
 Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House. For more information call (337) 662-5410 or visit our website www.ourladyoftheoaks.com

A Day Retreat for Women

Listening with the Heart—a day retreat for women, to be held on Tuesday, May 17 from 9:00am- 3:00pm., at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau. Robin Hebert and Lyn Holley Doucet are the presenters with the cost being \$25.00. Call 662-5410 for more information.

Come to the Well (A day of restoration for those who have suffered a loss.

June 4 from 9:00am to 3:00pm in Marian Hall at Immaculata Center in Lafayette. This is a special day for those who has suffered the loss of a loved one or may be grieving any type of loss.

Married Couples:

What a wonderful and holy time of year, a time to remember all the love and specialness that brought you together and filled your hearts with joy. Take some time out and relive and refresh that specialness between you. Give each other the best gift there is--the gift of yourselves. Join us on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and rekindle and renew the deep love that God wants for you. The next available WWME weekend is June 10-12 at the Abbey in Covington, La. To receive an information and registration brochure, call 1-800-586-5469 or for more information go to www.wwme.org

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of May 15, 2011
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Reading I Acts 2:14a, 36-41
 The promise is made to all.
Psalm 23 "The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."
Reading II 1 Peter 2:20b-25
 Jesus bore our sins upon the cross
Gospel: John 10:1-10
 Jesus is the gate for the sheep.

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, is traditionally referred to as "Good Shepherd Sunday." In the first reading the Church's first earthly shepherd, Saint Peter, proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ. The responsorial psalm, the twenty-third, is a marvelous hymn to the Lord, our Shepherd. A portion of Saint Peter's first letter, proclaimed in our second reading, calls us to imitate Christ, who suffered for us. Finally, we hear the Lord Jesus describe himself as the gate for the sheep, the way to enter the pasture. This metaphor serves to remind us that Jesus Christ is our gate as well. And that gate leads us to the green pastures of everlasting life.

Bulletin Bites

"I came so that you might have life, and have it more abundantly."

The care of sheep in the Holy Land and elsewhere has not changed in thousands of years. Wherever you see a sheep you see a shepherd. Sheep have no natural defenses against predators, and might even die if not led to food and water. Sheep know the voice of their shepherds and shy from strangers. When possible, sheep are kept in a pen with a gate. Jesus compares Himself to a shepherd, and it is the relationship of shepherd and sheep, and the function of the gate, that is important. Jesus, as true God and true man, is the source of all that we are, and have, and will be. He is our provider, protector and savior. It is our responsibility to know His voice and to respond with gratitude expressed in generosity to others. We pass through Jesus to a more abundant life by imitating Him and by loving one another as He loved us. That is the true meaning of stewardship, being grateful to God for His gifts and generously sharing them in justice and love with others.

PARISH PICNIC

Today is the day!!! Our parish picnic begins after the 10:00am Mass. Please come and join us for fun, food and socializing. There will be fun jumps, face painting and games. Also, Tony Chachere's Cooking Trailer will be there with their good music and jambalaya. Looking forward to seeing many of you there!!!

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Mondays in May

Come honor the Blessed Mother during May and pray the rosary for world peace and an end to abortion. All are invited to join the Catholic Daughters in prayer at the Grotto behind St. Landry Church every Monday in May at 5:30pm. Bring your lawn chair or a towel to sit on. Debbie Fay---CDA President

Stewardship Expressions

We continue our celebration of Easter reflecting on the generosity of God's love realized in Christ's Resurrection. This is an awakening season for observation, reflections and outreaching stewardship expressions. Each of us has been created to manifest the glory of God that is within us. The Blessed Mother is especially honored throughout May as a role model for all. We celebrate other mothers too, remembering their stewarding efforts in nurturing life, fostering development and serving many and varied needs. Let us celebrate and show appreciation throughout the month of May for the love and gifts that surround us each day.

MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT



Saturday, May 14 8:00am **Father Brady**
 Clayton (BD) & Eula (BD) Soileau
 4:00pm **Msgr. Melancon**
 Jeanette Lalonde
Sunday, May 15 8:00am **Father Brady**
 Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard, Youle & Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St.Amand, Brian J. Dendy (Deployment)
 10:00 a.m. **Father Brady**
 Ludy David Latiolais (DA), Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Frank Miller, M/M Lee Martin
 5:00 p.m. **Msgr. Romero**
 St. Landry Church Parishioners, Harold Savoy, Ludy David Latiolais (DA)
Monday, May 16 12:05 pm **Father Brady**
 Jill Boullion (BD), Bertha Pavy
Tuesday, May 17 12:05 pm **Msgr. Melancon**
 Bertha Pavy
Wednesday, May 18 12:05 pm **Father Brady**
 2011 Graduates
Thursday, Apr. May 19 12:05 pm **Father Brady**
 Verna Dupre Pellerin (BD)
Friday, May 20 12:05 pm **Father Brady**
 Slarve, Lund, and Butler families
Saturday, May 21 8:00 am **Msgr. Melancon**
 4:00 pm **Father Brady**
 Jeanette Lalonde, James E. Martin, James Kirt Cormier
Sunday, May 22 8:00 am **Father Brady**
 Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard, Youle & Theresa Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Eddie DeKerlegand and Olivier & DeKerlegand families, Brian Dendy (Deployment) and Dona H. Clary (DA)
 10:00 am **Father Brady**
 Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, James D. "Robi" Robison (DA), Daniel & Louise Lagrange, Frank Miller, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Irl White
 5:00 p.m. **Msgr. Melancon**
 St. Landry Church Parishioners, M/M Jesse J. Pitre Sr., Miles Conner (DA)
****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	\$7,449.05
Maintenance/Repair Fund	\$697.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$10.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$20.00
CCD	\$25.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	\$5.00

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Thank you for your generosity!

Second Offertory Collection Today
BSA & CCD
Second Offertory Collection
Week of May 22
Opelousas Catholic Foundation

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, May 15	10:50am	Parish Picnic
	10:55am	Choir Practice for 10:00am Mass
	5:00pm	Confirmation
Monday, May 16	5:30pm	Choir Practice for 5pm Mass
	5:30pm	CDA Rosary @ Grotto
	6:15pm	Rosary at Monument
Tuesday, May 17	1:00pm	OC Graduation Practice
Friday, May 20	8:30am	Jr. High Awards
	7:00pm	OC Graduation
Saturday, May 21	8:00am	Mass in Valentin Hall

Prints of Immaculate Conception Church
 Art prints of the Immaculate Conception Church in Washington are available in Valentin Hall for \$10.00 each. Also, note cards (8 in package) are available for \$10.00. Please make checks payable to Immaculate Conception Restoration Fund. The prints are signed and numbered by the artist, Ted Bertrand.

Prayer Intentions

Ashley Allemond, 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, June Carriere, Brandon Castille, Raylyn Chapman, John Clary, Maryina Courville, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Dr. Seldon Deshotels, Harley Doucet, Lane W. Dugas, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Larry Hargroder, J.B. Hargroder, Roberta Johnson, Agnes Kidder, Vanessa Landry, Renella Lavergne, Brittany LeBlanc, Marcel & Pat LeBlanc, Norma Jean Leger, Dale Martin, Deacon John & Mrs. Laura Miller, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Yvonne F. Pellerin, Ruby Pitre, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Novella Sebastien, Carrie Soileau, Patrick Steward Jr., Tommy Strange, Mamie Terrebbonne, Mary Thomas, James Touchet, Beryl Trahan, Paul Vidrine, 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

Important end-of-year programs scheduled for this week include the Athletic Ceremony on Monday at 6pm in the gym; the Senior Banquet on Wednesday at 6pm in the gym; and the Graduation Mass on Friday at 7pm in St. Landry Catholic Church. In addition, the Junior High Awards Program will be held on Friday morning at 8:30am in Church. May God bless all graduates with much faith, happiness and success!

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.

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.

Friends Day for May 21, 2011

Fr. Randal Moreau will present a morning of reflection on the topic of **Dating and Waiting**. This will be held at the Community of Jesus Crucified at 421 1/2 Carmel Dr. in Lafayette. The time is from 9:00am until 12:00noon. For more information call Gloria Matte @ 896-0524.

2011 Hurricane Prayer Service

Hurricane season will begin June 1, 2011. Four regional Hurricane Prayer Services are planned in the Catholic Diocese of Lafayette. An Ecumenical Prayer Service is scheduled in the North Region at **St. Mathilda Catholic Church, 800 Laurel, Eunice on Thursday, May 26, 2011, 6:30pm.** For more info. Call Jackie Griffin at 831-2621.

Memorial Day Ceremony

The American Legion Post 45 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2483 will conduct a Memorial Day Ceremony after 10:00am Mass on May 29. The ceremony will take place in front of Father Joseph V. LaFleur Monument. All veterans are urged to attend. For more information contact Ken Thibodeaux at 942-2736.

SANCTUARY LIGHT
 CHURCH.....All 2011 Graduates
 CHAPEL.....All First Communicants

ALTAR SOCIETY
Group I..... Alverda Deshotels, Week of May 21, 2011
Group II Pap Roy, Week of May 28, 2011