

The Pastor's Corner

Last week, we welcomed seminarian Sam Fontana to our parish. Although introduced at all the Masses last weekend, I thought it would be nice to provide a bit more information about him and about cultivating vocations. Sam is studying for the priesthood and will begin his second year of theological studies at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Sam had previously attended St. Ben's Seminary in Covington, Louisiana for two years of college work, and then obtained a bachelors and masters degree in philosophy at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. God willing, in two years he will be ordained a deacon, and in three years a priest. He is from St. Pius X parish in Lafayette and attended high school at Lafayette High.

Sam reminds us that there are good, solid men responding to God's call to the priesthood. We should always remember to remind men who we think have the attributes to be a priest that they should consider the call, and also men and women who might be called to religious life. Speaking for myself, the privilege of being called to the priesthood and to live as a priest has been nothing but joyful and fulfilling. Sure, there are some tough days, but that would be true in any vocation to which one might be called, and I think most married couples would agree! So if you know of someone you think might have a religious vocation, encourage them to explore it!

Welcome again Sam, and know of our prayers that you have a good summer here and that your continued journey in this life draws you ever closer to God!

Fr. James Brady

GIFT LIST

- Rose Vestments (Chasuble, 2 Dalmatics, Burse)
Book Binding/Restoration of Historic Sacramental Books
New Roman Missal for Church
New Roman Missal for Valentin Chapel
Pew Cards for the New Roman Missal
Framed Print of "The Prodigal Son" for Confectionals (3) Projector/Projection Screen TV/DVD
Pyxes for bringing Holy Communion to the sick
Ritual Books for Holy Communion to the sick

REMINDER FOR CHILDREN

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

Pope Benedict's Intentions for June

GENERAL: That priests, united to the Heart of Christ, may always be true witnesses of the caring and merciful love of God.
MISSION: That the Holy Spirit may bring forth from our communities numerous missionary vocations, willing to fully consecrate themselves to spreading the Kingdom of God.

Prayer For Hurricane Season

Our Father in Heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season and protect us and our homes from all disaster of nature.
Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Thank you for your favors in the past.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, assist me in my last hour.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, may I breathe forth in peace with you.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Week of June 12, 2011
171 in Missalette

- Reading I Acts 2:1-11
As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.
Psalm 104 "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."
Reading II 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry for the common good.
Gospel: John 20:19-23
On the first day of the week the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit.

Throughout the history of salvation, God's spirit has breathed upon all creation, bringing light, life, and peace. Today we are called to remember the power of God's Spirit in the lives of God's people and to ask for an ever-increasing outpouring of that same Spirit. Let our cries of gladness greet the good news, proclaimed in God's living word, that the Holy Spirit is in our midst. With the psalmist we cry out, "Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!"

Bulletin Bites

"Peace be with you!"

On that first Easter Sunday the disciples were behind locked doors. Jesus entered the room despite the locked doors. He said, "Peace be with you!" A week later he appeared to them again in the same room. They were still behind locked doors. On Pentecost Sunday, fifty days after the resurrected Jesus first appeared to the Apostles, they accepted their responsibility to be good stewards of the message and mission of Jesus Christ. They were at peace with their faith in Jesus as the Risen Lord. They came out from behind the locked doors and courageously proclaimed the Good News. They have passed on that responsibility to each of us in our own time. They challenge us to come out from behind our locked doors, the barriers we build to avoid being Jesus present in our world. Are we at peace with our faith in Jesus as the Risen Lord? Are we doing our part to carry on the mission and speak the message of Jesus? Peace be with you!

Around the Diocese

- Upcoming Retreats: For women: 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

Special Needs Cursillo

Anymore who needs a slower pace Cursillo experience is invited to attend on August 4-7, 2011.
Accommodations are provided for the handicap and elderly as well as anyone who requires special attention. Nurses will be on hand to administer medication and to help the needy.
A sponsor who has made Cursillo is required and needs to apply for the candidate who wants to make the weekend.
Contact person is Gloria Matte--896-0524

MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT



- Saturday, June 11 8:00 am Msgr. Melancon
Good Samaritan
4:00 pm Father Brady
Robert & Evelyn Batton; Jeanette Lalonde, Louis & Regina Burleigh (WA), Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Wally; Evelyn & Bob Batton (WA), Ray Thibodeaux, Joseph D. Marks
Sunday, June 12 8:00 am Father Brady
Carol Pitre and M/M E. J. Leonard, Youle & Therese Fontenot, Martin J. St. Amand, Maryina T. Courvelle, Brian J. Dendy (Deployment), Thomas Artall (BD)
10:00 am Father Brady
Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith, Vernita Stelly, M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull, Irl White, M/M Lee Martin, M/M Alton Soileau & Sonny, Margaret V. Martin
5:00 p.m. Father Brady
St. Landry Church Parishioners, Harold Savoy, Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr.
Monday, June 13 12:05 pm Father Brady
Frank Miller (DA)
Tuesday, June 14 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon
Maryina T. Courvelle
Wednesday, June 15 12:05 pm Father Brady
Mark Franchebois
Thursday, June 16 12:05 pm Father Brady
Sue Morgan
Friday, June 17 12:05 pm Father Brady
Kaitlin L. Miller (BD); Ernie & Steven (BD) McKinney; Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey & Joyce Hollier
Saturday, June 18 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

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Second Offertory Collection
Week of June 19
Opelousas Catholic Foundation

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

- Sunday, June 12 10:55am Choir Practice for 10:00am Mass
Monday, June 13 5:30pm Choir Practice for 5pm Mass
6:15pm Rosary at Fr. LaFleur Monument
Sunday, June 19 8:00am Mass in Valentine Chapel

Welcome into our Catholic Family Through the Sacrament of Baptism

- Olivia Grace Lanclos
Daughter of
Derek and Megan Frederick Lanclos
Alayna Mae Frederick
Daughter of
Stacie Dufour and Robert Frederick

Recently Celebrated Marriage Vows

- Lance and Lindsey Howard Pitre
Daniel and Lacey Pitre Pitre
May the love and trust you enjoy, grow evermore in your lives

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, Deacon Eugene Brady, Wilbur Briley, Chris Brewster, Leanna Briley, Dr. Dan Buller, Holly Burleigh, June Carriere, Brandon Castille, Nelson "Shorty" Castille, Raylyn Chapman, John Clary, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Dr. Seldon Deshotels, Harley Doucet, Olivia Doucet, Lane W. Dugas, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, George Gremillion, Craig S. Guillory, Hal Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Larry Hargroder, J.B. Hargroder, Margie Hebert, Roberta Johnson, Agnes Kidder, Vanessa Landry, Renella Lavergne, Brittany LeBlanc, Marcel & Pat LeBlanc, Norma Jean Leger, Dale Martin, Deacon John & Mrs. Laura Miller, Marguerite Miller, Brandy Monde, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Yvonne F. Pellerin, Ruby Pitre, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Lauren Sebastien, Novella Sebastien, Carrie Soileau, Patrick Steward Jr., Tommy Strange, Marlene Terrebbonne, Mary Thomas, James Touchet, Paul Vidrine, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, Gene Williams, Brandy Willingham, Warren Wyble, Mike Young

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 elementary students who were presented the "Religion Awards" at the May 27th Awards Ceremony for their exceptionally strong faith and good Christian conduct: Eli Chelette. Kyan Carrier, Jace Sloane, Jacques Vidrine, Olivia Lombard. Michael Darbonne, Emily Briley, Amy Claire Miller, Taylor Thistlethwaite, Adrienne Allen, Emily Tromblay and Ethan Warren.

Please mail your Angel Appeal gift to the OC Development Office, 428 East Prudhomme Street by June 17th in order to be acknowledged in the summer newsletter.

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 next scheduled weekend is July 15-17. For other dates and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org OR call 984-7954.

THANK YOU

Father Brady and Friends of the Bereaved, Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy and thoughtfulness. The food was very much appreciated.

The family of Maryina Courvelle

Pray for our Troops

Jonathan David Ardoin, Christopher Briley, Brandi Darbonne, Jacob DeKerlegand, Brian James Denty, 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.

First Communion Pictures

First Communion pictures are ready to be picked up at the office in Valentin Hall.
Please note the office hours are:
Monday through Thursday--8:30am--Noon & 1pm 4pm
Friday 8:30am--Noon

Prints of Immaculate Conception Church

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

SANCTUARY LIGHT
CHURCH.....In Thanksgiving
CHAPEL.....Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

ALTAR SOCIETY
Group V..... Betty LeLeux, Week of June 18, 2011
Group VI..... Norma Hargroder, Week of June 25, 2011