

The Pastor's Corner

Okay...okay! Many of you have been getting on to me about teaching adult education, and rightfully so. My promise a year ago was to do so, and I have not kept good on my promise as of now. However, I intend to amend my ways! In October and November, we will begin our adult education with two presentations on the history of our Church, followed next spring by an introduction into Sacred Scripture. The first history presentation, which will be Thursday, October 6 at 6pm in church, will begin with the founding of our Church and will run through the Great Schism, which occurred around 1000A.D. It will focus on, and hopefully give us an understanding of, what we commonly refer to as the "Eastern Catholic" Churches and the "Eastern Orthodox" Churches. The second presentation will take place Thursday, November 3 and will focus on the Protestant Reformation, which occurred around 1500 A.D. and will focus on the founding of the many Christian churches we commonly see here in the United States, and more particularly our Opelousas community. It is important for us to understand history so we can understand our Church, and also to understand the beliefs of the churches in our community. I hope you mark your calendars for these days and are able to attend.

On another note, please also mark your calendar for October 29, 2011 for our Fall Parish workday. As usual, we will begin at 8am with Mass in Valentin Hall, work after Mass until about noon, and then have a pizza lunch to conclude the day. These work days have been a great success in both sprucing up our grounds and getting all of us to know each other a little better as a community, so please come if you can. God Bless.

Fr. James Brady

REMINDER FOR CHILDREN

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

Pope Benedict's Intentions for October

GENERAL: For the terminally ill, that in their sufferings they may be sustained by faith in God and by the love of others.

MISSION: That the celebration of World Mission Sunday may increase in the People of God the passion for evangelization and the support of missionary activity through prayer and economic aid for the poorest Churches.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

A Journey to Healing for Anyone Hurting After Abortion

A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat is an opportunity for any man, woman, couple, grandparent or sibling who struggles with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. This weekend retreat provides participants the opportunity and space to enter the grieving process; identify effects the abortion has had and release deep feelings of anger, shame, and guilt that frequently accompany an abortion experience. This unique retreat process is designed specifically to help retreatants experience the gentleness, mercy and compassion of Jesus as they walk the journey from pain to forgiveness.

Participants re-connect on a spiritual level with the children who have been aborted and give them honor and dignity through many special exercises as well as in a memorial service. Those who journey through their grief allow God to transform their experience into one that brings hope, liberation and peace.

When: November 4-6 Friday, 6:00pm-Sunday, 3:00pm
Pre-registration is required.

For more information and/or to register, call Karol or Trista at 261-5607.

Bishop's Services Appeal

Jesus tells us "Blessed are the merciful, you will be shown mercy." (MT. 5:7) Jesus knows that an act of generosity will fund services to the meek, those who hunger and thirst and the persecuted.

There are a number of priorities facing our Diocesan Church that no one parish alone can address. Some require the strength and resolve of our entire Catholic Community working and sacrificing together as One Body. That is why every parish participates in the Bishop's Services Appeal, so that through our collective efforts, we can build the Father's kingdom by advancing the work of the Church.

Please respond to Bishop Harrell's letter or by using a pledge envelope or by giving online www.diola.org (click on online giving). Thank you.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

October 2, 2011

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Reading I Isaiah 5:1-7

The Lord seeks a harvest of justice.

Psalms 80 "The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel."

Reading II Philippians 4:6-9

Dwell in thoughts of purity and justice and you will know peace.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

The image of the vineyard is at the heart of today's scriptures. We gather in this place, this vineyard, where God speaks to the depths of our hearts. Like a careful vine grower, God tills the soil of our lives, making us ready to experience the flowering vines of life, love, and compassion. Let us be attentive to the power of God's sacred word proclaimed this day.

RCIA

The RCIA class for this week will be held on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30pm in Valentin Hall.

This week we will be discussing the Holy Spirit; Grace; what is grace and how do we receive it.

Catholics who have not been confirmed; Catholics wishing to learn more about their Faith and anyone interested in learning more about Catholicism and/or joining the Catholic Church are invited to join these classes.

For more information contact Deacon John Miller at 942-2911.

Woman-to-Woman Catholic Conference

As the host of EWTN's *Women of Grace*, Johnette Benkovic is a leading authority on contemporary issues from Catholic perspective. Through a series of three talks, Benkovic will bring women to an understanding of the unique and important role they play in their family, faith, and society. With compassion and guidance, Mrs. Benkovic helps women recognize that they are the moral leaders of society.

The conference will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2011 at the Cajundome Convention Center from 8:00am-4:00pm. Tickets are \$40.00 per person and include lunch. Deadline to purchase tickets is October 8. **Tickets will not be sold at the door.** Women of ALL FAITHS are welcome to attend.

For more information or to register, please visit www.catholicwomen-conference.org or call Michelle Roberts at 337-356-6971.

"Voices from the Past"

St. Landry Catholic Church Cemetery Tours

Travel back in time to a place where the voices from our past will give you a reflection of times gone by. The one hour tour of St. Landry Catholic Church Cemetery gives one a perspective of how our past has shaped our present and reflects into the future generations of community.

The St. Landry Catholic Church Parish and Opelousas Little Theatre are pleased to bring this reenactment for your enjoyment of the Civil War time. Tours are \$10 per person, will be limited to groups of 15 (wear walking shoes), conducted hourly, are not handicapped accessible and young children under 10 years of age are not suitable (because of safety).

The Saturday tours are October 8th and 15th at 6, 7 & 8pm. The Sunday tours are on October 9th and 16th at 2 & 3 pm.

For more information call 942-8318.

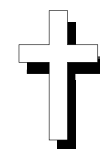
ALTAR SOCIETY

Group VII Gwen Fruge, Week of October 8, 2011

Group I..... Lois Joubert, Week of October 15, 2011

MASS INTENTIONS

AND CELEBRANT



Saturday, Oct. 1. 8:00 am Father Brady

4:00 pm Father Brady

Ronnie J. Vidrine; M/M Robert Going Sr.; James E. Martin; Eddie DeKerlegand (BD) and Olivier & DeKerlegand families; Jeanette Lalonde; Joseph D. Marks; Ray Thibodeaux; Mildred Duplechain; Lois Harmon; Marcel LeBlanc; Hal Guillory; Larry J. Fournier; Georgia P. Guidry; Shirley Soileau

Sunday, Oct. 2. 8:00 am Msgr. Melancon

Carol Pitre and M/M E. J. Leonard; M/M John FaKouri Sr., John Jr. and Jacob; Youle & Therese Fontenot; Martin J. St.Amand; Maryina T. Courville; Arthur Fontenot and Eva F. Johnson; Marcel LeBlanc

10:00 am Father Brady

Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith; M/M Lee Martin; Margaret V. Martin; Bobbie & Julie Mouton, Steve & Ronnie Ardoin and the Rider family; Mamie Terrebbonne; Frank Miller; Inez P. Edwards & family; Verdine Meche; Mary & Kathleen Cryer

5:00 p.m. Father Brady

St. Landry Church Parishioners; Harold Savoy

Monday, Oct. 3. 12:05 pm Father Brady

Robert Batton; Youle Fontenot (BD); Bob Batton (DA)

Tuesday, Oct. 4. 12:05 pm Father Brady

Larry Fournier

Wednesday, Oct. 5. 12:05 pm Father Brady

Suzanne G. Williams (BD); Clayton & Mary Titard (WA)

Thursday, Oct. 6. 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon

Christopher Fontenot (BD)

Friday, Oct. 7. 12:05 pm Father Brady

Ollie & Buddy Bordelon

Saturday, Oct. 8. 8:00 am Msgr. Melancon

Steve Guidroz (BD)

4:00 pm Father Brady

Lucille S. Baillio (DA); Jeanette Lalonde; Ray Thibodeaux; Marcel LeBlanc; Hal Guillory; Georgia P. Guidry

Sunday, Oct. 9. 8:00 am Father Brady

Carol Pitre and M/M E.J. Leonard; Youle & Theresa Fontenot; Martin J. St.Amand; Maryina T. Courville; Arthur Fontenot & Eva F. Johnson; Marcel LeBlanc; Ernest Meche

10:00 am Father Brady

Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith; Sam & Helen Guillory; Chester, Maius & Myra Rozas; Oliver & Dully Fruge; Nestor & Etha Joubert; Vernita Stelly; M/M Lee Martin; M/M Alton Soileau & Sonny; Brock Manuel; M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull Margaret V. Martin; Mary & Kathleen Cryer

5:00 p.m. Msgr. Melancon

St. Landry Church Parishioners; John Guidroz (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	\$5,157.29
Maintenance/Repair.....	\$677.00
Assistance to Poor.....	\$78.00
Cemetery Fund.....	\$1.00
OC Foundation Trust.....	\$940.84
Catholic University.....	\$1.00
TOTAL	\$6,855.13

Every Gift Comes From Above.



Thank you for your generosity!

Second Offertory Collection Today St. Landry Church Maintenance Fund

No Second Offertory Collection Week of October 9

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, Oct. 1	8:00am	Mass in Valentin Hall
Sunday, Oct. 2	10:55am	Choir Practice for 10am Mass
Monday, Oct. 3	5:30pm	Choir Practice for 5pm Mass
	5:30pm	CDA Rosary at Grotto
	6:15pm	Rosary at Fr. LaFleur Monument
Tuesday, Oct. 4	6:30pm	RCIA
Wednesday, Oct. 5	6:30pm	Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 6	8:40am	All School Mass
	6:00pm	1st part of History of Our Church (refer to Pastor's Corner)
Friday, Oct. 7	7:00am	Begin Adoration for First Friday
Saturday, Oct. 8	7:45am	Benediction
	8:00am	First Saturday Mass
	6,7 & 8pm	CEMETERY TOURS
Sunday, Oct. 9	2 & 3pm	CEMETERY TOURS

Prayer Intentions

Ashley Allemond, Janet Andrus, Clifford and Jane Ardoin, John Aucoin, Gervis "BB" Babin, Anna Lee Beadle, Steve Biennu, Nita Bordelon, Gerard Boudreaux, Wilbur Briley, Chris Brewster, Leanna Briley, Dr. Dan Buller, Holly Burleigh, Brandon Castille, Nelson "Shorty" Castille, Raylyn Chapman, John Clary, Shelton Daigle, Thom Daly, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Becky F. Diesi, Sal Diesi, Harley Doucet, Olivia Doucet, Sophie Doucet, Lane W. Dugas, Helen Duplichain, Vickie Duplechain, Kacey Dupre, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, George Gremillion, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Frances Hargoder, J.B. Hargroder, Margie Hebert, Agnes Kidder, Janet Castille Lancelos, Garrett Lancelos, Vanessa Landry, Mary Lois S. Langlois, Norma Jean Leger, Pat LeBlanc, Jean Leger, Theresa Mallet, Dale Martin, Michael E. McKinney, Laura Miller, Brandy Monde, Julie Mouton, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Joyce Ortego, Marty Ortego, Yvonne F. Pellerin, Helen Richard, Leroy Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Lauren Sebastien, Novella Sebastien, Patrick Steward Jr., Thomas Stoute, Tommy Strange, James Touchet, Lena Trahan, Paul Vidrine, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, 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.

Pray for our Troops

Jonathan David Ardoin; Christopher Briley; Jacob DeKerlegand; Brian James Dendy; Dakin Doyle; Clint Duhon; Eric Hart; A.J. Korn; Garrett Ryan Lancelos; Andre Ledoux; Benjamin Pitre; Danny Pitre; Joshua Thomasee; 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.

OC Corner

The OC Fall Fair is in full swing this weekend. Bring the family out for the rides, food and fun...don't forget the delicious dinners!!!

Alumni, family and friends should mark calendars for the Homecoming parade on Oct. 13th and the game on the 14th. The classes of 2002, 1992, 1982, 1972, and 1962 will be recognized. Alumni should contact Kathy Hebert in the Development Office at 942-5404 ext. 105 for more information. In addition, the Catholic Schools of Opelousas Alumni Association welcomes its members to a special mass and reception on Oct. 15th. For membership, call Becky Diesi at 948-1068.

Around the Diocese

Saturday, Oct. 1 and Sun. Oct. 2	OC FAIR Traditional Bar-B-Que dinners on Sunday for \$6.00. Baked goods and Candy as well, plus games, rides And fun! Call 942-5404 for more information.
Monday, Oct. 3 to Friday, Oct. 7	Rosary Congress at St. John Berchman's Church in Cankton. Call Barbara at 668-4221 or David @ 407-1741.
Sunday, October 16	St. Ignatius School Rainbeau Festival, Grand Coteau, La. For more information contact the school office at 662-3325.
Individually directed retreats	October 17-26 and October 27-November 2. Please call the Jesuit Spirituality Center at 662-5251 for more information.
Thursday, October 20	The national Director of the Marian Movement of Priest will be at Queen of Angels at 7pm, to conduct a Cenacle of Prayer. For more info. call Carmella @ 942-4129.
Wednesday, October 26	Vocation supper for young Women at 6:30pm at Bishop Jarrell's Residence. Deadline to register is 20 October.
Saturday, October 29	11th Annual Diocesan Campaign Against Poverty Workshop. 8:30 am registration with program from 9:00am until 2:00pm. For more information Call 261-5545.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCHYoule Fontenot
CHAPEL.....For the terminally ill

