

**The Pastor's Corner**

Today we celebrate Passion Sunday, or Palm Sunday. It marks the beginning of our remembrance this week of the events that gave rise to our salvation. There are several special liturgies and other events this week. Please take a look at the insert in this bulletin for our Holy Week schedule of liturgies and events. A special effort should be made by each of us to attend the major liturgies of the Easter Triduum, that is Holy Thursday Mass celebrating the institution of the Eucharist, Good Friday Services commemorating the Lord's Passion, and the Easter Vigil. We are blessed that we will have two new parishioners being received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. These Liturgies are moving and beautiful, and a fitting way to celebrate these most important events. Easter weekend often begins early, with our children getting out of school and many places of employment closing for the holiday, and family celebrations might also begin early. A thought for reflection is that if we can make time for other social events during these holidays, then should we not also be able to make time to attend these Triduum Services?

This week we also celebrate on Monday, April 2, the 103rd anniversary of the first Mass celebrated in our current church building. We should take time to give thanks to God for our beautiful church and for the people who came before us and made building the church possible!

*Fr. James Brady*

**REMINDER FOR CHILDREN**

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

**Pope Benedict's Intentions for April**

**General: Vocations:** That many young people may hear the call of Christ and follow Him in the priesthood and religious life.

**Mission: Christ, Hope of the Africans:** That the risen Christ may be a sign of certain hope for the men and women of the African continent.

**Penance Services:**

**Opelousas City-wide:** St. Landry Church on Monday, April 2 @ 6:30pm  
**Eunice:** St. Anthony of Padua on Monday, April 2 @ 6pm

**Children's Way of the Cross**

The Children's Way of the Cross will be held on Good Friday at 10:30am in St. Landry Church.  
 A light lunch will be served afterwards.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**PALM SUNDAY:** April 1  
 You may bring your own palms to be blessed.

**CITYWIDE PENANCE SERVICE HERE**  
 April 2 6:30pm

**PASSION PLAY** April 3 7:00pm

**HOLY TRIDUUM:**

**Holy Thursday** April 5 7:00pm  
 Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday** April 6 10:30am  
 Way of the Cross for children  
 Good Friday Services 3:00pm

**Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)** 8:00pm

**Easter Sunday Masses** April 8  
 8:00am; 10:00am; 5:00pm

**READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING**

April 1, 2012

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- Reading I Isaiah 50:4-7**  
 My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.
- Psalm 22** "My God my God, why have you abandoned me?"
- Reading II Philippians 2:6-11**  
 Christ humbled himself. Because of this God greatly exalted him.
- Gospel: Mark 14:1---15:47**  
 The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

In today's first reading, one of the prophet Isaiah's "Songs of the Suffering Servant of the Lord," Christians see a portrait of Jesus. Saint Paul, in the second reading, describes him as "emptying himself" and "taking the form" of a slave, embracing even death in self-sacrificing love for us. Today's Passion according to Mark portrays, in an especially stark and dramatic way, the failure of Jesus' disciples and the profound sense of abandonment that surrounded his faithful witnessing" even unto death on a cross." May Jesus' example move our hearts to draw closer to him and to make the centurion's profession of faith our own: "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

**NOTICE**

We will not have First Friday and First Saturday Adoration in April because Good Friday and Holy Saturday fall during the Easter Triduum.

**OC Corner**

The O.C. senior class will present "The Passion of Jesus Christ" on Tuesday, April 3rd, at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, April 4th, at 9:00 a.m. in St. Landry Catholic Church. Family and friends in the community are invited to attend for Holy Week.

Congratulations to the recent Senior Beta and Junior Beta inductees! Officers elected for next year in Senior Beta are Allie Hollier, President; Gabi Semien, Vice President; Sydney Dean, Secretary; and Grant Carrier, Treasurer; and in Junior Beta are Sarah Joubert, President; Madeleine Hansen, Vice President; Samantha Dupre, Secretary; and Elizabeth Duplechain, Treasurer.

**FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY**

Good Friday marks the beginning of the Divine Mercy Novena and ends on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 15th.  
 The Novena begins at Noon on Good Friday. Novena pamphlets are at all doors of the church. Please take one.

**Thank You**

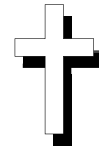
Friends of the Bereaved,  
 Thank you for the mass offering for Nita. She would have appreciated your thoughtfulness.  
 It has given us great comfort to know you thought of her.  
 Richard and Frances Bordelon

Father Brady & Friends of the Bereaved,  
 Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in remembering our Dad, John Clary, with a mass intention. I, Debbie, was able to attend this celebration and appreciate this special time to reflect on the wonderful person I called Dad!  
 Family of John Clary/Debbie Deshotel

**Donation**

St. Landry Catholic received a \$50.00 donation in thanksgiving for a favor granted.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT**



- Saturday, March 31 ..... 8:00 am Father Brady  
 4:00 pm Msgr. Melancon  
 Ray Thibodeaux; Hal Guillory; Jeanette Lalonde
- Sunday, April 1 ..... 8:00 am Father Brady**  
 M/M John FaKouri, John Jr., and Jacob; Youle & Therese Fontenot; Martin J. St. Amand; Arthur and Eva Fontenot; Earl Armand; Henry & Lillia (DA) Fontenot; Henri Fontenot (BD) and family; Charles R. and Gerry P. Doucet; John & Dona Clary and Brian Dendy; Deployed, Bubba Kidder, Melissa Francois
- 10:00 am ..... Father Brady**  
 Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith; M/M Lee Martin; M/M Alton Soileau and Sonny; Margaret V. Martin; Sal Diesi Sr.; Una L. Moreau; Margie Hebert; Frank Miller; Joyce Ortego; Anna Nhiem Pham Do
- 5:00 p.m. .... Msgr. Melancon**  
 St. Landry Church Parishioners; Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward and Allen Jr.; Harold Savoy; Fannie DeJean Genin
- Monday, April 2 ..... 12:05 pm Father Brady**  
 Perrault-Edwards family
- Tuesday, April 3 ..... 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon**  
 Clara P. Elder
- Wednesday, April 4 ..... 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon**  
 Mary Baillio (DA), J.Y. Fontenot
- Holy Thursday, April 5 ..... 7:00 pm Father Brady**  
 Mary Baillio (BD)
- Good Friday, April 6 ..... 3:00 pm Father Brady**  
**Holy Saturday, April 7 ..... 8:00 pm Father Brady**  
 Ray Thibodeaux; Bobbie & Julie Mouton; Steve & Ronnie Ardoin and the Rider family; Ronnie J. Vidrine; Lois Harmon; M/M Robert Going Sr.; Clyde & Ruby Pitre; Jeanette Lalonde; Harold & Jane Savoy (WA); Raymus, Mary & Beedy Herpin and Geraldine B. Herpin; Claiborne Ryder; Hoffman family; Armand and Jeanne Bellard
- Easter Sunday, April 8 ..... 8:00 am Msgr. Melancon**  
 Marcel LeBlanc; M/M John FaKouri, John Jr., and Jacob; Ernest & Basilee Fontenot and Family; Louis & Emma Brown and family; Youle & Therese Fontenot; Martin J. St. Amand; Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Beedy & Hazel Herpin; James E. Martin; James & Callie Palmer; Gerdie, Christen, Roy & Warren Sebastien; Joe & Eva Reed; Walfred LeBlanc Sr. & Walfred LeBlanc Jr.; Charles R. & Gerry P. Doucet; John & Dona Clary and Brian Dendy; Deployed; Mayance Dupre; Clayton and Eula Soileau; Willard Andrepont, Alvin & Gertrude A. Marks; Amar, Maryina and A.B. Courvelle Sr.; Souls in Purgatory, Bubba Kidder, Melissa Francois
- 10:00 am ..... Father Brady**  
 Wilfred, Annette, Richard and Marian Smith; M/M Lee Martin; Margaret V. Martin; Sal Diesi Sr.; Daniel & Louise Lagrange; Allen Hudspeth Sr., Van, Edward, and Allen Jr.; Walter, Lucille, Mary and Cora Baillio; Margie Hebert; Frank Miller family; Agnes & Pat Doucet; Liverda Domingue; Sherry Broussard; Liz Fabacher; Joyce Ortego; Ena & Elvin Ortego and family; Lovinia Ortego and Albert; Melvin & Lorena Ortego; Rose Marye & George Bienvendu; J.Y. Sr. & Nita Bordelon; M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull; Kossuth Doucet Family; Conrad O. Martin family; Irl White
- 5:00 p.m. .... Msgr. Melancon**  
 St. Landry Church Parishioners, Marie Grace Soileau  
**\*\*Celebrants subject to change**

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

**NOTICE**

The last day of confessions **BEFORE EASTER** is on Wednesday, April 4 before 12:05pm Mass.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

- Your Stewardship To God**
- Regular Collection .....\$6,226.01
  - Bishop's Services Appeal .....\$2,231.00
  - Maintenance & Repair .....\$341.00
  - Assist Poor .....\$24.00
  - Opelousas Catholic Foundation.....\$808.00
  - TOTAL .....\$9,630.01

*Every Gift Comes From Above.*



**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Second Offertory Collection Today**  
**St. Landry Parish Maintenance Fund**

**Grace After A Meal**

Father of Love, the nourishment of this meal fills us with new strength.  
 May we use that strength to spread the love of Christ to the poor and those in need, and to remain always grateful to your Son who laid down his life for us, For Jesus is our Lord, now and forever.  
 Amen.

**Prayer Intentions**

Ashley Allemond, Clifford and Jane Ardoin, John Aucoin, Gervis "BB" Babin, Dennis Bahr, Anna Lee Beadle, Roberta Bernard, Steve and Paula Bienvenue, Gerard Boudreaux, Wilbur Briley, ChrisBrewster, Leanna Briley, Wilber Briley, Janice Brown,Vanessa Brown, Dr. Dan Buller, Holly Burleigh, Brandon Castille, Nelson "Shorty" Castille,Raylyn Chapman, Thom Daly, Lou D'Avy, Robert Danaher, Glenn Derington, Becky Diesi, Harley Doucet, Olivia Doucet, Lane W. Dugas, Vickie Duplechain, Shirley Emonet, Tristen Estes, Linda and Terry Fontenot, George Gremillion, Kat Guidroz, Craig S. Guillory, Ted Guillory Jr., Wilma Guillory, Maggie Halphen, Angela Hargroder, Joy Harms, Lillian Hooks, Margie Hebert, Agnes Kidder, Brittany LeBlanc, George LeBlanc & Family, Olivia Lanolos, Dottie Lavergne, Olivia LeBlanc, Mike Luellawlyn, Theresa Mallet, Dale Martin, Georgie Meche & family, Gloria Miller, Laura Miller, Romaine Miller, Brandy Monde, Julie Mouton, Cameron Norris, Lonnie and Cindy Ortego, Gil Ortego, Marty Ortego, Yvonne F. Pellerin, RickyPousson, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Lauren Sebastien, Novella Sebastien, Annie Kay Segura, Emmadine Soileau, Scotty Speyrer, Patrick Steward Jr., Thomas Stoute, Yola Stoute, James Touchet, Kelly Trahan, Lena Trahan, Lou Vidrine, Annette Voorhies, Brandy Willingham, Pat Woodson, Warren Wyble, Mike Young, Natalie

**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; Hunter Dubuc; Brian James Dendy; Dakin Doyle; Clint Duhon; Eric Hart; A.J. Korn; Garrett Ryan Lanolos; Andre Ledoux; Danny Pitre; Trevor Reilly; Zach Reilly; 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**

**2012 Walk With Christ (Vile Platte)**

This 25th Walk With Christ begins at Our Lady, Queen of All Saints Church at 9AM ending at Sacred Heart Church near the noon hour.  
 Following a brief break at the conclusion of the walk, Bishop Michael Jarrell will be attending the services.

**Divine Mercy Day of Reflection (Lafayette)**

2012 Divine Mercy Day of Reflection, on Saturday April 14, will be at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Lafayette.  
 Registration is limited and accepted through April 5 or until sold out.  
 NO REGISTRATION AT DOOR! Cost is \$25.00 and includes lunch.  
 To register call Mary Bergeron at 337-654-8682 or go online at www.centralregiononline.org.

**Mid-Week Retreat for Women**

Our Lady of the Oaks will hold a mid-week retreat for women; June 25-27.  
 For more information call 337-662-5410.

**Engaged Encounter:**

Upcoming weekend dates are: Lafayette-April 27-29. and in Lake Charles May 18-20. For more information call Jimmy & Tammy Bergeron at (337)-706-8880.

**Attention All Men!**

"The King's Men" is a masculine faith formation group which provides opportunities for men to gain a deeper understanding of their Catholic faith and to grow in holiness and manly virtue. Men are invited to attend the weekly "King's Men" meetings on Tuesdays, 7-8:30pm. In the Upper Room at Our Lady of Wisdom on the UL campus.  
 For details go to www.TheKingsMen.org or contact Barney Lejeune barneylejeune@hotmail.com or 344-3544).

**REMINDERS OF THE WEEK**

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| Sunday, April 1    | 6:15pm        | Confirmation Class          |
| Monday, April 2    | 6:15pm        | Rosary at Monument          |
|                    | 6:30pm        | City-wide Penance Service   |
| Tuesday, April 3   | 7:00pm        | Passion Play                |
| Wednesday, April 4 | 9:00am        | Passion Play                |
|                    | 5:15pm        | Come Lord Jesus             |
|                    | 6:30pm        | Parish Council              |
| Friday, April 6    | OFFICE CLOSED |                             |
|                    | 10:30am       | Children's Way of the Cross |
|                    | 3:00pm        | Good Friday Services        |
| Monday, April 9    | OFFICE CLOSED |                             |

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

CHURCH.....For an increase in religious vocations

CHAPEL.....Forgotten souls in purgatory

**ALTAR SOCIETY**

Group V ..... Betty LeLeux Week of April 8, 2012

Group VI..... Norma Hargroder Week of April 15, 2012

St. Landry Catholic Church

Holy Week Schedule

**Monday of Holy Week, April 2, 2012 at 6:30pm**

Opelousas Citywide Penance Service

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**Tuesday of Holy Week, April 3, 2012 at 7pm**

Opelousas Catholic Passion Play

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**Holy Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 7pm**

Mass of the Lord's Supper

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**Good Friday, April 6, 2012**

Stations of the Cross for Children @ 10:30am

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord @ 3pm

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**Holy Saturday, April 7, 2012 at 8pm**

Easter Vigil

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**Easter Sunday, April 8, 2011**

Easter Masses at 8am, 10am and 5pm