

The Pastor's Corner

Alleluia, Alleluia!! The Lord is Risen! We rejoice today because of God's goodness to us in giving us the gift of eternal life. We now celebrate Easter for 50 days, 10 more than Lent, because we are an Easter people. Lent reminds us of our struggles here on earth, struggles with having authentic faith, with practicing virtue, and in accepting suffering. Easter reminds us that engaging in the struggle, and never surrendering to the forces of the evil one, will keep us on the track towards the promise of eternal life made by God at Easter. Fittingly, during the Easter Season we will celebrate two of the sacraments of initiation, First Communion and Confirmation. Please be sure to keep our 11 second graders and 26 juniors in your prayers as they make their final preparation for the reception of these sacraments. In addition, we as a parish will celebrate Easter with our annual parish picnic, which will take place on May 20, 2012 after the 10am Mass. Please be sure to mark your calendars. Let us enjoy this season, and let the promise of eternal life fill our lives with joy!! Alleluia, Alleluia!!

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.



2012 Easter Flower Donation

\$5.00	Albert Jefferson & Edward Mariani
\$5.00	Evariste & Marie Savoy
\$5.00	Lester Gautreaux
\$5.00	William A. Gautreaux
\$5.00	Lawrence Wiltz
\$5.00	Bonnie Kerr Amy
\$5.00	M/M Robert Ledet
\$10.00	Andrew Stout & Francis Wilson Sr. families
\$10.00	Phong Pham
\$10.00	Raymus, Mary & Beedy Herpin
\$10.00	Hoffman Family
\$10.00	Kelly Danaher
\$10.00	James Hargroder
\$10.00	M/M Lyman Guidry
\$10.00	M/M Wallace Montet
\$10.00	John & Dona Clary
\$10.00	Clem & Estelle Hebert
\$10.00	Alphonse & Martha Clary
\$12.50	Francis J. Bertrand Sr.
\$12.50	Johnny Pontiff
\$15.00	Bobbie & Julie Mouton; Steve & Ronnie Ardoin

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

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Reading I Acts 10:34a, 37-43
 We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

Psalm 118 "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

Reading II Colossians 3:1-4
 Seek what is above, where Christ is.

OR 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
 Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough.

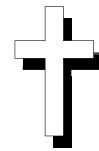
Gospel: John 20:1-9
 He had to rise from the dead.

Throughout the Fifty Days of Eastertime, from now until Pentecost, the Old Testament "scriptures of promise" are replaced by the "scriptures of fulfillment." The Acts of the Apostles begins with Peter's proclamation of Jesus' resurrection and the disciples' call to bear witness as his living community in the world. Paul reminds us that for this to happen we must faithfully live our baptismal vows as a new creation in Christ. Although Christ is not now visible in his risen glory, he is present to us as he was to his first disciples: in his living word, in the breaking of the bread, and in all who share our life's journey.

FLOWER DONATION CONTINUED:

\$15.00	Hal Guillory
\$15.00	M/M Ezra Martin
\$15.00	Denise Hull
\$15.00	Harold, Wilbert and Sr. M. Letitia Senegal
\$20.00	Jon, Lee and Mary Martin
\$20.00	Calvin Cart
\$20.00	Jason P. Darbonne
\$20.00	Ray Thibodeaux
\$20.00	Bobby Savoy
\$20.00	Ervin & MarcyLee Thibodeaux and Louis & Regina Burleigh
\$20.00	Mary Baillio; Lucille S. Baillio; Walter Baillio
\$20.00	Lt. Father J.V. LaFleur
\$20.00	Agatha LaFleur
\$20.00	Laura & Mitchel Darbonne
\$20.00	Helen & Meline Darbonne
\$20.00	Lucette & Shelton Darbonne
\$20.00	M/M Wilbert Darbonne
\$20.00	Samuel Gautreaux
\$20.00	Samantha Coutee
\$20.00	Harold Quebedeaux
\$20.00	Rene Briggs
\$25.00	Anna Nhiem Pham Do
\$25.00	Waldon & Audwin Donatto
\$25.00	The Andrepont Family
\$25.00	The Courville Family
\$25.00	The Marks Family
\$25.00	Harold & M/M Albert Savoy
\$35.00	Charlie Guidry Jr.
\$35.00	Charlie Guidry III
\$35.00	Leon Gil Savoy
\$35.00	Sharron Savoy
\$40.00	M/M John FaKouri; Jacob and John Jr.
\$50.00	Souls in Purgatory
\$50.00	Rene P. Briggs, Jr.
\$50.00	Stephen P. Boulet
\$100.00	Thomas Schexnayder

MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT



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; Evelyn, Lloyd and Carolyn Arnaud; Hilary Dupre and Ardoin/Dupre families; Ernie & Steven McKinney; Lawrence, Lilly, Mickey and Joyce Hollier

Easter Sunday, April 8 8:00 am Father 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 Sebastian; 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. Courville Sr.; Souls in Purgatory; Bubba Kidder and Melissa Francois; Hal Guillory; Eddie DeKerlegand & Olivier and DeKerlegand families

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 Bienvenu; J.Y. Sr. & Nita Bordelon; M/M Ezra Martin and Denise Hull; Kossuth Doucet Family; Conrad O. Martin family; Irl White, Gladys & Edward Valin; Novella F. Reed

5:00 p.m. Msgr. Melancon
 St. Landry Church Parishioners; Marie Grace Soileau

Monday, April 9 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon

Tuesday, April 10 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon

Wednesday, April 11 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon
 James Roland Boone (DA)

Thursday, April 12 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon

Friday, April 13 12:05 pm Msgr. Melancon
 Charles R. (BD) and Gerry P. Doucet

Saturday, April 14 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	\$8,757.20
Maintenance & Repair	\$2,386.08
Assist Poor.....	\$179.00
Flowers	\$115.00
Good Friday	\$85.00
Eastern Europe	\$10.00
Opelousas Catholic Foundation.....	\$5.00
Easter	\$5.00
Bishop's Services	\$2.00
TOTAL.....	\$11,544.28

Every Gift Comes From Above.

Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

Monday, April 9	OFFICE CLOSED	
	6:15pm	Rosary at Monument
Tuesday, April 10	6:00pm	Catholic Daughters
Wednesday, April 11	5:15pm	Altar Society Meeting
Thursday, April 12	7:00pm	KC Meeting
Friday, April 13	8:40am	All School Mass
Saturday, April 14	8:30am	1st Communion Retreat
Sunday, April 15	10:00am	First Holy Communion
	6:15pm	Confirmation Class

OC Corner

Congratulations to the Theatre class/Drama Club for their superior rating and 2nd place district award at the District Drama Rally at LSU in Eunice! Special honors went to Alix Tromblay, Best Actress; Kyle Bordelon, Best Actor; and Gabrielle Semien, Best Supporting Actress. Good luck at the State Rally!! May God bless the senior class for a beautiful portrayal of the "Passion of Jesus Christ" during Holy Week.....and may all family and friends in the community have a Happy and Holy Easter!

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, 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 Laverne, Olivia LeBlanc, Mike Luellwlyn, 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, Ricky Pousson, Helen Richard, Joseph James Robin, Jimmy Roy, Lauren Sebastian, Novella Sebastian, 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

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).

Steubenville South

We are gathering a group of our high school students to make the trip to Alexandria for the annual Steubenville South youth conference. It takes place from June 22-24, 2012. It is a wonderful event for our young people. It is conference filled with faith, fellowship and worship. Nationally renown speakers will make presentations over the course of the three days, and it is a wonderful opportunity to for our children to learn about their faith and witness their faith with thousands of other youth of the same age. Anyone interested in attending, please call the office at 942-6552 so we can contact you for the initial information meeting. There are approximately 15 slots available for the trip. Any young person entering a high school grade in the Fall of 2012 (that is, 9th-12th grade) or who will graduate from high school in the Class of 2012 is eligible.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH.....Those newly received into the church
 CHAPEL.....1st Communion Class making their retreat this week

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group VI..... Norma Hargroder Week of April 15, 2012
Group VII Gwen Fruge Week of April 22, 2012