

MASS INTENTIONS AND CELEBRANT



Prayer Intentions

Ashley Allemond; Clifford and Jane Ardoin; John Aucoin; Gervis :BB" Babin; Dennis Bahr; Anna Lee Beadle; Roberta Bernard; Jane Bertrand; Steve & Paula Bienvenu; Sky Bihm; Gerard Boudreaux; Leanna Briley; Meghan Briley; Wilbur Briley; Vanessa Brown; Holly Burleigh; Bob Chachere; Brandon Castille; Nelson "Shorty" Castille; Raylyn Chapman; Shelton Daigle; Lou D'Avy; Glenn Derington; Becky Diesi; Harley Doucet; Olivia Doucet; Lane W. Dugas; Vickie Duplechain; Duane Dupre; Shirley Emonet; Tristen Estes; Bernel Fontenot; Linda & Terry Fontenot; Ruby Gautreaux; Ray Guillory; Ted Guillory Jr.; Wilma Guillory; Angela Hargroder; Larry Hargroder; Joy Harms; Lillian Hooks; Margie Hebert; David Huckaby; Marshall Huckaby; Edval Jannise; Agnes Kidder; Gerald Kidder; Patsy T. Kirkpatrick; Michael Labbe; Brittany LeBlanc; George LeBlanc and family; Olivia Lanclos; Dottie Lavergne; Olivia LeBlanc; Theresa Mallet; Dale Martin; Georgie Meche and Family; Mitch Mequet; Laura Miller; Romaine Miller; Brandy Monde; Miya Norse; Lonnie and Cindy Ortego; Gil Ortego; Marty Ortego; Yvonne F. Pellerin; Betty Pitre; Ricky Pousson; Butch Richard; Joseph James Robin; Jimmy Roy; Ken Roy; Myrtle Ryder; Lauren Sebastien; Annie Kay Segura; Carrie Soileau; Corrine Soileau; Emmadine Soileau; Lou Soileau; Timmy Soileau; Scotty Speyrer; Viola Stelly; Patrick Steward Jr.; Thomas Stoute; Yola Stoute; Beverly Talbot; James Touchet; 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.

The Pastor's Corner

In today's Gospel, we hear the account of the apostles coming back to Jesus to give Him an account of what they had done and taught. After hearing the account of the work the apostles had done, Jesus tells them to go away by themselves to a deserted place and rest. This time of year, many of us, including myself for the last few weeks, have been blessed with the opportunity to rest from our work. Rest is an important concept in the Gospel, as there were several times Jesus Himself went off to pray alone. The need for rest should be fulfilled weekly with our reverence of the Lord's Day, or "Sabbath" in Old Testament terms, a day reserved for worship of God, acts of charity, and rest and relaxation. During these summer months (or at another time of the year), we should also take a more extended break from our regular work duties. This "rest" allows us to be more productive in our daily lives, both physically and spiritually. It is a part of our spirituality. Our society puts emphasis on productivity and efficiency, which are generally good things. However, as with all good things, they can be distorted. My hope is that all of us can get the appropriate rest and relaxation from the things of the world so that we can thrive in the things of the Spirit.

Fr. James Brady

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING July 22, 2012

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- Reading I Jeremiah 23:1-6
Reading II Ephesians 2:13-18
Psalm 23
Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34

How easy it is to identify with Jesus and his disciples in today's Gospel. Like so many of us, especially in summertime, they were looking forward to time away from lives so busy they had no time even to eat. But unlike the self-centered shepherds God condemns in today's first reading, Jesus is a compassionate Shepherd. As Paul says in the second reading, Christ is our peace and reconciliation. Though the Gospel says Jesus taught the vast crowd "many things" (Mark 6:34) that day, perhaps the most important lesson was the one he taught his disciples not in words but in deeds, by giving up his time away—compassion for those in need.

Let the Games Begin!

That might be a good slogan for the Olympics, but not for a marriage! The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend shows couples how to be straight-forward and honest in their communication, thus building a foundation for the kind of trust and love every marriage deserves.

The next available WWME weekend is July 27-29 at the Bishop Tracy Center in Baton Rouge. Call (800) 586-5469 or 225-752-5084. For more information go to www.wwme.org OR register on-line at www.wwme-nogl.com

Retrouvaille of Acadiana

Thinking about Separation or Divorce?

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage?? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced.

For confidential information about or to register for the Retrouvaille of Acadiana August program, call 1-800-470-2230. The August dates are 24-26, 2012. You may also visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

ROSARIES

The rosary is being prayed weekly, led by Ms. Denise Doucet, a parishioner, at the following places:

- Monday Heritage Manor 9:00am
Thursday New Life Center 7:00pm

Please join Ms. Doucet and the residents whenever you are able.

Diocesan Blood Drive

The Diocese of Lafayette in collaboration with Our Lady of Lourdes Blood Donor Center will be conducting a diocesan-wide blood drive from 10:00am to 2:00pm on Tuesday, July 31.

The blood drive will be held at the Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Dr. in Lafayette.

The public is invited and encouraged to give the gift of life. All donors will receive a free t-shirt and will be entered into a drawing for a Caribbean cruise for two.

If you have questions call 261-5526.

ALTAR SOCIETY

- Group VII Gwen Fruge Week of July 28, 2012
Group I Lois Joubert Week of August 4, 2012

REMINDER FOR CHILDREN

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

Pope Benedict's Intentions for July

General: Work Security: That everyone may have work in safe and secure conditions.

Mission: Christian Volunteers: That Christian volunteers in mission territories may witness to the love of Christ.

Word of Life

Blessed Pope John Paul II discussed radical secularism almost two decades ago when he visited Baltimore and stated, "The challenge facing you, dear friends, is to increase people's awareness of the importance for society of religious freedom; to defend that freedom against those who would take religion out of the public domain and establish secularism as America's official faith...And it is vitally necessary, for the very survival of the American experience, to transmit to the next generation the precious legacy of religious freedom and the convictions which sustain it."

Archbishop William E. Lori's Address: Let Freedom Ring," May 24, 2012

A Day of Reflection for Women

A day retreat hosted by Lyn Holley Doucet and Robin Hebert will be presented on Tuesday, July 31 from 8:30am--3:00pm. This will be held at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau for a fee of \$25.00.

For more information, please call 662-5410.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

Awake! Awake! Put on Strength! July 27-29

The weekend begins Friday @ 6:30pm with a speaker, opening Mass and healing service.

Registration opens at 5pm on Friday with a cost of \$25.00 per person OR \$50.00 per family. Speakers for the weekend are Fr. Peter Coughlin from Canada; Kerry Bueche from Houma; and special sharing by Gloria Sonnier from Church point, La.

Saturday will also include morning Mass and an afternoon empowerment session in the gifts and charisms of the Holy Spirit with Graham Smith of Lafayette; Fr. Coughlin and Kerry Bueche AND an all day Teen Session. Sunday begins at 9:30am with closing Mass at 10:30am.

For more information, call the Renewal Office at 254-3773.

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

No Second Offertory Collection Today

Second Offertory Collection Week of July 29 Opelousas Catholic Foundation

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Regular Collection, Maintenance & Repair, Endowment Fund, Bishop's Services Appeal, Kenya, and TOTAL.

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Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDERS OF THE WEEK

- Sunday, July 22 6:30pm Youth Group Organizational Meeting in Church
Monday, July 23 6:00pm Rosary at Monument
Wednesday, July 25 5:15pm Come, Lord Jesus

Returned to Christ through Death

St. Landry Church Parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the families of:

George Merlin Clay Jr.; Faye Cormier Comeaux; Helen Briley Richard; Rosalie Graffagnino Pepitone; Yvonne Guillory Fontenot Pellerin; Alyssa Chasse Guillory

Lord, grant that we may hold dear the memory of your servant, never bitter for what we have lost not in regret of the past, but always in hope of the eternal kingdom where you will bring us together again. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

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 Lanclos; Andre Ledoux; Danny Pitre; Trevor Reilly; Zach Reilly; Joshua Thomassee; Hunter Zerangue

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 and Confirmation Registration

We are currently taking registration for the 2013 First Communion and Confirmation classes.

Please come to the church office to register.

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control; the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

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Recently Celebrated Marriage Vows

Nicholas Andre & Adrienne Marie Gerace Stelly

May the love and trust you enjoy, grow evermore in your lives.

Sanctuary Light Church Chapel. Includes images of candles and text: CHURCH.....In Thanksgiving CHAPELNewly Ordained Transitional Deacons

Altar Society. Includes text: Group VII Gwen Fruge Week of July 28, 2012 Group I Lois Joubert Week of August 4, 2012