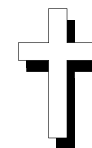


MASS INTENTIONS



The Pastor's Corner

With the beginning of the new calendar year, several of our annual events that occur in January are upon us. Initially, this week it is my privilege to travel with a group of seniors from Opelousas Catholic for the March for Life in Washington, D.C., where we will witness to the dignity of human life in all its stages. Please keep us in your prayers for a safe and fruitful trip.

In this day and age, the value of human life and its dignity is not fully recognized by the world in general, and particularly in our society. It would be naive and foolish to believe that the recent tragic events which we all mourned as a nation are not related to this lack of respect for life in general. In that regard, there will also be a March for Life in Opelousas beginning at 10am at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church. A group of our young people will be participating in the march along with many in our local community. All are encouraged to participate in this local march in solidarity with all the other local and national marches occurring this week. Let's do our best in word and action to help change the minds and hearts of all to respect and cherish all human life as the gift from God that it is!!

On the topic of life (in this case Eternal Life!), we also begin our sacramental preparation programs for First Communion and Confirmation this month. Our young people will receive these sacraments later in the Spring, so please also keep them in your prayers during this special time!!

Fr. James Brady

Pope Benedict's Intentions for January, 2013

General: Faith of Christians: That in this Year of Faith Christians may deepen their knowledge of the mystery of Christ and witness joyfully to the gift of faith in Him.

Mission: Middle Eastern Christians That the Christian communities of the Middle East, often discriminated against, may receive from the Holy Spirit the strength of fidelity and perseverance.

REMINDER FOR CHILDREN

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

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Classes for RCIA continue this Tuesday, January 22nd at 6:30pm in Valentin Hall. The lesson this week is on Temporal punishment and Indulgences; Anointing of the sick and Holy Orders. Please contact Deacon John Miller @ 942-2911 for more information.

Opelousas / Port Barre Men's Silent Retreat

The spring Opelousas / Port Barre Men's Silent Retreat at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau will be held Thursday, February 28th through Sunday, March 3rd, 2013. Call Andrew Guidroz II for information or registration at (337-351-0732). Or you can email him at andrew@thecajun.com. A deposit of \$25.00 is required to hold your room.

Safe Environment, continuing Education

Our Lady of Mercy will be having continuing education classes for Safe Environment on the followings dates in January: Wednesday, January 23 at 6:00pm Saturday, January 26 at 10:00am Call Glenda at 942-9404 OR 942-4174, ext.211

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

January 20, 2013

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- Reading I Isaiah 62:1-5 All shall behold your vindication.
Psalm 96 "Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations."
Reading II 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 The Spirit distributes gifts to each person.
Gospel: John 2: 1-11 Jesus transforms water into wine.

Our first reading and Gospel today witness to the power of new beginnings arising from divine favor. The period reflected in the reading from Isaiah is just after Israel's return from exile. God is starting over with the beloved spouse Israel, and the reading is full of that joy. The Gospel story of the wedding at Cana is the first of the signs performed by Jesus at the beginning of his public ministry. As you listen to these readings, what new beginnings do you feel that God has brought about for you?

Around the Dioceses

Pro-Life/Right to Life Walk

The Opelousas Pro-Life/Right to Life walk will be held on January 26 beginning at 10:00am from Our Lady Queen of Angels Church and ending at the New Life Center.

The Highest Mystery-The Mass in Sacred Scripture and Tradition

Our Lady Queen of Angels is sponsoring The Highest Mystery-The Mass in Sacred Scripture and Tradition by Msgr. DeRouen on Feb. 19, 26, March 5, 12 & 19 at 6:00pm.

Married Couples' Retreat:

The Community of Jesus Crucified is hosting a silent retreat for Married Couples aimed at assisting to live more profoundly their marriage sacrament. Fr. Champagne is the retreat director with married couples also giving talks. The retreat will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center (420 N. Main St.; St. Martinville) beginning at 7pm on Friday, January 25 and ending at about 2pm on Sunday, January 27. There is no cost for the retreat but couples must register in advance by calling Cheryl Moss at (337-453-2385).

Women's Holy Spirit Retreat

"Women, Great is your Faith" to highlight the Pope's call for a Year of Faith, on January 25-27 at the Lafayette Hilton. The featured speaker is Michelle Moran, President of the International Catholic Charismatic Renewal located in Vatican City. Ms. Moran will teach and minister on the topics of faith, prayer, charismatic gifts and evangelization in the family and beyond. Other noted speakers are Deacon Larry Oney; Fr. Joe Kraft and Patti Mansfield. ALL women are welcome! Register as "resident" at the hotel or as a local commuter; either online at www.ccrno.org OR 504-828-1368.

Come, Lord Jesus! Lenten Journey

The Senior Angels of OLQA is hosting a Lenten Journey for seven weeks of Lent. This will consist of weekly Bible Study dedicated to enhancing your prayer life and Scripture knowledge. The initial meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 30 @6:00pm at OLQA church hall. For more info call the church office @942-5628.

- Saturday, Jan. 19 8:00 am
4:00 pm
Sunday, Jan. 20 8:00 am
Monday, Jan. 21 12:05 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 22 12:05 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 23 12:05 pm
Thursday, Jan. 24 12:05 pm
Friday, Jan. 25 12:05 pm
Saturday, Jan. 26 8:00 am
4:00 pm

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

Second Offertory Collection Today Opelousas Catholic Foundation
Second Offertory Collection Week of January 27, 2013 Latin America

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Your Stewardship To God
Regular Collection \$6,678.81
Maintenance Endowment \$400.00
Maintenance & Repair \$115.00
Bishop's Services Appeal \$1000.00
Poor \$10.00
Opelousas Catholic School \$5.00
TOTAL \$8,208.81
Thank you for your generosity!

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Event. Includes reminders for Confirmation Class, Office Closed, Rosary, RCIA, and Mass.

Saint Landry Youth HAPPENING... Opelousas Area Walk for Life! Saturday 1/26/2013 @ 9:45am From Our Lady Queen of Angels Church to The New Life Center! This is our January Youth Activity!! All interested...Call Deacon Joubert, 308-0001

Prayer Intentions

Ashley Allemond; Joshua Allemond; Clifford and Jane Ardoin; John Aucoin; Gervis "BB" Babin; Dennis Bahr; Anna Lee Beadle; Roberta Bernard; Carolyn M. Bertrand; Jane Bertrand, Steve & Paula Bienvenu; Sky Bihm; Logan Billeaudeau; Gerard Boudreaux; Millie Boudreaux; Leanna Briley; Wilbur Briley; Vanessa Brown; Holly Burleigh; Brandon Castille; Nelson "Shorty" Castille; Raylyn Chapman; Rodney Comeaux; Shelton Daigle; Eugene Darbonne; Lou D'Avy; Glenn Derington; Harley Doucet; Olivia Doucet; Lane W. Dugas; Richard and Nelda Dunn; Vickie Duplechain; Duane Dupre; Shirley Emonet; Tristen Estes; Bernel Fontenot; Linda & Terry Fontenot; Joseph Galthier; Ruby Gautreaux; Elsie and Craig Guillory; Ted Guillory Jr.; Wilma Guillory; Angela Hargroder; Benny Hargroder; Larry Hargroder; Keith Harmon; Bobby Hebert; Nelwyn & Pat Hebert; Agnes Kidder; Gerald Kidder; Janice Kidder; Trina Kirkpatrick; Michael Labbe; Grady Lacassin; Brittany LeBlanc; George LeBlanc and family; Olivia LeBlanc; Louise LeDoux; Mike Lewallen; Dale Martin; Malcolm "Slick" Martin; Georgie Meche and Family; Mitch Mequet; Laura Miller; Brandy Monde; Julie Mouton; Miya Norse; Lonnie and Cindy Ortego; Marty Ortego; Terri Ortego; Betty Pitre; Ricky Pousson; Marilyn Quirk; Andy Requizo; Butch Richard; Joseph James Robin; Myrtle Ryder; Lauren Sebastien; Annie Kay Segura; Katherine Smith; Carrie Soileau; Corrine Soileau; Emmadine Soileau; Lou Soileau; Timmy Soileau; Viola Stelly; Wilton Stelly; Patti Stephens; Patrick Steward Jr.; Thomas Stoute; Yola Stoute; Beverly Talbot; Collins Thibodeaux James Touchet; Lena Trahan; Fr. Nicky Trahan; Lou Vidrine; Brandy Willingham; Nicky Winder; Pat Woodson; Warren Wyble; Henry Young; 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

Christopher Briley; Dr. John Cason; Jacob DeKerlegand; Hunter Dubuc; Brian James Dendy; Dakin Doyle; Chad Guthrie; 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.

OC Corner

Please pray for our Senior Ministry group who will be attending the National Right to Life March in Washington, D.C. this week. The opening Mass for Catholic Schools Week will be held at Immaculate Conception Church's 9:00am Mass on the 27th. Join us for the 14th annual Opelousas Catholic Tasters' Dinner and Auction event on February 6th in the Opelousas Civic Center. Tickets are now on sale through the OC Development Office, Piggly Wiggly on Heather Drive, Bodemuller the Printer and St. Landry Homestead Bank.

Please Pray for Our Seminarians

Of the 39 current seminarians representing the Diocese of Lafayette, the following 3 men are from the North Region:
1) Matthew Barzare St. Anthony of Padua, Eunice
2) John Miller St. Landry, Opelousas
3) Ben Pitre St. Landry, Opelousas
Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and eager but gentle servants of the gospel. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Returned to Christ through Death

The St. Landry Church parishioners offer prayers and sincere condolences to the families of:
Romaine Vizinat Miller; Joyce Landry Soileau; Mable Melancon DuPont
O Lord, grant to those who have died the joy of your presence, and us who are living, the happiness of knowing this.

Welcome into our Catholic Family through the Sacrament of Baptism

Sophia Lou Gautreaux

SANCTUARY LIGHT CHURCH...Spritual & Safe Trip for Fr.Brady and OC Ministry Team CHAPEL...Respect for ALL Life

ALTAR SOCIETY Group V ..... Betty Leleux Week of January 26, 2013 Group VI ..... Norma Hargroder Week of February 2, 2013