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ALTAR SOCIETY

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Our Parish Life

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Mission Statement:

St. Landry Catholic Church is a community of the faithful that serves God and our neighbors by coming to know and love more deeply Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This is accomplished through the study of Sacred Scripture and by practicing the traditions handed down to us, especially the seven sacraments. By the help of Jesus' Grace, we seek to imitate Him in His faith, hope and charity so that we can receive His gift of salvation in eternal life.

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From the Desk of Msgr. Harrington...

What if the older son in Jesus' parable of the prodigal son kept a journal?

My younger brother took something that was not his to take. How could he have been so foolish, so cruel to the man who gave us everything? How could he be so cruel to me? Why was he so unhappy with us that he couldn't wait to get away from here, he couldn't wait to get away from us? What made him think that he even had an inheritance? What a mean and selfish boy pretending to be a man! He took my inheritance and wasted it all. He broke our father's heart and wished us both dead so he could take all the money and throw it to the pigs. I will never forgive him. I can never forgive him.

And yet, that is what my father asks of me. While I'm working away in the field, doing my job, trying to once again make the money to replenish what my brother has wasted, my father wants me to join the celebration. While out in the field doing what I'm supposed to be doing – always the responsible one – he wants me to forgive this son of his. He begs me to go into the house and forgive, pretend that nothing is wrong, whitewash my brother's sin. Forget all the hurt he has brought to the people who loved him most. I can't do it. I won't do it. I stand paralyzed before my father with rage.

I am angry with my brother. He was always so needy, so demanding. Nothing was ever good enough for him. We were never good enough for him. The world revolved around what he wanted, what he demanded, what he thought was his rightful due. His entitlement disgusted me. How many times I had to rescue him? How many times I had to cover for his mistakes? How many times I had to do his chores?

I am angry with my father for being so quick with his mercy and his embraces. He gives away his ring, his finest robe, his sandals, his love. The fatted calf is slaughtered for the son who spit in his face. He expects me to turn the blind eye on the one who returns in shame. I can't do it. He doesn't deserve it. He deserves to be punished, to be rejected, to be thrown off the land and exiled back to that land that he was in such a hurry to run to in the first place. He should be cast out and forgotten. His name should be stricken from our hearts.

I am angry with myself. I am angry with myself because my heart is so small. My father forces me to see what I do not want to see. This loathsome man I want to make a stranger is my brother. He is my flesh and blood. He is the one who looked up into my face and smiled when my mother made me hold him. He was so small, so vulnerable. He was just a baby. He was the one who wrapped his tiny fingers around my finger and stole my heart. I swore I would love him forever. I swore I would be his big brother forever. I am angry because my father's goodness reminds me of my oath. My father's love reminds me how he sees my younger brother. He sees my brother as his own, as his other self. He could no more turn away from my brother than he could remove his own heart.

I know I am free to forgive my brother. I also know that I will be able to do this seemingly impossible task. I can only do this because my father shows me how to do it. He teaches me how to forgive. He teaches me how to love unconditionally, completely without restraint. My father teaches me how to see his children as he sees them; as his own, as his other self. I can see what it means to my father to have his very 'self' returned to his embrace. I can learn this as well as I learned to work the fields. I can learn this because it not only brings life to my little brother, but it brings life to me. To forgive another empowers me to accept the forgiveness of my father and allows me to forgive myself.

I am always with my father, and he is always with me.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS -

September - The Protection of the Oceans That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

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REMINDERS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. - 09/08

Mon. - 09/09

10:00am Bible Study

6:00pm Rosary @ Lafleur Monument

Tue. - 09/10

9:10am OCS Mass

6:00pm Come, Lord Jesus!

Wed. - 09/11

6:00am TMIY

5:00pm Come, Lord Jesus! **5:15pm** Come, Lord Jesus!

Thu. - 09/12

Fri. - 09/13 - Office Closed

8:00am

Sat. - 09/14

Mass in Valentin Hall

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18,20, 28-29 Ancient wisdom insists that the more humble we are,the greater we are.

Psalm 68 "God, in your goodness, You

have made a home for the poor."

Hebrews 12: 18-19 Far from frightening, our encounter with God will be like a glorious holiday. **Luke 14: 1, 7-14** Jesus presents his own

version of table manners.

True humility requires that we acknowledge our weaknesses, our imperfections, our humanness. We are not more important than our neighbor. Sirach offers this as a lesson to guide the listener. Jesus tries to teach this to the Pharisees in the Gospel we hear today. Humility begets generosity, as it recognizes the value in our neighbor, especially those who are put down. True generosity is shown when giving to those who cannot repay.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

-Michael Vidrine St. John, Melville

-Trey Fontenot Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP

-Garrett Broussard OLOGC, LC

Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. AMEN.

PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

Sunday, 09/08 Msgr. Curtis Mallet, VG
Monday, 09/09 Msgr. Charles Mallet
Tuesday, 09/10 Fr. William Massey
Wednesday, 09/11 Fr. Kenneth Mayne
Thursday, 09/12 Fr. Louis McCabe, SJ
Friday, 09/13 Fr. Richard McGowan, SJ
Saturday, 09/14 Fr. Garrett McIntyre

Eternal Father, we lift up to You, these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN

<u>AFTER MASS SOCIALS</u>

Each Sunday, following the 8am and 10am Masses we gather in the South Sacristy of the church for coffee & donuts and FELLOWSHIP! Everyone is welcome! Please use the outside entrance near the southeast corner of the church. Please do not enter through the sanctuary. Please, NO FOOD in any other area of the church.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 07

4:00pm Charles F. Going & Wm. Hatch Families; Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde Family; Carolyn M. Bertrand; M/M Robert Going Sr. & Families; Wayne, Jeanette & Jonathan Lalonde; Roy & Justine L. Elder Family; Leroy & Elia Huguet; Madelyn McKinney; Eli Thanh Huynh; Souls in Purgatory; Special Intention; Neal Whipp Family & Fr. Joseph C. DeLuca; Frank & Marguerite Miller; Patrick Murray Labbe; Ross Hulin; Kermit Christ; Come, Lord Jesus Groups; Lonnie T. Ortego, Jr.

Sunday, September 08

08:00am Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Jennifer A. Guillory & Eddie DeKerlegand; Jolynn Bergeron (BD); Eva Arnaud (BD); M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Murphy Allen Deceased family members Lanclos, Sr.; Willard Ray "Bubba" Andrepont; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Lonnie T. Ortego, Jr.

10:00am Patricia S. Woodson; Jolynn
Bergeron (BD); Malcolm "Slick" & Margaret Martin;
Lee & Beverly Faul & Mark Capone Jr.; Daniel
Beaugh; M/M Lee Martin, Jon Martin & Loray
Martin Bertrand & Rita Darby; M/M Ezra Martin &
Denise Hull; Carol, Joyce & Baby Ortego; Stephen
Taylor; Harriet H. Doucet; Paul Guidry; Ellen & Tom
Arnould; Lawrence Kelly & Darius & Zetta Deville;
M/M Emillian Bodin & Joyce Lagrange; William
"Billy" H. Jarrell, Jr.; Guise Tran Ho; Shawn King
DeJean; Joseph C.

Stephens, Sr.; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

Monday, September 09

12:05pm Phillip & Mary Ann Frilot; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.; Jason Paul Griffin (BD)

Tuesday, September 10

12:05pm Eddie DeKerlegand (DA); Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.; Gary M. Miller (BD)

Wednesday, September 11

12:05pm Drucella F. Harper (DA); Henry (BD), Lillia & Raphael Fontenot; Benny Nele; Marion Cummings & Novella R. Taylor; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr., Father Joe Breaux (BD)

Thursday, September 12

12:05pm William Joseph Joubert (BD); Thomas A. Schexnayder; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

Friday, September 13

12:05pm Yvonne Littell (BD); Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

Saturday, September 14

08:00am Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.; Priscilla Guidroz & family (BD)

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laurey Andrus, Rena Mae Angelle, Dannie Ardoin, Brenda & Dennys Baird, Camden Barnard, Victoria Barron, Addi Baquet, Eric Baquet, Mona Bernard, Rada Bono, Derek Bourque, James Buford Bergeron, Paula Bienvenu, Robert Bienvenu, Marty Billeaudeau, Randy Bordelon, Ricky Bordelon, Alexandra Boudreaux, Mildred D. Boudreaux, Joan Bradv. Eden Broussard. Tammv Broussard. Nico Campbell, German Cardoza, Ronnie Collette, Liz Constanino, Betty Cormier, Leroy Darbonne, Glenda G. Darbonne, Christopher Darby, Francis "Flossie" David, Angie Dejean, Barbara Dopson, Lee Dubuc, Wanda Dupre, Glyn Durio, Willie Mae Emonet, Johnny Fontenot, Brandon Fuselier, Glenda Gaudet, Albert Going, Robert Going, Jr., Sarah Groth, Amelia Guillory, Gabrielle Hanson & Family, Norma Hargroder, Jeanette Harville, Carol Hebert, Scott Hebert, Eva Herbert, Corrace Hollier, Yola Huckaby, Rosalie Jackson, Bryan Fontenot, Jo Ann Jones, Leon Khan, Joyce LaCasse, Charles Kenneth Lalonde, Sr., Virgie Lanclos, Jenny Ledoux, Ronald Leger, Sawyer Leblanc, Leger, Paul Leleux, Margie Lintzen, Cassandra Marceaux, Malcolm Marcus, Kathy Martin, Verna Martin, Heather E. Matt, Sidney Matt, Taylor Morales, Glenda Moreau, Larry Moreau, Ortego, Gene Paillet, Mary Paillet, Elliot Pavlovich, Belle Pitre, Glenda Pitre, Michelle Poulet, Butch Richard, Gerald Roy, Emery Richard, Jessie Richard, The Keith Richard Family, Geneva Scallon, Pap Roy, Jason Sonnier, Clara Smith, Elaine Soileau, Ronald Speyrer. Fred Stafford, Andrew Stelly, Audrey Stelly, Becky Sylvester, Andrew Tarleton, Richard Tatman, Ervin Thibodeaux, Margaret Thibodeaux, Brett Walker, Augustine Wilson, Brad Woodel, Evelyn Wyble, Caleb Zachary

(It is diocesan policy that we must have permission from any individual that is to be placed on the list of intentions prior to their name being listed.)

ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society meets on the second Monday of every month at 5:15pm in Valentin Hall. We are always welcoming New Members to be a part of our mission to assist in beautifying our church for the sacred liturgies. Our next meeting will be on September 9th. For more information call Yvonne Normand @ 337-308-3474 or Janis Courvelle @ 337-789-0971.

ALTAR SERVERS

We are always looking for more young people who desire to serve our Lord in this very important ministry! All Students who have made their 1st Holy Communion through HS are invited to become servers... Parents contact Deacon Joubert for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY

We are always looking for new voices to enhance our ministry of liturgical music! If you feel called to share your talents in this capacity, call one of our choir directors – JP Poirier (337) 577-6466 or Rafael Henry (337) 739-8173, or call the parish office and someone will get with you!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus, Council #1173 meets on the second Thursday of each month. Call Josh Soileau (337)912-5812 if you are interested in joining.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study sessions will begin in September. The sessions will be Mondays @ 10am & 6pm. Please call Deacon Joubert (942-6552) for more information.

ONLINE CATECHESIS

The Diocese of Lafayette has partnered with Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, to give everyone in the diocese access to workshops that can help in their religious formation. Although some of the workshops are geared towards teachers, many simply give information on topics that many of us want to know more about (i.e. the Eucharist, Mary, New Testament, Old Testament). All you have to do is go to www.franciscanathome.com/diolaf to begin to create your account. The Office of Catechetics has a short 3 minute video on their webpage that will direct you on how to create an account. Our parish (or institution) has already been placed in the system, so all you have to do is create your personal account.

GRIEVING DADS

Red Bird Ministries is offering an overnight weekend retreat at The Lodge in Butte La Rose (1031 La Salle St, Breaux Bridge, LA) for grieving fathers to experience hope, healing, and fellowship. Follow Me, will be held on Friday, September 20 - Sunday, September 22, 2019. Retreat concludes on Sunday at 11 AM. Men who have experienced any form of child loss are invited (including miscarriage, still birth, and the loss of an infant, child, adolescent, or adult child). Early Registration - \$125 by 8/15/19. Late Registration - \$150 by 9/8/19. Sponsorships are available. Space is limited. Register now redbird.love/dadsretreat.

THANK YOU

The family of Marguerite Miller expresses their gratitude to the "Friends of the Bereaved" for their kindness and sympathy at the passing of their loved one.

HOLY GHOST YOUTH CONFERENCE

The SVD Associates of Holy Ghost Church are sponsoring the 3rd annual SVD Youth Day Conference on Saturday, 9/28/19 beginning at 7am at Holy Ghost Church in Opelousas. Students ages 10-19, as well pastors and youth ministers are invited to attend. Registration is \$20 and includes a t-shirt. Any questions should be directed to Holy Ghost Church @ 337-942-7232.

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 the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us.

EXTRA – ORDINARY MINISTERS

September 14/15 Saturday - 4:00pm

Altar Servers: Broty & Katie Stelly

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Regena Stelly, Michelle Naguin, Didier Hargroder,

Suzette Ellis, Alice Cormier Reader: Carl Graffagnino

Sunday – 8:00am

Altar Servers: Leigh Labrie, Beau & Ethan Stelly **Extra-ordinary Minister of the Eucharist:** Phyllis Guidry, Jennifer Fontenot, Debbie Deshotel

Reader: Debbie Fay

10:00am

Altar Servers: Sam Chachere, Hieu & Jacob Tran **Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Peter Briggs, Larry Moreau, Jackie Keyes, Joe Blumrich

Reader: Dawn Blumrich & Joshua St. Cyr

5:00pm

Altar Servers: Mark & Myles Collins

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Shawn LeBlanc, Marcelle Abshire, Jane Savoy, Kim

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Reader: Mercy Jannise

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An all-school mass will be held on Tuesday at 9:10 am in St. Landry Catholic Church. Then on Friday night the Vikings travel to Vermilion Catholic for a football matchup. Good luck, team, and play with "confidence"!

Coming soon is the Founders' Day Mass on September 17. Please join us!

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