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SANCTUARY LIGHT

**CHURCH: Victims of Cold Weather** 

**CHAPEL:** Thanksgiving

#### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

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## **Sacraments**

Reconciliation: Monday & Thursday 3:30pm – 5:00pm & Saturday 2:00pm – 3:00pm (Enter through the Southwest door of the church.)

Baptism: Call Office - 942-6552

Anointing of the Sick: Call Office – 942-6552 1<sup>ST</sup> Communion & Confirmation: See Bulletin for

registration information.

Matrimony: Call Office at least six months before

planned wedding.

### Our Parish Life

#### **ADULT FORMATION – 942-6552**

RCIA / Adult Confirmation – Call the Office Come Lord Jesus! – Tue. 6pm – Rose Boulet

Wed. 5pm – Kim Lajack Wed. 5:15pm – Lois Joubert

That Man is You - Dcn Dwayne Joubert

Bible Study - Dcn Dwayne Joubert

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#### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Parents of students interested in becoming Altar Servers should contact Deacon Joubert @ 942-6552. NEW SERVERS ARE NEEDED.

# Volume 70, No. 07 – First Sunday in Lent – February 21, 2021

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS -

February 14, 2021	
REGULAR	\$7670.00
GOAL	\$9000.00
Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$210.00
Poor & Needy	\$310.00
BSA	\$784.00
Black & Native American Missions	\$10.00
ICON	\$10.00

Your generosity during these most difficult times is greatly appreciated!

#### PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Sunday, 02/21 Fr. Rene Pellessier
Monday, 02/22 Fr. Stephen Pellessier
Tuesday, 02/23 Fr. Donald Pelous
Wednesday, 02/24 Fr. Neil Petit
Thursday, 02/25 Friday, 02/26 Fr. Ben Pitre
Saturday, 02/27 Fr. Mikel Polson

#### PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 02/21
Monday, 02/22
Dcn. George Jourdan
Dcn. Jim Kincel
Dcn. Robert Klingman
Dcn. Denis LaCroix
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#### PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Michael VidrineSt. John, MelvilleTrey FontenotSacred Heart of Jesus, VP

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# READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

**Gn 9:8-15** God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.

Ps 25 "Your ways, O Lord, are love

and truth to those who keep your covenant."

1 Pt 3:8-22 The water of the flood

prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

Mk 1:12-15 Jesus was tempted by Satan,

and the angels ministered to him.

#### **Pope Francis Prayer Intention**

**FEBRUARY Violence Against Women** We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

#### OC CORNER

During Catholic Schools Week, Opelousas Catholic held two very special dedications. The elementary building is now the "Rose Lalonde Elementary Building" in her loving memory; and the athletic complex is now the "Mickey Mills Athletic Complex" in his honor.

Congratulations to our Varsity Girls' Basketball Team for clinching the District Championship! And congratulations again to senior Keon Coleman who recently signed a full scholarship to Michigan State University to play both basketball and football.

For more information about registration for the 2021-2022 school year, contact Joanne Briley, Registrar, at <a href="mailto:brileyj@ocsvikings.com">brileyj@ocsvikings.com</a> or 942-5404 ext. 109.

#### **SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY**

"Safe Haven Sunday" will be held on February 20-21, 2021. Safe Haven Sunday books will be available directly through Clean Hearts website. The theme for 2021 is "Connected: How Strong Family Relationships Lead to Internet-Safe Kids". Resources, including this year's FREE Ebook, are available through our website, https://www.diolaf.org/safehaven.

#### **DAY OF PRAYER**

The Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat Center in Grand Coteau is hosting a Lenten Day of Prayer for Women. The theme is Fasting, Almsgiving and Prayer, the presenter is Fr. Lou McCabe, SJ and the retreat will be held on Tuesday, March 9th from 8:30am until 2:15pm. Pre-registration is required online @ www.ourladyoftheoaks.com and the cost is \$25.00. For more information call (337)662-5410 ext. 200.

#### LENTEN REMINDERS

#### Some Lenten reminders:

- Friday's Stations of the Cross @ 5:15pm.
- Monday & Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Parish Lenten Mission @ 6pm
- Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> Eucharistic Adoration from 7am til 11:30am followed by Mass at 12:05.
- Confessions Monday & Tuesday
   3:30pm 5pm, Saturday 2pm 3pm.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Saturday, February 20

4:00pm Ricky Doucet; Roy "Bubba" & Justine L. Elder; Special Intention; Gerald Roy; Carrace Hollier; Matherne Bourque; Billie Dossmann Mackey; Robert (Bob) Chachere; Barbara "Bobbie" Mouton (BD); Norris Leger; Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family

#### Sunday, February 21

08:00am Audrey Ardoin Douget; Lester & Rita Jeffers; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Geneva Gaspard Scallan; Helen Boss; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Murphy Allen Lanclos, Sr.; Terri Courvelle; Dr. S. J. Deshotels, Sr. (BD); James E. Martin; Marx "Sonny" Allen Budden

10:00am Carol J. Sr., Joyce & Baby Ortego; Drucella Fruge' Harper; The Sick & Dying; Una Soileau Wilson; Dr. Earl Rozas; Gayle Caillouet; Ricky Doucet; Bill, Elaine, Claudia & Chris Fields & Voitier Families; Phero Truong Si Can; Orphan Souls; Sarah Jarrell (BD); Gordon LeBlanc; Guise Tran Ho; Dr. L. H. Boulet and Rene Peter Briggs, Jr.; Hushel Bordelon; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Moise & Martha LaGrange

**5:00pm** St. Landry Church Parishioners **Monday, February 22** 

12:05pm Thomas B. Schexnayder; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr.& Wilda Cosgrove; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; James T. Guglielmo (BD)

#### Tuesday, February 23

12:05pm Bertha Pavy; Doris T. Collins; Joseph & Lita Culotta; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

#### Wednesday, February 24

12:05pm Ludrick James Labbe; Mora Family; J.Y., Sr. Nita & Richard Bordelon; Sarah Warder; Rose, Harry & Stacy Brown

#### Thursday, February 25

12:05pm Lee (BD), Kristie & Vivian Artigue: Lucy Lavergne; J.Y. Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Linda (BD) Artall & Family

#### Friday, February 26

12:05pm Yves & Gloria (Gloria) Cortez; J.Y Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Jenna Theresa Joubert Family

#### Saturday, February 27

09:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Gertrude A. Marks (BD)

#### OPELOUSAS PREGNANCY CENTER

A Center committed to facilitating abundant LIFE for women and children through FREE pregnancy testing and ultrasound, counseling, education and MORE! St. Landry Church proudly supports their mission.

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dainee Ardoin; Nela Badeaux; Maci Bergeron; Rada Bono; Randy Bordelon; Rickie Bordelon; Carol D'Amico; Robert Comeaux; Ramona Darbonne; Gordon David; Tanna Doucet; Cecile Dupre; Rebecca Dupre; Glyn Durio; Glenda Gaudet; Wayne Gautreaux; John Godeau, Jr; Susan Godeau; Linda Guidroz; Anne Hollier; Yola Huckaby; Rosalie Jackson; Gene Kidder; Vergie Lanclos; Mark Leblanc; Rebecca Leblanc; Ronald Leger; Billie Dossmann Mackey; Malcom Marcus; Sidney Matt; Lorna Sue W. Miller; Reed Mire; Kenny Moreau; M/M Timmy Smith, Sr.; Cy Lager; Mary Paillet; Kayla Ramoin; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Edmae DeJean; Gertie DeJean; Pap Roy; Barbara St. Amand; Elaine Soileau; Taylor Stevens; Terri Trahan; Taylor Morales; Brett Walker; Special Intention

#### Prayer to Saint Joseph

Oh, Saint Joseph, foster-father of Jesus, most pure spouse of the Virgin Mary, pray for us daily to the same Jesus, the Son of God, that we, being defended by the power of His grace and striving faithfully in life, may be crowned by Him at the hour of death. Amen.

#### **Prayer to Saint Landry**

Through the intercession of St. Landry, bless us all, O Lord we pray, for loved ones, here and near, and far away. And everyone for whom we pray. Keep us safe each night and day, the homeless who have no place to stay. Those who are suffering in any way. The dying, those mourning or grieving and all who need God's mercy. Keep us safe, heavenly Father when we are at home, or traveling on our way, or when we are vulnerable, or in danger in any way. Most merciful Father, hear us as we pray for the souls in Purgatory, or who may be sent there some day. Amen.

#### PRAYER TO OVERCOME RACISM

Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other. We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times we have failed to love and respect one another. We ask for your help in obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism and to build a just society. We ask for your help in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person. Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son warms our hearts: pray for us. Amen.

# From Msgr. Harrington...

The following is a brief excerpt taken from Arkansas Catholic from 2004 on the history of the Stations of the Cross.

From the earliest days of Christianity, pilgrims journeyed to Jerusalem to walk in the footsteps of Christ's passion on the road to Calvary. Tradition holds that Mary, the mother of Jesus, herself led by example in making daily visits to the sites of her Son's sufferings, death and resurrection following His ascension into heaven. More than 2000 years later, however, Christians are still trying to grasp the saving gift of Jesus by meditating on or reenacting His crucifixion through what has come to be known as the stations of the cross.

Also known as "way of the cross" or "via crucis" the private devotion has consisted of 14 stations, taken both from Scripture and tradition, since the 18th century when the Church officially approved the now common Lenten practice. Through the stations, Christians have been able to spiritually journey to the via dolorosa (Latin for "way of sorrows" or "way of suffering") in Jerusalem without actually going there.

Born out of widespread devotion to the passion of Christ in the 12th and 13th centuries, the stations of the cross, as a devotion, did not begin to develop until the Franciscans were granted custody of Christian sites in Jerusalem in 1342, according to the New Catholic Encyclopedia. St. Leonard of Port Maurice became known as the 'preacher of the way of the cross' in the 18th century because he was credited with erecting more than 572 stations between 1731 and 1751.

Today almost all Catholic churches have a set of the stations somewhere on church grounds. In recent years, the Church has supported a set of stations that are more scripturally based. The common form contains five stations from Church tradition: Jesus meets His mother, Veronica wipes the face of Jesus and His three falls, according to the Catholic Prayer Book.

The Church has also said that even though the stations is a private devotion focusing on the passion of Christ, it should end in such a way as to convey hope in the resurrection, thus introducing a 15<sup>th</sup> station.

Let us take time in this Lenten season of 2021 to pray this revered and sacred devotion. Let us remember the journey of Jesus that leads to His resurrection. Let us remember that the stations in our church of St. Landry are over 100 years old and have borne the prayers of thousands throughout the years. Let us join our prayers and reflections with those who have gone before us, remembering the way of sorrows, remembering the path to resurrection.

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