Parish Office Hours

WE WILL RESUME OFFICE HOURS ON JUNE 7TH. Monday -1:00 - 4:00Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 - 12:00, 1:00 - 4:00 (Closed 5/7 for Memorial Day.) REMOTE BUSINESS IS STILL ENCOURAGED.

Email: stlandrychurch@diolaf.org

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Pastoral Staff - 942-6552

Msgr. Russell J. Harrington ext. 1107 **Pastoral Associate** Deacon Dwayne Joubert ext. 1104 **Deacons** Deacon Sammy Diesi ext. 1105 Deacon John Miller Bookkeeper Lois Joubert ext. 1101

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Priscilla Guidroz ext. 1100

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Ad Hoc

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SANCTUARY LIGHT

Harry Ragas, Vice Chair

CHURCH: OCS Class of 2021

CHAPEL: All High School & College Graduates

(225)571-0850

948-8052

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group 5 **Bertha Reed** 05/21/21 05/28/21 Group 1 **Lois Joubert**

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 1ST Communion & Confirmation: See Bulletin or

Website 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Director – Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552 Safe Environment 942-6552

LITURGY

Coordinator – Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552 Altar Servers - Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552 Ministers of the Word – Debbie Fay 308-3107 **Eucharistic Ministers** 942-6552 10 AM Choir - John Poirier 577-6466 5 PM Music - Raphael Henry 739-8173 First Friday Adoration - Ben Pitre 351-8389 Altar Society-Pam Hooks 331-4940

PASTORAL OUTREACH - 942-6552

Ministry to the Home Bound – Lois Joubert Ministry to the Bereaved-Lois Joubert

ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Daughters-Ramona Darbonne 692-0196 Knights of Columbus-Josh Soileau 912-5812

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Joseph Pisano, Jr. 298-2987

OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal - Mrs. Marty Heintz 942-5404

ONLINE GIVING

WWW.STLANDRYCATHOLICCHURCH.COM

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.

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The Ascension of the Lord

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS -

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REGULAR	\$8186.23
GOAL	\$9000.00
Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$215.00
Poor & Needy	\$300.00
OCS Foundation	\$20.00
Church in Eastern Europe	\$279.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Sunday, 05/16	Fr. Howard Blessing
Monday, 05/17	Fr. Kevin Bordelon
Tuesday, 05/18	Fr. Marshall Boulet

Wednesday, 05/19 Fr. John Joseph Bourque, CJC

Thursday, 05/20 Fr. Millard Boyer Fr. James Bradley, SJ Saturday, 05/22 Fr. James Brady, JCL

PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 05/16	Dcn. Dennis Landry
Monday, 05/17	Dcn. Barry LeBlanc
Tuesday, 05/18	Dcn. Joshua LeBlanc
Wednesday, 05/19	Dcn. Timothy Ledet
Thursday, 05/20	Dcn. Barney Lejeune
Friday, 05/21	Dcn. Thomas Lindsey
Saturday, 05/22	Dcn. Joseph Liuzza

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Michael Vidrine St. John, Melville Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP

Garrett Broussard OLOGC, LC

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11 The apostles were looking on, Jesus was lifted up.

Ps 47 "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord!"

Eph 4:1-13 To the extent of the full stature of Christ.

Mk 16:15-20 The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention May – The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

MAY ROSARY

The Catholic Daughters will be praying the Rosary at the Grotto every Monday during the month of May beginning at 5:15pm. Please join in praying the rosary!

OC CORNER

Several important events will take place this week: Junior Ring Mass on Monday at 6 pm in St. Landry Catholic Church; Athletic Awards Program on Tuesday at 6 pm in the OC gym; Senior Convocation on Wednesday at 6 pm in the OC gym; and the 165th Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement on Friday at 6 pm in St. Landry Catholic Church. Congratulations to our Class of 2021!

Save the Date! The next OC "Dinner, Auction and Music" evening is set for December 3, 2021 in the Opelousas Civic Center for family and friends!

Please remember the 2020-2021 Angel Appeal Drive with a gift, small or large, before May 31. If you have not yet become an "angel" for Catholic education, please consider a gift and submit to the OC Advancement Office, 428 E. Prudhomme St., Opelousas or online at www.OCSvikings.com. You may give it in memory of or in honor of someone special in your life!

UPDATE: LIVE OAKS LISTED ON LOUISIANA REGISTRY

St. Landry Church received news that our remaining beautiful Live Oak trees were approved and are now listed on the Louisiana Live Oak Society's (LOS) Registry. The LOS, under the auspices of the Louisiana Garden Club Federation, added the oaks to the registry on April 3, 2021. The addition of the seven (7) trees brings our total of registered Live Oaks to 13. Special thanks to John Harper for his time and effort in nominating our oaks to the LOS. The latest Live Oaks are named: 7) Fr. Flavius Henri Rossi; 8) Msgr. Charles E. Marin (located in the Alma Chachere Goudeau Memorial Garden); 9) Friar Joseph de Arazena, O.F.M. Cap.; 10) The Catholic Faithful of St. Landry; 11) Fr. Michel Bernard Barrière; 12) Fr. Louis Buhot; and, 13) Saint Landry's Oak. An updated map can be viewed on our website and Facebook page.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 15

4:00pm Special Intention; Billie Dossmann Mackey; Roy "Bubba" & Justine L. Elder; Patrick Murray Labbe; Juanita Stelly; Charles F. & Mercedes Going & Family; Ricky Doucet; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; James "Jimmy" Soileau; Matherne Bourque; Gerald Roy; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; William & Dorothy Hatch and Family

Sunday, May 16

08:00am Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Wilma DeJean, Constance & Murphy Allen Lanclos, Sr.; Marie Fontenot Langlois; Barbara St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Brett and Jill (BD) Boullion & Family; Rita Durio King; The Sick & Dying; Ellis Fontenot; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin St. Amand

10:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Burnel Manuel Sr. and families of LaFleur & Manuel; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; Albert Going; Gordon LeBlanc; Adrienne Gibson; Jo Ann Soileau Landry; Hushel Bordelon; Kermit Christ; J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families; Emma Lee Stelly; M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull; Wilma Breaux; Quida Mc Ilhenney; Irl White & Hazel White Hollier; Bill, Elaine, Claudia & Chris Fields; Dr. L. H. Boulet & Rene Peter Briggs; Rita D. Marks; Special Intention

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

Monday, May 17

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon, Rita Durio King

Tuesday, May 18

12:05pm Rita Durio King, J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

Wednesday, May 19

12:05pm Rita Durio King; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Quida Mc Ilhenney

Thursday, May 20

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Lucy Lavergne; Rita Durio King

Friday, May 21

12:05pm Maryina Courvelle (DA); JoAnn Christ (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

Saturday, May 22

09:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

OFFICE RE-OPENING

We will resume office hours effective June 6th. The office will be open as follows:

Monday - 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Tuesday - Thursday 8:30am - 4:00pm (Closed 12-1 for lunch)

As always, remote transactions are encouraged when appropriate.

Note: The office will be CLOSED on Monday the 7th in observance of Memorial Day.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dainee Ardoin; Nela Badeaux; Maci Bergeron; Seth Briggs; Rada Bono; Randy Bordelon; Rickie Bordelon; Carol D'Amico; Francis D. Bordelon; Robert Comeaux; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Edmae DeJean; Gertie DeJean; Liz Darbonne; Ramona Darbonne; Gordon David; Tommy Dupre; Betty W. Doucet; Cecile Dupre; Rebecca Dupre: Glyn Durio: Glenda Gaudet: Wayne Gautreaux; John Godeau, Jr; Susan Godeau; Linda Guidroz; Maggie Guy; Wilda Handy; Anne Hollier; Yola Huckaby; Rosalie Jackson; Gene Kidder; Vergie Lanclos; Debra Leblanc; Mark Leblanc: Rebecca Leblanc: Ronald Leger: Billie Dossmann Mackey: Malcom Marcus: Sidney Matt: Lorna Sue W. Miller: Kenny Moreau; Lisa Ortego: M/M Timmy Smith, Sr.; Mary Paillet; Pap Roy; Elaine Soileau; Greg Tate; Terri Trahan; Taylor Morales; Brett Walker; Avery Woodson; Special Intention

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.

A Message from Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel...

The third commandment of God, obliges us to keep holy the Lord's Day. This commandment is fulfilled when we give God the most perfect worship possible, the worship of Jesus Christ himself in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We also observe it by works of charity, spiritual reading, and refraining from unnecessary servile labor to spend time with family and loved ones. In this way we give God the adoration that is His due, nourish our souls with the Body and Blood of Christ and direct our lives to our eternal goal – life with God. This understanding is what we know as the "obligation for Catholics to participate in Mass every Sunday".

Because of the seriousness of the pandemic, the Sunday obligation was dispensed by me to comply with safety directives recommended by health authorities. Now that conditions have improved, people more frequently shop, socialize, go to gyms and participate in other activities outside their homes, the time has come to also observe the Lord' Day by assisting at Mass on Sundays. I am therefore lifting the dispensation from Sunday Obligation in the Diocese of Lafayette beginning on June 6, 2021, the Feast of Corpus Christi. All Catholics will be seriously obligated to assist at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Those who are sick, in nursing homes, immune-compromised, of advanced age or caring for a sick person at home are, as before, exempt from the obligation.

I am humbled by so many who have already returned to Mass each Sunday. It is a testament to your faith and desire for the Eucharist. I thank God for that. I also wish to thank our many good priests who looked for ways to creatively continue to minister to us in a safe way during the pandemic. After consulting with experts who have confirmed that with proper precautions we can gather together for mass, I think that this is the proper time for us to come together to worship God.

I know that for many, the pandemic has been a time of spiritual renewal, a deeper appreciation for the Mass and a desire to receive the Eucharist. I ask you to join with me on June 6, the Feast of Corpus Christi, to worship God at Mass, hear His word in the Scriptures and be nourished with the Bread of Life the Body and Blood of the Lord.

