Parish Office Hours

WE WILL RESUME OFFICE HOURS ON JUNE 7TH. Monday – 1:00 – 4:00 Tuesday – Thursday 8:30 – 12:00, 1:00 – 4:00 Closed Friday REMOTE BUSINESS IS STILL ENCOURAGED

(Closed Monday, 5/31 for Memorial Day)

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Msgr. Russell J. Harrington ext. 1107

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Deacon Dwayne Joubert ext. 1104

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Deacon Sammy Diesi ext. 1105
Deacon John Miller

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Pastoral Council

Receptionist/Secretary

Priscilla Guidroz

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Cindy Prather 945-2585
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Joe Blumrich 257-2379
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Yvonne Normand 308-3474

Ad Hoc

Charlie Rov

Dwight Ledoux (Finance Council)942-6732 Josh Soileau (KC's) 912-5812

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Sharon Ortego, Chair

Harry Ragas, Vice Chair

CHURCH: Velma Doucet Martin(BD)

CHAPEL: Msgr. Russell Harrington (Ordination

Anniversary)

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group 1 Lois Joubert 05/28/21 Group 2 Jane Savoy 06/04/21

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

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u>: Call Office – 942-6552 <u>1ST Communion & Confirmation</u>: 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 Joubert942-6552Safe Environment942-6552

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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OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS -

May 16, 2021	
REGULAR	\$10147.38
GOAL	\$9000.00
Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$162.00
Poor & Needy	\$300.00
OCS Foundation	\$8.00
Church in Eastern Europe	\$37.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$520.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Sunday, 05/23 Fr. Joseph Brasseaux, OSB Monday, 05/24 Fr. Louis Allen Breaux Fr. John "Buddy" Breaux Fr. Francis Brou, SJ Fr. A. Rex Broussard Fr. Henry Broussard Fr. Ken Broussard, JCL

PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 05/23 Dcn. Phil Lizotte

Monday, 05/24
Tuesday, 05/25
Wednesday, 05/26
Thursday, 05/27
Friday, 05/28

Dcn. Jose Luna-Becerra
Dcn. Timothy Maragos
Dcn. Timothy Marcantel
Dcn. Paul Matte
Dcn. Todd McKee

Friday, 05/28 Dcn. Todd McKee
Saturday, 05/29 Dcn. Shawn Melancon

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Michael Vidrine St. John, Melville

Trey Fontenot Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP

Garrett Broussard OLOGC, LC

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Pentecost Sunday

Ex 19:3-20b The Lord came down upon Mt. Sinai before all the people.

Ps 104 "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."

Rom 8:22-27 The Spirit intercedes with inexpressible groanings.

Jn 7:37-39 Rivers of living water will flow.

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.

OC CORNER

The school year is coming to a close with final exams this week. Following exams and awards programs, there will be early dismissal. Awards ceremonies are as follows in the gym: Monday, Grades 6-8 awards, 11:30 am; Tuesday, Grades 9-11 awards, 11:30 am; and Thursday, Grades K-5 awards, 8:00 am. Students will be dismissed for the summer at 10:00 am on Thursday. May God bless all with a safe and relaxing time!

Congratulations to high school students, Mckenzie Chevis and Brailey Major, who received the "Emerging Leaders Scholarship" from the Black Advocates for Life organization!

There is approximately one week left in OC's 2020-2021 Angel Appeal Drive! Thank you for becoming an "angel" for Catholic education with a gift, small or large, by May 31. It can be submitted 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.

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!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 22

Gerald Roy; Juanita Stelly; James "Jimmy" 4:00pm Soileau; J. C., (DA) Bernice & Cyril Diesi; Marcylee Thibodeaux (BD), Fr. Joseph C. Deluca, Fr. Joseph O. Breaux, Billie Dossmann Mackey, Jessie & Emery Richard, Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family, Special Intention, Charles F. & Mercedes Going & Family, Patrick Murray Labbe, Ricky Doucet, Roy "Bubba" & Justine L. Elder; William & Dorothy Hatch and

Sunday, May 23

08:00am Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Barbara St. Amand; Mary Dupre (DA); Ellis Fontenot; Doris T. Collins; Cecile Dupre & Family; James E. Martin; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Wilma DeJean, Constance & Murphy Allen Lanclos Emma Lee Stelly; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and 10:00am Mark Capone, Jr.; Gordon LeBlanc; Quida Mc Ilhenney; Rita D. Marks; J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families; James "Jimmy" Soileau (BD); Drucella Fruge' Harper; Darryl Wagley (DA); Marcus & Kat Guidroz; Bill, Elaine, Claudia & Chris Fields; Dallas Barron, Jr.; Dr. L. H. Boulet and Rene Peter Briggs, Jr.; Burnel Manuel Sr. and families of LaFleur & Manuel; The Sick & Dying; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon **Confirmation Candidates** 2:00pm 5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners Monday, May 24

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

Tuesday, May 25

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Eleanor D. Halphen; Julie Roy (BD) & Family

Wednesday, May 26

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Quida McIlhenney

Thursday, May 27

J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Lucy 12:05pm Laverane

Friday, May 28

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

Saturday, May 29

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 5/31 in observance of Memorial Day.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dainee Ardoin; Nela Badeaux; 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 Msgr. Harrington...

Sometimes in spiritual reading it is good to return to something that you may have reflected on years ago. I recently revisited a book by Carlo Carretto first published in 1964, <u>Letters from the Desert.</u> The following is an excerpt from one of his insights.

For so many years, for too many years, I have fought against my powerlessness, my weakness. Often, I have refused to admit it to myself, preferring to appear in public with a nice mask of self-assurance. It is pride which will not let me admit this powerlessness; pride which won't let us accept being inadequate. God has made me understand this, little by little.

Now I don't fight any more; I try to accept myself. I try to face up to myself without illusions, dreams or fantasies. Now I contrast my powerlessness with the powerfulness of God, the heap of my sins with the completeness of His mercy, and I place the abyss of my smallness beneath the abyss of His greatness.

Yes, it is really my misery which attracts His power, my wounds which shout after Him, my nothingness which makes Him throw Himself open to me. And this meeting between God's totality and man's nothingness is the greatest wonder of creation. It is the truth of God and man.

"He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden," said Mary when she saw, accepting her nothingness, the essential love of God and felt her flesh become the dwelling place and nourishment of the Word Incarnate.

How wonderful that Mary's nothingness should attract God's all. What sweetness in her prayer when she recognized that she was at the opposite pole from God, where humility not only becomes the acceptance of love, but one of its demands. What peace in her total self-giving to Him, accompanied by the contemplative gaze at the greatness and perfection of the loved one.

God can do everything and I can do nothing. But if I offer this nothing in prayer to God, everything becomes possible in me.

-Carlo Carretto

