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Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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CHAPEL: Parishioners of St. Landry Church

#### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

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## **Sacraments**

Reconciliation: Monday – Friday 11:30 am – 12:00 pm Saturday 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

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 – Msgr. Harrington 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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#### **OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Principal – Mrs. Marty Heintz 942-5404

#### **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.

# Volume 69, No. 01 – Epiphany of the Lord – January 05, 2020

# From the desk of Msgr. Harrington...

God invites all creation to move away from the cold and bitter darkness and seek warmth from His brilliant and radiant light. Even though we are invited and sometimes do not accept the gift, we are always issued that same wondrous invitation to follow the star that leads to Him. The Father draws creation to Himself to be with Him. He sends Jesus as the invitation. Jesus who is enfleshed in our very being, the Word incarnate, nudges us with love and grace to the Father. The love that the Father has for the Son that bears the name of the Holy Spirit, inspires us to say a resounding 'yes' to the invitation.

The Epiphany is about the great theophany of the shining star that leads the Magi to the newborn king. It is through that star that the Father breaks through time and history to reveal Himself in the star and lead us all to His Son. The Son in turn leads us to the Father. We are caught up in this dance of the love of the Father-Son-Holy Spirit God who wants us to join the dance.

The light brings warmth and comfort, but it also challenges us to move away from the darkness. It is the darkness that tells us we are forgotten, we are not loveable, we are despised and rejected. The brilliance of the light calls us to the Father's heart, the home of who we are. The Father's heart is the center of us, our purpose, our goal. It is He who defines us and lifts us to Himself. We are His. Jesus reminds us of this constantly.

The three Magi bring gifts to honor the Christ-child, but also to help us understand who Jesus is. He is priest, prophet and king. As priest He is given the frankincense of worship to lift our prayers and hopes to the Father. As king He is given the gold to rule His kingdom of justice, peace and love, challenging us to love God and our neighbor. As prophet He is anointed with the myrrh to bring the sacred aroma of life in the midst of death, to lead us to resurrection and the fullest expression of the Father's love. As any prophet Jesus reminds us of our covenant with the Father; we are His people and He is our God. We belong to Him, even after death – especially after death.

Now that all the busy-ness of the holidays seems to shift a bit we are afforded the opportunity to look again at the creche. There is a Holy Family; a father of humility, a mother full of grace and a son of promise. There are shepherds from the fields with their sheep to see the Lord of their longing. There are three Magi to see the newborn king. There is a man who leads the unseated camel, almost as if to invite us to jump on up and take the journey with all those gathered there. And there is a donkey at rest, because one day one like him will carry this child of promise into Jerusalem amidst fanfare and raised palms – leading Him to His death and resurrection. This is where the star of Bethlehem leads us; to this sacred place of holiness and grace, where we come to meet God and others.

Epiphany is about the star, about the gifts, but also about the people who witnessed this extraordinary event in human history. Epiphany is about us, about how we become the shining star of God's love in the lives of others. It's about how we bring gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to others along the way, affirming them in their journey of faith. They too are priests, prophets and kings leading us to the Father.

Epiphany is about the Father. It is about His profound love for a creation He breathed into life that keeps forgetting who it is and keeps getting lost in darkness. It is loved. It is redeemed. It is filled with grace and light. The skies are bright with God's love.

#### POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS -

JANUARY - Promotion of World Peace We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and iustice in the world.

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS –**

December 22 2019

REGULAR	\$9910.85
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01/05/20 - Maintenance & Repair Fund 01/12/20 - OCS Foundation Fund

# REMINDERS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. - 01/05

Mon. - 01/06 6:00pm Rosarv @ Lafleur Monument Bible Study 6:00pm

Tue. - 01/07

9:10am **OCS Mass** 

6:00am Come, Lord Jesus!

Wed. - 01/08

6:00am **TMIY** 

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

Thu. - 01/09

Fri. - 01/10 - Office Closed

Sat. - 01/11

\*The Rosary is prayed immediately following each Weekday Mass.

#### READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

**Epiphany of the Lord** 

Isaiah 60:1-6 The glory of the Lord shines

on all people.

Psalm 72 "Lord, every nation on earth

will adore you."

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 The Gentiles are coheirs of

the promise.

**Matthew 2:1-12** They presented gifts of gold,

frankincense, and myrrh.

A light shines for all to see, revealing God's glory and drawing people from all over. In Isaiah the light is in Jerusalem, the holy city, attracting kings and caravans. In the Gospel, the light is in the sky over Bethlehem, attracting magi from the east. Paul preaches that the light shines equally for all, Jews and Gentiles, "copartners" in the promise of salvation. Let us listen today for all the foreign places and peoples, enabling us to sing, "every nation on earth will adore you."

#### PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

Sunday, 01/05 Fr. Howard Blessing Monday, 01/06 Fr. Kevin Bordelon **Tuesday**, 01/07 Fr. Marshall Boulet Wednesday, 01/08 Fr. Millard Boyer Thursday, 01/09 Fr. James Bradley, SJ Friday, 01/10 Fr. James Brady, JCL

Saturday, 01/11 Fr. Joseph Brasseaux, OSB Oliv

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

#### PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

St. John, Melville -Michael Vidrine

Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP -Trey Fontenot

-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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, January 04

4:00pm Neal Whipp Family & Fr. Joseph C. DeLuca; Frank & Marguerite Miller; Rita Hargroder; Connie S. Benoit; Gerald & Norma (BD) Roy & Family; Robert (Bob) Chachere; Kermit Christ, Come, Lord Jesus Groups; Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Bobbie Mouton, Winnie (BD) Steve, Ronnie, Dusty Ardoin; Janette Sylvester; Souls in Purgatory, Herbert & Essie Oge; Charles F. Going & Wm. Hatch Families; Lilly G. Hollier (BD); Mayo Dupre; Robert Going Sr. Family

#### Sunday, January 05

**08:00am** Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Raye H. Venable, Lillian M. & Curtis Hooks Sr.; Bernel, Arthur (DA) & Eva Fontenot; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Patrick (BD) Artall & Family

10:00am Carol, Joyce & Baby Ortego; The Sick & Dying; Irl White & Hazel White Hollier; Kermit Christ; Malcolm "Slick" & Margaret Martin; Jim LaFleur; Harriet H. Doucet; M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull; M/M Lee Martin, Jon Martin & Loray Martin Bertrand & Rita Darby

**5:00pm** St. Landry Church Parishioners

#### Monday, January 06

**12:05pm** Murphy Lanclos Sr., Lorrina & Zeb (BD) Guillory; Drucella Fruge' Harper; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.; Lilly G. Hollier (DA)

#### Tuesday, January 07

**12:05pm** Theresa LaCour Rideau (DA); Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

#### Wednesday, January 08

**12:05pm** Deborah Ann Bertinot; Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

#### Thursday, January 09

**12:05pm** Wilma Guillory; Caleb Fontenot (BD); Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

#### Friday, January 10

**12:05pm** Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.; Darryl Wagley (BD)

#### Saturday, January 11

**08:00am** Nita & J. Y. Bordelon Sr.

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Wayne Gautreaux; Yola Huckaby; Sidney Matt; Lorna Sue W. Miller; Kenny Moreau; Vickie Thibodeaux

(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.)

\*Please note that we have purged all prayer intentions. Please call the office (942-6552) if you would like to be added to our list of prayer intentions.

#### **AQUINAS INSTITUTE**

Spring 2020 Courses are now open for registration. Do you desire happiness? Then you want to take Fr. Ben Pitre's course on living the virtues. THE 280 Catholic Moral Principles will address what it means to live life in Christ. The class will meet at Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Student center in Lafayette on Monday evenings from 6-8:45 pm beginning January 13 and ending May 4. Fr. Randy Moreau will teach THE 370 The New Testament on Thursday evenings at John Paul the Great Academy on Thursday evenings from 6-8:45 pm beginning January 16 and ending May 7. St. Jerome said that ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ. Register to audit or take his class for credit to learn of Christ in the New Testament. For more information on these course offerings or to register, contact Fr. Michael Champagne, CJC (337)395-6550. email at frchampagne@yahoo.com or visit us at www.aquinaslafayette.org Register Now!

#### **HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land before Advent 2020. Perfect timing for a life-changing faith trip! Nazareth, Bethlehem, Cana, Mt. Tabor, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea and much more. Don't just see it --- experience it. Scriptures and the Mass will be far more meaningful afterwards. It's a trip you'll treasure the rest of your life! (Nov 2-11, 2020) Save \$300-1200 over similar trips that offer less! Space is limited, so act now. Discounts for those who sign-up soon. For more info, contact Mark Wyble at 816-233-8427 or religiousramblers@gmail.com.

#### **OPELOUSAS TRI-CENTENNIAL**

In the year 2020 we celebrate the tri-centennial year of the founding of the city of Opelousas! To kick-off the celebration, an ecumenical prayer service will be held here at St. Landry on January 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6pm. All are invited to participate!

#### KC SCHOLARSHIP!

The Knights of Columbus Council 1173 is currently accepting applications for the Catholic Youth Leadership Award (CYLA). This is a scholarship program for students in 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Applicant must be a member of St. Landry Catholic Church. The application deadline is January 15, 2020. For more information, please contact Joshua Soileau at (337) 912-5812.

#### **ENGAGED ENCOUNTER**

Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Upcoming weekend dates are January 10-12, March 6-8. For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at www.ceelafayette.org or contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at (337)254-8947 or (337)898-9257, or cee.trahan@gmailcom.

#### **DAY OF PRAYER**

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

#### PRO LIFE RALLY/ MARCH

Our 2020 Diocesan Pro-Life Rally will be held in downtown Lafayette at Parc International. The rally will begin at 9:00am. From there, starting at 10:45am, we will march as a group through Lafayette to the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Once there, we will have a prayer service inside the Cathedral including adoration and benediction. On our walk back we will stop to pray at the Federal Courthouse and then proceed back to Parc International. The Office of Pro-Life Apostolate is sponsoring the event.

#### 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

9 Days for Life is a multi-faceted novena for the respect and protection of human life. Each day, a different intention is accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information Sign up to receive the novena by email, text message, or an app at www.9daysforlife.com.

#### EXTRA – ORDINARY MINISTERS

January 11/12 Saturday - 4:00pm

Altar Servers: Broty & Katie Stelly

**Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** 

Didier Hargroder, Suzette Ellis, Alice Cormier, Regena

Stelly, Michelle Naguin Reader: Nelda Villery Sunday - 8:00am

Altar Servers: Leigh Labrie, Beau & Ethan Stelly **Extra-ordinary Minister of the Eucharist:** Rose Mariani, Beth Stelly, Jane Roth

Reader: Keith & Yvonne Normand

10:00am

Altar Servers: Noah & Rylee Labruyere, Trip Blumrich

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** 

Peter Briggs, Larry Moreau, Josh Soileau, Joe Blumrich

Reader: Cindy Prather, Josh Soileau

5:00pm

Altar Servers: Mia Fuselier

**Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** 

Jon Ross Miller, Carrol Lafleur, Glenn & Shawn LeBlanc

Reader: Tanina Fuselier

#### OCS CORNER

Classes resume on Monday following the Christmas holidays. Parents of potential NEW students, please note that online application for admission is open. Go to the OCS website at www.OCSvikings.com to begin the process. Registration for current and approved new students will then begin on February 10.

OCS thanks all who voted the school as number ONE in the Daily World's "Best of Best" poll. We are blessed!

Our always anticipated dinner and auction event will be held on FRIDAY, Feb. 7, in the Opelousas Civic Center. New to this year's evening will be "live music" for everyone's entertainment. Tickets will go on sale soon!

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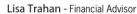
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