# Parish Office Hours

Monday – 1:00 – 4:00 Tuesday – Thursday 8:30 – 12:00, 1:00 – 4:00 Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

For all AFTER HOURS Emergencies including Anointing of the Sick:

Call the Parish Office (337) 942-6552 and follow the prompts.

Email: stlandrychurch@diolaf.org Website: <u>www.StLandryCatholicChurch.com</u>

# Pastoral Staff – 942-6552

Pastor Father Neil C. Pettit	ext. 1107
Pastoral Associate Deacon Dwayne Joubert	ext. 1104
<b>Deacons</b> Deacon Sammy Diesi Deacon John Miller	ext. 1105
Bookkeeper Lois Joubert	ext. 1101
Receptionist/Secretary Priscilla Guidroz	ext. 1100
Director of Music Ministry Abigail Caffery	ext. 1103

# SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH: Deacon John Miller CHAPEL: St. Landry Church Parish



# Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Monday – Friday 11:30am – Noon Saturday 3pm – 3:45pm **Baptism:** Call Office – 942-6552 **Anointing of the Sick:** Call Office – 942-6552 1<sup>ST</sup> Communion & Confirmation: See Bulletin or Website for registration information. **Matrimony:** Call Office at least six months before planned wedding. Policy is on the website.

# 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. 5pm – 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 ExtraOrdinary Ministers of Communion 942-6552 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-Charlie Roy 523-8052 **Diocesan Victim Assistance** Coordinator – Joseph Pisano, Jr. 298-2987 **OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL** Principal - Mrs. Marty Heintz 942-5404

# ONLINE GIVING

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#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**

December 12, 2021	
REGULAR	\$8921.25
GOAL	<u>\$9000.00</u>
Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$45.00
Poor & Needy	\$300.00
Christmas Flower Fund	\$55.00
Maintenance Endowment	\$20.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$4.00
Religious Retirement	\$1025.00
Immaculate Conception	\$704.00

Your generosity is greatly apprecaiated!

### PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Sunday, 12/19	Fr. C. Nicholas Trahan
Monday, 12/20	Fr. Clint Trahan
Tuesday, 12/21	Fr. Harold Trahan
Wednesday, 12/22	Fr. John Lan Tran, SJ
Thursday, 12/23	Fr. Sai Tran, SVD
Friday, 12/24	Fr. Eugene Tremie
Saturday, 12/25	Fr. Stephen Ugwu

#### PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 12/19Dcn. Joshua LeBlancMonday, 12/20Dcn. Eugene LeBoeufTuesday, 12/21Dcn. Timothy LedetWednesday, 12/22Dcn. Carlton LeeThursday, 12/23Dcn. Robert LegerFriday, 12/24Dcn. Barney LejeuneSaturday, 12/25Dcn. Leon Lejeune

# PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Michael Vidrine Trey Fontenot Garrett Broussard St. John, Melville Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP OLOGC, LC

# **READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING**

**First Reading** *Micah* 5:1-4 The ruler of Israel is promised to come from Bethlehem.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19* A prayer for God's salvation

Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10

Through his obedience to God's will, Christ consecrated all.

Gospel Reading Luke 1:39-45

Mary visits Elizabeth, who sings praise to Mary and her child.

# **Pope Francis Prayer Intentions**

**December -** *Catechists* Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### <u>MERRY CHRISTMAS!</u>

Father Pettit and the staff here at St. Landry wish a VERY Merry Christmas to you and your family! Know of our prayers for a safe and joy filled season! May God Bless you all!!

#### OC CORNER

Mid-term exams will be given December 20-22 followed by early dismissal at noon each of those days. The Christmas break will begin on December 23.

Opelousas Catholic looks forward to the January 29<sup>th</sup> "Fête de Faith" Dinner, Auction and Music event in the Opelousas Civic Center! Family and friends are asked to mark their calendars to help us celebrate Catholic education. Tickets are now on sale for \$50 per person and would make great Christmas gifts! Contact 337-942-5404 ext. 105 for more information.

For those who wish to make charitable gifts before the end of 2021, please keep the OC 2021-2022 Angel Appeal in mind to help the Religion/Theology Department with special needs. Gifts may be made online through the school website at <u>www.OCSvikings.com</u> or mailed to the OC Advancement Office, 428 East Prudhomme Street, Opelousas, LA 70570.

#### HOLIDAY MASS TIMES

Christmas Vigil (12/24): 4pm & 6pm Christmas Day: 9am \*No Evening Mass on Christmas Day\* Sunday 12/26: 8am, 10am, 5pm New Year's Eve: 4pm \*No Morning Mass on New Year's Day\* Saturday 4pm, Sunday 8am, 10am, 5pm

#### PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be closed 12/24-1/02 so that our staff can enjoy some time with their families during the holiday season! We will resume regular office hours on the January 3, 2022. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Emergency calls will be returned in a timely manner.

#### ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Boys who have made their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion are invited to become Altar Servers for our parish. Parents of interested students should contact Deacon Joubert 942-6552 ext.1104.

# MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, December 18

4:00pm Waldon, Shirley & Audwin Donatto; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Gene & Mary E. Paillet; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Dr. Charles "Doc" Bertrand; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; William & Dorothy Hatch and Family; Jackie D. Bordelon; Patrick Murray Labbe; Special Intention; Charles & Mercedes Going and Family

#### Sunday, December 19

08:00am Special Intention for Military; Barbara St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; James E. & Mattie W. Martin

10:00am Trina M. Ardoin; Mary Perry; Frances D. & Richard Bordelon; J.Y., Sr., Nita Bordelon; Ernest Hessler, Jr; Rene Briggs, Jr. & Dr. Lloyd Boulet, Sr.; Families of Fields and Voitier; Louis Doucet; Malcolm Melancon; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families; Burnel Manuel Sr. and families of LaFleur & Manuel; Dr. Ed Moise; Gordon LeBlanc; Melanie & Billy Jarrell; James "Jimmy" Soileau; Dotsy Dupre Savoy 5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

#### Monday, December 20

12:05pm Sarah Warder; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Ron & Pat Dupuis (WA); J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families

#### Tuesday, December 21

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Bertha Pavy; Lee (DA) Kristie & Vivian Artigue

#### Wednesday, December 22

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

#### Thursday, December 23

12:05pm James "Jimmy" Soileau; Doris T. Collins; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Kolby Zorn (BD)

# Friday, December 24

4:00PM Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary Dupre Families; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon: John R. Stelly: Special Intention; Lolly Brasseaux, Jr.; Amar, Maryina & A. B. Courvelle, Sr.; Alvin, Bradley & Richard Marks; Burnel Manuel Sr. and families of LaFleur, Guillory & Manuel; Roy & Charlene Whaley; Kossuth Doucet Family; Bonnie & Carroll Joubert; Bobbie Mouton & Dusty Ardoin; Hushel & Brenda Bordelon; Conrad O. Martin Family; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; M/M Adolph & Gary Dupuis; Agnes & Pat Doucet; Linda B. Carriere; James "Jimmy" Soileau; Eli Huynh & Priscilla Doucet; Dotsy Dupre Savoy; Corrace & Hazel White Hollier and Irl White; Kermit Christ; Trina M. Ardoin; Gertrude Andrepont Marks; Willard & Willard Ray (Bubba) Andrepont; Members of CLJ "Little Flock" Group

6:00pm Melanie, Sarah & Billy Jarrell; Drucella Fruge' Harper; Raymus, Mary, Beedy & Geraldine B. Herpin; Claiborne & Cecile Ryder; Armand & Jeanne Bellard; The Hoffman Family

#### Saturday, December 25

Dr. Ed Moise; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin 9:00am Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove; Jo Ann Soileau Landry; Juanita Stelly; Cecile Dupre; Diana D. Vidrine; Clayton & Eula Soileau & Mayance Dupre; Regina & Louis Burleigh; Drucella Fruge' Harper; Louis/ Emma Brown & Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Ernest/ Basilese Fontenot & Family; J. D. & Grace Janise; Elvin/ Ena Ortego; Mary Budd; Lori Brooke Moreau; Norma Lee Dugal; Mel Miller; Margaret Thibodeaux; Jessie Clark; Shirley Meche; Murphy Allen Lanclos Sr. & Lanclos and Guillory Families; Geraldine "Pap" Roy; Ervin & Marcylee Thibodeaux; Rick & Janelle Ducote; Waldon, Shirley & Audwin Donatto; Mary Ann Dugal; Billie P. Dossmann; Eddie DeKerlegand; Norma Vidrine; Josie Prudhomme; Rita Hargroder; Family of Soileau; Carolyn B. FaKouri; Delores & Quin Ortego; Family of Harrington; Ernest Hessler, Jr.; Family of Hunt; Tony & Verlie Terracina; Winnie, Steve & Ronnie Ardoin; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; Patrick Murray Labbe; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Dr. Charles "Doc" Bertrand; Gene & Mary E. Paillet; Miriam Roy; J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Charles F. & Mercedes Going & Family; Matherne Bourgue; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Duane Richard & Family; Gerald Roy; Wm. & Dorothy Hatch and Family; Maureen Terracina Richard; Louis LeJeune & Sheldon D. LeDoux; John & Dona Clary; Aubrey & Maisie Deshotel; Rada Bono; Velma Bihm & Roy Prejean; Sue Kirkpatrick; Shirley Carriere; Priscilla Thomas; Theresa Sam; Eleanor Gailes

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Kyle Arnaud; Grant Andrepont; Nela Badeaux; Rada Bono; Randy Bordelon; Rickie Bordelon; Carol D'Amico; Robert Comeaux; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Paula Deshotel; Edmae DeJean: Gertie DeJean: Ramona Darbonne: Gordon David: Donnie Dossman: Tommy Dupre; Cecile Dupre; Doug Dupre; Rebecca Dupre: Josh Fontenot: Glenda Gaudet: Wayne Gautreaux; John Godeau, Jr; Susan Godeau; Linda Guidroz; Allen Guillory; Elaine Guillory; Maggie Guy; Michelle Hanks; Jeremy Sonya Harmon; Yola Hargroder; Huckabv: Charlotte Hundley; Johnny Fontenot; Rosalie Jackson; Johnathon Johns; Gene Kidder; Gloria Lalonde; Hank J. Leger; Linda Gail Leger; Vergie Lanclos; Debra Leblanc; Mark Leblanc; Rebecca Leblanc; Christine Ledoux; Ronald Leger; Sidney Matt; Ellen McRee; Micah Meche; Lorna Sue W. Miller; Kenny Moreau; Lisa Ortego; John Reed; M/M Timmy Smith, Sr.; Jesse R. Richard; Pap Roy; Stacy Sebastien: Elaine Soileau: Gilda Soileau: Kenneth St. Cyr; Greg Tate; Terri Trahan; Trent; Kenneth Thibodeaux; Taylor Morales; Burnell Vidrine; Brett Walker; Avery Woodson; Merlin Young: Special Intention

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

On this the last Sunday before Christmas, our Gospel reading prepares us to witness Christ's birth by showing us how Jesus was recognized as Israel's long-awaited Messiah even before his birth. The Gospel turns our attention from the ministry of John the Baptist to the events that preceded John the Baptist's birth. The story of John the Baptist and his parents, Elizabeth and Zechariah, are reported only in Luke's Gospel. Luke pairs the birth of John the Baptist and Jesus, establishing John's early connection to the Messiah.

Our Gospel reading recalls Mary's actions after the announcement of Jesus' birth by the angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit Elizabeth, her cousin, who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles that they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. If we were to continue to read the verses that follow in Luke's Gospel, we would hear Mary respond to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favor upon the people of Israel.

In Luke's Gospel the Holy Spirit helps reveal Jesus' identity as God to those who believe. Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit and sings Mary's praise because she bears the Lord. We sing these words of praise to Mary in the Hail Mary. Even John the Baptist, the unborn child in Elizabeth's womb, is said to recognize the presence of the Lord and leaps for joy.

It is appropriate in this season of Advent that we consider the role of Mary in God's plan of salvation. Elizabeth describes Mary as the first disciple, as the one who believed that God's word to her would be fulfilled. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to everyone. Because of this, Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan for salvation.

