

THE VOICE OF ST. LANDRY'S EST. 1756



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Mass Times Saturday Anticipated Mass 4:00pm, lay Mass 8:00am, 10:00am, & 5:00pm ay Masses—Monday—Friday 12:05pm, Saturday 8:00am

Confession Times kdays—30 minutes before Mass Times Saturday-3:00pm-3:45pm

Office Hours Monday-1:00pm-4:00pm esday—Wednesday—Thursday 8:30am-Noon, 1:00pm-4:00pm Closed Friday-Sunday

After Hours

For after hours emergencies, including the Sacrament of Anointing, call the Parish office (337) 942-6552 and follow the prompting of the automated directory.

Holy Matrimony

Call the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to proposed date of wedding to schedule an initial meeting with a member of clergy. Our Wedding policy can be found on the parish website; www.stlandrycatholicchurch.com.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS	
August 21, 2022	
REGULAR	\$7626.10
GOAL	\$9000.00
Haintenance & Repair Fund	\$92.00
BSA	\$20.00
Poor & In Need	\$300.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated! **REGISTERED PARISHIONER?**

Call the church office if you have a doubt... We can mail you a Census Form!

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

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Sunday, 08/28	Fr. Jason Vidrine	
Monday, 08/29	Fr. Richard Vidrine	
Tuesday, 08/30	Fr. Thomas Voorhies, VF	
Wednesday, 08/31	Fr. Thomas Hein Vu	
Thursday, 09/01	Pope Francis	
Friday, 09/02 Saturday, 09/03	Pope Emeritus Benedict XV	
Saturday, 09/03	Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel	

PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 08/28	Dcn. Daniel Didier
Monday, 08/29	Dcn. Sammy Diesi
Tuesday, 08/20	Dcn. Christopher Doumit
Wednesday, 0831	Dcn. Keith Duhon
Thursday, 09/01	Dcn. Tim Maragos
Friday, 09/02	Dcn. Tim Marcantel
Saturday, 09/03	Dcn. Paul Matte

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Dcn. Michael Vidrine	St. Jol
Trey Fontenot	Sacree
Garrett Broussard	OLOO

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Praver for Protection Against Hurricanes

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

LABOR DAY

Our offices will be closed on September 5th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. We will resume regular office hours on Tuesday September 6th.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday, September 2nd is FIRST FRIDAY. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration from 7 a.m. ending with Benediction at 11:30 a.m. Our regularly scheduled Mass will follow at 12:05 p.m. Spend some quiet time with Our Lord!

FR. VERBIS LAFLEUR

The Annual Mass for Lt. Fr. Joseph Verbis Lafleur, Servant of God, will be held on Wednesday, September 07, 2022 at 6:30pm here at St. Landry. Please make plans to join us.

RED BIRD MINISTRIES

Red Bird Ministries is an organization that systematically guides individuals and couples through the complexity and trauma that happens with the loss of a child from pregnancy through adulthood. We are offering an overnight weekend retreat at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center in Schriever, La on September 16-18, 2022 for grieving mothers to experience hope, healing, and fellowship. For more information visit www.redbird.love/retreats.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parents of students not attending Catholic School should register their child for religious education. Forms are available on our website or in the Valentin Hall office during business hours.

1st COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

First Holy Communion (2nd Grade Students) and Confirmation (11th Grade Students) registration is now open. Forms are available on our website or in the Valentin Hall office during business hours.

..... **FROM BISHOP DESHOTEL...**

On Sunday, October 2, 2022, the Feast of the Guardian Angels, the Diocese of Lafayette will hold its annual "Blue Mass" at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist, 515 Cathedral Street in Lafayette.

The Blue Mass is designed to express gratitude, show our appreciation and pray for all first responders: Police Officers, Sheriff's Deputies, State Troopers, Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Personnel.

We owe so much to these essential groups who provide such outstanding service in our community. The Mass offers us an opportunity to thank them and also pray for their safety in the tasks they perform.

I believe it will help to form a closer bond between them and the people they serve.

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SOURCE AND SUMMIT

Source & Summit hour of reflection, adoration and reconciliation is held the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 5:30pm-6:30pm! THERE WILL BE NO SOURCE & SUMMIT IN SEPTÉM-**BER.** (Fr. Pettit will be taking a well deserved break!)

YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Group meets the First Sunday of each month at 6:00pm in Valentin Hall... Next meeting is Sunday, 9/11... Join us and bring a friend!! THIS MONTH'S MEETING DATE CHANGED DUE TO LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, August 27

4:00pm M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder; Jeremy Hargroder; Beth M. Marks & Jackie F. Mills (BD); Lee R. & Bev erly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; Marie Genin Hammons; Patrick Murray Labbe; Mills Sr. & Jackie (BD) Vautrot **08:00am** Barbara St. Amand; Moise & Martha Lagrange; David LeDoux; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Malcolm Melancon; Anna Vidrine Andrepont; Elda(DA)Carriere Perry & Butsie M. Carriere; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; James Toppy & Ethel LaFleur Perry; Georgiana P. Ruffino & Andrew R. Dossmann; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Billie P. Dossmann **10:00am** J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Charles Cummings; Trina M. Ardoin; Elizabeth Claire; Dennis Reed; Lagrange and Dupre Family; Ezra & Velma Martin and Denise Hull; Mildred & J.D. Dupre; Burnel Manuel Sr.; Hushel (BD) & Brenda Bordelon; Families of Fields and Voitier; Manuel, LaFleur & Guillory Family; Josephine G. Persica; James & Martha Grogan and Kathleen Grogan Tyrnev

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners Monday, August 29

12:05pm Adam & Lelia Lagrange, Sr.; Pitre & Sebastien Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon Tuesday, August 30

12:05pm Eva Fontenot (BD); Cole Ortego (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Noah Ortego Wednesday, August 31

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon Thursday, September 01

12:05pm Burnel Sr. & Wanda Manuel (WA); Mayance & Wanda Dupre (WA) & Family; Leonita Sires Miller; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Manuel & LaFleur Family Friday, September 02

12:05pm Gabrielle "Gabby" LaJack; Sam (BD) & Elva Moncla; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon, Debbie R. Fay; Craig Ortego Family

Saturday, September 03

08:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Deacon Dwayne Joubert (BD) & Family

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dora Clay; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Julie Ford; Trisha Guidroz; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Ronnie Leger; Sandi Lloyd; Taylor Marales; Cheryl B. Myers; Ben Pitre; Sr. Suellen Tenneyson; Greg Tate; Hien Tran; Brett Walker; Suzanne G. Williams; Bekhi Wimberly

SANCTUARY LAMP CHURCH—Dcn. Dwayne Joubert (BD) CHAPEL—Peace on Earth

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READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

First Reading Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29 Humble vourself and vou will find favor with God

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 68:4-7,10-11* The just rejoice and exult before God.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1,7-14

When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled. the lame, and the blind.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.

