

THE VOICE OF ST. LANDRY'S

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Reverend Neil C. Pettit, Pastor

Clergy	Mass Times	After Hours
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Pastoral Staff	Confession Times	Holy Matrimony
Dcn. Dwayne Joubert—Office Administrator Lois Joubert—Bookkeeper Priscilla Guidroz—Receptionist Abigail Caffery—Director of Sacred Music	Weekdays—30 minutes before Mass Times Saturday—3:00pm—3:45pm	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.
Office Hours	Monday—1:00pm—4:00pm Tuesday—Wednesday—Thursday 8:30am—Noon, 1:00pm—4:00pm Closed Friday—Sunday	

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OCS Foundation	\$52.50
Poor & In Need	\$320.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$17.00
Catholic University of America	\$232.00

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

Sunday, 09/18	Fr. Henry Antony, HGN
Monday, 09/19	Fr. Chester Arceneaux, VF
Tuesday, 09/20	Fr. Michael Arnaud
Wednesday, 09/21	Fr. Emmanuel Awe, SSJ
Thursday, 09/22	Fr. Alfred Ayem, SVD
Friday, 09/23	Fr. Matthew Barzare
Saturday, 09/24	Fr. Herbert Bennerfield

PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 09/18	Dcn. Charles Richard
Monday, 09/19	Dcn. Thomas Richard
Tuesday, 09/20	Dcn. Steve Rogers
Wednesday, 09/21	Dcn. Samuel Russo
Thursday, 09/22	Dcn. John Sarkies
Friday, 09/23	Dcn. Nelson Schexnayder
Saturday, 09/24	Dcn. Nolton Senegal

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Dcn. Michael Vidrine	St. John, Melville
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Prayer 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

PARISH PICNIC!

Our "rescheduled" picnic will be Sunday, October 2nd from 11:00—1:00 in the yard behind the Rectory. Please join us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship! There will be Fun Jumps and Kona Ice for the kids! Hamburgers and Hotdogs & Drinks will be provided.. We ask that you help out by bringing a Side Dish if your last name begins **A—L** or a Dessert if your last name begins **M—Z**.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON: Eucharist

Christ is alive and fully present in the Eucharist. Join us as we delve into the "source and summit" of our Faith with Bishop Robert Barron's Study: Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice and Real Presence. This spiritual study will give you a deeper understanding of the precious gift of Christ's body, blood, soul and divinity that you can receive at each and every Mass. On October 6th, 6pm at Valentin Hall, our parish will begin a 6 week study of the Eucharist. To find out more information, please contact Dawn by email, dawnblumrich@gmail.com

MASS FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

Bishop Douglas Deshotel will celebrate the annual White Mass on Tuesday, October 18th at 6PM at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Lafayette. The Mass, sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center and the Diocese of Lafayette, recognizes the ministry of those who protect life and care for the ill and dying, such as physicians, nurses, compassionate care ministers, ministers of consolation, chaplains, mental health workers, and all in the medical profession. In recognition of the dedicated work of Catholic health care professionals, Bishop Douglas Deshotel will extend a special blessing to those who attend.

VOICES FROM OUR PAST

The *Annual Cemetery Tours and Historical Reenactments* are scheduled to take place as follows:

- October 8th & 15th (6pm, 6:30pm, 7pm, 7:30pm & 8pm)
- October 9th & 16th (2pm & 3pm) (Handicapped accessible Tours 3pm)

The price for admission is \$10 per person. For more information please call (337) 942-6552 or (337) 308-3474.

ALTAR SERVERS

Parents of boys who have made their 1st Holy Communion and are interested in becoming Altar Servers should contact Deacon Joubert - 942-6552.

SOURCE AND SUMMIT

Source & Summit hour of reflection, adoration and reconciliation is held the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 5:30pm—6:30pm! **Next Source & Summit is 10/12.** (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 , 10/02... Join us and **bring a friend!!**

ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society meets the 2nd MONDAY of each month at 5:15pm in Valentin Hall... Next Meeting 10/10. Please consider joining us in this ministry! Call the office OR just show up!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 17

4:00pm M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Patrick Murray Labbe; Marie Genin Hammons; Jeremy Hargroder; Louis Deshotels

Sunday, September 18

08:00am Jackie D. Bordelon; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Hilman Theriot; David LeDoux; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Burnell Fontenot; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; M/M Robert Joubert Family; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Father Nicki Trahan; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove; Billie P. Dossmann; Barbara St. Amand; Father Gene Tremie; Gladys & Burnley J. Ardoin, Sr.; Rev. Mr. Arthur B. Lognon

10:00am Elizabeth Claire; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Charles Cummings; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; Families of Fields and Voitier; Guillory & LaFleur Family; Ezra & Velma Martin and Denise Hull; Kossuth Doucet Family; Dennis Reed; John Guillory; Manuel, LaFleur & Guillory Family; Burnel Manuel Sr.; Mildred & J.D. Dupre; Roy Dupuis; Conrad O. Martin Family; Toby Ragas; Lagrange and Dupre Family

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

Monday, September 19

12:05pm Father Nicki Trahan; Father Gene Tremie; Roth Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

Tuesday, September 20

12:05pm Father Gene Tremie; Father Nicki Trahan; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

Wednesday, September 21

12:05pm Peyton Cornette (BD); Father Gene Tremie; Father Nicki Trahan; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

Thursday, September 22

12:05pm Diana D. Vidrine; Father Nicki Trahan; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Leonita Sires Miller; Father Gene Tremie

Friday, September 23

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

Saturday, September 24

08:00am Bernel Fontenot; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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



SANCTUARY LAMP

CHURCH—Bernel Fontenot
CHAPEL—Edward Roberts

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

First Reading

Amos 8:4-7
Unfair business practices and injustice to the poor will be judged by God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 113: 1-2,4-6,7-8
Praise be to God, who raises up the poor.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-8
Paul tells Timothy that prayer for those in authority is pleasing to God because God wills the salvation of all.

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13 (shorter form, Luke 16:10-13)
Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel sounds puzzling to contemporary readers, but it can be made less so by considering the economic system which stands behind the parable. A steward is dismissed because he is squandering his master's property. He is called dishonest because he is not serving the interests of the rich man, his employer. In response the steward, in an attempt to ensure favor for himself among the rich man's debtors, brokers repayment of the rich man's loans by foregoing the interest and fees that had been levied to line the steward's pockets. It is this action, in which the steward puts aside his greed and takes the longer perspective in order to enhance his security, which is commended by the rich man.

The passage concludes with three morals for the listeners. The first exhorts the listener to be prudent about the use of wealth. Like the steward in the parable, those who would follow Jesus must put transitory affairs in proper perspective. Christians should handle the affairs of temporal life with an eye toward eternal life.

The second concerns trustworthiness. Those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. If Christians handle money and other passing things responsibly, then they can also be trusted with the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

Finally, Jesus tells his listeners that no one can serve two masters simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

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