

1st SUNDAY of ADVENT



ST. LANDRY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday | 1:00pm-4:00pm
Tues., Wed., Thurs. | 8:30am-Noon, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Closed Friday – Sunday

MASS TIMES

Saturday Anticipated Mass | 4:00pm
Sunday Mass | 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm
Weekday Masses | Monday-Friday 12:05pm, Saturday 8:00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Weekdays | 30 minutes before Mass
Saturdays | 3:00pm-3:45pm
Sundays | 4:15pm - 4:45pm

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Deacon Dwayne Joubert, Pastoral Associate
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

4:00pm Marie Genin Hammons; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Gene & Mary E. Paillet; Patricia "Pat" James; Harold Baquet; Jerry & Rita Hargroder; Family of William & Dorothy Hatch; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Family of Charles F. & Mercedes Going; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder; Gervis "BB" Babin

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

08:00am Mary Joubert & Family (BD); Moise & Martha Lagrange; David LeDoux; Barbara S. Nezat; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Barbara St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Brad Douget; Malcolm Melancon; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Release of Souls in Purgatory; Gertrude Andrepont Marks (BD)

10:00am Manuel, LaFleur & Guillory Family; Toby Ragas; Elizabeth Claire; Families of Fields and Voitier; Mildred & J.D. Dupre; Druccella Fruge' Harper; Ezra & Velma Martin and Denise Hull; Charles Cummings; Malcolm "Slick", Margaret Martin & Shawn P. (Special Intention); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr; Sandra Doucet Presley; Lagrange and Dupre Family; Laurent J., Billie P. Dossman and Clarice D. Faul; Bernel Manuel Sr.

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

12:05pm Joseph "Joe" W. Cortez; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Joseph "Joe" W. Cortez (BD); Sarah Joubert (BD)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Patricia "Pat" James; Joseph "Joe" W. Cortez

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 01

12:05pm Leonita Sires Miller; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder (WA) Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr. (DA)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 02

12:05pm Gabrielle "Gabby" LaJack; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 03

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

YOUTH GROUP!

Our Youth Group will be selling hand-crafted Christmas Gift items after the weekend Masses beginning this weekend! Please support our young people as they raise funds to defray the cost of their Summer Camp!



PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

- 11/27 | Fr. Edward Duhon
- 11/28 | Fr. Jacob Dumont, LC
- 11/29 | Fr. Nicholas Dupre
- 11/30 | Fr. Gilbert Dutel
- 12/01 | Pope Francis
- 12/02 | Pope Emeritus Benedict, XVI
- 12/03 | Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel

DEACONS

- 11/27 | Dcn. Jim Kincel
- 11/28 | Dcn. Brian Kirk
- 11/29 | Dcn. Robert Klingman
- 11/30 | Dcn. Denis Lacroix
- 12/01 | Dcn. Dennis Landry
- 12/02 | Dcn. Barry Leblanc
- 12/03 | Dcn. Joshua Leblanc

SEMINARIANS

- Dcn. Michael Vidrine | St. John the Baptist, Melville
- Trey Fontenot | Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ville Platte
- Garrett Broussard | Our Lady of Good Counsel, Lake Charles

OCS CORNER

It is #iGiveCatholic Day this Tuesday, November 29th! Amazing things can happen when our community comes together to give back! Please remember Opelousas Catholic School on this charitable day to give thanks for Catholic education here. Simply go to lafayette.igivecatholic.org and search Opelousas Catholic School to make your online gift. Offline gifts are also appreciated at OCS, 428 East Prudhomme Street, Opelousas, LA 70570.

The 2022-2023 Angel Appeal Drive is also in progress and will benefit the same focus as the #iGiveCatholic program ... special services in grades 5-12 to nourish academics!

OCS will hold "Grandparents' Day Mass" for grandparents of students in grades 5-12 this Friday at 10:30 am. A special thanks goes out to family and friends who contributed to the recent food, toy and coat drives held on campus. We are blessed!

First Friday



DEVOTION TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

FRIDAY, DEC 2 @ 7AM

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 "I PROMISE YOU THAT MY ALL POWERFUL LOVE WILL GRANT TO ALL THOSE WHO WILL RECEIVE COMMUNION ON THE FIRST FRIDAYS, FOR NINE CONSECUTIVE MONTHS, THE GRACE OF FINAL REPENTANCE: THEY WILL NOT DIE IN MY DISPLEASURE, NOR WITHOUT RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS; AND MY HEART WILL BE THEIR SECURE REFUGE IN THAT LAST HOUR."

— APPARITION TO ST. MARGARET MARY





GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know that our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.



READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

Isaiah describes his vision in which all nations are gathered together by God in peace.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5,6-7,8-9

Rejoicing, let us enter the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Romans 13:11-14

Be prepared, salvation is near.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus tells his disciples that the coming of the Son of Man will catch many people unprepared. Jesus tells his disciples that they are to always be ready for the day of the Lord.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dora Clay; Denise Dejean; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Julie Ford; Trisha Guidroz; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Yola Huckaby; Jimmy Guillory; Ronnie Leger; Patti Lindsey; Taylor Marales; Ben Pitre; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Ronnie Savoy; Christine Stelly; Greg Tate; Hien Tran; Brett Walker; Suzanne G. Williams; Bekhi Wimberly

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