

2nd 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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 **MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 03**

4:00pm Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Patricia "Pat" James; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Robert, Madeline & Albert Going; Loretta & Junior Hargroder; Family of William & Dorothy Hatch; Family of Charles F. & Mercedes Going; Marie Genin Hammons; Jackie D. Bordelon

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 04

08:00am Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Father James Byrne; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Barbara St. Amand; Barbara S. Nezat; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Brad Douget; Beedy Herpin (DA)

10:00am Malcolm "Slick", Margaret Martin & Shawn P. (Special Intention); Laurent J., Billie P. Dossman and Clarice D. Faul; Deceased Family of Tran Ho; Deceased Family of Truong Si Chuyen; Families of Fields and Voitier; Orphan Souls; Guise Tran Ho; Lagrange and Dupre Family; Elizabeth Claire; Manuel, LaFleur & Guillory Family; Mildred & J.D. Dupre; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Toby Ragas; Burnel Manuel Sr.; Charles Cummings; Sandra Doucet Presley & Rosalie Jackson

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, DECEMBER 05

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

 **OCS CORNER**

Our thanks and prayers go out to those who gifted OCS in the recent "iGiveCatholic Day" program! We are truly blessed!

Special events this busy week include a "College Fair" for juniors and seniors on Monday morning; FAFSA night for senior parents on Tuesday at 6 pm; on Wednesday, a schoolwide Penance Service and then the monthly Rosary at the Pieta at 5:30 pm as well as the High School Ministry Night at 6:30 pm; the Immaculate Conception Mass on Thursday at 9:20 am; and the Elementary Christmas Play on Friday at 6 pm.

Congratulations to the recently recognized "Vikings of the Month of November": Emmie Courvelle and John Michael Jarrell, grade 12; Kerstyn Andrepont and Myles Collins, grade 8; and Olivia Hatfield and Nate Pousson, grade 5.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 06

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Barbara Guillory; Guillory & LaFleur Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 07

12:05pm Joseph "Joe" W. Cortez; Willard Andrepont (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Patricia "Pat" James; Bobbie & Mary Aline Bihm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 08

12:05pm Leonita Sires Miller; Drucella Fruge' Harper; Ezra & Velma Martin and Denise Hull (BD); Thomas B. Schexnayder; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Gladys (BD) & Burnley J. Ardoin, Sr.; Gabrielle "Gabby" LaJack

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 09

12:05pm Leonita Sires Miller; Reggie Hebert; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

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**

12/04 | Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
12/05 | Fr. Darren Eldridge
12/06 | Fr. Peter Emusa
12/07 | Fr. Charles Esuaiko
12/08 | Fr. Cyprian Eze
12/09 | Fr. Richard Fabre
12/10 | James Fallon, SSJ

DEACONS

12/04 | Dcn. Eugene Leboeuf
12/05 | Dcn. Timothy Ledet
12/06 | Dcn. Carlton Lee
12/07 | Dcn. Robert Leger
12/08 | Dcn. Barney Lejeune
12/09 | Dcn. Leon Lejeune
12/10 | Dcn. Thomas Lindsey

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

Wednesday Evenings (12/7 & 12/14)

6:30pm - 8:00pm





GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

In this week's Gospel Reading and next week's, our Advent preparation for Christmas invites us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. In this week's Gospel, Matthew describes the work and preaching of John the Baptist.

John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets of Israel, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. In fact, the description of John found in this reading is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah (2 Kings 1:8). In this reading, John directs a particularly pointed call to repentance to the Pharisees and Sadducees, parties within the Jewish community of the first century.

John marks the conversion of those who seek him out with a baptism of repentance. Other groups in this period are thought to have practiced ritual washings for similar purposes, and John's baptism may have been related to the practices of the Essenes, a Jewish sect of the first century. John's baptism can be understood as an anticipation of Christian baptism. In this passage, John himself alludes to the difference between his baptism and the one yet to come: "I am baptizing you with water, for repentance . . . He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Matthew 3:11).

In this reading, John makes very clear that his relationship to the Messiah yet to come (Jesus) is one of service and subservience: ". . . the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals" (Matthew 3:11). In the context of Matthew's Gospel, today's passage is followed by Jesus' baptism by John, an event that is attested to in all four of the Gospels and appears to have been the start of Jesus' public ministry.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus in the first century, we, too, are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by our repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives, as John did, the coming of the Lord.



READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

A descendent of Jesse will usher in a time of peace.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17

The Messiah will bring justice and peace to the nations.

SECOND READING

Romans 15:4-9

Both Jews and Gentiles glorify God for the salvation found in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appears in Judea preaching a message of repentance.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dora Clay; Denise Dejean; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Julie Ford; Trisha Guidroz; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Yola Huckaby; 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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