

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME



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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 | 12:05pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday, 8:00am First Saturday of the Month

CONFESSION TIMES

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

CLERGY

Father Neil Pettit, Pastor
Deacon Dwayne Joubert, Pastoral Associate
Deacon Sammy Diesi

PASTORAL STAFF

Dcn. Dwayne Joubert, Office Administrator
Lois Joubert, Bookkeeper
Sarah Meche, Receptionist
Abigail Caffery, Director of Sacred Music
Charlie O'Chery, Director of Youth Ministry



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 01

4:00pm Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; M/M Norris Leger; Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Artebus & Alice Thibodeaux Family; Cameron James Dupre; Noah Ortego; Robert Sr., Madeline & Albert Going; Jimmy Soileau, and Joyce & Loyce Joubert

SUNDAY, JULY 02

08:00am James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Family of Adam & Rosita Guidry; Evelyn Kidder; Barbara S. Nezat; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Good Samaritan & Family; David LeDoux; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossman & Clarice; Evelyn Kidder
10:00am Donovan Lavergne; President Donald A. Trump & Family; Wayne Lavergne; Warren Soileau; Ronald Boudreaux; Families of Fields and Voitier; Luke Robert Ragas; Glenda Pitre; Deceased Family of Tran Ho; Orphan Souls; Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Deceased Family of Truong Si Chuyen; Cameron James Dupre; Ezra & Velma Martin & Denise Hull; Guise Tran Ho
5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, JULY 03

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Gladys & Burnley J. Ardoin Sr.; Corrace & Hazel White Hollier and Irl White (DA)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 05

12:05pm Emile (BD) & Nancy Fontenot; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Willie Mae Dossman

THURSDAY, JULY 06

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

FRIDAY, JULY 07

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Charlene B. Leger

HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The Parish Offices (Valentin Hall) will be closed Monday & Tuesday (July 3rd & 4th) in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Allen Harrington; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Ronnie Leger; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kathy Martin; Kenneth Moreau; Craig Ortego; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; John C. Saucier; Ronnie Savoy; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Burnell Vidrine; Brett Walker

ADORATION CHAPEL

We are pleased to announce the addition of a restroom in our Chapel! The plan is for the installation to take place the week of July 4th! Therefore, the Chapel will close at 7am Sunday, July 2nd and will remain closed until 8am on Saturday, July 8th... We regret that temporarily closing the Chapel is necessary but are pleased to be able to provide this added convenience.

YOUTH NEWS!

Our HS Youth Group will be attending Summer Camp July 3rd-July 7th... There will be NO Youth Group Meetings Sunday, July 2nd! Please pray for a fruitful retreat for our young people.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

- 07/02 | Bp. J. Douglas Deshotel
- 07/03 | Bp. Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- 07/04 | Fr. Nathan Comeaux
- 07/05 | Fr. Gregory Cormier
- 07/06 | Msgr. Douglas Courville, JCL
- 07/07 | Fr. Randy Courville
- 07/08 | Fr. Robert Courville

DEACONS

- 07/02 | Dcn. Denis Lacroix
- 07/03 | Dcn. Dennis Landry
- 07/04 | Dcn. Barry Leblanc
- 07/05 | Dcn. Joshua Leblanc
- 07/06 | Dcn. Robert Louis Leblanc
- 07/07 | Dcn. Eugene Lebouef
- 07/08 | Dcn. Timothy Ledet

SEMINARIANS

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SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Fr. Jim Brady (Anniversary of Ordination)
Adoration Chapel: Maggie Williams (BD)

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Adoration Chapel

A FEW VACANT HOURS REMAIN!

SIGN UP

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Could you not watch one hour with me? Mt 26:40



OCs CORNER

As reported by the school counselor, 32 of the 43 OC graduates in the 2023 class (74%) qualified for the state TOPS awards! Of these outstanding students, 22 earned college scholarships. Scholarship awards combined with TOPS for this small class of 43 totaled an amazing 1.8 million dollars plus! Scholarship offers came from in-state universities such as LSU, ULL, Tulane, ULM, Louisiana Tech, Northwestern State, McNeese, Nicholls, and Centenary College along with out-of-state institutions like the University of Alabama, University of Arkansas and Bethel University in Tennessee. The administrative offices will re-open on July 18th. For information about admissions, email brileyj@ocsvikings.com; about grades K-4, email citronm@ocsvikings.com; about grades 5-8, email heintzm@ocsvikings.com; about grades 9-12, email guidryk@ocsvikings.com; and about tuition/fees, email emoneth@ocsvikings.com.

GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. Once again our understanding of the Gospel is strengthened by considering the context in which it was written and the perspective of Matthew's audience.

The conditions of discipleship outlined in Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth—choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division to their family.

Matthew also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship, yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples have also welcomed him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

MISSION APPEAL

Every year, as part of the Mission Cooperation Plan, every parish in the Diocese of Lafayette gets to host a group from the missions. The purpose of this program is twofold; first a reminder that we are a universal body of Christ, the Church. Secondly, is to provide an opportunity to support the spread of the gospel and to meet the needs of our brothers and sisters in the mission countries. This year, St Landry Church shall have the Diocese of Soroti, Uganda next weekend July 8-9, 2023. Fr. Geoffrey Akiso Odongo, from Uganda will be visiting us. Here is a brief background of the Diocese of Soroti.

The Diocese of Soroti located in Eastern Uganda was erected by Pope St. John Paul II on the 29th November 1980. It geographically covers the ten civil districts of the Teso Sub-region and a land area of 33,130 sq.km (20,586 sq.miles). The total population of the area covered is 3.5 million people and the Catholic population is 1.7 million people representing about 45%.

At its founding, the diocese was staffed mostly by priests from the Mill Hill Missionary Society (some of whom were from the United States) as there were few native priests. In the course of the years, native vocations were nurtured and blossomed so much so that today a great majority of the 68 priests are natives and there are more than 50 Seminarians at different levels of Major Seminary formation.

Soon after its creation, the North and Eastern regions of Uganda (including the entire area covered by the Diocese of Soroti) was plunged into a civil war, which lasted almost two decades and left the population devastated economically and socially. The people who survived this turmoil were sustained by their faith which by the grace of God was strengthened and grew in the midst of the turmoil. And now just like the rest of the world, they suffered and are recovering from the effects of Covid-19. For more information you can visit www.soroticatholicdiocese.org.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a

Hospitality extended to Elisha will be rewarded.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89:2-3,16-19

Sing God's praises forever.

SECOND READING

Romans 6:3-4,8-11

Through Christ we are 'dead to sin but alive in God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus outlines the costs and rewards of discipleship.

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