

TWENTY-SECOND WEEK 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  
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Sarah Meche, Receptionist / Secretary  
Abigail Caffery, Director of Sacred Music  
Charlie O'Chery, Director of Youth Ministry





# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 02

4:00pm Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; Sam (BD) & Elva Moncla; Lisa Ortego; Dionesio & Dominga Jayme Valle; William & Dorothy Hatch, & Family; Larry (BD) & Brenda Lanclow; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde, & Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard, & Francis Bordelon; Rose Dupre (BD, belated); Linnise Joseph Smith (DA); Special Intention for Norma Brown & Mary Lee Vidrine; Charles F. & Mercedes Going, & Family; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; Robert Sr., Madeline, & Albert Going; Kenneth & Barbera B. Thibodeaux

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 03

08:00am Moise & Martha Lagrange; David LeDoux; Barbara St. Amand; Family of Adam & Rosita Guidry; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Barbara S. Nezat; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Deacon Dwayne Joubert (BD) & Family; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossmann & Clarice D. Faul; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri

10:00am Special Intention; Wayne Lavergne; Elizabeth Claire; Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Jimmy Soileau, & Joyce & Loyce Joubert; Dawn Lavergne Blanchard; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; Deceased Family of Truong Si Chuyen; Orphan Souls; Deceased Family of Tran Ho; Glenda Pitre; Sandra D. Presley (BD) & Rosalie Jackson; Guise Tran Ho; Donvan Lavergne; Chris LeBlanc; Carole Viviano; Emma Grace Guillory; Warren Soileau; Jany Elise Huntington Schexnader; Ronald Boudreaux; Ezra & Velma Martin, & Denise Hull

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 04

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

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 06

12:05pm Garland DeJean (DA); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 07

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

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 08

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

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Velma Guidroz Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Denise Cortez; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Larry Harper; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Mike & Linda Labbe; Brian Jackson; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Ronnie Leger; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kenneth Moreau; Craig Ortego; Shawn Perry; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Burnell Vidrine; Brett Walker

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

It is a special blessing to be a Catholic Daughter. And we wish to share this with you! You are invited to join us! Court St. Landry #119 meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm. We meet at Queen of Angels Church Hall. For more information, please call Debbie Fay 337-308-3107. Our next meeting will be September 12, 2023



## PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

### PRIESTS

- 09/03 | Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- 09/04 | Fr. Ryszard Kalinowski, SVD
- 09/05 | Fr. Andrew Killeen
- 09/06 | Fr. Andrew Kirschman, SJ
- 09/07 | Fr. Mark Kramer, SJ
- 09/08 | Fr. Clifton Labbe, SVD
- 09/09 | Fr. Donavan Labbe

### DEACONS

- 09/03 | Dcn. Scotty Baudoin
- 09/04 | Dcn. Harris Bergeron
- 09/05 | Dcn. Glen Bertrand
- 09/06 | Dcn. Jose Blanco
- 09/07 | Dcn. Reggie Bollich
- 09/08 | Dcn. Dwayne Boudreaux
- 09/09 | Dcn. Gerald Bourg

### SEMINARIANS

Trey Fontenot | Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ville Platte

### SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Dcn. Dwayne Joubert (BD)  
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### LABOR DAY

The parish offices (Valentin Hall) will be closed Monday, September 4th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00am... There will be no 12:05pm Mass on Labor Day

# Confirmation Registration

## NOW OPEN!

Students entering grades 8-11 can register.

Registration forms are available in the Valentin Hall Office or on our website.

[www.stlandrycatholic.com](http://www.stlandrycatholic.com)



## OCS CORNER

Opelousas Catholic students, faculty and staff will enjoy the Labor Day holiday on Monday and return for classes on Tuesday.

Freshmen Retreat is scheduled for Wednesday, and the monthly "Rosary at the Pieta" will be prayed at 5:30 pm. Then on Thursday, school Mass begins at 9:25 am; high school volleyball games with start time in the school gym at 4:30 pm; and the Vikings football team versus Ascension Catholic on Thursday night in Donald Gardner Stadium with kickoff at 7:00 pm. Go Vikings!

Ladies 21 and older ... mark your calendar on Saturday, Sept. 16, for "Mom Prom" sponsored by OC's PTO! It will be held at the Delta Grand, and tickets are now selling online at eventbrite.com for \$50 per person.

# † GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

Today's Gospel continues the story that began in last week's Gospel. Simon Peter was called the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling him "Satan." In opposing this aspect of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross.

Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of first-century Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called "rock" would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

## READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:7-9  
Jeremiah laments but cannot fail to speak in God's name.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 63:2-6,8-9  
Our souls yearn for God.

### SECOND READING

Romans 12:1-2  
Paul encourages the Romans to stay faithful to God.

### GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:21-27  
Jesus speaks of his Passion and rebukes Peter for his objection.

## OFFERTORY

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**DR. RALPH MARTIN**  
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WHO IS PRESENT AND  
WHAT DOES HE WANT?

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