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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

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Charlie O'Chery, Director of Youth Ministry



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

4:00pm Shelton Daigle; Carrie Soileau, Harold Soileau & Mattie Sylvester; Al Soileau; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde, & Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00am Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossmann & Clarice D. Faul ; Debbie Fay Family; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Janis Courville & Family; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; Raphael Fontenot (DA) & Family; Dec. Dwayne Joubert & Family; Ryan Fontenot

10:00am Gerald Roy; Velma G. Bihm; Brett Walker; Loretta Perron; Seola Hebert Pitre; Chris LeBlanc; Dr. Dan Buller; Christopher Dunbar; Mrs. Sue G. Hebert; Bobbie Mouton, & Dusty Ardoin; Winnie, Steve & Ronnie Ardoin; Ronald Bezet; Luke Robert Ragas; Warren Soileau; Fields & Voitier Families; Ezra & Velma Martin, & Denise Hull; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

9:00am Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary Dupre Family; Louis "J. D." Janise & Grace Janise Soileau; Elvin & Ena Ortego; Paula Ortego Bienvenu; Sarah Meche & Family; J.Y., Raphael, & Burnell Fontenot; Loretta Perron; Lois Joubert & Family; Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary Dupre; A.B. Jr & Kathleen Dupont Reed (BD), & Families; Evelyn Kidder; Houston & Alice L. Courville, & Families; Loretta Perron; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Pap Roy

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

12:05pm Donald St. Amand (BD); Arthur & Eva Roy (WA); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

12:05pm Winnie Ardoin (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

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

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Special Intention
Adoration Chapel: Expectant Mothers

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Carol Sue Arnaud; Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Fr. Alan Breaux; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Denise Cortez; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Ruby Blanchard Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Patty Hacket; Larry Harper; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Brian Jackson; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Elaine & Ronald Joubert; Mike & Linda Labbe; Ronnie Leger; Anna Maria Leleux; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kenneth Moreau; Mark Mouton; Craig Ortego; Shawn Perry; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Mavis Quebedeaux; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Ronald & Elaine Richard; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Allen Vidrine; Burnell Vidrine

PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

12/31| Rev. Henry Paul Antony, HGN
01/01| Pope Francis
01/02| Bishop Douglas Deshotel
01/03| Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
01/04| Very Rev. Chester Arceneaux, VF
01/05| Rev. Michael Arnaud
01/06| Rev. Justin Arockiasamy, SVD

DEACONS

12/31| Dcn. Edward Boustany
01/01| Dcn. Wynard Boutte
01/02| Dcn. Jules Steven Breaux
01/03| Dcn. Patrick Burke
01/04| Dcn. Martin Cannon
01/05| Dcn. Francis Cao
01/06| Dcn. Richard Castaneda

SOLEMNITY OF MARY HOLY MOTHER OF GOD.

The obligation to attend mass has been lifted on January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God. Mass will be at 9am only. There will be no 12:05pm, mass on January 1st.

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is closed on: 12/31 (Sunday) at 4pm. It re-opens, 01/02 (Tuesday) 8am

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Valentin Hall Business Office will be closed thru January 1st. Regular business hours will resume on January 2nd. In cases of EMERGENCY, please call (337) 942-6552, and follow the prompts.
Wishing you all a joyful & faith filled New Year!



Adoration Chapel

IMMEDIATE COVERAGE NEEDED!

Mon 2am
Thurs 3am, 3pm, 11pm
Fri 4pm, 10pm
Sat 6am

SIGN UP

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

OC CORNER



Students and staff will return for classes on Monday. The monthly Rosary at the Pieta is Wednesday at 5:30 pm on the front lawn. Please join in prayer!

Congratulations to the OCS "Students of the Year" selected on the basis of their outstanding academics, extracurricular and community involvement and Christian qualities: Ben Hatfield, 5th grade; Scout Darbonne, 8th grade; and Emily Jesclard, 12th grade.

There is still time to purchase tickets for the first annual "Krewe de Vikings Mardi Gras Ball"! This fun evening to support OCS athletics is Saturday, the 13th, at 7:00 pm in the Holy Ghost Parish Life Center. Tickets are available at <https://krewe-de-vikings.eventbrite.com>.

The Diocesan March for Life is also Saturday, and you will find many Opelousas Catholic students and staff participating. Let's stand up for LIFE!

† GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family. This celebration is assigned to the Sunday within the octave of Christmas. The Gospel for today is taken from the Gospel according to Luke and is part of Luke's Infancy Narrative.

Today's Gospel describes the presentation of the child Jesus in the Temple and shows Joseph and Mary as devout Jews, following the prescriptions of the Law of Moses. The Gospel alludes to several aspects of the Law of Moses: circumcision, the dedication of the firstborn son to the Lord, and the purification of a woman after childbirth.

According to the Law of Moses as presented in the Book of Leviticus, a woman was considered ritually unclean during her menstrual period and for a prescribed period of time following the birth of a child. After the birth of a son, a woman was considered ritually unclean for 40 days. After the birth of a daughter, a woman was considered unclean for 80 days. In order to be restored to ritual purity, a Jewish woman performed the appropriate rites of purification and made the prescribed ritual offering.

Today's Gospel notes that Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day after his birth, in accordance with the Mosaic Law. At that time, he was called Jesus, the name he was given by the angel Gabriel. On the 40th day after Jesus' birth, Mary performed the appropriate purification rites and made her offering at the Temple. Although the Law of Moses required an offering of a lamb, those who could not afford a lamb could substitute two turtledoves or two pigeons. In this scene, Luke identifies Joseph and Mary as being poor, and indeed throughout Luke's Gospel, Jesus will show special concern for the poor.

Another Jewish rite referenced in this Gospel is the dedication of the firstborn son to the Lord. In remembrance of the feast of Passover, when the firstborn children of the Israelites in Egypt were saved from death, the Law of Moses prescribed that all firstborn males of Israel should be consecrated to the Lord. In this tradition, Mary and Joseph present the infant Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem, Luke reports that Mary and Joseph encounter two devout Jews, Simeon and Anna, who recognize the infant Jesus as the fulfillment of Israel's hope for redemption. In Simeon's words we find a prediction of Mary's witnessing of Jesus' death on the cross. The Canticle of Simeon, also called by its Latin name, Nunc Dimitis, is prayed at night prayer, or compline, during the Liturgy of the Hours.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

God fulfills his promise to Abraham, and Sarah gives birth to a son.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 105:1-6,8-9

A prayer of thanksgiving to God for his faithfulness to his covenant.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19

Paul examines Abraham's example of faith.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 2:22-40

Mary and Joseph present Jesus at the Temple in accordance with the Law of Moses.

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