

The ASCENSION of the LORD



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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  
Priscilla Guidroz, Receptionist  
Abigail Caffery, Director of Sacred Music  
Charlie O'Chery, Director of Youth Ministry



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, MAY 20

4:00pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Kermit Christ; Jeanette Kidder; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Alton Ray Barron; Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Audrey Meche Dubuc; Olita R. Credeur

## SUNDAY, MAY 21

08:00am Audrey Meche Dubuc; David LeDoux; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Evelyn Kidder; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Barbara St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Maryina Courvelle (DA); James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossman and Clarice D. Faul

10:00am Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; Elizabeth Claire; Donovan Lavergne; Allen & Elaine L. Guillory; Wayne Lavergne; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Family of Sal Diesi; Families of Fields and Voitier; Warren Soileau

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

## MONDAY, MAY 22

12:05pm J. C. Diesi (DA); Family of Valla Pachica Benavitez; Special Intention; Gladys & Burnley J. (BD) Ardoin, Sr; Darryl Wagley (DA); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

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

## THURSDAY, MAY 25

12:05pm Eleanor D. Halphen; Special Intention; Bonnie & Carroll (BD) Joubert; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

## FRIDAY, MAY 26

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

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

Mercedes Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Julie Ford; Allen Harrington; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Ronnie Leger; Judi R. Lucito; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kathy Martin; Kenneth Moreau; 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

## SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Msgr. Russell Harrington (OA)  
Adoration Chapel: OCS

## ADORATION OPPORTUNITIES

There are still a few time slots that do not have regular scheduled committed adorers:

- 6pm on Sundays
- 10pm on Mondays
- 3pm on Tuesdays
- 9pm on Wednesdays
- 1am on Thursdays
- 10pm on Fridays
- 12am, 2am, 12pm, 1pm, & 9pm on Saturdays

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## PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

### PRIESTS

- 05/21 | Fr. Chester Arceneaux, VF
- 05/22 | Fr. Michael Arnaud
- 05/23 | Fr. Justin Arockiasamy, SVD
- 05/24 | Fr. Alfred Ayem, SVD
- 05/25 | Fr. Matthew Barzare
- 05/26 | Fr. Herbert Bennerfield
- 05/27 | Fr. Paul Bergeron

### DEACONS

- 05/21 | Dcn. Wynard Boutte
- 05/22 | Dcn. Wade Broussard
- 05/23 | Dcn. Patrick Burke
- 05/24 | Dcn. Martin Cannon
- 05/25 | Dcn. Francis Cao
- 05/26 | Dcn. Richard Castaneda
- 05/27 | Dcn. David Chambers

### SEMINARIANS

Dcn. Michael Vidrine | St. John the Baptist, Melville  
Trey Fontenot | Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ville Platte

## VACATIONING?

Don't miss Mass...

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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

Congratulations to our Class of 2023 who graduated in a beautiful Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement in St. Landry Catholic Church! May God be with them as they pursue their careers and remain strong in their faith!

Let us pray for our students who are taking their final exams this week, looking forward to summer vacation beginning May 26.

We are proud of our Varsity Baseball Team for a great season all the way to the State Semifinals! And congratulations to senior Chris Brown for signing a football and track scholarship to Bethel University!

In its final days, please gift our 2022-2023 Angel Appeal Drive! Mail your donation, large or small, to the OCS Advancement Office, 428 East Prudhomme Street, Opelousas, LA 70570. God bless our angels!

# GOSPEL READING REFLECTION



Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel.

The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.

## READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

### FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11  
Jesus is taken up to heaven in the presence of the apostles.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 47:2-3,6-9  
Sing praise to God as he mounts his throne.

### SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23  
God raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand.

### GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:16-20  
Jesus charges his disciples to make disciples of all nations and promises to be with them forever.

## OFFERTORY

MAY 07, 2023

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OCS Foundation	\$10.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$185.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	15.00



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