

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1 / Lk 11:29-32

Julie Bradberry, Melissa Rhodes, Julie Barrilleaux

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Weekday in Ordinary time

Gal 5:1-6 / Lk 11:37-41

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Gal 5:18-25 / Lk 11:42-46

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families, Monica Mancuso, Dr. Ed Cancienne, Stephanie Baudry

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Eph 1:1-10 / Lk 11:47-54

Julie Bradberry, Angelique LeLeux, Leatrice Mendoza, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Eph 1:11-14 / Lk 12:1-7

Julie Bradberry, Julie Barrilleaux, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 / 2 Tm 3:14 — 4:2 / Lk 18:1-8

4:00 p.m. Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Jamie & Brittani Head, M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Andrew J. Daigle, Antoinette LeBlanc, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00 a.m. Ida Mae Bergeron

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Nila Nini, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families, Dave Thomas fly. (L&D), Gloria Landry

6:30 p.m. Ray Raspberry

Offertory \$4852.00
Donation \$ 500.00

Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

Saturday, October 1, was the Memorial of St. Therese of Lisieux.

Devotion to St. Therese does not seem to be as widespread here as it is in the western part of the diocese. This may well be because of the presence of the Carmelite Nuns in the city of Lafayette.

I have a deep devotion to St. Therese. You probably suspect as much if you have ever been in my, all too messy, office. There is a beautiful statue of St. Therese facing my desk. This was a farewell gift from a couple from St. Martinville.

When I was a baby, my family lived within walking distance of the Carmelite Monastery in Lafayette. My mother started taking me there when I was a baby and continued to do so throughout my infancy. These stories should be filed under the heading, *Stories My Mother Told Me*, because I have no recollection of the old monastery.

I first read the autobiography of St. Therese when I was in the sixth or seventh grade, but I confess that I did not grasp the significance of what I read. On the other hand, as was the pious practice at the time, I had already read several accounts of her life. Early on, I knew that St. Therese promised that she would shower roses from her place in heaven.

I can testify from personal experience that she does.

I visited Lisieux in 1983, back in the time of *Europe on \$5 a Day* and a super strong dollar. I rented a car and made my way to this city that I had read about for so long. I made my way to the Carmelite Monastery and searched for a hotel near it.

I looked down the street and saw a hotel named Hotel Regina. Simply because Regina is the name of one of the Sisters in the Lafayette Carmel, I knew this is where I needed to stay. I asked for a room and was given a key and directions to the room. Upon entering the room, I opened the curtain and my room overlooked the cloister of the Carmelite Monastery. I immediately recognized it because I had seen photographs of St. Therese in this very area.

I concelebrated Mass that evening in the monastery chapel and prayed at the tomb of St. Therese. It was an extraordinary moment of grace for me. Later that morning, armed with a letter of introduction from the Superior of the Lafayette Carmel, I visited with the Superior of the Carmel of Lisieux.

This Carmelite Nun had made her profession of vows in the hands of Mother Agnes, one of the sisters of St. Therese.

Although I had long personally experienced the presence of St. Therese in my life, actually being in Lisieux made my relationship with her even more personal.

And this is how we should experience the saints in our personal lives: they are our brothers and sisters in heaven, interceding on our behalf.

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Welcome Father Cremaldi: We certainly extend a warm welcome to Fr. Cremaldi, no stranger to the area, ever so grateful for his priestly ministry this weekend.

Second Collection: The second collection this weekend is for the financial support of the missionary activity of the Church.

Absence from the Parish: Monsignor Courville will be away from the parish from October 8 to October 13 for the purpose of continuing education. There will be no weekday Masses during that time.

Friday Mass: The Mass on Friday, October 14, will be at 6:30 in the morning, for this week only.

Rest In Peace

Gloria Ann Barras Landry died on September 29, 2016.

Repeat Announcements

Hospice Volunteers: Heart of Hospice, with an office in Franklin, seeks volunteers for their program. The information submitted presumes knowledge of the work that hospice does. Volunteers are provided training and supervisory support. For more information, telephone 337 828-2678.

Retreat Opportunities: The Jesuit Spirituality Center, Grand Coteau, offers silent, individually directed retreats of three, five, or eight days beginning on Monday, October 17, or Thursday, October 20. To apply or register visit jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or telephone 337 662-5251 on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until noon or 1 to 5 p.m.

Cemetery Tours: St. Landry Church, Opelousas, is offering an interpretive tour of the parish cemetery on the weekends of October 8, 9, 15, and 16. The Saturday tours are in the evening, beginning at 6, 7, and 8. The Sunday tours are in the afternoon, beginning at 2 and 3. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information, telephone 337 942-6552 or 308-3474. There are restrictions. Tours for people with special needs are scheduled for Sunday afternoon, October 9 and 16, at 3.

Pray for the following priest each day: Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

October 10, Rev. Anthony Ostini, SJ
October 11, Rev. Jose Padinjarepeedika, CMI
October 12, Rev. John Paul, SJ
October 13, Rev. Donald Pelous
October 14, Rev. Neil Pettit
October 15, Rev. Daniel Picard
October 16, Rev. Mikel Polson

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Theresa Henry, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Ken Macey, Vanessa Clements, Onesime Richard, Ada Fangue, Johnny Thomas, Rand Nini, Braxton Burch, Kim Beaver, Reese Grace Johnson, Roland Lege, Jr., Brooke Rhodes, Edna Alcina, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Greg Cart, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Jeff Brown, Beatrice Talbot, Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Frank Cavalier, Thomas LeBlanc, Samantha & Sammy Barker, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, Marcelle Campbell, Lenora Ackman, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Anna Rogers, Mary Geofroy, Mable LaCoste, Jerry Guillory, Gwen Tillman, Tammy Flirt, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, Donovan LeBlanc, Donna Duplantis, Susan Price, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Bobby Monceaux, Adeline Maddix, Cass Oubre, Clay Leonard, Donna Barrow Hoya, Tina Theriot, Gretchen & Lee Nini, Jr., Alli Keith, Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, Jeanine Derise, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Daniel Fromenthal, Jeana Francis, Duval family, Julie Barrilleaux, Debby Morella, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
October 15, 4:00 p.m.	Kathy LaBouve	Lonnie LaBouve	Jean Beaugh
October 16, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Blake Orgeron Sheli McGonagill Landon Broussard	Mary Etta Taylor Belinda Boudreaux	