

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 / Mk 5:1-20

Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 - 19:3 / Mk 5:21-43

Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 6:30 a.m.

St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 / Mk 6:1-6

Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D), Aline Stewart

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 6:30 a.m.

St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 / Mk 6:7-13

Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D), Mercedes Naquin, Calvin LeLeux

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 12:10 p.m.

Weekday

Sir 47:2-11 / Mk 6:14-29

Calvin LeLeux, John Menard, Fr. Richard Fabre, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10 / 1 Cor 2:1-5 / Mt 5:13-16

4:00 p.m. M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Dana G. Robin, Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Cody Cousins, Gary Melancon, Calvin LeLeux, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:00 a.m. Calvin LeLeux

10:00 a.m. M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), L.J.L, Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D)

6:30 p.m. M/M Louis Fromenthal

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Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

Do we pray the Mass? Do we consciously raise mind and heart to God as we participate in the Mass?

The individual answer to that question can be a point of departure in determining our personal goals and practices for the approaching Season of Lent.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (Publisher: United States Catholic Conference) expresses the teaching of the Church on the Mass in these words:

The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's Passover, that is, of the work of salvation accomplished by the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, a work made present by the liturgical action. (See number 1409.)

This should be abundantly clear: when we are present at Mass, it is just as if we were actually standing next to the Blessed Mother at Calvary on Good Friday afternoon and standing with St. Mary Magdalen in the garden on Easter Sunday morning.

The Mass makes present the full effects of the Death and Resurrection of Christ Jesus.

What does this mean?

Many of you are familiar with Mel Gibson's, The Passion of the Christ. This is a most powerful re-creation of the suffering and death of Christ Jesus. It is also extremely precise and accurate.

If you are not given to dramatic creations, pick up the Bible and read carefully the four accounts of the suffering and death of the Lord.

The Mass is making present the effects of that suffering and death along with the resurrection.

I encourage you to take this truth into your personal prayer time.

Do we understand that this is the meaning of the Mass?

The ritual of the Mass, when properly followed, expresses that truth. The Mass is designed to be celebrated with attention, reverence, and devotion.

So how did this community and others get to the point where belief that the Mass is to be done as quickly as possible is so readily accepted?

The causes of this deplorable belief is to be found in recent history.

To be continued ...

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Come Lord Jesus: The end of this phase of the religious instruction of our children and young people is upon us. Thanks are due to all of the volunteers who have contributed to this so important work. The next phase will begin in early August.

Lent: The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26. There will be three Masses on Ash Wednesday: 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 5:30 p.m. Ashes will be blessed and imposed at all three Masses. Confessions will be heard before each Mass.

Repeat Announcements

First Communion: The date for First Communion has been changed to May 3, 2020. This will be during the 10 a.m. Mass. The practice will be on Saturday, May 2, at 10 a.m.

Jubilee of the Word: The Community of Jesus Crucified is sponsoring a public reading of the Bible at Holy Ghost Church, 747 N. Union Street, Opelousas, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 26, at 12:30 p. m. and ending on the First Sunday of Lent, March 1, at 4:30 p.m. For more information or to volunteer as a reader, telephone Holy Ghost rectory at 337 942-2732 or go to fetedieuduteche@gmail.com

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.

- February 3, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- February 4, Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- February 5, Rev. Nathan Comeaux
- February 6, Rev. Gregory Cormier
- February 7, Rev. Msgr. J. Douglas Courville, JCL
- February 8, Rev. Randy Courville
- February 9, Rev. Robert Courville

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, IJL, John Czajka, MIL, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Bridget Thibodeaux, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, CJL, Marlene Cole, Brenda Doolley, Lee Nini, Jr., Marilyn Simmons, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, Archer Rogers, Laurie Hale, Susan Cantrell, Linda DeHart, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Sawyer Allums, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Hunter Chaisson, BGL, Cohen Callas, Debbie Zorn, Eddie Hamlett, Richard Clark, Chad Arnaud, Mary Jack Geoffrey, Peter Scaramella, Janet Lee Slaughter, Jonathan Wainwright, Eddie Bradberry, Terence Donnelly, Nate Furlette, Ryan Bowman, Joel Norton, Brendan Kidder, Laura Magee Larive, Pearl Lyons, Erin & Simon, Oscar "Sonny" Landry, Jerry Barrilleaux, Lonnie Michel, Mary Etta Race, Dr. Geoffrey Fleming, Shelby Baldree, David Peveto, Wesley Burnham, Pete Marcell, Mac Percle, Lois Theriot, Leslie Hardaway, Irvin Trahan, Jr., Ruby & Herman Pellerin

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
February 8, 4:00 p.m.	Janea Giroir	Brian Giroir	3:30 p.m. Mary Catherine Gray
February 9, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Sandra Watson Martha Boudreaux Luke Orlando	James Stewart Belinda Boudreaux	