

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 6:30 a.m.**

*Weekday*

*Jas 3:13-18 / Mk 9:14-29*

Calvin LeLeux, Casey Galloway

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 9:00 a.m.**

*Weekday*

*Jas 4:1-10 / Mk 9:30-37*

Calvin LeLeux, Michelle Denning

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

*Ash Wednesday*

*Jl 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18*

**6:30 a.m.** Cliff Watson fly. (L&D)

**12:10 p.m.** Kerry Fromenthal, Calvin LeLeux

**5:30 p.m.** Sam L. Carline

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25*

Calvin LeLeux, Liz Judice

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15*

Calvin LeLeux

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32*

**8:00 a.m.** Calvin LeLeux

*First Sunday of Lent*

*Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 / Mt 4:1-11*

**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, Sam L. Carline

**SUNDAY, MARCH 1**

**7:00 a.m.** Calvin LeLeux, Michael Naquin, Jr.

**10:00 a.m.** M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Willie & Emily Smith fly. (L&D), Willie Bradberry fly. (L&D), Jerry & Elizabeth Landry, Austin Jenkins, Dennis & Mary Etta Taylor

**6:30 p.m.** M/M Louis Fromenthal, Julian “Sonny” Sons

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**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

Prior to my appointment here, I did take a turn every six weeks or so to celebrate the Tridentine Mass in Carencro for the people who preferred the older rite. I did this primarily because I like the people in that community. They are very devout and pious, authentic sons and daughters of the Church. Their only request was to have the celebration of the Mass in the ancient rite to which they were deeply attached. As I am quite proficient in Latin, I happily celebrated the Mass for them. I had to stop going when I came here because of the distance, time of the Mass, and the care of my uncle. If I could now, I would join the rotation of priests offering this Mass.

At the same time, I personally do not have an attachment to the Tridentine Rite. I am at peace with the new rite- called by its Latin name, Novus Ordo, roughly translated New Order (of the Mass.)

The implementation of the Novus Ordo was not without problems and, in some cases, abuses. The process of change was negatively impacted by a concurrent trend in Western Society to challenge and disregard laws. The official documents quite clearly mandated the new ritual, but individuals ignored what they did not like and engaged in practices of their own choosing.

For example, the Mass begins with the celebrant offering the liturgical greeting, “The Lord be with you.” Some priests, having done this, then use the secular greeting, “Good morning.” If the people do not respond with sufficient enthusiasm, the priest then repeats, “I said, ‘Good morning.’” Then the people are supposed to laugh and smile and respond enthusiastically.

Silly, is it not?

Other non-mandated additions and changes are not so silly and pervert an integral understanding of the Eucharist, the nature of sacraments, and other theological principles. There is evidence that some of these false teachings and practices are deeply embedded in our parish. The faith in this area is eroding because of this and other factors and will continue to erode until it exists no longer.

I have no intention of abandoning my responsibility of proclaiming the Gospel, but I also have no illusions about my ineffectiveness in correcting the harmful practices and, at times, sinful behavior.

How serious is this resistance? There are those who attend Mass and make it quite clear that I should mind my own business and not presume to correct anything.

Despite this, actually because of this, I will continue to proclaim the Gospel and assist those who wish to grow in the faith.

The Lenten Season, beginning this week, is a time of conversion. The ashes that mark the beginning of the season are a powerful reminder of mortality: we are going to die. The ashes remind us that all material things disintegrate and all earthly power eventually is destroyed.

God alone is eternal.

“Remember, that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” (Roman Missal)

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**Lenten Mass and Devotions:** Mass will be offered Monday through Friday at 6:30 a.m. during the Season of Lent. There will be no noon Mass on Friday. Mass will be offered at 8 a.m. on Saturday mornings as well as the regularly scheduled Saturday evening Mass. Confessions will be heard before all Masses. The Way of the Cross devotion will take place every Friday evening at 5:30 during the Season of Lent.

**Ash Wednesday:** 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.

**Regulations on Abstinence and Fasting**

We are invited to enter into this penitential season as a community (c. 1249). The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence, that is, we do not eat meat. This applies to everyone from the age of fourteen on. Adults are obliged to the law of fasting until the age of sixty. Good Friday is a day of both abstinence and fasting. The purpose of abstinence and fasting is to foster a deeper experience of prayer, encourage pious devotions, emphasize acts of charity, and promote fulfilling our duties and responsibilities with greater diligence (c. 1249). In forming their children, parents should introduce them in accord with their age to the values of self-denial and the importance of making sacrifices.

**Repeat Announcements**

**A Day of Prayer for Women:** Fr. Lou McCabe, S.J. will present a day of prayer for women on the theme of “Lent: Fasting, Almsgiving, Prayer” on Tuesday, March 3, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending with Mass at 2:15 p.m. at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House, Grand Coteau. The cost is \$25. and pre-registration is required. Go to [www.ourladyoftheoaks.com](http://www.ourladyoftheoaks.com) or telephone 337 662-5410 to register or obtain additional information.

**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 24, Rev. Blake Dubroc
- February 25, Rev. Wayne Duet
- February 26, Rev. Willard Dugas
- February 27, Rev. Edward Duhon
- February 28, Rev. Jacob DuMont, LC
- February 29, Rev. Nicholas Dupré
- March 1, Pope Francis

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampsey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, IJL, John Czajka, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, MIL, 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 Furette, 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, Denver Jenkins

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
February 29, 4:00 p.m.	Janea Giroir	Brian Giroir	3:30 p.m. Linda Thomas
March 1, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Susan Blanchard Martha Boudreaux Chuck Boudreaux	Carolyn Chaisson Michelle Boudreaux	