

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 / Mt 25:31-46

Calvin LeLeux, Elma Braus

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15

Calvin LeLeux, Meghan Weiss

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32

Calvin LeLeux, Cliff Watson

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

Calvin LeLeux

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26

Calvin LeLeux, Luella Smith, Tristan McGonagill

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Lenten Weekday

Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48

8:00 a.m. Calvin LeLeux

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9

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, Gus Arnould & fly. (L&D), Tommy Naquin, Bobby Naquin, Mercedes & Leroy Naquin, Anatole & Marcelite Naquin, Fr. Richard Fabre, John Menard

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

7:00 a.m. Calvin LeLeux

10:00 a.m. M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Willie & Emily Smith fly. (L&D), Ronald Blereau, Austin Jenkins, Mary Theresa LaGrange

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

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Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

By the time you read this, the Season of Lent will have begun, a time of prayer and penance, conversion and renewal. This is a good time to renew our appreciation of the Mass or develop an appreciation of the Mass.

Various polls and surveys indicate that as many as 70% of the Catholics in this country do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. On the basis of my experience, quite anecdotal, I believe the number is much higher in our community and the surrounding area. Accurate teaching about the Eucharist seemingly has been problematic for a few generations.

The following is a concise summary of the teaching of the Church on the Eucharist:

By the consecration the transubstantiation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is brought about. Under the consecrated species of bread and wine Christ himself, living and glorious, is present in a true, real, and substantial manner: his Body and his Blood, with his soul and divinity (cf. Council of Trent: DS 1640; 1651). (From the Catechism, number 1413.)

Transubstantiation is a philosophical term. Simply put, a distinction is made between the substance of an object (that which makes the object what it is) and the appearances of the object (that which others perceive through the senses.) The teaching on transubstantiation holds that the substance of the bread is changed into the true Body and Blood of Christ while the appearances remain the same (that is, it still looks, feels, smells, and tastes like bread.) It also holds that the substance of the wine is changed into the true Body and Blood of Christ while the appearances remain the same (that is, it still looks, feels, smells, and tastes like wine.)

Transubstantiation takes place when a validly ordained priest recites the Words of Institution over the bread and wine. The Words of Institution are:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is My Body, which will be given up for you. Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of My Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of Me.

The Words of Institution are ancient, found in the gospels and in the writings of St. Paul. The consecration of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus takes place when the priest repeats these words.

The consecration is therefore the most solemn moment during the Mass. All should be conscious and aware that almighty God will be present to us under the appearance of a tiny piece of bread, to quote from Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and a cup of wine. We kneel in reverential silence as a profession of our belief in this great Mystery. Our senses tell us that this is bread and wine, but our faith tells us that Christ Jesus is truly present on the altar, as truly present on the altar as he is in heaven.

To be continued.

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Lenten Mission: Fr. Garrett McIntyre will preach a Lenten mission at St. Joseph Church in Patterson at 6 p.m. on March 9, 10, and 11. The topics for the three evenings are: The God of Unity, the Garden of Eden to the Upper Room; The God of Mercy, East of Eden to Calvary; and the God of Life, the Desert to the Garden of the Resurrection.

Baptized Into Christ

Madi Kate Ryker was baptized on February 2, 2020.
Zoey Isabel Duplantis was baptized on February 9, 2020.
Charlotte Marie Duplantis was baptized on February 9, 2020.
Jackson Thomas Clements was baptized on February 22, 2020.

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.

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
March 7, 4:00 p.m.	Lisa Russo	Debby Morella	3:30 p.m. Mary Catherine Gray
March 8, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Sandra Watson Cliff Journey Luke Orlando	James Stewart Belinda Boudreaux	

Repeat 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.

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.

- March 2, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- March 3, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- March 4, Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- March 5, Rev. Gilbert Dutel
- March 6, Rev. Dan Edwards
- March 7, Rev. Darren Eldridge
- March 8, Rev. Peter Emusa

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampedey, 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, Trey Chapman