We welcome you to St. Mary Magdalen Parish. If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself before or after Mass. Please pick up a census form located in the vestibule of church or call the parish office.

P. O. Box 1507
300 Pere Megret Street
Abbeville, LA 70511-1507
Telephone: 337-893-0244
From the Pastor

“For unto us a child is born…”
Isaiah 9:6

May You feel God’s presence this Christmas, and may you experience the warmth of His abiding love, as He guides you today and through each day of the coming year. May God’s Blessings be with you.

Faith makes all things possible,
Hope makes all things work,
Love makes all things beautiful,
May you have all the three this Christmas.

May your heart be filled with gratitude this Christmas for the wonderful gift of Jesus and the joy He brings to our lives. For God gave His greatest gift to us on that first Christmas Day: may the wonder of it always guide and light your way!

Merry Christmas!

On behalf of Fr. Michael Richard and myself, we thank you for all the cards, gifts and treats shared with us during this holy season of Christmas. And thanks to all those who lent a hand to decorate our beautiful Church this Christmas season.
May God bless you all.

The Knights of Columbus become the “Knights in Shining Armor” for the Christian Service Center this year

Throughout the year, the Knights of Columbus Council has donated their time, prayers, energy and funds to support the Christian Service Center in numerous ways.

To name a few, they helped to transport 7,000 pounds of food for the food drive to the CSC. For Thanksgiving, they personally gave out a truck full of turkeys to families in need. In addition, they have provided funds for the new large sign as well as support with many other projects.
We sincerely thank the Knights for their continued efforts to serve the community with love and their unfailing support.

The people of Abbeville are blessed to have such a strong, supportive and generous council, they are our “Knights in shining Armor”. They put on the Armor of God and serve as God invites us to.

Merry Christmas to All

NEW YEAR’S EVE HOLY HOUR IN CHAPEL
11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
Sponsored by the Family Life Community

NEW YEARS
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

New Year’s Eve—4:00 p.m.
New Year’s Day
7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
*Regular Sunday Schedule*

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December 19, 2016

1st Collection: $ 10,697.80

Second Collection
Bishop’s Services Appeal $ 3,202.95

Upcoming Second Collection
This Week: Christmas Charities
Next Week: No Second Collection
The Blessed Mother Candle
Joseph Daniel Bouligny, Sr.

The Sanctuary Candle
For continued prayers for the victims of war in Serbia, especially the children.

Ancient Art of Icon Painting
Learn the ancient art of icon painting in the Russian-Byzantine style. The Saint Luke Guild is now accepting registrations for 2017. Classes begin in January 2017 at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church in Abbeville. Prior art experience is not required. For more information, please contact Christine Daunis at christinedaunis@yahoo.com or call 225-252-3090.

2016 CHRISTMAS FLORAL MEMORIALS
A.J. Richard, Mr. & Mrs. Ovey B. Richard, Sr., Emar Bertrand, Nelia B. Bertrand, Elrita V. Bertrand, Barton Broussard; Verlie Boudreaux, Cole Anthony Conner, Joshua Emile Godchaux, Lillie Duhon Landry, Hailey Aline Girouard, Don Lenhart, Betty F. Leblanc & Family; Della D. Laplace; Neda C. Leblanc; Helen Laplace Leblanc; Raymond Billieu; George W. Laplace; Mr. & Mrs. Carl Dobbertine; Edward J. “Tee” Leblanc; Paul Laplace; Bobbie Lane Leblanc Tinker; Ulysse Broussard, Jr., Gerald C. Harrington; Jean Minas Baudoin; Beverly P. Noel; Lola & Royce Frederick; Ritter P. Trahan; Agnes S. Guillory; Audrey H. Dugas; Glenn Roy LeBlanc; Debbie H. Kite; Thomas Cormier; Joan Cormier; Elmer Armijo; Marty Armijo; Kile Griffin; Ryan Hardy; Kathryn Hatch; Summerall & Julie Guidry; Rudy & Bobbie Boudreaux; Elizabeth Borel; Tup Barrett; Beulah & Wallace Roger; Roy Bertrand, Sr; M/M Semar Bertrand; M/M Walter Bertrand, Sr; Willis Neveaux; Hilda & Alvin Labry; Nora Jo Faulk; M/M Calise Trahan; M/M Carroll Delcambre; Charlotte Bertrand; Florence Romero; M/M Louis Oltremari; Kat Jacobs; Raleigh Simon; Eddie Simon; Ethel Crawford; Ruth Simon; Jim & Alvin Hebert; L.J. Riviere; John Crawford; M/M Theodore Boudreaux; M/M J.P. Menard; Rodney Rajala; Patrick LeBouef; Gertie La Salle; Diane Demarcy; M/M Weston Guidry & Tommy; Carlo Martello; M/M Ivy Durr; Paul Dixon; M/M Alphause Sellers; Tully Landry, Lula Mae Guilbeau, Martha Ogden, Lercy Sellers; M/M Avery Mouton; Souls in Purgatory; Benson Gary; Delay & Zoie Leblanc; Blondie & Vernon Sellers; Chanky & Jeannette Motty, Shannon Guidry, Hazel Gregory, Allison Hebert, Juanita Campbell. Katie Gaspard, John Hebert

More Than A Story
Love came, held safely within a gentle womb
All the truth, majesty, and creativity of a living God
Poured into a tiny heart
Making a quiet entrance in a dark and uninviting shack
Just one star shone anew as a handful of people were brought
Led by angelic voices, and open hearts
A young mother
A faith-filled father
Men of wisdom who searched for truth
And a group of humble herdsmen
They came to bow before a new life
And acknowledge that the rescuer had arrived
That the Word of God had come alive
And that the extraordinary transformation of heaven and earth had begun.

Merry Christmas
A Journey to Healing for Anyone Hurting After Abortion

It's normal to grieve a pregnancy loss, including the loss of a child by abortion. It can form a hole in one’s heart, a hole so deep that sometimes it seems nothing can fill the emptiness.

**Project Rachel** is a confidential ministry for anyone who desires healing after being impacted by abortion. This includes the mothers and fathers of children lost to abortion, grandparents, siblings, and others. Abortion crosses all boundaries of religion, race, age and socio-economic position. Project Rachel's mission is to provide a confidential and compassionate ministry that offers opportunities for healing to anyone who struggles with the aftermath of abortion. We pray that those who attend Project Rachel experience God's forgiveness and mercy in order to live in freedom and peace. Project Rachel consists of eight to nine individual sessions. For more information, contact the Office of Pro Life Apostolate at 337.261.5607.

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**Grief Support Session**

The grief support group will meet Thursday January 5th at 5:30 pm in the Ministries Building. Anyone who is experiencing current or past grief is welcome to attend. We are using the Grief Share video series. For more information contact Sr. Carm at 893-0244 or srcarmtiolais@gmail.com

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**Retreats Dates**

- **Men**—April 27-30, 2017
- **Women**—August 24-27, 2017

Acadiana Baptist Center, Richard, LA. Registration Information available soon.

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**Saturday Dec. 31**

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<td>Fr. Louie</td>
<td>Andy Veazey Jude Broussard</td>
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Next Class: Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Ministries Bldg.

Registration Fee $25.00 for adults $20.00 for 14 & under $5.00 additional late registration fee after January 6th.

Free Beignets for registered runners, $4.00 non-registered guests.

Boogie your way through the streets of Abbeville and celebrate your finish with a delicious beignet breakfast!

For Online Registration go to: https://register.cajuntiming.com

Join us for Children’s Church Jan. 15, 2017 at 9:00A.M. Mass.

Weekly Sessions for Children Ages 4-6. Children gather at mass and then go to the Ministry Building.

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VC & Mt. Carmel Schools
Beignet Boogie
5K/1Mile Fun Run
VC-Carmel School Grounds
January 29, 2017

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Mount Carmel School
ON-LINE APPLICATIONS
For all new students for the 2017-2018 School Year. On-line registration will begin on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 8:00a.m. (PK-8th ) For more information contact the school at 898-0859 or Email: mmeneil@mceschool.com Website: http://www.mceschool.org

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Face Painting
Fun Jump
Refreshments

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MASS INTENTIONS
for the week of Dec 26th - Jan 1st

MONDAY
St. Stephen Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59, Mt 10:17-22
6:30 A.M.
Rev Emmanuel Awe, SSJ; Leah Broussard; Maria Tran Thi Mai; J.D. Mouton; Judy Leblanc

TUESDAY
St. John 1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
6:30 A.M.
Rev Donald Bahlinger, SJ; Maria Tran Thi Mai; Cindy & Galvez Baudoin & Family; Hebron Lequeux; Ancestors in Law

WEDNESDAY
The Holy Innocents 1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18
6:30 A.M.
Rev Matthew Barzare; Roger Sellers; John Vidos; Prayer Blanket Intentions; Maxine & Marshall Leblanc; Joy Harrington; M/M Rene Leblanc, Sr & Family; M/M Lester Desormeaux & Family; Benji Vienne; Linda Mergist

THURSDAY
1 Jn 2:3-11, Lk 2:22-35
6:30 A.M.
Rev Herbert Bennerfield; Maria Tran Thi Mai; Francis Pere & Family; Elodie Trahan

FRIDAY
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Mt 2:3-15 | 19-23
6:30 A.M.
Rev Lloyd Benoit; Zula & Dwayne Hebert & Judy Bernard; Maria Tran Thi Mai; Maria Nguyen, Thi Nhan; Lillian & Alphe Romero; Odile & Nasta Landry

January 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD Nm 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21
4:00 P.M.
Rev Paul Bergeron; Maria Nhan Thi Nguyen; Joseph Thang Do; Flo B. Guidry; Tony & Enid Guarino; M/M Sam Guarino & Fly; Josephine Guarino; Nicole Leblanc; M/M John Vigneaux; M/M Leonard Sellers & Wayne; Roger Sellers; Barbara & Daniel Jude Brousard; John Vidos; Whitney & Rita Bonin; Othon & Alma Trahan; Margie Bonin; Bill Johnson; Athelyn Vallot; Maria Tran Thi Mai; Elvina Bourque & Family; M/M Emile Hebert & Family; M/M Percy Lege & Family; Bob & Cleo deGraauw; Dot Crain; Beulah Neveaux; Eltes Trahan; Nick Leblanc; M/M Leonce Leblanc; M/M Rene Leblanc; Robin Leblanc; Therese Pere; Alvin Landry; E.J. Adams; Ivy Richard Family; Thomas Landry Family

7:00 A.M.
Pope Francis; Thank God, the Virgin Mary & Joseph ; Continued Blessings for my family from God, Virgin Mary & Joseph in 2017; George Veazey Family; Maria Nhan Nguyen, Maria Tran Thi Mai; Brenda Matthews; Lillian Romero; Zula Hebert; Diana Ashworth; Don J. Meaux, Sr; Davie Meaux, Jr; Gertrude Brousard; M/M Pierre Guidry & Tim; George Veazey Family; Iny Redmond Family; Prayers for my large family

9:00 A.M.
Luther Suire; Orphaned Souls; Prayer Blanket Intertions; Thank God, Virgin Mary & Joseph; Continued Blessings for my family from God, Virgin Mary & Joseph in 2017; Pam Gaspard; Eunice & Lucille Leblanc; M/M Eddia Hardy & Family; Elvina Bourque & Family; Dominic Truong Minh; Benjie Vienne; J. Simon Leblanc; M/M John L. Hungerford; Gioan Baotixita Pham Van Sac; Courtney & Daniel Forney; Johnnie Brousard Family; Prayers for my large family

11:00 A.M.
For the Parishioners

3:00 P.M.
Souls in Purgatory

5:30 P.M.
Jim Bouse; Greco & Scroggin Families
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