La Madeleine
ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY 07 JANUARY 2018

WEEKEND
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00AM
9:00 AM
11:00 AM
3:00 PM (Vietnamese)
5:30 PM

WEEKDAYS
Monday - Fridays: 6:30 AM

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 2:30 - 3:30 PM
Sunday: 4:45 - 5:15 PM
Before weekday Mass
Other times by request

BAPTISM
Please call the parish office to schedule.

BAPTISM PREPARATION
Please call the parish office to schedule.
Classes are held 2nd Monday every other month.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE
Please contact the parish office at least SIX months before marriage date.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS
Please call the parish office after contacting the Funeral Home.

Pastor Fr. Louis J. Richard
Associate Fr. Michael Richard
Pastoral Associate Sr. Carmelita Latiolais, S.E.C.
Deacons Tam M. Tran, William Vincent, Francis Cao,
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Weddings & Christian Formation Director Ms. Renella Livers
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Receptionist Mrs. Marguerite Landry
Director of Music & Church Organist Mr. Tommy Guidry
Christian Service Center Directors Mr. Marcelo & Mrs. Kelli Davis
Maintenance Mr. Malcolm d’Augereau
Housekeeper Mrs. Kim White
Life Teen Youth Ministers Mr. John Listi, Drew & Rachel David,
Mr. Dustin Bertrand, Ms. Andrea Delhomme

ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
We, the Catholic Community of St. Mary Magdalen
• Embrace our baptismal commitment to Christ
• Live a life of faith, service, and worship
• Seek to transform the world through prayer & evangelization

WELCOME! Newcomers please introduce yourself and complete a census form located in back of church or call the office 337-893-0244.

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website: stmarymagdalenparish.org
FROM THE PASTOR

The Greatest Gift

Many of us were introduced to Epiphany through the familiar silhouetted image of Three Wise Men bearing gifts as they followed the Great Star by night. The word “Epiphany” means manifestation, the revealing light. When we say someone has had an “Epiphany”, we mean something has dawned on them, been made clear.

The Magi are often referred to as the Wise Men astrologers from the East – a foreign land. These folks were not local. They came from “afar”. Their journey took them outside their country and their comfort zone.

They brought gifts. 
Gold was the kind of gift that you brought to a king. 
Frankincense was the gift that you brought to a priest. 
Myrrh was given to someone who was about to die.

Their greatest gift comes to us in the form of a realization. The Wise Men were the first Gentiles to recognize that Jesus belongs to everyone. God’s Good news is for everyone, not just a select few.

Star of wonder
Star of light
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading
Still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light.
Amen.

Word for the Day
And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings.

MEISTER ECKHART

ANNULMENT PROCESS

Msgr. Robie Robichaux is the Director of the Marriage Tribunal and has many years experience in working with individuals and couples. He will give a presentation on annulments and answer questions about the process.

Thursday, January 11, 2018, 6 - 7:30 PM
St. Mary Magdalen Ministries Hall

All are welcome to come and learn about the Catholic Annulment Process.

DR MARTIN LUTHER KING AWARD

Judge Durwood and Rusti Conque have been chosen to receive the Dr. Martin Luther King Award to be presented by Bishop Deshotel on Friday, January 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John. All are invited.

This award recognizes individuals who have exemplified the characteristics and heroic virtues of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. and have contributed to the good of others in a substantial way, and to possess qualities of leadership.

Congratulations Durwood and Rusti! Thanks for your service and example.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO

FEB. 9-13, 2018

Fr. Michael Richard will be leading a Pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe over Mardi Gras weekend. All are invited. Information: 337-291-1933 info@holytravels.org.
PRAYERS * YOUTH * ACTIVITIES

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**
*In memory of Jimmy & Hester Broussard*

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**
*In thanksgiving to Joseph for favors received*

**PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY FOR THE FAMILIES OF**
Harvey Joseph Saunier
Annie Trahan Guidry
Blanche Henderson Brailey

**IN THE WATERS OF BAPTISM WE WELCOME**
Noah Ly Tran

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**
Scheduled the 2nd Monday every other month. Parents are asked to attend the class before the baptism of your child. If you’ve attended for a previous child, it’s not necessary to attend again.

**Class: Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:00pm in the Ministries Bldg.**

**ACTS FOR WOMEN FEB 1-4, 2018**

ACTS Women’s Retreat is Feb. 1-4 weekend with closing Mass Sunday, February 4th, at the 11AM, St. Mary Magdalen Church. *Please pray for these women on retreat.* A special thank you to the STMM WOMEN’S ACTS Team who have been preparing for 13 weeks.

**EDG E** Sun Jan 7th — 6:30-8:00pm Ministry Bldg.

**LIFE TEEN** Sun Jan 14 — 6:30-8:30pm. [https://stmarymagdalenparish.org/lifeteen](https://stmarymagdalenparish.org/lifeteen)

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** Sunday Jan 14—6:30 pm in the Ministry Building

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS**—Tuesday, Jan 9th at 4:15-5:15pm, Ministries Bldg.

**PRAYERS FOR ILL OF OUR PARISH**


**VERMILION CATHOLIC DANCING WITH THE STARS 2018**

1. Josie T. Vincent 06/ Sean Trcakel 83
2. Stacey Putnam/ Greg Harrington
3. Laura B. Brantley 01/Toddy Guidry 77
4. Caroline H. Broussard 07/Blaine Broussard
5. Tammy Cao/Joseph Vallee
6. Michelle G. Bourque/Coby DesOrmeaux

For more info 893–6636 [vermilioncatholic.com/support-vc/vc-stars](vermilioncatholic.com/support-vc/vc-stars)

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**MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL**

**On-Line Applications**
All New Students 2018-2019 School Year
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 8:00AM
PK-8th grade
Email: mmcneil@mceschool.com
Website: www.mceschool.org
The Seed is Sown:
The Beginnings of Catholic Acadiana

“My dear Attakapas people,” these words of Bishop Jules Jeanmard marked the Breaux Bridge native’s joy at returning to southwest Louisiana to serve as the first bishop of the newly created Diocese of Lafayette in 1918.

The Attakapas were one of four major native tribes that inhabited the vast lands between the Atchafalaya River and the Sabine River. Though the territory had been claimed for France in 1699 as part of Louisiana, it was not until the 1740s that the first European settlers lived in the area. They formed small settlements named Opeletsas and Attakapas (later St. Martinville).

Religious activity in the territory was extremely limited. At the time, all of Louisiana was under the pastoral care of the Bishop of Quebec. The first recorded Sacrament in the region was a baptism on May 16, 1756 in a home near present day Washington. In 1762, Louisiana was given from France to Spain and the Catholic Church in Louisiana was placed under the care of the Bishop of Santiago de Cuba, a Spanish colony.

The region was forever changed when thousands of Acadians decided to make the area their home after being exiled from Acadie. They initially settled in the Attakapas District and would be the first to establish a Church parish in southwest Louisiana. 1765 marked the formal establishment of the Parish of St. Martin de Tours in St. Martinville, the Mother Church of the Acadians in Louisiana.

St. Landry Church was established in Opelousas in 1776, the same year the American Revolution began in the British Colonies. The final decades of the 18th Century saw new settlers from France as well as Spain and their territories. In 1778, Spaniards settled in an area we call New Iberia. In 1793, the Pope responded to the needs of a growing Catholic population by establishing a diocese along the Gulf Coast. The Diocese of Louisiana and the Two Floridas, with its seat in New Orleans, covered the Spanish territory along the northwestern edge of the Gulf of Mexico from Miami to the Sabine River.
BISHOP PERRY
January 6, 1966, Harold R. Perry, SVD was ordained an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. He became the first African-American Bishop in the twentieth century. Perry, a native of Lake Charles, was ordained a priest in 1944. His first assignment was at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lafayette, and he would later become the founding pastor of St. Joseph in Broussard. Perry is the first of six African-American bishops who were born and raised in the Diocese of Lafayette.

OPENING MASS
Opening Mass of the Centennial will be at St. Martin de Tours January 11th at 6:30pm in St. Martinville. All are invited to attend. We invite all Clergy, religious and laity.

PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES
Vigil Mass January 19 at 7pm at St. Pius X in Lafayette (tickets required – free).
Rosary Congress from January 19 – 26 in St. Pius X Adoration Chapel.
Rally Praise and Worship on January 20 in ULL Quad from 9:30am-11:30am followed by a Pro-Life March (11:30-12:30) to the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, welcome by Bishop Deshotel at 12:30 and a Prayer Service and Benediction.

ROSE DINNER
The Rose Dinner will be held at the Petroleum Club at 6pm (tickets required - $75 per person/ $600 per table of 8). For all ticket information, call the Diocesan Pro-Life Office – 261-5607

CENTENNIAL INDULGENCE
Will be granted by Pope Francis and can be gained throughout this Centennial Year by all who visit the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist and pray the Centennial Prayer available in the Cathedral.
MASS INTENTIONS—Jan 8th thru Jan 14th

MONDAY
6:30 AM  
The Baptism of the Lord  Is 55:1-11, Mk 1:7-11  
Rev. Clyde LeBlanc; Leah Broussard; Maria Nguyen Thi Nhi; Calvin F. Broussard & (living) Velma A. Broussard; Ewell & Zula Hebert & Dwayne Hebert; Elaine Theriot; Kaye & Avery Mouton; Cathy Grant

TUESDAY
6:30 AM  
1 Sm 1:9-20, Mk 1:21-28  
Rev. Steven LeBlanc; Ewell & Zula Hebert & Dwayne Hebert; Ian & Evan Boudreaux; Cecil McCrory (25th ann) Krystal Boudreaux; Maria Nguyen T. Nhi

WEDNESDAY
6:30 AM  
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Mk 1:29-39  
Rev Jerome Ledoux, SVD; John Vidos; Roland, Maxine & Marshall LeBlanc; Roger Sellers; Ken & Jackie Taylor; Maria Nguyen , Thi Nhi; Rodney Simon; Sr. Carmelita Latiolais; Special Intention

THURSDAY
6:30 AM  
1 Sm 4:1-11, Mk 1:40-45  
Rev Louis Ledoux; Maria Nguyen Thi Nhi; Ewell, Zula & Dwayne Hebert; Katie Lynn Trahan; Jimmy Soileau; Ruth B. Miller

FRIDAY
6:30AM  
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a, Mk 2:1-12  
Rev Mark Ledoux; Fr. Michael Richard; Cleus & Lillie D. Landry; Maria Nhan Nguyen; Maria Mai Tran; Nghiem Nguyen Phanxico Xavier; Maria Nguyen T. Nhi; Gioa Baotixia Pham V. Sac

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a 17-20
4:00 PM  
Rev Austin Leger; Etta T. Frederick; Mary Jane Neveaux; Eldes J.Touchet; Minos Duhon; Emile & Liz Dugas; M/M Emilie Hebert & Family; M/M Percy Lege & Family; Mollie Charpentier; Maria Nguyen Thi Nhi; Maria Quet Nguyen; Velma B. Landry; Judy LeBlanc; Lexine Belaire Culter; Maria Nhan Nguyen; Maria Mai Tran; M/M Sam Gurino & Family; Tony & Enid Gurino; Josephine Guarino; Flo B. Guidry; Nicole Leblanc; M/M John Vigneaux; Annie & Leonard Sellers & Wayne; Roger Sellers; Barbara & Daniel Jude Broussard; John Vidos; M/M Joe Bourque & Family; James E. Trahan

7:00 AM  
Rev Lambert Lein, SVD; Maria Nguyen Thi Nhi; George; Grace & P.J. Veazey; Theodore & Joyce Noel; Maria Mai Tran; Maria Nhan Nguyen; Helen Wyble; C.B. Thibodeaux Family

9:00 AM  

11:00 AM  
For the parishioners

5:30 PM  
Jim Bouse; Nick LeBlanc; Scroggin & Greco Families

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Jeannie Cormier | Reba Broussard  
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Joseph Vallee (S) | Matthew Romero  
Austin Bourque |
| Sun. Jan. 14th, 7:00AM | Fr. Louie | David Lacour | Mike Russo  
Pat Langlinais  
Edith Russo (S) | Michael Lacour |
| 9:00AM | Fr. Louie | Gene Sellers  
Diana Broussard | Cindy Broussard (S)  
J Byron Hebert  
Tommy Laperouse | Roy Bertrand  
Ella Desormeaux  
Jack Henry |
| 11:00AM | Fr. Louie  
Deacon Billy | Jules Hebert  
Judge Edwards | Susan Desormeaux  
Merle Gary (S)  
Jeff Melancon | Austin Cao  
Nick Cao  
Celeste Broussard |
| 5:30PM | Fr. Stanley  
Deacon Cao | Denise Orellana  
Philomena Hatch | Joan Greco (S)  
Kathleen Miller  
Andy Young | Zachary Broussard  
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