

ESSAYS: "HOW MERCY AFFECTS OUR LIVES"

HONORABLE MENTION WINNER – ETHAN DUPRE

"Mercy has effects on our everyday lives. Being kind and loving to people in need is a good way to show mercy. Let's see what other effects it has on our lives. Mercy means kind or forgiving treatment of someone who could be treated harshly. People that have received mercy have basically been given a break. Someone that has been forgiven for any sin or wrong doing toward others has been shown or given mercy. Any person homeless or hungry that has been given food or a place to stay has also been shown mercy. These things are helping people and showing them mercy when they most need it. There are some people not so lucky. Some people are left on the roads or benches with no food or shelter. Others are walking around with no jackets during winter. Last, there are some elderly people left to take care of themselves during hard times. All these people desperately need a helping hand. Instead people turned their head and ignored these struggles. When someone helps or forgives one for anything wrong that I have done, I am very happy. It gives me a chance to correct my mistakes and make better decisions. It means a lot to be given a second chance knowing how it feels to need mercy. I try to give as much as possible. I help my dad when he needs help at work or help my grandpa when he needs help, like with grass. I try to help people whenever I can. If everyone practiced mercy, I think the world would be a better place. People would be happier and get along with each other. I think if you look more at positive than the negative, you would be much happier. People helping people is much better than people fighting or always looking for the wrong in someone. 'Be merciful, even as your father is merciful.' Luke 6:39"

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The time of year for preparing those who desire to become Catholic is upon us. RCIA is a process-oriented program of instruction, prayer, and ritual celebrations for persons interested in joining the Catholic Church. The process is concerned with the development of the person believing with the Church community through doctrinal formation, praying with the Church community through liturgical formation, and serving with the Church community through liturgical formation, and serving with the Church community through apostolic formation. The process prepares persons for the sacraments of initiation, which are Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist, all received at the Easter Vigil Celebration.

The RCIA Program begins September 7, 2016 and culminates at Easter Vigil, April 15, 2017. Sessions are typically held on two Wednesday evenings of each month, from 5:30-7:00 pm, in the Conference Room, in Our Lady Queen of Angels Church office.

As parishioners, we are all encouraged to invite non-Catholic friends, who may have expressed an interest in joining the Catholic Church, to come by the Church office to register.

Next Sunday, Paula Carriere, RCIA Director, will speak at all the Masses introducing the program.

PRAY FOR A 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. Sunday: Rev. Rofinus Jas, SVD; Monday: Pope Francis; Tuesday: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI; Wednesday: Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel; Thursday: Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell; Friday: Rev. Bart Jasilek, SVD; and Saturday: Rev. Stanley Jawa, SVD.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

August: Universal Intention: That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world. Evangelization: That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty, and love of neighbor.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration is being held now for students who will be returning or who will be coming for the first time. All students attending Catholic schools and are in the 2nd grade must register now for First Communion. Likewise, students attending Catholic schools and are in the 11th grade making Confirmation must register now.

EVENTS

KC'S ANNUAL PO-BOY FUND RAISER

The Knights of Columbus Council #11270 will be holding their Annual Po-Boy Fund Raiser on August 14th, 2016. The tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend.

CHARLENE RICHARD MASS

The Friends of Charlene Richard Committee will be holding the 57th Charlene Richard Anniversary Mass on August 5, 2016 at St. Edward Church in Richard with Father Hampton Davis officiating. A Rosary will be recited at 5:30pm with Mass beginning at 6:00pm. Everyone is invited. Bishop Deshotel has agreed to officiate next year's Mass which will then be held on August 11th, 2017, the day Charlene died.

PILGRIMAGE FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

The Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year of Mercy will be to visit the pilgrimage sites within the Diocese designated by Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell to reflect on the father's Mercy and how we can emulate that mercy in our lives. It is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2016 beginning with a 7am Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 417 Saizan Ave., Port Barre. The bus will depart at 7:45am from the parking lot where the cars can be left. As a corporal Work of Mercy that day, please bring a donation of canned goods, personal care or cleaning supplies that can be delivered to New Life Center and Men's Refuge. The expected arrival time back into Port Barre will be approximately 6:45pm. The price per person is \$70 which includes transportation, lunch, donation at each visit and snacks and individual bottles of water for the bus, and is contingent on 27 passengers before August 13th. There will be eight sites visited. To secure reservation, call to book and mail your full payment – first come – first serve. Call: 235-3240 or call Barbara Duplechain at 585-6141 and mail check payable to Barbara Thibodeaux, LLC, Tour Director, P. O. Box 53542, Lafayette, LA 70505.

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION ALONG BAYOU TECHE

The Eucharistic Procession along Bayou Teche will be on Monday, August 15th (Feast of the Assumption) in honor of the Arrival of the Acadians. It begins with Holy Mass and Homily by Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D., Bishop of Lafayette, at St. Leo's in Leonville at 8:00am. The procession to the landing at 9:00am and boat procession departs at 9:30am. The stops are at each Church on the Bayou: Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breaux, and Parks for Rosary and Benediction. It will end up in the evening at Evangeline Oak in St. Martinville. Then disembark and process into St. Martin de Tours for Benediction; then process down Main Street to Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel for Vespers and Benediction.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$15,789.65
Catholic Communications' Collection 70.00
Opelousas Catholic Collection 39.00

Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship!
"Generosity is the pathway for more." (Proverbs 11:24-25)

READERS

Aug. 6 4:00 p.m. Monica Guillory
Aug. 7 8:30 a.m. Bruce & Bernadette Gaudin
10:30 a.m. Josie Prudhomme
5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux

ALTAR SOCIETY

Aug. 6 - Aug. 12 Verona Courville & Committee
Linens (Aug. 6) Claire Robichaux

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun., July 30 & 31 KC's Po-Boy Ticket Sales
"Second Collection for the Mission Appeal for Rwanda"
Wed., Aug. 3 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
6:00 p.m. KC's Membership Meeting
Sat. & Sun., Aug. 6 & 7 "SECOND COLLECTION FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE TO OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC"

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

The instructions for parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will be held at Our Lady Queen of Angels on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. FIRST, PLEASE CALL THIS OFFICE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT 942-5628.



PERPETUAL EUCHARIST ADORATION

The Adorers of the Perpetual Adoration wish to thank Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for the following favor:

- 1. For love and peace.

If you can commit to an hour with Jesus, please call!

6:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Claire Robichaux (942-7059)

12 Noon to 6:00 p.m. - Marie LeBlanc (948-8940)

6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m. - Jerome Collins (H-948-4595 or Cell-781-7185)

NEED AT LEAST ONE ADORER FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:

Tuesday, 2:00pm; Wednesday, 2:00pm;

Friday, 8:00am, 12:00pm, 3:00pm & 4:00pm;

Saturday 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00pm; Sunday, 3:00pm

THE PERFECT GIFT

When you want to give someone a special gift, consider giving an hour of prayer in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Body, blood, soul and divinity. Beautiful prayer intention cards are available in the Church Office. Cost \$1.00.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

The Knights of Columbus prayer group continues to pray with (and for) the sick in their homes and hospital. If you would like to have them come to your home for prayer, please contact Norbert Auzenne, at 879-2292 or you can call the church office at 942-5628. They are available for prayer on the second Wednesday of each month during the hours of 4 – 7 PM.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Advertisement for Carolyn Fa-Kouri, Broker Associate at Century 21 D C G Aguilard Realty Inc. Cell (337) 351-1151. Address: 206 W. Landry St. Opelousas, LA 70570.

MASSES

Sat., July 30 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Dudley & Glenn Macip, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Percy Thibodeaux, Obbie Bordelon, Charles F. & Mercedes Going, Bill Hatch & Fr. Joseph DeLuca, Mary Beth Tate, Nazel Soileau Fontenot, Nick & Helen Robin, Gloria Carriere(B 7/29)), Robert S.Vogan, Anderson, Beulah & Norris Darbonne, Mack, Clemmie & Donald Auzenne, Chad Bellow(B), Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions, Happy 64th Wedding Anniversary to Bill & Loyce Robert, Karen D. Dartez(B) Sun., July 31 8:30 a.m. Ronald O. Fusilier, Ed Moscovis Family, John A. Green, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courville, Genevieve Cortez, Harold & Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger & Jesse, Jr., Verbis Lafleur, Jacqueline James, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin & Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ernest Duplechin, Darius & Elsie Bourque, Irma Quirk, Robert Gassmann, Irvin Deranger, Dr. John V. Ferrazzano, Alvarez Hertzock

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Sarah Jarrell, Donald & Sylvia Chachere, Sr., Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex & Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff & Greg Durio, Ralph & Joy Bernard, Jackie Mills, Lucille "Lucy" Veltin, J.D. Emon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, The Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Anna Dupre, Nora & James "Bougay" Stelly, James "Jim" Wallace, Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions, J. D. Emon, Special Intentions 5:15 p.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF

ANGELS

Mon., Aug. 1 5:15 p.m. Ed & Shirley Moscovis, James Daigle, Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions

Tues., Aug. 2 7:00 a.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS

Wed., Aug. 3 5:15 p.m. Joyce Bourque, Irvin Deranger, Jacqueline James(Anniversary of Death), Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions

Thurs., Aug. 4 7:00 a.m. Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions

Fri., Aug. 5 5:15 p.m. Warren Boudreaux, Marcus Paul Fontenot, Paul & Patricia "Pat" Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Gary Castille & Special Family Intentions

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Sun., Aug. 7 8:30 a.m. M/M Lee Morris & M/M Ray Perkins, Ronald O. Fusilier, Ed Moscovis Family, John A. Green, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courville, Genevieve Cortez, Harold & Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger & Jesse, Jr., Verbis Lafleur, Jacqueline James, Olivier, Alphonse & Angela Wyble, Abram & Irene O. Lafleur, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin & Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ernest Duplechin, Darius & Elsie Bourque, Irma Quirk, Robert Gassmann, Irvin Deranger, Anna Dupre, T.D. Dolores & Dewey Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marcianne, Judy, Roy & Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine, Bertrand, Jean & Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, Alvarez Hertzock

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5:15 p.m. Benjamin & Frances Richard, Claudette Richard, Benny Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie F. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee J. & Bernice D. Guidry

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new in the parish and are not registered in our parish census, we invite you to do so by providing your:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____

Or come by the office to get acquainted.