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OFFICE OF THE PASTOR

My dear Parishioners,

How grateful I am for so many of you whose talent, time, and treasure made this one of the most beautiful Christmases yet. First, the Liturgies. I am grateful to our Music Ministers, our Sacristans, our Altar Society, our Adult and Younger Servers, our Readers, our Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. I am grateful to our Ushers, to our office volunteers who have helped during this transition period. I am so grateful to Durios Flowers, to all who donated money for the poinsettias, to our Volunteer Men who helped with the decorating of the Church. I am eternally grateful to our paid Staff and our Deacons and our local priests who have and always do pitch in to help me. I am grateful to our Couples' Group and a parish Rosary Group who provided the Refinery with gifts for the men there. I am grateful to our High School and Junior High Youth Groups whose visits to the nursing home and collection of food are so beautiful. I am grateful to our KCs and our Senior Angels and to all of you whose generosity helped make our Advent-Christmas celebrations so meaningful. God is good, all the time; All the time God is good! As we embark on a New Year, may we do so with greater faith, deeper hope and more charity than we had in 2017. Happy New Year!

With reliance upon Our Lady Queen of Angels, I remain
In the Lord Jesus,



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

O. C. CORNER

Classes will resume on January 8 after the Christmas holidays. Mid-term exam makeups will be given on Jan. 8 and 9. First semester report cards will be available on Jan. 12.

In this new year, please consider a quality Catholic education for your child. Contact Opelousas Catholic at 337-942-5404 to learn more about registration for 2018-2019.

The OCS Viking Family wishes all a Happy and Holy New Year!

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS 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. O'Neil Landry; Monday: Pope Francis; Tuesday: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI; Wednesday: Bishop Douglas Deshotel; Thursday: Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell; Friday: Rev. Charles Langlois; Saturday: Msgr. H. A. Larroque.

HOLY FATHER'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

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.

EVENTS

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES

All students making First Communion here at Our Lady Queen of Angels this Spring will begin their preparation January 8th from 4:00-5:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All Catholic and private school children must attend these classes as well if they intend to make their First Communion.

OFFICE CLOSED

Our Parish Office will be closed until Tuesday, January 2 at 1:00pm. Thank you for your understanding.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The baby bottle campaign begins in January. Please contact John Miller 658-9559 for additional information

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.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$29,247.62
BSA 30.00
Opelousas Catholic Collection..... 9.00
Latin America 5.00

*Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship!
"Everything we have and give comes from God." (Corinthians 29:11-17)*

READERS

Jan. 6 4:00 p.m. Buster LeBlanc
Jan. 7 8:30 a.m. James Doherty
10:30 a.m. Russell Jesclard
5:15 p.m. Jan Vige

ALTAR SOCIETY

Jan. 6-12..... Laura Noel and Team
Linens (Jan. 6)..... Flo Pierrotte

ACTIVITIES

Sun., Dec. 31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Mon., Jan. 1 8:30 a.m. New Year's Day Mass
Wed., Jan. 3 10:00 a.m. Senior Angels Meeting, Parish Hall
2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
6:30 p.m. KC's Meeting
Sat. & Sun., Jan. 6 & 7 SECOND COLLECTION FOR OC

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will meet for instructions at Our Lady Queen of Angels in the Parish Conference Room on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. Please call the Office to make an appointment with Deacon Bill at 942-5628.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We are very thankful to the parishioners who called to volunteer for all three of the hours that were in need of adorers. Thanks to their commitment to our Adoration Chapel, we now have all hours filled with at least one adorer. We do, however, have many hours that are in need of a second adorer, so if anyone is interested in sharing an hour of Adoration with Jesus, we gratefully accept your commitment.

Again, Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish sincerely thanks you.

Please contact Claire Robichaux (942-7059), Marie LeBlanc, (948-8940), or Jerome Collins (948-4595) if you would like to commit to any other hour with our Lord.

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MASSES

Sat., Dec. 30 4:00 p.m. Albert Speyrer and Amos Ledoux, Ashley Doucet Boyd, Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph Deluca, Irvin Deranger, Lisa Macip, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Rene Fontenot and Scotty Artigue, Lynn Marks and Marie Marks, Theresa Briley, Natalie Pitre, Curtis Hooks, Jr., Harry and Scott Smith, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dudley and Glenn Macip, Bernice D. Guidry, Alvin Taylor, Reed and Taylor Families, Lloyd, Marie, and Janet Andrus, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Alvin Taylor, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Nazel Fontenot, Annette Domingue, Raymond C. Couvillion

Sun., Dec. 31 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courville, Harold and Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, Irvin Deranger, Alvarez Hertzock, Edward, Dennis and Pearl Fontenot, Allen Ardoin, Percy Thibodeaux, John A. Green, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Paul and Pat Castille, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., and Alex Chachere, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille, Myrtle Smith and Gary G. Castille, Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux and Family, Eddie Rene, Kady-Soileau Family, Hunt-Arceneaux Families, Broussard-Leday Families, Lalond-Johnson Families, Dennis and Daniel Reed, Deceased Members of Leger and Arceneaux Families, Theresa Briley, Jacqueline James, Burnley, Edward, and Aline Bordelon, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn and Marie Marks, Telma, Lacey and Randall Spell, Mary Rhettburg, Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Jason P. Griffin, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dudley and Glenn Macip, Edward and Shirley Moscovis

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff and Greg Durio, Marie and Pappy Richard, Lori Richard Thomasson, Cecily Camille Soileau, Lilian and Ray B. Guillory, Mr. and Mrs. Elridge Schwartzburg, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Simon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ardoin, Sr., Arthur "Manny" Veltin, Carolyn Pitre, Joseph Howard Lemelle, Violette Quebedeaux, James "Jim" Wallace, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Adolph Stelly, Russell and Loula Reed, Daniel Mansfield

5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux
Mon., Jan. 1 7:00 a.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Loula Reed (Birthday), Russell Reed, Daniel Mansfield, Jerry Nele, Isaac, Loretta and Kathleen Stagg, Marcus Paul Fontenot, Henry and Irene David, Sarah Jarrell, Joshua Peck, Jesse and Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Angela Manuel, Bernice Walkowiak, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr., and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Robert Lee Mills Family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Going, Sr. and Families

Tues., Jan. 2 7:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger
Wed., Jan. 3 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Thurs., Jan. 4 7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Fri., Jan. 5 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Sat., Jan. 6 4:00 p.m. Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph C. Deluca, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Alvin Taylor, Natalie Pitre, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Nazel Fontenot

Sun., Jan. 7 8:30 a.m. Burnly, Edward and Aline Bordelon, Dennis and Pearl Fontenot, Isaac, Loretta, and Kathleen Stagg, Dudley and Glenn Macip, Ronald O. Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Mable Gary

10:30 a.m. Russell and Loula Reed, Daniel Mansfield, Sarah Jarrell, Jamie Gibson, James R. Soileau, Joyce and Huey Bourque, Lucille and Louis Bourque

5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Benjamin and Francis Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry, T. D. Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton, Sr., Marcianna, Judy (Anniversary of Death), Roy and Velton, Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, and Geraldine Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield (Anniversary of Death)