

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

My Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King, the last Sunday of our liturgical year. And, while many Church Parishes usually pull out all the stops of the organ to celebrate this day with solemnity and majesty, the truth of the matter is more sobering. Christ the King, and King He is, never sat on a throne on this earth. His chair of authority and majesty was not a chair of gold or silver but rather was a wooden cross upon which He hung and upon which He died. Pope Francis, last month, spoke about this. "The message of the Teacher is clear: while the great of the earth build themselves 'thrones' for their own power, God chooses an uncomfortable throne, the cross, from which He reigns, giving His life." He continues, "It is the rule of the Christian. The way of service is the most effective antidote against the disease of searching to be first which infects so many human contexts and does not spare even Christians, the People of God, even the ecclesiastical hierarchy." We are moving into a very beautiful season of the year - Advent and Christmas. Let's try to shop a little less, run around a little less and let's try to be more of service to others. Let's add a bag of groceries to the bin for the hungry. Let's visit elderly neighbors with baked goods or offer to grocery shop for them or help with other chores. Let's give of ourselves a little bit more instead of giving excessive gifts. In that selfless service, we become like Christ the King who humbled himself so that we could be forgiven and restored to life.

P.S. Remember, our Mission begins next weekend. I will leave after the Sunday 8:30 Mass for a personal retreat while the Mission is going on. Please pray for me as I will for you.

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

Handwritten signature of Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen

Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen Pastor

OC CORNER

A special "Open House" for prospective families is being held on Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the main building at OCS. Those interested in a quality Catholic education at OCS are encouraged to attend and learn more about Opelousas Catholic (grades PK-12). All family and friends of OCS are also invited to participate in the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day on Tuesday which is an online giving day bringing Catholics together to give thanks and give back. During this 24-hour period, anyone may go to iGiveCatholic.org and search for OCS to make an online donation. Gifts will benefit the OCS Tuition Scholarship Fund in memory of Msg. Louis Melancon and/or Coach Earl Heintz. God bless!

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. Godwin Imoru; Monday: Rev. Thomas James, SVD; Tuesday: Rev. Johnathan Janise; Wednesday: Rev. Rofinus Jas, SVD; Thursday: Rev. Stanley Jawa, SVD; Friday: Rev. Raymond Jones, SVD; Saturday: Pope Francis.

HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

HOLIDAY POINSETTIAS

The information on purchasing holiday poinsettias has been mailed. If you do not receive a letter, the reason might be that you have not purchased a holiday plant in past years. If you would like to purchase a plant, please call the office and you will receive a letter and your name will be added to our holiday plant database. In addition, if you do receive a mail out, please notify the office if any changes need to be made to your address.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP FOOD DRIVE

On Saturday, December 8th, our Junior High Youth Group in conjunction with the KCs will conduct its annual Food Drive from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon. The Youth Group members will provide curb service to receive the groceries. All of this will be held at the Parish Hall.

EVENTS

ANNUAL BLANKET DRIVE CONTINUES

Our annual Blanket Drive is being held here at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church through the month of November to collect clean, new or used blankets, sleeping bags, other bedding items or small heaters to be given to the barn workers at Evangeline Downs racetrack in Opelousas. This drive is being held as an outreach of Our Lady Queen of Angels Church in conjunction with the Evangeline Christian Outreach Ministry to help minister to the needy backstretch workers. The vast majority are Catholics from throughout the country and make up a large segment of the workforce of the racetrack industry. Will you please help?? Please consider making a donation by putting the items in one of the boxes at each of the doors of Church during the month of November. Your donation will help make this winter a little warmer for those in need!! For further information, please contact Keith Hebert at 351-2872 or Don Fisher at 942-3041. Thank you for your generosity in helping others, and may God bless you.

DOLL AND TOY FUND

Beginning the first weekend of December, the Catholic Daughters, Court St. Landry, is sponsoring the local Doll and Toy Fund drive. Boxes will be placed at the entrances of the church to receive new and unwrapped toys for this worthy cause. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Doll and Toy Fund and mailed to: 176 Rue Savanna, Opelousas, LA, c/o Janis Courville. For more information, please call 337-789-0971.

ADVENT MISSION ON "THE GREAT EXPECTATION" BEGINS

Our Advent Mission begins next weekend with Fr. Lou McCabe. Please see the posters located outside the entrances of the Church for the schedule.

LOVING THROUGH LOSS

Red Bird Ministries is hosting a Grief Workshop for couples who have experienced the loss of a child of any age. The workshop will be held at St. Pius X Catholic Church Parish Life Center, 201 E. Bayou Parkway in Lafayette on Saturday, December 1, 2018. The registration fee is \$40 per couple and includes a book, lunch and a crucifix. Registration check-in is at 8:30 am and the workshop begins at 9:00 am. Baby-sitting service is provided, but space is limited, so please register your little ones early. Registration forms are available at the Parish Office. For more information, please email Red Bird Ministries at kelly@redbird.love or call 337-962-3994.

LAST PEWS IN CHURCH

Please kindly remember the last pews in the Church on all sides are for the handicapped. Please be polite and allow those who are handicapped to sit first. Many thanks.

MASS INTENTIONS

From now on, we will not accept Mass Intentions over the phone. The likelihood of error is too great and we don't want the intentions printed incorrectly. Mass Intentions remain at \$5.00 a Mass.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$15,423.65
BSA \$55.00
Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship! "Everything we have and give comes from God." (Corinthians 29:11-17)

READERS

Sat., Dec. 1 4:00 p.m. Malcolm Miller
Sun., Dec. 2 8:30 a.m. Michael Ortego
10:30 a.m. Iggye Castille
5:15 p.m. Kathy Hebert

ALTAR SOCIETY

Dec. 1 - Dec. 7 Anna Pitre and Team
Linens (Dec. 1) Vickie Reed

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun., Nov. 24 & 25 The Solemnity of Christ the King
Sun., Nov. 25 No Children's Liturgy due to the Holiday
Mon., Nov. 26 .. 4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD Classes 1st-6th
5:30-7:00 p.m. CCD Classes 7th-11th
Tues., Nov. 27 5:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting
Wed., Nov. 28 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Sat. & Sun., Dec. 1 & 2 Second Collection for Tuition Assistance for Opelousas Catholic
Sun., Dec. 2 8:30 a.m. Coffee and Donuts After Mass
2:15 p.m. High School Youth Group Meeting
6:00 p.m. Advents Mission Begins

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. Anyone wishing to attend the class MUST contact the Office to make an appointment with Deacon Bill Pollingue at 942-5628.

CENTENNIAL NEWS

Centennial Mass - All are invited - the closing Mass for the Centennial Year of our Diocese will be December 12th at the Cajundome Convention Center at 6pm. Our Diocese and the wonderful people of our Diocese and how God has poured forth His love and guidance upon us in these last 100 Years will be the focus - A Century of Love. Along with the Mass, there will be a historical display and a slide presentation before and after the Mass as well as a presentation of the many people and cultures of our Diocese. The doors will open at 4:30 because there will be much to be a part of and see. All Catholics throughout our whole Diocese are invited and encouraged to attend. Please mark your calendars.
Tolton - From Slave to Priest - performed live by Jim Coleman, December 6th at 7pm and December 7th at 7pm at St. Pius X Elementary School Auditorium in Lafayette (205 E. Bayou Pkwy). Admission is \$25 (ages 10 & up). For ticket information contact Stephanie Bernard - 337-261-5694 or visit: www.diola.org
Centennial Yard Signs - from now until Dec 12th, let us all put out our Centennial Yard Signs in solidarity of faith, knowing that God continues to make us His Church with His grace. If you need a yard sign, they can be purchased at the following 4 locations - Acadian Religious, Crossroads Bookstore, Cathedral Gift Shop and the Diocese Chancery Office (14708 Carmel Drive).
Centennial Items for Sale - a limited amount of items were created for this Centennial Year and are true collectors' items which will only be available during the remainder of this year - Centennial History of the Diocese of Lafayette (book), Centennial Paperweight (color design), Centennial Christmas Ornament and the new Silver Commemorative Coin and designer box. If you would like to have a Centennial remembrance, you can purchase them at Acadian Religious, Crossroads Bookstore, Cathedral Gift Shop and the Diocese Chancery Office (1408 Carmel Dr). These items can also be viewed on the Diocesan Centennial Webpage.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



Old Sunset Hwy. 948-7900
Carl Savoie & Karrie Lafleur
Daniel Benoit
Compounding Pharmacists

MASSES

Sat., Nov. 24 4:00 p.m. Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Lee Andreport (Anniversary of Death), Jacqueline James, Levoys "Lee Smith, Viola L. Mello, Harold Stout, Albert Speyner, Amos Ledoux, Ernest and Janel Duplech, Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph Deluca, Ronald J. Cuny, Golden and Juanita Cuny, Harry and Irene Badeaux Richard, Peyton Jeffrey Cornette, J.C. Diesi, Bernice Diesi, Cyril Diesi, Philip Boudreaux, Isaure Boudreaux, Arthur Hollier, Celima Hollier, Cynthia H. Stelly, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Harold and Elvina Venable, Nazel Fontenot
Sun., Nov. 25 8:30 a.m. Bonnie Galyean Ables, Joyce and Huey Bourque, Sarah Jarrell, Rodney Bellard, Dudley, Glenn and Lisa Macip, Norma Cortez, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Leopold A. Castille, Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle and Lloyd Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffery Spring, Marie Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. Mrs. James Hunt Families, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Ronald O. Fusilier, T.D., Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr. (Anniversary of Death), Marcianne, Judy, Roy and Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine, Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield; Mary Magdalene Joseph, Mark Robertson, Harvey Darbonne, Joseph Ewell Meche, Joseph John Lewis III, Clifton Journet, Sr., Bobbie Mouton, Irvin Deranger, Jerry Ledet, Clarence, Mary and Sandra Dupre, Leroy, Essie and James Lafleur
10:30 a.m. Sal Diesi, Jr., Harold Venable, Morgan Adams, Jackie Mills, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff, Greg and Rick Durio, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courville, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Girle and Willis Fontenot, Calvin Matthew Kennedy, Bobbie Mouton
5:15 p.m. Benjamin and Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry
Mon., Nov. 26 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Tues., Nov. 27 7:00 a.m. Violette and Edward "Pappy" Sibille (Birthday), Dawn and Gary Sibille, Dr. Scott Sibille, Louise H. Leger, Sylvan Soileau
Wed., Nov. 28 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Thurs., Nov. 29 7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Fri., Nov. 30 5:15 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Andrus, Sr., Elrise B. Landreneau (Birthday), Lena West, and Derek McGee
Sat., Dec. 1 4:00 p.m. Dan Wanko, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Allen Ardoin, Jacqueline James, Levoys "Lee" Smith, Viola L. Mello, Sharp Family, Howard Pitre Family, Albert Speyner, Amos Ledoux, Earl Heintz (Birthday), Joseph and Thelma Richard, Alexis and Elodie Richard, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guillory and Family, Ernest and Janel Duplech, Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph Deluca, Ronald J. Cuny, Golden and Juanita Cuny, Harry and Irene Badeaux Richard, Peyton Jeffrey Cornette, J.C. Diesi, Bernice Diesi, Cyril Diesi, Philip Boudreaux, Isaure Boudreaux, Arthur Hollier, Celima Hollier, Cynthia H. Stelly, Harold and Elvina Venable
Sun., Dec. 2 8:30 a.m. Marian Tully Gurnick, Wayne Guillory, Sarah Jarrell, Girle and Willis Fontenot, Joyce and Huey Bourque, Rodney Bellard, Dudley, Glenn and Lisa Macip, Norma Cortez, Dennis and Pearl Fontenot, Burnley, Edward and Aline Bordelon, Alvarez Hertzock, Dr. John Ferrazzano, Ronald O. Fusilier, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Leopold A. Castille, Patricia C. Castille, Tony Chachere, Sr., Patricia K. Chachere, Tony Chachere, Jr., Myrtle and Lloyd Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castille, Gary G. Castille, Jeffery Spring, Marie Amy, Entire L.A. Castille Family, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Joshua Peck, Jesse and Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Irvin Deranger, Mary Magdalene Joseph, Mark Robertson, Harvey Darbonne, Joseph Ewell Meche, Joseph John Lewis III, Clifton Journet, Sr.
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REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOCAL SEMINARIANS

Cade LeBlanc & Matthew Pitre-Eunice
Michael Vidrine-Melville
Sean Fontenot & Luke Johnson-Ville Platte
Extra prayer cards can be found in the back of the Church

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR DECEMBER 2018

Nov. 25-Dec. 1, 2018 - Bea Stelly
Dec. 2-8, 2018 - Chuck & Beth Hebert
Dec. 9-15, 2018 - Georgia Stoute
Dec. 16-22, 2018 - Jan Terhune
Dec. 23-29, 2018 - Ronald & Paula Carriere
Dec. 30-Jan. 5, 2019 - Betty Wolfe
Thank you for your commitment!

