

PALM SUNDAY

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

My Dear Parishioners,

I meditated upon a poem that a pastor once used as his sermon on Palm Sunday. Pastor Michael Gehrling is from Pittsburg and is pastor of an ecclesial community called THE UPPER ROOM. I was moved by it.

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



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

What kind of king are you? What kind of king rides on a donkey that might be borrowed, or might be hijacked? What kind of king builds a castle with a wide open door for children to enter but a needle-eye sized hole for the rich? What kind of king rides on a donkey into the city where his assassins are waiting? What kind of king enters his assassins' city with a ragtag commotion for all to see and not one security guard? What kind of king lets his subjects treat him like a military liberator but doesn't come with a single sword or weapon? What kind of king lets his followers send a public message to the competing powers with no intent of answering a single challenge? What kind of King are you? What kind of King can send two followers to fetch a donkey and know exactly what they'll need to say? What kind of king can tell a blind beggar "Your faith has made you well." And actually make him see? What kind of king can weep at the funeral of his friend only to say, "Lazarus, come out!" and watch him come back to life. What kind of king can sit at the dinner table with his subjects and be subject to them and wash their feet? What kind of king can carry his own cross, serve his assassins and help in his own execution? What kind of king can die so that his assassins can live? What kind of King are you: a King who came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many; a King who keeps his promises; a King who I can trust; a King who can save; a King I want to follow. And so I come to you, King Jesus, not to be served by you but to serve you and to give my life to you. So take my cloak, use it to clothe the naked or use it for your donkey to step on. I don't care so long as you're the one taking it. Because you're the only one who will give me a new garment in return, a white robe made of Saints' righteous deeds, a garment that fits so well it'll be a new self, yourself. Use me, King Jesus, all of me as you see fit. Make me a knight, a bishop, or a rook, or make me an expendable pawn. I don't care what piece I am, so long as yours is the hand that's moving me, because yours is the mighty hand with an outstretched arm. Yours is the hand that rules with an iron scepter, and that knit me together in my mother's womb. So let me follow you, King Jesus all the way to Golgotha. Let me walk next to you and put palm branches at your feet and shout "Hosanna!" with the children. And if the child in me shouting "Hosanna!" grows up to an adult shouting, "Crucify!" bring me back to the water where I can be born again. Let me sit at the table with you and take bread and wine from your hands and let me lay my head on your chest. And if thirty pieces of the world's silver are ever enough to draw me away, wash my feet and make me clean again. Let me pray with you at Gethsemane and learn from you how to be vulnerable with the Father. Let me see your tears and sweat and grief. And if my prayers give way to sleep, wake me again with the waters of regeneration. Let me walk with you to the cross. Let me be Simon of Cyrene and learn to carry your cross with you. And if my Simon of Cyrene becomes Simon Peter and I walk away from your cross to deny you, lead me back to these waters where I can still die with you, and live. And all along this long rough road let my song be: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!

HOLY THURSDAY FOOTWASHING

The ancient custom of washing the feet of parishioners will once again take place during the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. The parishioners chosen are: Lebon Simoneaux, Jeanette Simoneaux, Henry Reed, Johnette Privette, Mona Cravins, Lonnie Lemelle, Rodney Johnson, Dwayne Pitre, Shaun Siddiqui, Mary Reed, Dr. Kevin Guillory and Corey Ardoin.

OC CORNER

Family and friends are invited to attend the senior class presentation of "The Passion" on Sunday, April 14, at 7:00 pm in St. Landry Catholic Church. Make this moving experience a part of your Lenten journey. Admission is free.

Students and staff will dismiss on Thursday at noon for Easter break, and classes will resume on Monday, April 29.

The dream of a Catholic education for your child could be possible! Learn more by going to www.OCSvikings.com under Parent Resources and then Admissions. Financial aid may be available to those who qualify. For more information, contact 337-942-5404 ext. 109.

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. Thainese Alphonse; Monday: Rev. Anthony Anala, SVD; Tuesday: Rev. Chester Arceneaux, VF; Wednesday: Rev. Michael Arnaud; Thursday: Rev. Borgia Aubespain, SVD; Friday: Rev. Emmanuel Awe, SSJ; Saturday: Rev. Matthew Barzare.

HOLY FATHER'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTION

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

EVENTS

FIELD TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS

Father's Day, birthday gift, Mother's Day, family outing, special treat, or just a great way to have the children enjoy an educational adventure – give yourself and the children a field trip to New Orleans on Saturday, **April 27, 2019**. We have a guided tour of St. Louis Cathedral and a day at the World War II Museum. Bus leaves at 7:45 a.m. and returns at 8:00 p.m. Free transportation, lunch is on your own. Special discounts according to WWII website. Call Ann Speyrer for more information at 337-945-3717.

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR APRIL 2019

April 14-20, 2019- Eric & Tina Hebert
April 21-27, 2019- Cathy & Don Chachere
April 28-May 4, 2019-Pat & Tobi Doherty
Thank you for your commitment!



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

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$14,804.91
Opelousas Catholic \$1,088.20

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

READERS

Apr. 18, Holy Thursday . . .6:00 p.m. Charles Cravins & James Doherty
Apr. 19, Good Friday3:00 p.m. J.L. Phillips & Iggie Castille
Sat., Apr. 20, Easter Vigil .8:00 p.m. Gina Tuttle, Joe Miller, Buster LeBlanc and Russel Jesclard
Sun., Apr. 218:30 a.m. Michael Ortego
 10:30 a.m. Josie Prudhomme
 5:15 p.m. Chriscy Pitre

ALTAR SOCIETY

Apr. 20 - 26 Peggy Crow & Team
Linens (Apr. 20) Gail Phillips

ACTIVITIES

Sun., Palm Sunday . .11:30 a.m. Family Fun Day (After 10:30 a.m. Mass)
Tues., Apr. 164:00 p.m. Rehearsal for Holy Thursday
 5:30-6:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting
 6:00 p.m. CDA Meeting in Parish Hall
Wed., Apr. 172:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
 Call 942-7059 for more information
 Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
 4:45 p.m. Last Time for Confessions
Thurs., Apr. 186:00 p.m. No Morning Mass
 Holy Thursday Mass
 (Collection for the special needs of the Parish)
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 19 Parish Office Closed Good Friday thru Tuesday, 23 April
 8:00 a.m. Good Friday Rehearsal
 9:00 a.m. Good Friday – Way of the Cross
 Outside Led by the Youth Groups
 12:00 noon Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Novena
 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Collection for Catholic Holy Land)
Sat., Apr. 207:45 a.m. Readers' Practice
 8:30 a.m. Altar Servers' Practice
 9:15 a.m. RCIA Practice
 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil
Sun., Apr. 21, Easter Sunday . . Easter Sunday Masses
 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:15 p.m.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Adoration Chapel remains in need of several adorers. Below please find a listing of all hours that have only one committed adorer. Please call Claire Robichaux at 337-351-4674 if you are able to sign up for an a.m. hour or Marie LeBlanc at 337-948-8940 if you are able to sign up for a p.m. hour. The Adoration Chapel committee thanks you in advance.

Sunday:	
a.m. – 7:00, 10:00, 11:00	p.m. – 12:00, 1:00, 3:00
Monday:	
a.m. – 6:00, 8:00, 11:00	p.m. – 1:00
Tuesday:	
a.m. – 11:00	p.m. – 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 5:00
Wednesday:	
a.m. – 6:00, 9:00	p.m. – 1:00
Thursday:	
a.m. – 9:00	p.m. – 3:00
Friday:	
a.m. – 9:00, 10:00, 11:00	p.m. – 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00
Saturday:	
a.m. – 7:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00	p.m. – 1:00, 4:00, 5:00

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MASSES

Sat., Apr. 13 4:00 p.m. Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Harold Stout, Ernest and Janel Duplechin, Harold and Elvina Venable, Rose Huguet, Nazel Fontenot, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Maggie Richard, Dudley, Glenn and Lisa Macip, Peyton J. Cornette, Cyril Diesl, Viola L. Mello, Jacqueline James, Lois Robert, Neil Bertinot, Gladys and Tony Bertinot, Martha and Alphonse Clary, Johnny and Dona Clary, Bellon-Wiltz Family, Allen and Isobel Smith, Nelwyn Dupre, John Dale Frame, Pearl Frame, Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Chip, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia
Sun., Apr. 14 8:30 a.m. Iris Cooley, Joyce and Huey Bourque, Debra Basile, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Laverne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Dr. John Ferrazzano, Sarah Jarrell, T.D., Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marcianne, Judy, Roy and Velton, Jr. (Anniversary of Death) Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine, Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, Ronald Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Jude David Cortez, Wilfred and Genevieve Cortez, Irvin Deranger, Mary Thibodeaux Quebedeaux (Anniversary of Death)

10:30 a.m. Harold Stout, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courvelle, Cecily Soileau, Cecile and Lennie LeBlanc, Allie and Herbert Soileau, Morgan Adams, Mary Gayle Fontenot, Calvin M. Kennedy, 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, Mary Virginia and Frankie, Jackie Mills, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff, Greg and Rick Durio, Don and Cathy Chachere Family, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli, Benjamin and Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry
Mon., Apr. 155:15 p.m. Jeanette L. Tully
Tues., Apr. 167:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger, Sylven Soileau
Wed., Apr. 175:15 p.m. Lucille Bernard, Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Thurs., Apr. 186:00 p.m. Albert and Julia (Anniversary of Death) Palazzo, David Diesl
Fri., Apr. 195:15 p.m. No Mass Good – Good Friday

Sat., Apr. 20 8:00 p.m. Jeanette Gauthier Stelly, Mary Gussie Stelly, Joseph "Joe" Stelly, Shirley Gauthier, Leon Gauthier, Voorhies Brown, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Ernest and Janel Duplechin, Harold and Elvina Venable, Rose Huguet, Nazel Fontenot, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Maggie Richard, Raymond Couvillion and Family, Lawrence Soileau and Family, Dudley, Glenn and Lisa Macip, Allen Ardoin, Viola L. Mello, Jacqueline James, Frankie Frederick, Ruby Courville, Lois Robert, Bellon-Wiltz Families, Charles, Yolande and Angele Carroll and Henry David, Frederick Provost, Allen and Isobel Smith, Nelwyn Dupre, John Dale Frame, Pearl Frame, Adrienne (Stoney) Angelle, Eddie and Edna Deckerlegand and son, Antoine "Free" and Shirley Bergeron, Wilbur V. Reed, Sr., Alice Reed, Wilbur V. Reed, Jr., Anita Durio and Myrtle Gibson

Sun., Apr. 21 8:30 a.m. Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Debra Basile, Joyce and Huey Bourque, Gene, Bea, Bill and William Bourdier, Ernest and Janel Duplechin, Bernard Peck, Sr. and Luda Bourque Peck, Dorothy Peck Wyble, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Laverne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Tom and Georgiana Bellow, Allen Ardoin, Ronald Fontenot, Sylven Fontenot, Sarah Jarrell, Ronald Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Jude David Cortez, Wilfred and Genevieve Cortez, Irvin Deranger, Jacqueline James, Voorhies Brown, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Octave Pavv

10:30 a.m. Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff, Greg and Rick Durio, Don and Cathy Chachere Family, Mary Magdalene Joseph, Mark Robertson, Joseph Ewell Meche, Harvey Darbonne, Robert Lee Mills Family, Jackie Mills, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Cecily Soileau, Cecile and Lennie LeBlanc, Allie and Herbert Soileau, Morgan Adams, Mary Gayle Fontenot, Fontenot and Stelly Families, Sal, Sr., Sal, Jr., Betty and David Diesl, Calvin M. Kennedy, 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, Mary Virginia and Frankie, Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Chip, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Raphael Paul Fontenot, Special Intentions, James Guglielmo

5:15 p.m. John B. Mengarelli, Benjamin and Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry, Leo B., Angele D. and Cody Thibodeaux, Will and Lucy O. Savoy, Isaac and Elma S. Thibodeaux, Melanie Baker, Francis Baker, Robert and Celida Guillory, Freddie and Marty Thibodeaux

Please welcome Danneil and Lisa Johnson to the Parish.

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.