

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

My Dear Parishioners:

Everyone with whom I spoke had the same reaction as I did when I heard. There was a huge GASP! J.B. Sandoz is closing. Of course, for native Opelousans, I can only imagine the shock. I was shocked and have only been here since 2010. Then I had another shock. A religious retail store with whom I have done business all my priesthood and that has been in the same family since its opening in 1968 has been sold. While it will still be open, the Gall family will not be the owners. The Galls had been involved in hundreds, if not thousands, of church renovations in some way or another.

Change is never easy. Here, I am reminded of a wonderful quotation by James Baldwin, an American novelist and civil rights activist who died in 1987. He wrote, "Most of us are about as eager to be changed as we were to be born, and go through our changes in a similar state of shock." (from Every Good-Bye Ain't Gone).

As is the case in many situations, change is out of our control and we can either respond positively or react negatively to change. Reactions can be anger, disgust, combative behavior, gossip, underhanded sabotages and the likes. Responses to change, on the other hand, can be more gentle, more compassionate, more reflective, which then leads to no sin or machinations.

There is a prayer that is available that can help us remain in Godliness while we experience change, which the philosopher Heraclitus (d. 475 BC) said, "Change alone is unchanging." I pray this prayer often and many of you may as well:

"God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

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

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Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen Pastor

OC CORNER

School Mass days have changed for this year. With the exception of special occasions, they will be held on Tuesdays at 9:10 a.m. The Mass this week will be for preschool through fifth graders in St. Landry Catholic Church.

On Saturday, the annual "OC Cheer Clinic" is set to begin at 8:30 a.m. in the OC gym. Cost is \$30 with t-shirts at \$15. For more info, leave a message with Mrs. Artall at 942-5404 ext. 220 for a return call or email artallj@ocsvikings.com.

The Vikings look forward to their upcoming Jamboree on August 30 at St. Edmund's in Eunice. With "confidence", go Vikings!

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. Jeremy Lambert, LC, Monday: Rev. Michael Keith Landry; Tuesday: Rev. Oneil Landry; Wednesday: Rev. Charles Langlois; Thursday: Rev. Msgr. H.A. Larroque, JCD; Friday: Rev. Korey LaVergne; Saturday: Rev. Bernard Lebiedz, OSB.

HOLY FATHER'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION MEETINGS

Before the start of the religion classes, there will be a meeting at Queen of Angels Church on Saturday, August 24, 2019 at 9:00 a.m for students who will be making their First Communion and their parents. There will be another meeting at 10:00 a.m. for students who will be making their Confirmation and their parents.

EVENTS

QUEEN OF ANGELS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11270 RAFFLE WINNERS:

- 1st Prize - \$200 Cash Prize Winner - Mr. O'Neal Higginbotham. Mr. O'Neal donated the money back to the KC's. Thank you! Your generosity is very much appreciated.
2nd Prize - Dinner for six at Pizza Hut - James Auzenne
3rd Prize - \$25 Gift Certificate to Chicory's Coffee and Cafe Winner - Chantel Melancon

The KCs would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets and gave donations to our annual fundraiser. You all helped to make our event a great success.

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 prepares the person for the sacraments of initiation, which are Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist, all received at the Easter Vigil Celebration.

The RCIA program begins September 17, 2019. Sessions are typically held on two Wednesday evenings of each month from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of 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.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

If you travel this summer on vacation and are not worshipping with us on the weekend, please try to be faithful to the weekly offertory here at Queen of Angels. We deeply appreciate your generosity and fidelity.

READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Please remember to check your schedules. If you cannot serve, please find a replacement.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$13,012.20
Opelousas Catholic \$144.00
BSA \$1,046.00

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

READERS

Sat., Aug. 24 4:00 p.m. J.P. Griffin
Sun., Aug. 25 8:30 a.m. Michael Ortego
10:30 a.m. Josie Prudhomme
5:15 p.m. Kathy Hebert

ALTAR SOCIETY

Aug. 24 - Aug. 30 Peggy Crow & Team
Linens (Aug. 24) Irene Briley

ACTIVITIES

Mon.-Fri., Aug. 19 - Aug. 23 Floor Renovations Continue
Wed., Aug. 21 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Sat., Aug. 24 9:00 a.m. Meeting for Parents and First Communion Students
10:00 a.m. Meeting for Parents and Confirmation Students

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.



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, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 p.m. - 12:00, 3:00
Monday: a.m. - 6:00, 8:00, 9:00, 11:00
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

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.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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MASSES

Sat., Aug. 17 4:00 p.m. Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Pearl Frame, Harold Stout, Fr. Joe Breaux, Ernest and Janel Duplechin, Harold and Elvina Venable, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Glenn, Dudley, Thelma and Lisa Macip, Dr. John Ferrazzano, Allen Ardoin, Viola L. Mello, Ruby Courville, Lois Robert, Alvin Taylor, Dennis B. Stevenson, Frederick J. Provost, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Willie "Bill" Simien (Birthday), Mary Deville, Andrew Dupre, Charles F. Going Family, William Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph Deluca, Bob Archie Auzenne, Lucia Savoie, Leo B., Angele D. and Cody Thibodeaux

Sun., Aug. 18 8:30 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Ronald Fontenot, Sarah Jarrell, Voorhies Brown, Alvarez Hertzock, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Alphonse and Angela Wyble, Abram and Irene Lafleur, J.U. Olivier, Joshua Peck, Jesse and Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ashton Bellard, Marie and Pappy Richard, Lorin Marie Richard Thomasson, Frank and Marguerite Miller, Elsie Deville, Joseph Miller

10:30 a.m. Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courville, 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, 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, Anthony "Tony" Morrow, Morgan Adams, Ella Sittig and Family, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Cecily Soileau, Cecile and Lennie LeBlanc, Allie and Herbert Soileau, Mary Gayle Fontenot, Raphael Paul Fontenot, Joseph Lemelle

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., Aug. 19 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Tues., Aug. 20 7:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger

Wed., Aug. 21 5:15 p.m. Betty Musgrove Dies
Thurs., Aug. 22 7:00 a.m. Charles (Anniversary of Death), Yolande and Angele Carroll, Henry David

Fri., Aug. 23 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Sat., Aug. 24 4:00 p.m. Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Pearl Frame, Harold Stout, Elvina Venable, Geraldine Baque, Fr. Joe Breaux, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Glenn, Dudley, Thelma and Lisa Macip, Viola L. Mello, Jacqueline James, Lois Robert, Wilson Stelly (Birthday), Charles F. Going Family, William Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph Deluca, Charles Loeb and Edmond Gibson, Andrew Dupre, Bob Archie Auzenne, Paul Oran Spell

Sun., Aug. 25 8:30 a.m. Iris Cooley, Sarah Jarrell, Novella Taylor, T.D., Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marcianna (Anniversary of Death), Judy, Roy and Velton J. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine, Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Alphonse and Angela Wyble, Abram and Irene Lafleur, J.U. Olivier, Alvarez Hertzock, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Joshua Peck, Jesse and Annie Leger, Jesse, Jr., Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ashton Bellard, Elsie Deville, Fr. James Marie Jammes

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REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOCAL SEMINARIANS

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

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR AUGUST 2019

Aug. 18-24, 2019- Leroy & Diane Lalonde
Aug. 25-31, 2019- Katie and Eddie Cramer
Thank you for your commitment!

