

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

My Dear Parishioners:

Enclosed you will find Charles' letter regarding the end of the year financial statement. We had a good year and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I am grateful to Charles and the entire Finance Committee, but what we don't read in the financial report is that, even though some di-hard volunteers are moving and giving up leadership positions, new volunteers have come forward. Claire Reed will take over the leadership of the Senior Angels, led for years by Marie LeBlanc who will probably leave Opelousas by Christmas. (Secretly, I am doing a novena it won't happen until Easter.) The Altar Society under the leadership of Lia Duplechain is also under the watchful eye of the past President, Bessie Bourdier and now Rose Mary Brown who is serving as Vice President. Rose Mary just retired from her job, so she will be able to donate more time to the Altar Society to give Lia a hand since Lia now teaches full time. Of course, there is Rita Soileau who continues to do so much for our Parish. Helena Montgomery, who left our Parish some three years ago when she and Dr. Michael moved to Cankton, continued to be head money counter even though she was no longer a parishioner. But, thank goodness, joining our dedicated money counters has been Johanna Riviere and Melanie Joubert. Anna Pitre, Delores Couvillion, Clarie Robichaux, Bessie Bourdier, Marie LeBlanc, Glenda Pitre and Dolores Kleefisch make up the rest of the money counters. Our chapel, too, has seen a few more volunteers and, after many novenas prayed in the Eucharistic Adoration chapel by Marie LeBlanc, Kitty Wyble has stepped up to take Marie's place as the noon to 6 p.m. coordinator.

The Couples' Group has seen new leadership with the Brahams and the Kellys joining the Adams. The Couples continue to do the Children's Liturgy and Family Fun Day. In addition to the new leadership, we increased the membership of the group as well. God is good.

Now, as I see it, God willing, with the interior painting of the Church to be completed by Christmas, we will only have to keep an eye on the roof of the Church. While it is a 40-year roof and was replaced in 1995, being vigilant and proactive is always wise, and replacing the worn shingles now will only help enhance the life of the roof.

Finally, thank you good people. I thought maybe I would have asked for a new assignment since I wondered if my work here was done. But, God has placed on my heart to stay because this is home. I am grateful.

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



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

OC CORNER

Attention grandparents! The annual OCS "Grandparents' Day" is set for this Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. in the school gym, beginning with a Prayer Service and followed by classroom visitations. Please attend, and make your grandchild's day!

The Thanksgiving "Harvest Mass" will be held this Friday at 9:10 a.m. Family and friends are reminded about the ongoing Angel Appeal Drive and the upcoming "GiveCatholic Day" on December 3, an international online giving day.

OCS students and staff will enjoy Thanksgiving break from Nov. 25-29, and they give thanks for the many family, friends and blessings throughout the 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. John Stacer, SJ, Monday: Rev. Joseph Stemmann; Tuesday: Rev. Michael Sucharski, SVD; Wednesday: Rev. Jared Suire, VE; Thursday: Rev. Brian Taylor; Friday: Rev. Joseph Tetlow, SJ; Saturday: Rev. Arockiadass Thanaraj, HGN.

HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

OC RAFFLE SALE

This weekend, after all Masses, Opelousas Catholic Seniors will be selling raffle tickets to defray the cost of their trip to the National March for Life in Washington, DC in January. Each ticket is a \$2 donation. Please be generous and help them with this endeavor.

AA MEETINGS

We are now having AA meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at noon in the Parish Hall.

EVENTS

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Parish Council Elections will be held on the weekend of December 7-8, 2019. Nominations for two positions will be due by **November 21, 2019**. Nominations can be dropped in the collection basket or brought or mailed to the Parish Office. Nominations must include a photograph and a three paragraph biography.

DOLL AND TOY FUND

Beginning the first week 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.

ANGOLA BUS TRIP

Families who have loved ones currently incarcerated at Angola are invited to join a bus trip to the penitentiary on **Sunday, December 8, 2019**. Bus will leave at 7:30 a.m. from St. Paul's Catholic Church, corner of Simcoe and St. John Street in Lafayette. Reservations are required. To reserve your seat, call Stephanie Bernard, Director of the Diocese of Lafayette Office of Justice and Peace, at 337-261-5545. This bus trip is made possible by the Catholic Diocese of Lafayette, free of charge.

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Father Mikel Polson invites you to join him as he travels to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico. This pilgrimage will take place from **November 23-28, 2019**. Some of the sites that you will visit are the shrine where the Holy Tilma of St. Juan Diego is kept, Puebla Cathedral, St. Dominic Church, Aztec Pyramids and the Church of the Holy Family. Call 337-291-1933 to register for this incredible opportunity.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$13,893.68
Collection for Archdiocese for the Military Services \$817.00
BSA \$792.00

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

READERS

Sat., Nov. 23 4:00 p.m. Buster LeBlanc
Sun., Nov. 24 8:30 a.m. Gina Tuttle
10:30 a.m. Iggee Castille
5:15 p.m. Lee Deranger

ALTAR SOCIETY

Nov. 23 - 29 JoAnn Barron & Team
Linens (Nov. 23) Flo Pierrottie

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun. Nov. 16 & 17 Additional Collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Sun., Nov. 17 2:00-3:00 p.m. High School Youth Group Meeting at Java Square
Mon., Nov. 18 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. CCD Classes 1st-6th
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. CCD Classes 7th-11th
Tues., Nov. 19 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. RCIA Meeting
Wed., Nov. 20 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Thurs., Nov. 21 6:00 p.m. Altar Society Meeting
Sun., Nov. 24 11:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Luncheon after 10:30 Mass



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

THE WEDNESDAY 7:00 A.M. HOUR PRESENTLY HAS NO ADORER. YOUR CONSIDERATION IN BECOMING AN ADORER AT THIS TIME IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEWS

This Sunday, 17 November at 2:00 p.m., the High School Youth Group will have a meeting at Java Square.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



MASSES

Sat., Nov. 16 4:00 p.m. Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Pearl Frame, Harry Frame, Harold Stout, Lois Robert, Bob Archie Auzenne, Harold and Elvina Venable, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Rita Ann Chachere, Glenn, Dudley, Thelma and Lisa Macip, Allen Ardoin, Viola L. Mello, Ruby Courville, Mary Gayle Fontenot (Birthday), Alvin Taylor, Novella Taylor, Charles, Yolande and Angele Carroll, Henry David, Frederick J. Provost, Timmy Briley, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Charles F. Going Family, William Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph Deluca, Paul Oran Spell, J.L. and June Sebastien, Ronald Joseph Cuny, Sr., Golden J. and Juanita M. Cuny, Harry J. and Irene Badeaux Richard, Leroy Rivette, Ura B. Touchet, Jacques Daigle, Lillian M. Hooks, Lee Andrepoint

Sun., Nov. 17 8:30 a.m. Dr. Kim Michels, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Wilbur V. Reed, Jr., Anita Durio, Myrtle Gibson, Gene, Bea, Bill and William Bourdier, Elsie Deville, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ashton Bellard, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Sarah Jarrell, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Jude David Cortez, Wilfred and Genevieve Cortez, Anna and Claude Soileau, Alduse and Willie Mae Dohmann, Darold Thibodeaux and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Angela and Alphonse Wyble, Irene and Abram Lafleur, Jules Olivier, Owen McEvoy

10:30 a.m. Cecily Soileau, Cecile and Lennie LeBlanc, Allie and Herbert Soileau, Raphael Paul Fontenot, Ira Tate, Sr., 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, Frank and Marguerite Miller, 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, Calvin Mathew Kennedy, Marie and Pappy Richard, Lorin Marie Richard Thomasson, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Sr. Barbara Moreau, RSCJ, Marion and Hattie Cummings and Family

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, Maria Bui Nguyen Thi Bien, Francis Xavier Bui Quang Vo, Peter Nguyen Van Minh, Maria Nguyen Thi Sam, Peter Nguyen Van Vinh, Joseph Nguyen Van Sinh, Urban, Amere and James V. Bellard

Mon., Nov. 18 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish
Tues., Nov. 19 7:00 a.m. Maurice Castania, Bobbie Mouton, Louise H. Leger, Jim Wood

Wed., Nov. 20 5:15 p.m. Neil Bertinot, Gladys and Tony Bertinot, Martha and Alphonse Clary, Johnny and Dona Clary, Claire Lavergne (Birthday), Lee Andrepoint
Thurs., Nov. 21 7:00 a.m. Curtis Soileau (Anniversary of Death), Special Intention

Fri., Nov. 22 5:15 p.m. John William "Little John" Fitzgerald (Anniversary of Death)

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Sun., Nov. 24 8:30 a.m. Mary Magdalene Joseph, Mark Robertson, Harvey Darbonne, Hilda Carmouche, Evelyn Henry, Novella Taylor, Elsie Deville, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ashton Bellard, Tom and Georgiana Bellow, Gertie Soileau, Sarah Jarrell, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Angele and Alphonse Wyble, Irene and Abram Lafleur, Jules Olivier, Owen McEvoy, Dennis and Daniel (Anniversary of Death) Reed, Wilbur Reed, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Darold Thibodeaux and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Jude David Cortez, Wilfred and Genevieve Cortez, Anna and Claude Soileau, Alduse and Willie Mae Dohmann, Leroy, Essie and James Lafleur

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READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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

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 NOVEMBER 2019

Nov. 17-23, 2019- Rita Soileau
Nov. 24-30, 2019- Chip & Johnette Privette
Thank you for your commitment!

