

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

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**MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

My Dear Parishioners:

In just a couple of days, we will be gathering as a Church family to celebrate together the birthday of the Lord Jesus. The young and older ministers, including our priests and deacons, will all be rehearsed; the choirs all prepared to sing their hearts out; Dot and Dwayne, our Sacristans, will have spent many an hour in Church making everything ready for our celebrations; Hillman and Gordon and John Ray and David and Chip and Dean and Ryan and James and Carl and Scott and Denise and Rose Mary and her daughters, Trista and Chassidy and Elsie and Lia and the Altar Society will be nearly finished climbing and hauling and fluffing every decoration to make Christmas picture perfect; the Ushers all scheduled and ready to serve; Tina and Paulette will be off after all the behind-the-scenes work; Annie and Joe Spell will have given their generous donation to redo the surprise antique angel statue given to the Parish by the Estate of Ida and Albert Boudreaux; Richard Gaiennie, Buzzy and Tony Chachere's Inc., Ken and Janelle Savoie (in memory of Leonard Menard, Ward Savoie and Earl McClain), Alice and Pat Morrow, and Maryann and Dale Doucet (in memory of Fr. Joe Breaux) will have sent their donations to secure our new Altar and Shrine candelsticks; the KCs and Bobby Dupre will have sent their help for our new lighting in the Church all ready for Christmas thanks to the quick installation of Bayou Electric; the generous parishioners will have donated the poinsettias for our Church; the Maryann and Dale Doucet family will have given the new Christmas trees in memory of Fr. Joe Breaux; Bodemullers will have printed and donated the Christmas Mass programs and finally, all the office volunteers and money counters will have spent much of their time helping us in this busy month of December. (This "thank you" sounds like the litany of reindeer in the song, "Rudolph." And, if I have forgotten anyone, forgive me.)

So...all the externals are nearly all finished. Let's make sure the interior of our hearts are disposed to all with which God wishes to fill us. If you are traveling out of town and will not be home for Christmas Eve or Day, I, all the members of the Clergy and our Office Staff wish you, now, Merry Christmas and much love to you and your family.

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



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen  
Pastor

**OC CORNER**

Mark your 2020 calendar ... You will want to be part of Opelousas Catholic's "Roaring into the 20's with Confidence" event on Friday, February 7, in the Opelousas Civic Center! This year's evening will be filled with delicious food, awesome auction items and live music by local musicians "Hotline" ... lots of fun while helping Catholic education!

While school is on break for the Christmas holidays, some soccer and basketball action will still be in progress. Catch some games and show your Viking support!

OCS wishes a "Merry Christmas" to all of our families and friends in the community!

**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. Emmanuel Awe, SSJ, Monday: Rev. Matthew Barzare; Tuesday: Rev. Herbert Bennerfield; Wednesday: Rev. Lloyd Benoit; Thursday: Rev. C. Paul Bergeron; Friday: Rev. Donald Bernard; Saturday: Rev. Conley Bertrand.

**HOLY FATHER'S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION**

That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

**READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

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

**AA MEETINGS**

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

**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.

**EVENTS**

**FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES**

All students making First Communion here at Our Lady Queen of Angels this Spring will begin their preparation January 6th from 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All Catholic and private school children must attend these classes as well if they intent to make their First Communion.

**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 JANUARY 2020**

Dec. 29-Jan. 4, 2020-- Josh & Leah Schrader  
Jan. 5-11, 2020-- Eldridge & Rhonda Schwartzenburg  
Jan. 12-18, 2020-- Kevin & Kathy Simoneaux  
Jan. 19-25, 2020-- Mancil and Elsie Smith  
Jan. 26-Feb. 1, 2020-- Berch & Bea Soileau  
Thank you for your commitment!



**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.**

**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.

**OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD**

Offertory Collection ..... \$11,187.10  
Retired Religious..... \$1,023.00  
BSA ..... \$95.00

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

**READERS**

**Christmas Eve (Church) 4:00 p.m.** Russell Jesclard/Charles Cravins  
(Hall) **4:00 p.m.** Monica Guillory  
**6:00 p.m.** Wilda Marks/Gina Tuttle  
**Christmas Day** ..... **9:00 a.m.** Mike Ortego  
**5:15 p.m.** Josie Prudhomme  
**Sat., Dec. 28** ..... **4:00 p.m.** Claire Hollier  
**Sun., Dec. 29** ..... **8:30 a.m.** Charles Cravins  
**10:30 a.m.** Iggie Castille  
**5:15 p.m.** Lee Deranger

**ALTAR SOCIETY**

**Dec. 28 - Jan. 3** ..... Peggy Crow & Team  
**Linens (Dec. 28).** ..... JoAnn Barron

**ACTIVITIES**

**Sun., Dec. 22** ... **3:00-5:00 p.m.** Last Opportunity for Confessions  
**Mon., Dec. 23** ..... NO CCD Classes 1st-6th  
NO CCD Classes 7th-11th  
Mass in Parish Hall  
**5:15 p.m.** Vigil Mass for Christmas in Church and the Parish Hall  
**Christmas Eve** ..... **4:00 p.m.** Vigil Mass in Church (No 5:15 p.m. Mass)  
**Christmas Day** ..... **9:00 a.m.** Christmas Morning Mass  
**5:15 p.m.** Candlelight Mass  
Parish Office Closed Until January 2 at 9:00 a.m.  
Adoration Chapel Closed Until January 6 at 6:00 a.m.  
**Sun., Dec. 29** ..... The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



**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 adoror. 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, 11:00**      **p.m. – 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00**

**Saturday:**  
**a.m. – 9:00, 10:00, 11:00**      **p.m. – 1:00, 4:00, 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.**

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**

Michael H. Montgomery, M.D. Office  
Michael W. Basile, M.D. (337) 942-5706  
Laura Richard Braham, M.D.  
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Kevin N. Guillory, M.D.

**THE FAMILY CLINIC**

3921 I-49 S. Service Rd. www.familyclinicinc.com  
Opelousas, LA 70570

**MASSES**

**Sat., Dec. 21** ..... **4:00 p.m.** Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Pearl Frame, Harry Frame, Harold Stout, Lois Robert, Harold and Elvina Venable, Lee Andrepont, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Alida Pitre (Anniversary of Death), Glenn, Dudley, Thelma and Lisa Macip, Allen Ardoin, Viola L. Mello, Frank and Marguerite Miller, 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, Sr. Barbara Moreau, R.S.C.J., Timmy Briley, Bob Archie Auzenne and Family, Mrs. Inez Horecky (Anniversary of Death), Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Chip, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia

**Sun., Dec. 22** ..... **8:30 a.m.** Alvarez Hertzock, Elsie Deville, Sarah Jarrell, Lillian Hooks, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Ashton Bellard, Tom and Georgiana Bellow, Gertie Soileau, Dennis and Daniel Reed, Wilbur Reed, Jr., Elbert and Agnes Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Seeman, Gary and Monica Glasscock, Chad Soileau, Howard Zerangue, 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, Dr. Merrick Wyble, Angele and Alphonse Wyble, Irene and Abram Lafleur, Jules Olivier, Owen McEvoy, T.D., Dolores, Dewey (Anniversary of Death), Charmaine Auzenne, Velton, Sr., Marianne, Judy, Roy and Velton, Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine, Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, Lee Singleton, Sr. and Alison King

**10:30 a.m.** Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courvelle, Norma Lee Stelly (Birthday), Calvin Mathew Kennedy, Ira Tate, Sr., 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, Marie and Carlo Lucito, Saul and Pearl Chachere Richard, Gerrit Paul Ryder and the Ryder and Quebedaux Families, Cecily Soileau, Lennie and Cecile LeBlanc, Herbert and Allie Soileau, Rayburn and Carlos Macip, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lognion, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Arceneaux, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Soileau, Harold and Mary Dupre, Denise Wilde

**5:15 p.m.** John B. Mengarelli, Benjamin and Francis 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  
**Mon., Dec. 23** ..... **5:15 p.m.** Archie Dejean, Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

**Tues., Dec. 24** ..... **4:00 p.m.** Jeanette Gauthier Stelly, Mary Gussie Stelly, Joseph "Joe" Stelly, Shirley Gauthier, Leon Gauthier, Harold Stout, Jacqueline James, Ruby Courville, Frankie Frederick, Voorhies Brown, Cecily Soileau, Lennie LeBlanc, Cecile LeBlanc, J.L. and June Sebastien, Mr. Joseph Bergeron, Mrs. Leverta Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Florent Castille, Jr., Ronald Fontenot, Frank and Marguerite Miller, Neil Bertinot, Gladys and Tony Bertinot, Martha and Alphonse Clary, Johnny and Dona Clary, Charles, Yolande and Angele Carroll, Henry David, Dennis B. Stevenson, Frederick Provost, Timmy Briley, Adrien "Stoney" Angelle, Eddie and Edna Deckerlegand and Son, Antoine "Free" and Shirley Bergeron, Louise H. Leger, Morgan Adams, Claire Lavergne, Beverly Hebert Nash, Sue Hooks, Rose and Bill Long, Roma Miller, Benjamin and Francis Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry, Lee Andrepont, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Wilbur V. Reed, Jr., Anita Durio, Myrtle Gibson, Dallas Barron, Clifton Prudhomme, Leroy, Essie and James Lafleur, Clarence, Mary and Sandra Dupre, Perkins, Mestayer, Lalonde and Chautin Families, Peyton Cornette, J.C. and Bernice Diesi, Eldon and Sue Cornette, Cyril Diesi, Arthur and Celima Hollier, Philip and Isaure Boudreaux, Yvette Holloway, Cindy Stelly, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Robert "Bob" Fontenot, Steve Ronald Fontenot, Gregory Wade Fontenot, Clifton Prudhomme

**6:00 p.m.** Sylvan Soileau, Steven Matt, William Jarrell, Jr., Sarah Jarrell, Geri Bellemin, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Carriere, Gloria Carriere, Hoppy Morris, Edna Crow, Lillian Hooks, August Fontenot, Clara S. Fontenot, Edward Fontenot

**Wed., Dec. 25** ..... **9:00 a.m.** Rose Huguet, Leger and Comeau Families, Viola L. Mello, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, John E. Bradley, Euna Labbe Fontenot, Bernard Peck, Sr. and Luda Bourque Peck, Dorothy Peck Wyble, Austin J. Fontenot, Mary Magdalene Joseph, Robert Lee Mills Family, Fontenot and Daigle Families, Allen Ardoin, Harvey Darbonne, Mark Robertson, Ullyses Johnson, Marie and Carlo Lucito, Marie and Pappy Richard, Lorin Marie Richard Thomasson, Dusty Ardoin, Bobbie Mouton, Winnie Ardoin, Sal Diesi, Sr., Sal Diesi, Jr., Betty and David Diesi, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ardoin, Sr., Alvarez Hertzock, Ethel Lee Pickney, Rhonda Eaglin Hollins, Morgan Adams, Bubba Andrepont, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Going, Sr. and Family, Fontenot and Stelly Families, Jacques Daigle, Ura B. Touchet, Roger Daigle, Raoul and Irene Mallet, Hugh and Melba Mallet, Eric Pellerin, LaBruyere and Ortego Families

**5:15 p.m.** Gene, Bea, Bill and William Bourdier, Novella Taylor, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Howard and Lou Pitre, Nelma Robinson, Nicky Daigle, Teddy Daigle, Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Chip, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia

**Thurs., Dec. 26** ..... **7:00 a.m.** Neil Bertinot, Gladys and Tony Bertinot, Martha and Alphonse Clary, Johnny and Dona Clary, Ada and Willie Pitre, Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Church Parish

**Fri., Dec. 27** ..... **5:15 p.m.** Girlie French, Scotty Artigue (Birthday), Charles, Yolande (Anniversary of Death) and Angele Carroll, Henry David

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