

## Parish Office Hours

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### **Pastoral Associate**

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Deacon Sammy Diesi ext. 1105

Deacon John Miller

### **Bookkeeper**

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Josh Soileau (KC's) 912-5812

## SANCTUARY LIGHT

**CHURCH:** Drucella Fruge' Harper

**CHAPEL:** Those affected by Hurricane Laura

## ALTAR SOCIETY

Group 3 Becky Reed 09/05/20

Group 4 Norma Hargroder 09/12/20

## Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Monday & Thursday 3:30pm – 5:00pm  
& Saturday 2:00pm – 3:00pm (In the South Sacristy of the Church)

**Baptism:** Call Office – 942-6552

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call Office – 942-6552

**1<sup>ST</sup> Communion & Confirmation:** See Bulletin for registration information.

**Matrimony:** Call Office at least six months before planned wedding.

## Our Parish Life

### ADULT FORMATION – 942-6552

RCIA / Adult Confirmation – Call the Office

Come Lord Jesus! – Tue. 6pm – Rose Boulet

Wed. 5pm – Kim Lajack

Wed. 5:15pm – Lois Joubert

That Man is You – Dcn Dwayne Joubert

Bible Study – Dcn Dwayne Joubert

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**Director** – Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552

Safe Environment 942-6552

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Ministers of the Word – Debbie Fay 308-3107

Eucharistic Ministers 942-6552

10 AM Choir – John Poirier 577-6466

5 PM Music – Raphael Henry 739-8173

First Friday Adoration – Ben Pitre 678-0501

Altar Society-Pam Hooks 331-4940

### PASTORAL OUTREACH – 942-6552

Ministry to the Home Bound – Lois Joubert

Ministry to the Bereaved-Lois Joubert

### ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Daughters-Ramona Darbonne 692-0196

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### Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

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**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS –**

**August 30, 2020**

REGULAR \$8454.65

**GOAL \$9000.00**

Maintenance & Repair Fund \$200.00

Opelousas Catholic Foundation \$20.00

*Your generosity during these most difficult times is greatly appreciated!*

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION**

09/06/20 – Maintenance & Repair Fund

09/13/20 – Hurricane Laura Relief

**READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING**

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Ez 33:7-9** *If you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, I will hold you responsible for his death.*

**Psalm 95** *“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”*

**Rom 13:8-10** *Love is the fulfillment of the law.*

**Mt 18:15-20** *If your brother or sister listens to you, you have won them over.*

**PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS**

Sunday, 09/06 Fr. Howard Blessing  
Monday, 09/07 Fr. Kevin Bordelon  
Tuesday, 09/08 Fr. Marshall Boulet  
Wednesday, 09/09 Fr. John Joseph Bourque, CJC  
Thursday, 09/10 Fr. Millard Boyer  
Friday, 09/11 Fr. James Bradley, SJ  
Saturday, 09/12 Fr. James Brady

**PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS**

Sunday, 09/06 Dcn. Rickey Picard  
Monday, 09/07 Dcn. Bill Polingue  
Tuesday, 09/08 Dcn. Charles Richard  
Wednesday, 09/09 Dcn. Steve Rogers  
Thursday, 09/10 Dcn. Sammy Russo  
Friday, 09/11 Dcn. Nelson Schexnayder  
Saturday, 09/12 Dcn. Nolton Senegal

**PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS**

Michael Vidrine St. John, Melville  
Trey Fontenot Sacred Heart of Jesus, VP  
Garrett Broussard OLOGC, LC

**COMING SOON**

9/12/20 – 4:00pm Mass – Special recognition will be given to 1<sup>st</sup> Responders.

9/13/20 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection to benefit the Diocese of Lake Charles Hurricane effort.

**OC CORNER**

Following the devastation in the Lake Charles and Sulphur area, Opelousas Catholic has gotten underway “Operation Viking Relief” as a way of assisting our neighbors! In this first stage of efforts, we are collecting bottled water, paper towels and toilet paper which can be brought to Valentin Hall over the next week. Thank you to all of you in our community who contribute to this most worthy project! May God bless you!

To keep abreast with day-to-day news and pictures from OCS, check out the Opelousas Catholic School Facebook page and/or the school website ([www.OCSvikings.com](http://www.OCSvikings.com)).

**PRAYER TO OVERCOME RACISM**

Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other. We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times we have failed to love and respect one another. We ask for your help in obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism and to build a just society. We ask for your help in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person. Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son warms our hearts: pray for us. Amen.

**LIVE OAKS**

Recently, we received news that six of our beautiful Live Oak trees were listed on the Louisiana Live Oak Society’s (LOS) Registry. The LOS, under the auspices of the Louisiana Garden Club Federation, added the oaks to the registry on July 20, 2020. Five out of six trees are classified as “centenarians” because their girth is 16’ or greater. We hope to have the remaining Live Oaks placed on the registry by the end of this year. Special thanks to John Harper for his time and effort in nominating our oaks to the LOS. A map illustrating the location and names of the Oaks is on our church website.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, September 05**

**4:00pm** Becky Sylvester; Marty Billeaudeau; Frank & Marguerite Miller; Natividad Pelongo Requiso; Ronnie Watkins D'Avy; Miriam Roy; Thanksgiving for Answered Prayers; Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; M/M Robert Going Sr. & Families; Matherne Bourque

### **Sunday, September 06**

**08:00am** Nick Sylvester; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Murphy Allen Lanclos, Sr. & Deceased family Members; Lester & Rita Jeffers; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Mary Dupre; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; James E. Martin

**10:00am** Lee & Beverly Faul & Mark Capone Jr.; Lee Dubuc; Amy Soileau Dupre' Veillon; Carol J. Sr., Joyce & Baby Ortego; Vickie Fadaol; The Sick & Dying; M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull; Dr. L. H. Boulet and Rene Peter Briggs, Jr.; Helen Marie Frank; M/M Lee Martin, Jon Martin & Loray Martin Bertrand & Rita Darby; Phillip Wayne Pastorick; Richard & Rosie Soileau; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Irl White & Hazel White Hollier

**5:00pm** St. Landry Church Parishioners

### **Monday, September 07**

**12:05pm** J.Y. Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Richard & Rosie (BD) Soileau

### **Tuesday, September 08**

**12:05pm** Thomas B. Schexnayder; J.Y. Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Roy & Justine L. Elder Family; James Fruge Family

### **Wednesday, September 09**

**12:05pm** Bertha Pavy; John Laris Bordelon; Juanita Richard; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

### **Thursday, September 10**

**12:05pm** Gary M. Miller (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard

### **Friday, September 11**

**12:05pm** J.Y. Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Drucella Fruge' Harper (DA); Ronald Eli Speyrer

### **Saturday, September 12**

**09:00am** William Joseph Joubert (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

## **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Dainee Ardoin; Nela Badeaux; Rada Bono; Randy Bordelon; Rickie Bordelon; Carol D'Amico; Robert Comeaux; Ramona Darbonne; Gordon David; Catherine & Howard Fournier; Lisa Fruge'; Wayne Gautreaux; Albert Going; Robert Going, Jr.; Linda Guidroz; Ralph Gonsoulin; Anne Hollier; Yola Huckaby; Rosalie Jackson; Vergie Lanclos; Jade Leger; Ronald Leger; Sidney Matt; Lorna Sue W. Miller; Reed Mire; Kenny Moreau; M/M Timmy Smith, Sr.; Ronald Leger; Timmy Dederick; Mary Paillet; Kayla Ramin; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Edmae DeJean; Gertie DeJean; Tony Perrodin; Gerald Roy; Pap Roy; Elaine Soileau; Terri Trahan; Taylor Morales; Brett Walker

## **Pope Francis Prayer Intention**

### **September - Respect for the Planet's Resources**

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

### **Prayer to Saint Joseph**

Oh, Saint Joseph, foster-father of Jesus, most pure spouse of the Virgin Mary, pray for us daily to the same Jesus, the Son of God, that we, being defended by the power of His grace and striving faithfully in life, may be crowned by Him at the hour of death. Amen.

### **Prayer for Protection Against Hurricanes**

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

### **Prayer to Saint Landry**

Through the intercession of St. Landry, bless us all, O Lord we pray, for loved ones, here and near, and far away. And everyone for whom we pray. Keep us safe each night and day, the homeless who have no place to stay. Those who are suffering in any way. The dying, those mourning or grieving and all who need God's mercy. Keep us safe, heavenly Father when we are at home, or traveling on our way, or when we are vulnerable, or in danger in any way. Most merciful Father, hear us as we pray for the souls in Purgatory, or who may be sent there some day. Amen.



## Pastoral Reflection...

"The fields are high, and summer's days are few; green fields have turned to gold. The time is here for the harvesting, for gathering home into barns. The harvest is plenty, laborers are few, come with me into the fields. Your arms may grow weary; your shoes will wear thin. Come with me into the fields." This beautiful song by Dan Schutte speaks of mission based on the scriptural passage about the laborers for the harvest.

The mission that Jesus calls us to is not always easy. There are times when doing the right thing and trying to live out the gospel of Jesus Christ is not easy at all. The invitation to be a laborer in the harvest, to join Jesus in His mission of building the kingdom, to love unconditionally and forgive with abandon calls for a strong and fierce faith.

It is so much easier to criticize and judge and demonize others. Their foibles anger and frighten us. They are not deserving of our attentions, not worthy of our love.

Our arms will go weary from carrying the concerns and needs of others. We will confront a tiresomeness that seems overwhelming. We will continue to judge those we serve and condemn those who need us. Our weary arms will want us to turn away, abandon the mission and discipleship.

Our hearts, like our shoes, will wear thin from being stretched and overworked. The demands of the gospel to choose love over hate and indifference will strain even the strongest of hearts. The demands of love will always test us and require of us feats that we had thought unimaginable. To make the decision to love is a formidable task, but a necessary part of our pilgrimage of faith. To love God is to love ourselves and our neighbors. The harvest is indeed plenty. Let us be counted among the few laborers and our efforts be found worthy. May His mercy make us merciful.

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