

Parish Office Hours

Monday – 1:00 – 4:00

Tuesday – Thursday 8:30 – 12:00, 1:00 – 4:00

Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

For AFTER HOURS Emergencies including
Anointing of the Sick:

(337)942-6552 and follow the prompts

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SANCTUARY LIGHT

CHURCH: Students beginning new school year

CHAPEL: End to the COVID Pandemic

ALTAR SOCIETY

Group 1 Lois Joubert 09/03/21

Group 2 Jane Savoy 09/10/21

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Monday – Friday 11:30am – Noon

Saturday 3pm – 3:45pm

Baptism: Call Office – 942-6552

Anointing of the Sick: Call Office – 942-6552

1ST Communion & Confirmation: See Bulletin or

Website 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. 5pm – 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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Coordinator – Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552

Altar Servers - Dcn Dwayne Joubert 942-6552

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Eucharistic Ministers 942-6552

10 AM Choir – John Poirier 577-6466

5 PM Music – Rafael Henry 739-8173

First Friday Adoration – Ben Pitre 351-8389

Altar Society - Pam Hooks 331-4940

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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

Joseph Pisano, Jr. 298-2987

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Principal – Mrs. Marty Heintz 942-5404

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SATURDAY MORNING MASS TIME

The Saturday “Daily Mass” time is now 8am.
Please note the change.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration is now open for elementary and high school registration for the 2021-22 school year. You can either register your student in person at Valentin Hall or electronically on the website www.stlandrycatholicchurch.com. The deadline is 9/30/21.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS –

August 22, 2021

REGULAR	\$7416.00
GOAL	\$9000.00
Maintenance & Repair Fund	\$50.00
Poor & Needy	\$300.00
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$5.00
OCS Foundation	\$632.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Sunday, 08/29	Fr. Andrew Killeen
Monday, 08/30	Fr. Steven Kimmons, SJ
Tuesday, 08/31	Fr. Andrew Kirschman, SJ
Wednesday, 09/01	Pope Francis
Thursday, 09/02	Pope Emeritus Benedict, XVI
Friday, 09/03	Bp. J. Douglas Deshotel
Saturday, 09/04	Bp. Emeritus Michael Jarrell

PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Sunday, 08/29	Dcn. Barry LeBlanc
Monday, 08/30	Dcn. Joshua LeBlanc
Tuesday, 08/31	Dcn. Timothy Ledet
Wednesday, 09/01	Dcn. Barney Lejeune
Thursday, 09/02	Dcn. Thomas Lindsey
Friday, 09/03	Dcn. Joseph Liuzza, III
Saturday, 09/04	Dcn. Phil Lizotte

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 *You shall not add to what I command you...Keep the commands of the Lord.*

Ps 15 *"The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."*

Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Be doers of the word.

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention

September - An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle - We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

OC CORNER

As the fall semester is now underway, OCS wishes all of our 2021 graduates the best in their college studies. We take pride in this class receiving over \$1.6 million in scholarship offers and TOPS assistance!

In technology, chromebooks are being distributed to OCS 8th graders, allowing all students in grades 8-12 the opportunity to join our 1-to-1 program with 24-hour use of the chromebook.

Volleyball is being added to available sports at OCS. This year the program is being initiated with teams in grades 5-8 along with plans to expand into high school over the next couple of years.

On the calendar this week is a school mass on Thursday at 9:20 am. On Friday, the Vikings travel to Eunice for a football matchup. Go Vikings!

CJC RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

October 15-17, 2021 - Women at the Feet of Jesus Retreat – A silent retreat for women to help foster intimacy w/ Christ. Meditations will focus on the women in the life of Jesus, such as Mary and Martha, the penitent woman, the woman at the well, and Mary at the Foot of the Cross.

November 19-21, 2021 – Married Couples Retreat – A preached retreat for couples consisting of talks and meditations pertinent to living out the sacrament of Matrimony. Retreat directed by Fr. Champagne.

Both retreats will be held at the Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center in St. Martinville. To register contact Cheryl Moss @ (337)453-2385.

ALTAR SERVERS

We are in need of altar servers for all weekend Masses. Any young man who has made his 1st Communion is welcome to serve! Parents – please call Deacon Joubert if your child is interested.

OPELOUSAS PREGNANCY CENTER

A Center committed to facilitating abundant LIFE for women and children through FREE pregnancy testing and ultrasound, counseling, education and MORE! St. Landry Church proudly supports their mission.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 28

4:00pm Special Intention; Billie P. Dossmann; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder; Charles F. & Mercedes Going & Family; William & Dorothy Hatch and Family; Ricky Doucet; Billie Soileau (BD) & Goldman & Jenny Rozas; Thomas B. Schexnayder; James "Jimmy" Soileau; Georgiana P. Ruffino, Elda C., Wm. B. & James "Topsy" Perry; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca

Sunday, August 29

08:00am Lucy Baillio; Murphy Allen Lanclos, Sr., Rose Fontenot & John Huval; Randolph LeBlanc; Becky Sylvester (DA); Dr. Charles "Doc" Bertrand; Special Intention for Military; Malcolm Melancon; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Diana D. Vidrine; Barbara St. Amand; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Shirley Donatto; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Youle, Therese & John Ray and Martin J. St. Amand

10:00am Leila & Adam and Lagrange Families; Rene Briggs, Jr. & Dr. Lloyd Boulet, Sr.; Guise Tran Ho; Deceased Members of A.I.C. Classes 1968 & 1970; Bessie Guedry Durio & Dorothy Durio Collins; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; Orphan Souls; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Bordelon; J. D. & Mildred Dupre and Dupre-Lagrange Families; Gordon LeBlanc; Melanie & Billy Jarrell; Frances D. & Richard Bordelon; Jo Ann Soileau Landry; Louis Doucet; M/M Ezra Martin & Denise Hull; Melanie and Billy Jarrell; Bernel Manuel Sr. and Families of LaFleur & Manuel

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

Monday, August 30

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Cole Ortego (BD); Linnise J. & Jane D. Smith; Eva Fontenot (BD)

Tuesday, August 31

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

Wednesday, September 01

12:05pm Mayance & Wanda Dupre (WA) & Family; Cile Jeanmard; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon; Bernel & Manuel Sr. (WA) and families of LaFleur & Manuel

Thursday, September 02

12:05pm Sam (BD) & Elva Moncla; J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

Friday, September 03

12:05pm Lee Taylor (DA); J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon

Saturday, September 04

08:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita & Richard Bordelon, Souls in Purgatory

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Nela Badeaux; Rada Bono; Randy Bordelon; Rickie Bordelon; Carol D'Amico; Robert Comeaux; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Paula Deshotel; Edmae DeJean; Gertie DeJean; Liz Darbonne; Ramona Darbonne; Gordon David; Tommy Dupre; Betty W. Doucet; Cecile Dupre; Rebecca Dupre; Glyn Durio; Glenda Gaudet; Wayne Gautreaux; John Godeau, Jr; Susan Godeau; Linda Guidroz; Allen Guillory; Elaine Guillory; Maggie Guy; Yola Huckaby; Charlotte Hundley; Rosalie Jackson; Johnathon Johns; Gene Kidder; Hank J. Leger; Linda Gail Leger; Vergie Lanclos; Debra Leblanc; Mark Leblanc; Rebecca Leblanc; Christine Ledoux; Ronald Leger; Malena Manuel; Malcom Marcus; Sidney Matt; Micah Meche; Lorna Sue W. Miller; Kenny Moreau; Lisa Ortego; M/M Timmy Smith, Sr.; Mary Paillet; Jesse R. Richard; Pap Roy; Elaine Soileau; Gilda Soileau; Greg Tate; Terri Trahan; Kenneth Thibodeaux; Taylor Morales; Brett Walker; Avery Woodson; Merlin Young; Special Intention

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.

The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways. (Loyola Press)

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