FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER





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Monday | 1:00pm-4:00pm
Tues., Wed., Thurs. | 8:30am-Noon, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Closed Friday – Sunday

MASS TIMES

Saturday Anticipated Mass | 4:00pm Sunday Mass | 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm Weekday Masses | Monday-Friday 12:05pm, Saturday 8:00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Weekdays | 30 minutes before Mass Saturdays | 3:00pm-3:45pm Sundays | 4:15pm - 4:45pm

CLERGY

Father Neil Pettit, Pastor Deacon Dwayne Joubert, Pastoral Associate Deacon Sammy Diesi

PASTORAL STAFF

Dcn. Dwayne Joubert, Office Administrator Lois Joubert, Bookkeeper Priscilla Guidroz, Receptionist Abigail Caffery, Director of Sacred Music





Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

4:00pm Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder: Olita R. Credeur; Alton Ray Barron; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Elaine Guillory; Youle, Therese & 08:00am John Ray Fontenot and Martin J. St. Amand; Yola Huckaby; Jackie D. Bordelon; Barbara St. Amand: Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot: Moise & Martha Lagrange; Evelyn Kidder; David LeDoux; Good Samaritan & Family; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Laurent J., & Billie P. Dossman and Clarice D. Faul: Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis 10:00am Bordelon; Glenda Pitre; Elizabeth Claire; Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; Germaine Jannise; Warren Soileau; Lee R. & Beverly Faul and Mark Capone, Jr.; President Donald A. Trump & Family; Families of Fields and Voitier

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, MAY 01

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis 12:05pm Bordelon; Marlene N. Beauxis; Ervin (DA) & Marcylee Thibodeaux (WA); Sammy (BD) & Becky Diesi (WA)

TUESDAY, MAY 02

Charlene & Roy (DA) Whaley, Sr.; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 03

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

THURSDAY, MAY 04

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis 12:05pm Bordelon

FRIDAY, MAY 05

12:05pm I.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Behki Labbe-Wimberly; Diane B. Fontenot (BD); John Reed

SATURDAY, MAY 06

Lucille LaFleur; Jackie Harbour; 08:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Marion & Tracy Trahan Cortez; Mary Manuel

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Ioseph Ronald Arceneaux: Mercedes Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Carl Darbonne; Crump; Glenda Lerov Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Julie Ford; Allen Harrington; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Ronnie Leger; Judi R. Lucito; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kathy Martin; Kenneth Moreau; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; John C. Saucier; Ronnie Savoy; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Scleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Brett Walker

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Deacon Sammy Diesi (BD) Adoration Chapel: Special Intention

PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

04/30 | Fr. Richard Vidrine

05/01 | Pope Francis

05/02 | Bishop Douglas Deshotel

05/03 | Bp. Emeritus Michael Jarrell

05/04 | Fr. Thomas Voorhies, VF

05/05 | Fr. Thomas Hein Vu

05/06 | Fr. Augustine Wall, SVD

DEACONS

Dcn. Joseph Trahan

04/30 Dcn. Tam Tran

05/01 Dcn. Jeff Trumps

05/02 Dcn. Stephen Van Cleve

05/03 | Dcn. David Vaughn

05/04

Dcn. Durwood Viator 05/05

Dcn. William Vincent 05/06

SEMINARIANS

Dcn. Michael Vidrine | St. John the Baptist, Melville

Trey Fontenot | Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ville Platte

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- 1am, 2am, 3am, and 6pm on Sundays
- 1am on Thursdays
- 10pm on Fridays
- 1am, 2am, 12pm, 1pm, 8pm, & 9pm on Saturdays

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Congratulations to the 2024 OCS class whose ACT scores improved in every category of the test as compared to last year! The composite scores of these students soared above the national average of last year's graduating seniors. And over half of these current juniors have already qualified for the Louisiana TOPS program! Well done!

Thank you to the OCS 4-H Club and alumna/teacher sponsor Jeanne F. Harmon as well as alumna/parent/artist Stephanie R. LaGrange for making possible the beautiful "Last Supper" mural on the wall of the Opelousas Catholic cafeteria! What a

Please consider a donation to the 2022-2023 Angel Appeal Drive which wraps up on May 31. It can be mailed to the OCS Advancement Office, 428 East Prudhomme St., Opelousas, LA. May God bless our many angels for Catholic education!



Gospel Reading Reflection



This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd.

Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees.

Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd.

Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.





READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41
Peter and the other apostles baptize 3,000
people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23:1-6
The Lord is my shepherd.

SECOND READING

1 Peter, 2:20b-25 We have been healed by the wounds of Christ.

GOSPEL READING

John 10:1-10 Jesus is the gate for his sheep.

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