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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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 | 12:05pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:00am First Saturday of the Month

#### **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

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## MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, JULY 15

4:00pm Kermit Christ; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

#### SUNDAY, JULY 16

08:00am Laurent I., & Willie Mae Dossman & Clarice D. Faul; Amar, Maryina & A. B. Courvelle Sr.; Leighton (BD), Ernestine, & Christopher Joubert; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Alvin, Bradley & Richard Marks; Gertrude Andrepont Marks, Willard & Willard Ray (Bubba) Andrepont; Good Samaritan & Family: Evelyn Kidder; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; David LeDoux; Christian M. Miller (BD); Moise & Martha Lagrange

10:00am Cameron James Dupre; Glenda Pitre; Families of Fields and Voitier; Ronald Boudreaux; Luke Robert Ragas; Warren Soileau; Debbie Soileau Kelly; Dallas Barron, Jr.; Wayne Lavergne; Donovan Lavergne

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

#### MONDAY, JULY 10

12:05pm Martin Jr.& Miriam (DA) Roy; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Luke Robert Ragas

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

12:05pm Luke Robert Ragas; Family of M/M Mentor Richard; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove; Mayance Dupre & Clayton & Eula Soileau (DA)

#### THURSDAY, JULY 13

12:05pm Paul Prudhomme; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Luke Robert Ragas;

#### FRIDAY, JULY 14

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Alvin Marks (DA); Luke Robert Ragas

#### CONFIRMATION

The Diocese has amended the age of Confirmation for our young people to 8th Grade. Therefore we, at St. Landry are inviting ALL STUDENTS grades 8-11 to confirm this school year... The date of Confirmation will be announced as soon as it becomes available, but REGISTRATION is now open with Confirmation to take place in the Spring of 2024... Additional information will be shared as it becomes available. You may call the office for questions regarding registration.

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: John Ray Fontenot Adoration Chapel: St. Landry Parishioners

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Allen Harrington; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Ronnie Leger; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kenneth Moreau; Craig Ortego; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Ronnie Savoy; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Burnell Vidrine; Brett Walker



#### PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

#### **PRIESTS**

07/16 | Fr. Michael Delcambre

07/17 | Fr. Mark Derise

07/18 | Msgr. Keith Derouen

07/19 | Fr. Paul Deutsch, SJ

07/20 | Fr. Kenneth Domingue

07/21 | Fr. Dustin Dought

07/22 | Fr. Gregory Downs

#### **DEACONS**

Dcn. Jose Luna-Becerra 07/16

Dcn. Timothy Maragos 07/17

Dcn. Timothy Marcantel 07/18 |

Dcn. Paul Matte 07/19

Dcn. Michael McKee 07/20

07/21 Dcn. J. Douglas Melancon

Dcn. Malcolm Melancon 07/22

#### **SEMINARIANS**

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#### **VACATIONING?**

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## ⊕ ocs **CORNER**

The Opelousas Catholic administrative offices will re-open on July 18th. For information regarding Briley admissions, email Mrs. brileyj@ocsvikings.com; for grades K-4, email Mr. Citron at citronm@ocsvikings.com; for grades 5-8, email Mrs. Heintz at heintzm@ocsvikings.com; for grades email Mrs. Guidry 9-12, guidryk@ocsvikings.com; and regarding tuition/fees, email Mrs. Emonet at emoneth@ocsvikings.com.

May God continue to bless everyone with a safe and relaxing summer!



## Gospel Reading Reflection

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit. To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.



## READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

#### FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:10-11
The Word of the Lord shall achieve its purpose.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 65:10-14 A prayer of praise to God for his abundance.

#### SECOND READING

Romans 8:18-23 Together with all of creation, we await God's redemption.

#### **GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 13:1-23 Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like seed that has been sown on good soil.

#### **OFFERTORY**

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#### **ADORATION CHAPEL**

The Chapel re-opened last Saturday morning with the new addition of an "almost complete" restroom. Please be patient as we complete the project over the next couple of weeks! Meanwhile visit the Chapel and visit the website... we ALWAYS need more perpetual committed adorers!



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