

TWENTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME



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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

PASTORAL STAFF

Dcn. Dwayne Joubert, Office Administrator
Lois Joubert, Bookkeeper
Sarah Meche, Receptionist / Secretary
Abigail Caffery, Director of Sacred Music
Charlie O'Chery, Director of Youth Ministry



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

4:00pm Kenneth & Barbara B. Thibodeaux; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde, & Family; Junior, Loretta, & Stephen Hargroder; Jackie D. Bordelon

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

08:00am Good Samaritan & Family; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; David LeDoux; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Evelyn Kidder; Barbara St. Amand; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossmann, & Clarice D. Faul, Moise & Martha Lagrange, Bernel, Arthur, & Eva Fontenot

10:00am Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir; Donvan Lavergne; Wayne Lavergne; Warren Soileau; Carole Viviano; Families of Fields and Voitier; Ezra & Velma Martin & Denise Hull; Ronald Boudreaux; Special Intention; Emma Grace Guillory; Dawn Lavergne Blanchard; Elizabeth Claire; Glenda Pitre; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr., Hushel (BD) & Brenda Bordelon; Chris LeBlanc; Janys Elise Huntington Schexnader
5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

12:05pm Cole Ortego (BD), J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon, Les Bidstrup, Eva Fontenot (BD)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 01

12:05pm Gerald Chachere, Charlene B. Leger, Behki Labbe-Wimberly, J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon, Mayance & Wanda Dupre (WA), Chris LeBlanc; Kenneth Thibodeaux

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 02

8:00am Much needed rain

LABOR DAY

The parish offices (Valentin Hall) will be closed Monday, September 4th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

PARISH PICNIC

Save the Date! Mark your calendar... Our Annual Parish Picnic will be held on October 1st following 10am Mass in the yard behind the Rectory.
FUN! FOOD! FELLOWSHIP!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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



PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

08/27 | Fr. Stephen Irudayasamy, HGN
08/28 | Fr. Sal Istre
08/29 | Fr. Ravi Jampangi
08/30 | Fr. Johnathan Janise
08/31 | Fr. Stanley Jawa, SVD
09/01 | Pope Francis
09/02 | Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel

DEACONS

08/27 | Dcn. William Vincent
08/28 | Dcn. Douglas Wimberly
08/29 | Dcn. Byrne Winn
08/30 | Dcn. Jerry Wyble
08/31 | Dcn. Michael Yenik
09/01 | Dcn. Thomas Adams, Sr.
09/02 | Dcn. Art Bakeler

SEMINARIANS

Trey Fontenot | Sacred Heart of Jesus, Ville Platte

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Rain
Adoration Chapel: Parishioners

Join the Choir!

SHARE YOUR TALENTS BY
JOINING OUR 10:00AM SUNDAY CHOIR!

Contact Abigail Caffery at (337)942-6552 to join!



OCS CORNER

The 2023-2024 school year is ready to kick off with the first day for all students set for this Wednesday! To celebrate, the Junior Beta Club is sponsoring "Cane's Night" from 3 pm to 8 pm at Raising Cane's in Opelousas. When placing an order, mention Opelousas Catholic, and they will give a percentage of the sale to OCS! We appreciate the support!

On Thursday at 9:20 am, everyone will attend the opening Mass for the year. Let's pray for our students, faculty and staff!

Upcoming events include "Meet the Vikings" on August 24 at 6 pm on the OCS baseball field; the St. Ed's Football Jamboree on August 25; and the annual "Cheer Clinic" on August 26. More information will be coming!

† GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Isaiah 22:19-23
God will remove Shebna from his office as master of the palace.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 138:1-3,6,8
God's kindness is forever.

SECOND READING

Romans 11:33-36
Paul sings praise to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13-20
Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven

OFFERTORY

AUGUST 21, 2023

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Prayer For Hurricane Season

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 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 the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in 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 heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

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