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ST. LANDRY CATHOLIC CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_\_ Est. 1756 | Opelousas, LA \_\_\_\_\_

# **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 First Saturday of the Month | 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

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# MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

8:00pm M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; Beedy, Geraldine, & Randy Herpin; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Armand & Jeanne Bellard; Claiborne & Cecile Ryder; Lorinia M. Guillory (BD); Amanda Fournier; Raymus & Mary Herpin; Houston & Alice L. Courville, & Families; Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary Dupre Family; Hoffman Family; A.B. Jr. & Kathleen Dupont Reed, & Families

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8:00am Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Paula Ortego Bienvenu, Elvin & Ena Ortego; J. Ryan Fontenot; Louis "J. D." Janise & Grace Janise Soileau; Clarice D. Faul, L.J. Dossmann & Billie Dossmann; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Adele Pavy Comeaux, Harold Comeaux, & Octave Pavy; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; David LeDoux; Carol & Seola Pitre; Amanda, Catherine & Howard Fournier; Mayance Dupre, Clayton & Eula Soileau, & Family; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael Fa-Kouri; Ernest & Basilice Fontenot, & Family; Louis & Emma Brown, & Family; Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary **Dupre Family** 

10:00am Conrad O. Martin Family; Guise Tran Ho; Maya Nguyen Thi Hau; M/M Euzebe Guillory; Phanxieh Tran Ho; Ezra & Velma Martin, & Denise Hull; Phero Nguyen Triem; Agnes & Pat Doucet; Ruth Zerangue;

# SUNDAY, MARCH 31

I0:00am Fields & Voitier Families; Family of Mills & Genin; Guise Tran An; Mata Nguyen Thi Nho; Elizabeth Claire; Craig Ortego Family; M/M Adolph Jr., Gary, & Peggy Dupuis; Sandra Presley, & Rosalie Jackson; Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Anna Nguyen Thi Tu; Bonnie & Carroll Joubert; Charlene & Roy Whaley, Sr.; John Olivier; Chris LeBlanc; Geraldine Vidrine; Orphan Souls; Corrace & Hazel White Hollier, & Irl White; Chris Dunbar; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder; Kossuth Doucet Family

#### MONDAY, APRIL 1

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Angella Darbonne; Lillia (DA) & Henry Fontenot & Family; Henri Fontenot (BD) & Family

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Amanda Fournier; Thomas B. Schexnayder; J.Y Fontenot (BD)

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 4

12:05pm Betsy & Albert Pavy; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 5

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

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 5

8:00am J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Amanda Fournier



#### PRIESTS

03/31	Rev. Joshua Guillory, JCL
04/01	Pope Francis
04/02	Bishop Douglas Deshotel
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- 04/03| Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- 04/04| Rev. Marvin Gyasie, SVD
- 04/05| Rev. Jude Halphen, PhD 04/06| Rev. Brian Harrington

## DEACONS

03/31|Dcn. Coby Thomas04/01|Dcn. Michael Thompson04/02|Dcn. Joseph Trahan04/03|Dcn. Tam Tran04/04|Dcn. Jeff Trumps04/05|Dcn. Stephen Van Cleve04/06|Dcn. David Vaughn

The Valentin Hall office will be closed Easter Monday & reopen at 830am on Easter Tuesday (4/2).

The Adoration Chapel is closed & will reopen at 8am Easter Monday (4/1).

### OCS CORNER

Congratulations to Ella Miller who "split the pot" of \$3,500 with OCS! Thanks to everyone who contributed to this spring fundraiser!

Opelousas Catholic is offering "Tour Day" visits for potential PreK3, PreK4, and Kindergarten students. The tour days will be Tuesday, April 9th for pre-K 3 & 4 and Wednesday, April 10th for K. Both days will be from 8am-10am. Interested families should book their tour by contacting the Registrar at 337-942-5404 or <u>brileyj@ocsvikings.com</u>. Information on tuition scale, applications, and enrollment can also be found by visiting ocsvikings.com.

It's time for spring cleaning! OC is now accepting donations of yard sale items for a school yard sale that will be held later this spring. Yard sale items can be boxed, labeled "yard sale", and dropped off at the high school office during school hours. This is an easy way to support the school while cleaning out unwanted items!

Students and staff are enjoying Easter break until Monday, April 8th. For those looking for last minute Easter week activities, there will be a girls' volleyball camp led by Coach Alissa Doucet and the high school girls' volleyball team. This camp is for girls in grades 2-6 and will be held in the OC gym on April 2nd - 4th from 9am – noon. The cost is \$100. Please email <u>douceta@ocsvikings.com</u> for more information and to register. Wishing everyone a happy and joyful Easter!





# **1** Gospel Reading Reflection

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.



FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 10:34a,37-43 Peter preaches about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

> RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 Rejoice in this day of the Lord.

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4 Colossians: Having been raised by Christ, be concerned with what is above.

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-9 Mary of Magdala finds that the stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb.

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Carol Sue Arnaud; Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Beverly Borne; Fr. Alan Breaux; Hilda Brooks; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Denise Cortez; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Ruby Blanchard Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Patty Hacket; Mary Hargroder; Larry Harper; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Brian Jackson; Edval Jannise, Jr., Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Elaine & Ronald Joubert; Mike & Linda Labbe; Ronnie Leger; Anna Maria Leleux; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Kenneth Moreau; Mark Mouton; Craig Ortego; Shawn Perry; Ben Pitre; Amy Dupre Prestonback; Mavis Quebedeaux; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Ronald & Elaine Richard; Joseph Donald Robin; Chris Soileau; Bubba Sonnier; Greg Tate; Linda Thatcher; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Allen Vidrine; Burnell Vidrine

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

CHURCH	Deseased Parishioners
CHAPEL	Deseased Parishioners

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