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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, 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

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

400pm Mary Hazel Russell; Theresa Jannise; Edval Jannise, Sr.; James Jannise; Al Soileau; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Harry Jannise; Chris LeBlanc; Junior, Loretta & Stephen Hargroder, J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Special Intention; Gail Boudreaux

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00am Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Cameron & Conner Callahan; Moise & Martha Lagrange; J. Ryan Fontenot; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossmann & Clarice D. Faul; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & & Francis Bordelon; Lucy St. Amand (BD)

10:00am Mrs. Sue G. Hebert; Luke Robert Ragas; Seola Hebert Pitre; Dr. Dan Buller; Warren Soileau; Fields & Voitier Families; Chris Dunbar; Loretta Perron (WA); Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr; Velma G. Bihm

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

12:05pm Lois Joubert; Lynette A. Mengarelli (DA); Bonnie (BD) & Carroll Joubert; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Melba S. Joubert (DA); Therese Fontenot (DA); Sheldon LeDoux (BD); Terri Courvelle (BD); Cameron James Dupre

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

12:05pm Lois Joubert (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Blakely Joubert (BD); Peyton Cornette (DA); Jane Savoy & Family



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; James Reynolds; Lois Joubert

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Therese Fontenot Adoration Chapel: Catholic Schools

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Carol Sue Arnaud; Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Fr. Alan Breaux; 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; 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; Belle Pitre; Ben Pitre; Mavis Quebedeaux; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Ronald & Elaine Richard; Chris Soileau; Greg Tate; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Allen Vidrine; Burnell Vidrine

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CORNER



PRIESTS

- 01/28 Rev. Paul Broussard
- 01/29 Rev. Msgr. Ronald Broussard
- 01/30 Rev. Theodore Broussard
- 01/31 Rev. Keenan Brown
- 02/01 Pope Francis
- 02/02 Bishop Douglas Deshotel
- 02/03 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell

DEACONS

- 01/28 Dcn. Perry Guidry
- 01/29 Dcn. Joseph Herd Guilbeau
- 01/30 Dcn. Russell Hayes
- 01/31 Dcn. Clifford Hebert
- 02/01 Dcn. Joseph Hebert
- 02/02 Dcn. Marcel Hebert
- 02/03 Dcn. Randy Hyde

ADORATION CHAPEL

Committed Adorers are urgently needed for the following time slots:

- Fridays, at 12 pm
- Saturdays, at 3 am
- Sundays, at 3 pm

To sign up please call the Valentin Hall office, or visit:

www.stlandry.weadorehim.com

YOUTH GROUP

Our youth groups will meet next Sunday, February 4, in Valentin Hall:

- Junior High (4th 7th) at 330pm
- High School (8th 12th) at 6pm

Come join us!



It is Catholic Schools Week around the country! Let us give thanks for Catholic education right here at home on the OCS campus! Students, staff and families are grateful for the community support!

In planning for 2024-2025, we remind everyone that "new" student applications are available on the school website at <u>www.OCSvikings.com</u>. Registration (enrollment) for the next school year is beginning this week for current students along with those new students whose applications have been approved.



HGospel Reading Reflection

Today's Gospel continues our reading from Mark and describes what some believe was likely to have been a typical day in Jesus' ministry. Jesus and the disciples that chose to follow him in last week's Gospel arrive at Capernaum, a small village on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes'. Early in Mark's Gospel we already find evidence of the tension that will manifest itselffully in Jerusalem.

After Jesus' preaching, an even more astonishing thing happens. A man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. As we see in this example and throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus and are often fearful of him. In fact, they seem to understand Jesus' identity better than his disciples. As we will read again and again in Mark's Gospel, Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man. Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of his power over evil.

In the prescientific age of Jesus' time, all illnesses were understood to be manifestations of evil and sinfulness. Our modern understanding of illness is very different. Possession by unclean spirits may have been a way to describe what we might call mental illness today. It may have even been a way of describing certain kinds of physical conditions. There is evidence that there were many kinds of exorcists and healers in first-century Palestine. Jesus appears to be like these healers, but he heals with unique authority and connects his healing activities with the words of his preaching.

We are missing the point that Mark is trying to make in this Gospel, however, if we try to explain away the healing work of Jesus. The crowds see in Jesus' cure of the possessed man further affirmation of his authority. Jesus' power to heal gives greater credence to his teaching. Jesus impresses the crowds through his words, which are manifested with power in his deeds. Mark's Gospel tells us that because of the authority with which he healed, Jesus' fame spread throughout all of Galilee.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Moses tells the people that God will raise up for them a new prophet.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,7-9 A song of praise to the Lord.

SECOND READING

I Corinthians 7:32-35 Paul expresses his concern that those who are married are more likely to face the distractions of earthly life than those who are celibate.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:21-28 Jesus heals a man with an unclean spirit and his fame spreads throughout Galilee..

OFFERTORY JANUARY 21, 2024

Regular: \$7223.00 Goal: \$9000.00

Maintenance & Repair \$42.00 OCS Foundation \$676.00



