SIXTH SUNDAY OF 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

Deacon 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, FEBRUARY 10

4:00pm M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; Al Soileau; Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; Virginia Naquin; Merilynn M. (DA), Atwood, T.C., & Eleanor (BD) Quirk; Hunter Joseph Higdon; Marie A. Genin (DA); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Kermit Christ

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:00am Janis & A.B. Courvelle, Jr. (WA); A.B. Courvelle, Jr. (BD), Moise & Martha Lagrange, M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; J. Ryan Fontenot; Maryina Courvelle (BD); Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot, J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; Ackel & Evelyn Kidder, Koby Joubert & Family 10:00am Kossuth Doucet Family, Conrad O. Martin Family, Dallas Barron, Ír., Velma G. Bihm, Seola Hebert Pitre, Mrs. Sue G. Hebert, Elizabeth Claire, Fields & Voitier Families, Dr. Dan Buller, Corrace & Hazel White Hollier, & Irl White, Chris Dunbar, Lester Lalonde, Warren Soileau; Luke Robert Ragas 5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Lee & Vivian (DA) Artigue; James Revnolds

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Lloyd Arnaud & Hilary Dupre Family; Lois Joubert & Family; Bonnie & Carroll Joubert; Jane Savoy & Family; Charlene & Roy Whaley, Sr. 5:30pm Special Intention

THURSDAY. FEBRUARY 15

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon, Steve Ardoin (BD)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

12:05pm Murphy Lanclos (DA), J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: St. Landry Church Parishioners Chapel: Safe Mardi Gras

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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02/14 Dcn. Barry Leblanc 02/15 Dcn. Joshua Leblanc

02/16 Dcn. Robert Louis Leblanc

02/17 Dcn. Eugene Leboeuf

Opportunities for the Way of the Cross during Lent:

• Mondays, 11:30 am

Fridays, 9:25 am with OC Students

Fridays, 5:15 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL

Committed Adorers are urgently needed for the following time slots:

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Saturdays, 3-4 am

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ALTAR SOCIETY

St. Landry Altar Society meets Monday, at 5:15 pm in Valentin Hall.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Catholic Daughters Court #119 meets Tuesday at 6pm in the Queen of Angels church hall.



OC **CORNER**

Students and staff will be off for Mardi Gras break from Monday through Wednesday. On Thursday, there will be a school Mass, and the Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday.

OCS takes pride in the "Vikings of the Month of January": Gia Elliot & Rye Coreil, grade 5, Rhea Gordon, Khobi Collins & Braxton Harris, grade 8; and Demi Zerangue, Mark Collins, Christian Lee & Jordan Luna, grade

Congratulations to the winners of the OCS Spelling Bee: Lily Thomas in grades 3-5 division and Paul Meche in grades 6-8 division. Best of luck at the Regional Bee!

For the 2024-2025 school year, we remind everyone that "new" student applications are available on the school website (www.OCSvikings.com). Registration has begun for current students along with those new students whose applications have been approved.



Gospel Reading Reflection

In today's Gospel, we continue to hear Mark report the miraculous healings that Jesus performed in Galilee. The Gospel begins with Jesus healing a man with leprosy. Leprosy is a disfiguring, infectious skin disease that has been surrounded by many social and religious taboos throughout history. In 1873, the cause of leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease, was identified. We now know that leprosy is caused by a bacterial infection. Although it is infectious, modern medical studies have shown that transmission is more difficult than previously thought. Since the 1940s, medical treatments have been available, and the patient no longer needs to be isolated once long-term treatment has begun.

In Jesus' time, however, religious and social taboos dictated the behavior of those with leprosy and other skin diseases. The Law of Moses provided for the examination of skin diseases by the priests, and if leprosy was identified, the person was declared unclean. People with leprosy lived in isolation from the community. They were instructed to rip their clothes and to announce their presence with loud cries when moving in the community. If the sores of leprosy healed, the Law of Moses provided a purification rite that permitted the person to return to the community.

In today's Gospel, the man with leprosy took the initiative, approaching Jesus and asking for healing. In doing so, the leper violated the religious customs of the day by approaching a person who was clean. His request to Jesus can be interpreted as a courageous and daring act. The confidence of the leper in Jesus' ability to heal him is evident in the words of his request. But his words can also be read as a challenge to Jesus, asking just how far Jesus was willing to extend himself in order to heal someone. While healing the man, Jesus touched him, which also violated established social norms. This is an important sign of the depth of Jesus' compassion for the man and an important statement about Jesus' interpretation of the Law of Moses.

Although Jesus touched the leper, he did not break completely with the Law of Moses. He instructed the man not to tell anyone about the cure and told him to present himself to the priests as prescribed by the Law of Moses. The first instruction sounds nearly impossible to honor. Certainly, the man would want to share the good news of his healing, and his quick improvement would require an explanation. The second instruction honors the Law of Moses. Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. There are several possible explanations for this. There might have been concern about the repercussions of Jesus' breach of social and religious norms. In touching the man with leprosy, Jesus made himself unclean. Mark's narrative, however, leads to the conclusion that Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46
The Law regarding leprosy is given to Moses
and Aaron.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 32:1-2,5,11
A prayer of contrition and confession for sin.

SECOND READING

I Corinthians 10:31—II:I
Paul urges the Corinthians to imitate him as he imitates Christ.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:40-45 Jesus cures a person with leprosy, who reports his cure to everyone.

OFFERTORY

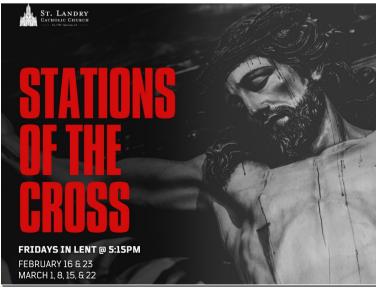
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