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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 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

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SATURDAY, APRIL 6

4:00pm M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Virginia Naquin (BD); M/M Robert, & Albert Going, Elvin/Ena Ortego, & Paula O. Bienvenu; Robert Landry; Debbie Fay & Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:00am Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; Carol & Seola Pitre; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Moise & Martha Lagrange; Clarice D. Faul, L.J. Dossmann & Billie Dossmann; Release of Souls in Purgatory; Gertrude Andrepont Marks; Willard & Willard Ray (Bubba) Andrepont; Alvin, Bradley & Richard Marks; Amanda Fournier; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; Amar, Maryina & A. B. Courvelle, Sr.; Lauren Vaughn; Christopher McCoy; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael Fa-Kouri; Release of the Souls of our Family Ancestors, Forgotten Souls, & Souls of Deceased Priests & Religious

Io:00am John Olivier; Catherine Benson & Family; David Livaudais & Anne Knudsen; Sonja & Ernest Harmon, Jr.; Geraldine Vidrine; Faye Guidry; Anne & Ernest Harmon; Ezra & Velma Martin, & Denise Hull; Fields & Voitier Families; Chris Dunbar; Beth Roy Martin (DA); Dona & Emmanuel Livaudais; Emilie Knudsen 5:00 pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 8

I2:05pm Fred & Beulah Wyble; Stephen & Blakely Gremillion, Miller Rose & Baby; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

12:05pm Amanda Fournier; Pamela Faith Zerangue Arceneaux; Hunter Joseph Higdon; Eldridge Chiasson; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

I2:05pm Christopher McCoy; Gil & Candy Pias; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Arthur (BD) & Eva Roy

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

12:05pm Marilyn H. Schexnayder; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon



PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

04/07| Rev. Msgr. Russell Harrington

04/08| Rev. David Hebert

04/09| Rev. Matthew Hebert

04/10| Rev. T.J. Hebert

04/11| Rev. Gregory Heslip, LC

04/12| Rev. Matthew Higginbotham

04/13| Rev. Brian Hoelzen, LC

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04/09| Dcn. Douglas Wimberley

04/10| Dcn. Byrne Winn

04/II Dcn. Jerry Wyble

04/12| Dcn. Michael Yenik

04/13| Dcn. Thomas Adams, Sr.

The Altar Society Meeting on April 8 will be held at Pedro's of Opelousas at 5 pm instead of Valentin Hall.

⊕ OCS CORNER

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 brileyj@ocsvikings.com. 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!

Classes resume on Monday, April 8th. The Rosary at the Pieta will be on Wednesday, April 10th at 5:30pm. All are welcome to join! Don't forget about the PTO's Daddy/Daughter Dance on Saturday, April 13th at 7pm at the Holy Ghost Parish Life Center.





Gospel Reading Reflection

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Easter in each of the lectionary cycles. This fact alone should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus that are described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted.

Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know, however, exactly what this form looked like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize him until he spoke to her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking along the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected form, Jesus was not bound by matter; he appeared to the disciples inside a home even though the door was locked. Yet the disciples could still touch the marks of his Crucifixion.

In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others.

Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35
The first Christian community shared their possessions, and no one was needy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24
The Lord's mercy endures forever.

SECOND READING

I John 5:1-6
Those who love God keep his commandments.

GOSPEL READING

John 20:19-31

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

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 Hackett; 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; Renee Martin; 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; Tate; Linda Thatcher; Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Allen Vidrine; Burnell Vidrine

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