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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

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

4:00pm Fr. Joseph O. Breaux; Fr. Joseph C. Deluca; Geraldine Touchet; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Al Soileau; Paula Bienvenu; Jimmy Soileau, & Joyce & Loyce Joubert; M/M Norris Leger, Toby &Winnie Lalonde, & Family; William & Dorothy Hatch, & Family; Kenneth & Barbara B. Thibodeaux; Charles F & Mercedes Going, & Family; Deceased Parishioners of Opelousas Community Choir

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00am M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael FaKouri; Eddie DeKerlegand; Paula Bienvenu; David LeDoux; Laurent J., & Willie Mae Dossmann & Clarice D. Faul; Sarah (BD) & Melissa Francois; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot & Martin J. St. Amand; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Barbara St. Amand; Cheryl Mosely; Barbara S. Nezat; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot

Drucella Fruge' Harper; Deceased 10:00am Family of Tran Ho; Orphan Souls; Guise Tran Ho; Chris LeBlanc; Warren Soileau; Fred & Beulah Wyble; Jessie Clark; Glenda Pitre; Deceased Family of Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Emma Grace Guillory; Deceased Parishioners of Community Opelousas Choir; Boudreaux; Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Janys Elise Huntington Schexnader; Fields & Votier Familes; Carole Viviano; Joseph Ray Pitre; Belle Mendelson; Edmond, Heloise & Amy Baquet; Mrs. Sue G. Hebert; Donvan Lavergne; Dawn Lavergne Blanchard; Dr. Dan Buller; Elizabeth Claire; Luke Robert Ragas

5:00pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

Youle Fontenot (BD); Al Soileau; Stephen Hidalgo (DA), Joseph "Joe" Cortez (DA -9/25); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis 12:05pm Bordelon; Paula Bienvenu (BD); Al Soileau

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Charlene B. Leger

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Fr. Alan Breaux; Velma Guidroz Bihm; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Denise Cortez; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne: Lerov Darbonne; Denise Dejean; James Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Charlotte Guidry; Patty Hacket; 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

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters invite you to join Court St. Landry #119! Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6 pm, held at Queen of Angels Church Hall. Call Debbie Fay at 337-308-3107 for more info! Next meeting: October 10, 2023

PRAYERS FOR OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

10/01 Pope Francis

10/02 Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel

10/03 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell

10/04 Rev. Louis McCabe, SJ

10/05 | Rev. Richard McGowan, SJ

10/06 | Rev. Garrett McIntyre

10/07 | Rev. Glenn Meaux

DEACONS

10/01 | Dcn. Christopher Doumit

10/02 | Dcn. Keith Duhon

10/03 | Dcn. Kyle Faber

10/04 | Dcn. Edward FosteR

10/05 | Dcn. Shannon Freeman

10/06 | Dcn. Ryan Fuselier

10/07 | Dcn. Gary Gaudin

SANCTUARY LAMP

Church: Youle Fontenot Adoration Chapel: Suzanne Williams (BD)

CEMETERY TOURS

It's almost that time! The Annual Cemetery Tours are scheduled for October 14, 15, 21 & 22. There are brochures at the entrances to the church with details!



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Some of the activities this week include the annual "Blessing of the Pets" on Wednesday morning for grades PK-4; junior high "Pink Out" football game on Wednesday at 5:30 pm, asking spectators to wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness; a "Living Rosary" on Thursday at 9:25 am; high school football game vs. Westminster at 7:00 pm on Friday in Donald Gardner Stadium; and the OC Cross Country team participates in Teurlings' "Run for a Cure" next Saturday at Acadian Park in Lafayette.

Congratulations to senior Lucas Kennerson who was announced as a "National Merit Semifinalist"! He was among only eight students from Acadiana who earned this prestigious

Calling all alumni! Plan to join your alma mater for the Homecoming game on October 20th and the Parade on October 19th.





Gospel Reading Reflection

The context for today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 18:25-28
It is possible to turn from sin and preserve one's life.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 25:4-9 A prayer to God for mercy.

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:I-II Be like Christ who humbled himself and was exalted by God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 20:I-16
In the parable of the workers in the vineyard, Jesus teaches about God's generous mercy.

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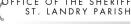
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