

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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**MINUTES OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON OCTOBER 11, 2016 CONTINUED...**

7) Organizations-Charlie Dore – The KC’s monthly News Letter was reported by the President, Bruce Gaudin. On the weekend of the Tootsie Roll drive, the KC’s raised about \$2500. The Po-boy sale raised \$5600. \$5,000 of which would go to the steeple update.

The KC’S would be getting books, “Confessions of a Mega Church Pastor”, which will be handed out during Christmas.

K C Auxiliary is disbanded. Msgr. DeRouen suggested this because most K C wives are involved in other parish activities and are too pressed for time.

The Baby Bottle Right ToLife benefit would be on October 29.

Opelousas Catholic is having normal challenges. The enrollment is down. It is also down in the public schools. Possibly people are leaving the parish in general.

8) Elections: In November there was one position opening by Richard Lucito. A nominating committee was appointed with Keith Hebert, Joe Hidalgo and Jim Doherty to decide on the nominee to fill this position. The Committee will ask for nominations from congregation, then, the election will be held if more than one is nominated. The Committee will coordinate dates for that.

9) Old Business: There was no old business.

10) New Business:

Discussion: A discussion was held about 60-70% of graduated, college age students who discontinue church attendance. It was considered in learning something that they could do to bridge the year between high school and college to help these young adults continue attendance. There is a ULL group that travels and spreads the word in this regard. Msgr. DeRouen asked Keith Hebert to pursue this group speaking to these kids. Also, maybe there could be a speaker at the next CCD High School meeting.

Discussion: Online pornography is rampant in society. There are websites families can go to for help to reduce their children's exposure. Msgr. DeRouen states the State Police have a presentation about this. Keith Hebert will get information on this.

11) Date of next Meeting – January 3, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

12) Closing Prayer – Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m. Closing prayer led by Msgr. DeRouen.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offeratory & Immaculate Conception Collections	\$13,827.60
Bishop’s Services Appeal	1,021.00
Collection for Opelousas Catholic	44.00
Campaign for Human Development.	10.00
Retirement Fund for the Religious	1,419.00

*Please know the Pastor is most grateful for your stewardship!
“Everything we have and give comes from God.” (Corinthians 29:11-17)*

READERS

VIGIL MASSES-CHURCH

Dec. 24	4:00 p.m.	Claire Hollier Paula Carriere
Dec. 24	6:00 p.m.	Jim Doherty Jan Vige

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Dec. 25	9:00 a.m.	Bruce & Bernadette Gaudin
	5:15 p.m.	Terry Mayeaux

ALTAR SOCIETY

Dec. 24 - 30	Laura Noel & Committee
Linens (Dec. 24)	Anna Pitre

ACTIVITIES

Mon., Dec. 19 - Jan. 3	NO CCD Classes
Tues., Dec. 20 - Jan. 4	NO CCD Classes
Wed., Dec. 21	2:00 p.m. “Come Lord Jesus” Call 942-7059 for more information
	4:45 p.m. Pro–Life Rosary before Mass
	6:30-8:00 p.m. The Light is on For You (Confessions)
Thur., Dec.22noon - Jan.3 at 1:00pm.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Dec.22, 6:00pm - Jan 3, 6:00am.	ADORATION CHAPEL CLOSED
Fri., Dec.23	4:00-5:15pm. Last Opportunity for Confessions

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

The instructions for parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will be held at Our Lady Queen of Angels on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. **FIRST, PLEASE CALL THIS OFFICE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT 942-5628.**



PERPETUAL EUCHARIST ADORATION

The Adorers of the Perpetual Adoration wish to thank Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for the following favor:
1. For many blessings.

If you can commit to an hour with Jesus, please call!
6:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Claire Robichaux (942-7059)
12 Noon to 6:00 p.m. - Marie LeBlanc (948-8940)
6:00 pm. to 8:00 p.m. - Jerome Collins (H-948-4595 or Cell-781-7185)

NEED AT LEAST ONE ADORER FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:
Tuesday, 2:00pm; Friday, 8:00am, 12:00pm, 3:00pm & 4:00pm;
Saturday 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00pm; Sunday, 3:00pm

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

The Knights of Columbus prayer group continues to pray with (and for) the sick in their homes and hospital. If you would like to have them come to your home for prayer, please contact Norbert Auzenne, at 879-2292 or you can call the church office at 942-5628. They are available for prayer on the second Wednesday of each month during the hours of 4 – 7 PM.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



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MASSES

Sat., Dec. 17 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Alvin Taylor, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Percy Thibodeaux, Obbie Bordelon, Charles F. & Mercedes Going, Bill Hatch & Fr. Joseph DeLuca, Mary Beth Tate, Evelyn Comeaux, James “Red” Nezat, Morgan Goudeau, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Bea, Bill, Gene & William Bourdier, Sophie, Rene, Gene & Judi Hidalgo, Jean Comeaux, Alphan & Yvonne Fontenot, Chad Saucier, Addison Montgomery, Keith Fontenot & Sandra Gay

Sun., Dec. 18 8:30 a.m. Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courville, Genevieve Cortez, Harold & Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave “Tat” Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Mary Beth Tate, Verbis Lafleur, Jacqueline James, Jané Bellard Family, Calvin & Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie Leger & Jesse, Jr., Irvin Deranger, Dudley & Glenn Macip, Irvin Deranger, Harold Pellerin, , Marius “Tommy” Oge, Jr., Paul T. & Ruby T. Pitre, Todd Joseph Doucet, Eddie(B) Dekerlegand & Edna Dekerlegand(Anniversary of Death), Adrien Stoney Angelle, Antoine “Free” & Shirley Bergeron, Dennis & Daniel Reed, Girlie & Willis Fontenot, John A. Green(Anniversary of Death 12/22)

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Sarah Jarrell, Donald & Sylvia Chachere, Sr., Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex & Deanna Chachere, Jim, “Tat”, Jeff & Greg Durio, Lucille “Lucy” Veltin, Gerrit Paul Ryder, The Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Carrie V. Soileau & Grace Soileau Nora & James “Bougay” Stelly, James “Jim” Wallace, Carrie Soileau & Grace Soileau, Cecily Camille Soileau, Souls in Purgatory

5:15 p.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS
Mon., Dec. 19 5:15 p.m. Daniel Dillworth
Tues., Dec. 20 7:00 a.m. Frances B. Richard(Anniversary of Death), Zannie Leger(B)

Wed., Dec. 21 5:15 p.m. Alida Pitre Macip(Anniversary of Death), M/M John Couvillion & Family, M/M Lawrence Soileau & Curtis, Lloyd, Marie & Janet Andrus, Amanda Briggs, John & Sydney Cuccia, M/M Elmo(B) Simon

Thurs., Dec. 22 7:00 a.m. Kathy Darbonne Fontenot

Fri., Dec. 23 5:15 p.m. Ray Dugal, Archie Dejean, Don Johnson

Sat., Dec. 24 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Alvin Taylor, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Percy Thibodeaux, Obbie Bordelon, Charles F. & Mercedes Going, Bill Hatch & Fr. Joseph DeLuca, Mary Beth Tate, Evelyn Comeaux, James “Red” Nezat, Morgan Goudeau, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Bea, Bill, Gene & William Bourdier, Sophie, Rene, Gene & Judi Hidalgo, Jean Comeaux, Alphan & Yvonne Fontenot, Chad Saucier, Addison Montgomery, Keith Fontenot & Sandra Gay, Paul & Pat Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille & Myrtle Smith, Charles, Yolande & Angele Carroll & Henry David, Joe Riley & Linda Riley, Agnes & James Daigle, Jim Daigle, Julie Marcantel, Don Johnson, Cecily Camille Soileau, Thelma, Lacey & Randall Spell, Lemaire & Ortego Families, Don Johnson, Nadine Taylor, Wilbur & Alice Reed, Anita Durio, Rene Guidry, M/M John Couvillion, Lawrence, Maise, Curtis Soileau & Family, Wyvos Edmond, Girlie & Willis Fontenot, Lloyd, Marie & Janet Andrus, Amanda Briggs, John & Sydney Cuccia, M/M Elridge Schwartzburg & M/M Elmo Simon, Leroy & Grace Carriere, M/M Lory Carriere, Debbie Culbertson & Family, Joseph Stelly, Mary Gussie Stelly, Jeanette Stelly, Harold “Hoppy” Morris, Ronald Lalonde, Ferdie, Mark, Direk Franchebois, Raoul, Irene Mallet, Hugh, Melba Mallet, Eric Pellerin, Marie Marks & Lynn Marks, Dudley Fontenot Family & Darnas Daigle Family, Ronald Fontenot, Special Intention, Bert Miller Family, Ray Bernard Family, Cindy & Nick Foret, Donna Bernard Family, Joey Bernard Family, Timmy Bernard & Family, Ann & Berton Fontenot, Gabe Speyrer Family, Kear Roy Family, Warren Meche Family, Marie & Gilda Marshall, Louis Ella Bernard, Jerry Guidry Family, Scott Stagg Family, Chris Ortego Family, Gregory Wade Fontenot, Steve Ronald Fontenot, Robert “Bob” Fontenot, Eura B. Touchet, Jacque Daigle, Nicky Daigle, Norma D. Robinson, Carla F. Fontenot, August Fontenot, Pearl Alphonse, Larry Stoute, Mary Magdaline Joseph, Mark Garrard Robertson, Angela Henry, John Richard, Alzada Spraggins, Harvey Darbonne, Joseph Broussard, Myrtle Henry

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5:15 p.m. Benjamin & Frances Richard, Claudette Richard, Benny Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee & Bernice D. Guidry

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new in the parish and are not registered in our parish census, we invite you to do so by providing your:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____

Or come by the office to get acquainted.

O. C. CORNER

Congratulations to the OC Varsity Cheerleaders who won the LHSAA Division III State Championship in the recent state contest! We are proud of the girls and their hard work!

Mid-term exams are continuing this week. An all-school mass will be held on Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m., and classes will dismiss for the Christmas break at noon on Wednesday.

The Opelousas Catholic School family wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year!

PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You in Jesus’ name we pray. Amen. Sunday: Rev. Ambrose Akalawu, CSSp; Monday: Rev. Alexander Albert; Tuesday: Msgr. Robert Angelle; Wednesday: Rev. Chester Arceneaux, VF; Thursday: Rev. Michael Arnaud; Friday: Rev. Edward Arroyo, SJ; and Saturday: Rev. Gnanavoli Arulsamy, SVD.

HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS

December: Universal Intention: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over. **Evangelization:** That the people of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

KINDLY CONSIDER

This year with Christmas and New Year falling on Sundays, we lose two collections from last December. Please consider looking at your last December donations the Sunday before Christmas, Christmas, the Sunday after Christmas and New Year’s Day and give what you gave last year. Our budget depends on it. Thank you and God bless!

EVENTS

ADVENT CONFESSION

21 December – Wednesday, 6:30-8:00pm. Also, there will be one more opportunity for Confession on Friday, December 23 from 4:00pm-5:15pm.

CHRISTMAS WEEK SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be closed from 22 December 2016 at noon until 3 January, 2017 at 1:00pm. The Adoration Chapel will be closed 22 December 2016 at 6:00pm through 3 January 2017 at 6:00am.

ICON WORKSHOP/RETREAT

The Diocese of Lafayette Office of Worship is sponsoring a week-long residential icon painting workshop at the Jesuit spirituality Center n Grand Coteau, LA., from January 30 through February 5, 2017. Instructor is Dmitri Andreyev of Prosopon School of Iconology. Participants will leave with a completed icon of St. Michael the Archangel, Leader of the Heavenly Hosts. Cost is \$1230.00 and includes room and board for the week, 36 hours of painting instruction, and all art supplies. For more information, please contact Faye Drobnic at fdrobnic@diolaf.org or call (ss7) 261-5554 or (337) 344-7031.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets at the Cathedral of St. John every 3rd Monday of the month at 11:00am. A Rosary is said including intentions, the Padre Pio Prayer, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Padre Pio song is the order of the prayer group schedule. They will finish about 11:25am. For those who can they invite you to stay for the Mass at 12:05pm. No dues or requests for offerings. No roll is taken. This is strictly a prayer group. If you are interested just bring your Rosary.