

MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

I am happy to announce that the Board of Pastors has selected a new principal for Opelousas Catholic for the 2017-2018 academic year. The Board of Pastors unanimously has selected Mrs. Marty Heintz, a Queen of Angels Parishioner and Extra-ordinary Minister of Holy Communion at 8:30 am Sunday Mass.

Mrs. Heintz has been part of the Diocese of Lafayette Catholic School System for well over two decades. She has taught at the junior high level, she has coached sports, she is the vice-principal at Teurlings Catholic in Lafayette and has been instrumental in growing that high school tremendously. Her letters of recommendation speak highly of her Catholicity, her professional yet gentle manner of working with faculty, staff, parents, students, and alumni. Her knowledge of running and managing all aspects of Catholic Schools is extensive. Likewise, Mrs. Heintz is a sought-after advisor and evaluator of Catholic Schools in Louisiana, and as a result, she possesses a network of contacts and has a wealth of experience in seeing what has worked and what has failed in Catholic Schools. She has worked with our Catholic School Superintendent for 16 years. We had a search committee made up of the Board of Pastors, Cindy Gates our vice-principal who is retiring, a grandfather of students presently attending OC and an alumnus, a teacher, a member of the Advisory Council and parent, another parent, the Superintendent, the Athletic Director and Mr. Bernard Dumond who served as Chair of the Committee. Mr. Dumond has been working with OC for our vision and long range planning. The majority of the committee recommended Mrs. Heintz to the Board of Pastors after being part of the interview.

The Board of Pastors is delighted with the choice, and so grateful to God that we had two candidates who were outstanding. Please pray for the new leadership and ask the Holy Spirit to inspire more families to choose Opelousas Catholic to educate their children and grandchildren.

With reliance upon Our Lady Queen of Angels, I remain
In the Lord Jesus,



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

O. C. CORNER

Tickets are now on sale for the 18th annual OC Tasters' Dinner and Auction evening! The event will be held at the Opelousas Civic Center on February 8th. Tickets are only \$35. Call the school at 942-5404 ext. 105 for more information.

Scheduled for this week: Tuesday - Safe Environment Training at 1 pm in the school cafeteria; and FAFSA workshop from 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the cafeteria; Wednesday – Elementary Parents' Blood Drive, 2:00 to 6:00 pm; and posting of report cards; Thursday – High School Blood Drive, 7:45 am to 2 pm.

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. William Blanda, VF; Monday: Rev. Howard Blessing; Tuesday: Rev. David Borbridge, SJ.; Wednesday: Rev. Kevin Bordelon; Thursday: Rev. Millard Boyer; Friday: Rev. James Bradley, SJ; and Saturday: Rev. James Brady, JCL.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

January: Pope's Intentions for Evangelization: Christian Unity. That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

USHERS NEEDED

There is an urgent need for ushers as well as a need for more ushers to help at the Sunday 5:15 pm Mass. Please consider ministering in this fashion. Please contact Chris Marshal at 692-0838 or Darrell Zerangue at 351-3784. Or you can offer your assistance to the regular ushers at 5:15 pm Mass, Mason Alsandor, Alfred Richard or Carl Schwartzenburg.

EVENTS

CCD "SPECIAL NIGHTS"

As we did in previous years, once a month for the high school students in religious formation who meet on Monday nights and the Catholic School Confirmation students, we will have a special presentation and supper served at 5:15pm. Below are the dates to come early. **Mondays at 5:15pm: January 30th; February 20th; and March 27th.**

RIGHT TO LIFE WALK 2017

St. Landry Right to Life will hold the 30th annual Walk for Life on Saturday, January 14, 2017, to mourn the loss of the children who have been, and are being aborted every day, to restore respect for all human beings from conception to natural death, to raise awareness of the alternatives to abortion, and to help the victims of abortion deal with its aftermath. The Walk for Life will begin at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Opelousas at 10:00am with a short program, and then proceed to the New Life Center in Opelousas, ending approximately at noon. Refreshments will be provided by the Catholic Daughters at the New Life Center. The main speaker will be Ben Clapper, Louisiana Federation Right to Life and others. All denominations, groups, schools, and youth groups are invited, and families are encouraged to participate. Strollers and/or wagons are suggested for young children, and there will also be something available for those who cannot walk. **No skates, skateboards, scooters, or bicycles will be allowed for safety reasons. Please, no unaccompanied children under 13, and parents are responsible for their own children.**

Please lend your voice and your presence to the voiceless and unseen, unborn children who are being legally killed in this country! It is time to say "NO MORE"!!! Join the **Walk for Life on Saturday, January 14 at 10:00am at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church.** For more information call John/Jeri Miller at 337-948-9559.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$11,768.00
Bishop's Services Appeal 85.00
Collection for Opelousas Catholic 838.00
Retirement Fund for the Religious 10.00
Church in Latin America 35.00

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

READERS

Jan. 14 4:00 p.m. Malcolm Miller
Jan. 15 8:30 a.m. Gina Tuttle
10:30 a.m. Paula Carriere
5:15 p.m. Vickie Reed

ALTAR SOCIETY

Jan. 14 - 20 Vickie Reed & Committee
Linens (Jan. 14) Vickie Reed

ACTIVITIES

Sun., Jan. 8 3:00 p.m. Altar Society Twelfth Night
Mon., Jan. 9 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. CCD Classes 1, 2, 3
6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD Classes, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Tues., Jan. 10 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. CCD Classes 4,5,6
6:00 p.m. RCIA (Office Conference Room)
Wed., Jan. 11 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Sat., Jan. 14 10:00 a.m. Right to Life (Queen of Angels)

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 a blessed New Year.

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

ADORERS NEEDED

[Our Perpetual Eucharist Adoration Chapel is in great need of adorers during the time block of 12:00pm-5:00pm. Many adorers have had to exit their hour due to illness. Subsequently, those hours are now either without an adorers or with a single adorers. We ask all of our parishioners to seriously consider one of these times. Our chapel is only as strong as the strength of commitment of our adorers. Please consider one of these hours; call Marie LeBlanc at 337-948-8940. Thank you for your consideration. **Sunday, 12:00pm, 1:00pm, 2:00pm, and 3:00pm.; Monday, 1:00pm; Tuesday, 12:00pm, and 2:00pm; Wednesday, 4:00pm; Thursday, 2:00pm. (this hour does not have an adorers); Friday, 12:00pm, 1:00pm, 3:00pm and 4:00pm; Saturday, 1:00pm (this hour does not have an adorers).]**

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MASSES

Sat., Jan. 7 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, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Alphan & Yvonne Fontenot, Chad Saucier, Addison Montgomery, Keith Fontenot & Sandra Gay, Nazel Fontenot, Lloyd, Marie & Janet Andrus, Amanda Briggs, John & Sydney Cuccia

Sun., Jan. 8 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, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin & Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Annie(B) Leger & Jesse, Jr., John A. Green, Irvin Deranger, Marius "Tommy" Oge', Jr.

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, James "Jim" Wallace, Bobby Mouton, Lydia Hunt, Lori Domegeaux

5:15 p.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN

OF ANGELS

Mon., Jan. 9 5:15 p.m. John G. Fontenot(B)
Tues., Jan. 10 7:00 a.m. Shirley(Anniversary of Death) & Antoine "Free" Bergeron, Adrian "Stoney" Angelle
Wed., Jan. 11 5:15 p.m. Jesse Leger, Jr.(Anniversary of Death), Irvin Deranger

Thurs., Jan. 12 7:00 a.m. John G. Fontenot, Dr. George Bourgeois, Billy Bacque, Huey(Anniversary of Death) & Joyce Bourque

Fri., Jan. 13 5:15 p.m. Ernest Duplechin, Darius & Elsie Bourque
Sat., Jan. 14 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Percy Thibodeaux, Charles F. & Mercedes Going, Bill Hatch & Fr. Joseph DeLuca, Mary Beth Tate, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Nazel Fontenot, Wilbert & Alice Reed, Charles, Yolande & Angele Carroll & Henry David, Glen Winn

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OF ANGELS CHURCH

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.