

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

My dear Parishioners,

Tomorrow is Memorial Day and I thought I would dedicate my letter to this national holiday.

Originally, Memorial Day was called Decoration Day and it was borne out of the Civil War and a desire to remember its dead. It was officially proclaimed on 5 May 1868 by General John Lozano. He wrote, "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the Land." The day of Decoration Day was chosen because there was no battle recorded on that specific date.

By 1890, this commemoration was adopted by all the Northern States but the South refused to acknowledge that day, choosing to honor their dead on a separate day until after World War 1, when the holiday changed from honoring just the Civil War dead to honoring all Americans who died fighting in any war.

It is now observed in almost every state on the last Monday in May. This helped ensure a three day weekend for Federal holidays, although several Southern States have an additional holiday honoring the Confederate dead. In Louisiana, it is 3 June, the birthday of Jefferson Davis.

Interestingly to note there is a tradition of wearing a red poppy on Memorial Day to honor those who died serving the nation. That custom was inspired by a poem, written by Moira Michael wherein she wrote,

"We cherish too, the Poppy red
That grows on fields where valor led.
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies."

So, on this Memorial Day weekend, let us thank God for these heroes and heroines who have given their lives to secure our freedom and our peace.

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



Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

O. C. CORNER

In the recent Elementary Awards Ceremony, OC commends the students receiving the Religion awards for their exceptional Christian behavior: Bennett Citron & Lucy Meche, Kindergarten; Mia Collins & Genevieve Harmon, 1st grade; Joseph Gradnigo & Luke Reed, 2nd grade; Brennan Charles & Jenna Little, 3rd grade; Mary Caroline Emonet & Annelise Harvey, 4th grade; and Christian Lee & Clara Melancon, 5th grade.

Congratulations to all of the student athletes who were recognized and especially to the Viking and Lady Viking of the Year, Sam Jarrell and Sarah Joubert!

Parents are encouraged to check ParentsWeb and/or the school website (www.OCSvikings.com) for updated information during the summer months.

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: Msgr. Paul Metrejean; Monday: Rev. Mark Miley; Tuesday: Rev. Thomas Montelaro; Wednesday: Rev. Michael Moody, SVD; Thursday: Pope Francis; Friday: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI; and Saturday: Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

May: Pope's Intentions for Evangelization: Christians in Africa. That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

LOST & FOUND

Someone left a set of keys in Queen of Angels Parish Hall several weeks ago, sometime during the last two weeks of April. It could have been at the Father and Daughter's dance or before. They contain two keys with ULL on the ring. Contact the main office.

EVENTS

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP MEETING

The Junior High Youth Group will meet next Sunday, June 4th at 3:30-5:00pm in the Parish Hall. All students who will be new members and entering the 6th through 8th grade next school year are encouraged to sign up at the June meeting.

LIL'ANGELS' CAMP

Queen of Angels Lil'Angels' Camp is scheduled for July 10th thru July 14th, 2017, from 8am to 12noon. Registration is being held now at the Parish Office. The deadline for registering is June 9th, 2017.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS' SALAD BINGO

The Catholic Daughters' Salad Bingo will be held on Saturday, June 10th, 2017 at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, 12 games of Bingo – 1 Blackout. The cost is \$15.00. For Tickets and information, call Janis Courville at 337-789-0971 or Jane Savoy at 337-945-5487.

A HEALING & HOPE WITH IMMACULEE' ILIBAGIZA

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, 114 Bienvenu St., Church Point, LA, will be having a weekend of Healing & Hope with Immaculee' Ilibagiza on Friday & Saturday, June 30-July 1, 2017. This retreat includes her witness of the power of prayer, miracles of the Rosary, and inspirational music. Registration contact Annette Micek at abette@immaculee.com and local contact is Debbie Fontenot at 337-288-5792 at dfontenot@ompwildcots.com. Tickets are \$57 for individual or \$76 for one plus guest.

Father Austin Leger will be celebrating his 55th year as a priest this coming Friday, June 2nd . We want to wish him well and keep him in your prayers. May God bless him!

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offerory Collection \$13,208.15
Collection for Opelousas Catholic 29.00
Bishop Services Appeal 345.00
Peter's Pence Collection 10.00

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

READERS

June 3 4:00 p.m. J.L. Phillips
June 4 8:30 a.m. Gina Tuttle
10:30 a.m. Iggie Castille
5:15 p.m. Vickie Reed

ALTAR SOCIETY

June 3 - 9 Liz Ortego & Committee
Linens (June 3) Gail Phillips

ACTIVITIES

Sun., May 28 . . 7:00 a.m.-12 p.m. KC's Blood Drive
Wed., May 31 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Sat. & Sun., June 3 & 4 SECOND COLLECTION FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE TO OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC FOR PARISHIONERS WHO QUALIFY
Sun., June 4 . . . 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Group Meeting

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, 12:00pm, 3:00pm & 4:00pm;
Saturday 11:00 am; 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00pm; Sunday, 3:00pm

THE PERFECT GIFT

When you want to give someone a special gift, consider giving an hour of prayer in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Body, blood, soul and divinity. Beautiful prayer intention cards are available in the Church Office. Cost \$1.00.

+VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR JUNE

May 28-June 3, 2017 – Dwayne & Vicky Pitre; **June 4-10, 2017** – Georgia Stoute; **June 11-17, 2017** – Scott & Sheila Sebastien; **June 18-24, 2017** – Dr. Glynn & Nancy Granger; and **June 25-July 1** – Rita Soileau. Thank you for your commitment! Remember to pray for our local Seminarians: Ben Pitre, Matthew Pitre, Cade LeBlanc, Michael Vidrine, and Sean Fontenot.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



MASSES

Sat., May 27 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Nazel Fontenot, Glenn Winn, Ralph Ortego, Alphan & Yvonne Fontenot, Chad Saucier, Addison Montgomery, Keith Fontenot & Sandra Gay, Gladys & Honore Tate, Helen & Vince Fontenot, Lisa Deville, George Chauvin, Shawn Dejean, Michael Janise, Dennis Scott(Anniversary of Death), M/M Lloyd Ardoin, Sr., Allen & Isabel Smith, Theresa Briley, Alice & Wilbur Reed, Anita Durio & Myrtle Gibson, Allen & Isabel Smith, Theresa Briley

Sun., May 28 8:30 a.m. Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courville, Harold & Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, John A. Green, Verbis Lafleur, Jacqueline James, Irvin Deranger, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Alvarez Hertzock, M/M Abram & Irene Lafleur, M/M Alphonse & Angela Wyble, Jules Olivier Joshua Peck, Jesse & Anna Leger, Jesse, Jr., Dudley & Glenn Macip, Tommy & Jerry Oge', Allen Ardoin, Percy Thibodeaux, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin & Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Paul & Pat Castille, M/M Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., Alex Chachere, M/M Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille, Myrtle Smith & Gary G. Castille, Willis & Girlie Fontenot, Pete Wade, T.D., Dolores, Dewey & Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marcianna, Judy, Roy & Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine Bertrand, Jean, Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, John E. Bradley(Anniversary of Death 5/24)

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Sarah Jarrell, Lucille "Lucy" Veltin, James "Jim" Wallace, Donald & Sylvia Chachere, Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex & Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff & Greg Durio, Cecily Camille Soileau, Lillian & Ray B. Guillory, M/M Elridge Schwartzburg & M/M Elmo Simon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Beatrice Sue Grimmatt, Allen Ardoin, Daniel Mansfield, Jackie Mills
5:15 p.m. PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF

ANGELS

Mon., May 29 5:15 p.m. Eddie Rene(B), William "Bill" Simien & Mary Deville
Tues., May 30 7:00 a.m. Sylvan Soileau(B)
Wed., May 31 5:15 p.m. Irvin Deranger, Woodrow, Carl & Lisa Deville, Agnes Porche & Rena Millspaugh
Thurs., June 1 7:00 a.m. Melba & Dale Britt, Byron Miller, Lawrence Miller & Beatrice, Leon Latiolais & Loula Latiolais
Fri., June 2 5:15 p.m. George G. Bourgeois, Rene Fontenot(B), Rose Joubert

Sat., June 3 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Ralph Ortego, Alphan & Yvonne Fontenot, Chad Saucier, Addison Montgomery, Keith Fontenot & Sandra Gay, Rene Fontenot & Scottie Artigue, Gene, Bea, Bill & William Bourdier, George Chauvin, William "Bill" Simien & Mary Deville, Howard Pitre, Lynwood Hidalgo, M/M Felix Hidalgo & Family, M/M Vincent Guidry & Family
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5:15 p.m. Benjamin & Frances Richard, Claudette Richard, Benny Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and 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.