

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My dear Parishioners,

I recently completed reading two personal memoirs of two women who know a lot about food. The first book was called, My Soul Looks Back by Jessica Harris, who, in addition to being an author, is an American culinary historian, college professor, cookbook author and journalist. Dr. Harris chronicles the Black Intelligentsia group in New York City during the 1970's to the present. And much of the book included stories about meals with her amazing friends.

The love of her life was a gentleman by the name of Sam Floyd. He taught Jessica much about dining and entertaining. This is what he once told her, when entertaining, "always offer the best that you can afford to and have it in prodigious abundance." To me that is the quintessential definition of hospitality.

The other book I just completed last week was Miss Ella of Commander's Palace of the famous Brennan family life in New Orleans starting with her childhood. One of the most delightful quotations of this spunky nearly 90 year old grande dame is, "Oh, the wine! One of the most civilized things that we have left on the earth. I just don't see anything happening that would want to make people take a pill for nourishment instead of dining."

Both of these women captured the secret of the meal, a meal together with family and friends. It is no wonder that we are most defined as Catholics by a Meal, not scrambled eggs and sautéed bananas as Ella's momma used to make for breakfast but the Bread of Angels and the Cup of Salvation—Jesus Himself. Clearly in this Holy Meal we share a perfect example of what Sam described to Jessica about the meal – namely, in this Holy Meal that we call the Eucharist, God offers the best He has and gives it completely. For truly what He offers in the Eucharist is Himself, and every bite and every sip, every word heard and every word spoken, every song that is sung are meant truly to remind us, as St. Ignatius of Antioch said in and around the year 100, the Food and Drink we partake is the "medicine of immortality."

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

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Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen
Pastor

O. C. CORNER

OC is holding "Operation Viking Care" to collect items for those affected by Hurricane Harvey. Gathered this week will be school supplies, and they can be dropped off at school or at this Thursday's football game in Donald Gardner Stadium. All high school classes will have their "service retreats" held this Friday as they practice "service above self". Please keep them in your prayers.

Let us remember the 2017-2018 Annual Angel Appeal Drive now in progress! Donations for the appeal may be mailed in or can be made online ... see the school website. And the "Viking 162 Envelope Ship" will be sailing for the appeal! May God bless everyone for the gifts and prayers!

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. Ken Broussard; Monday: Rev. Patrick Broussard; Tuesday: Rev. Paul Broussard; Wednesday: Rev. Richard Broussard.; Thursday: Msgr. Ronald Broussard; Friday: Rev. Theodore Broussard; Saturday: Rev. Keenan Brown.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

September: Pope's Intention for Evangelization: Parishes. That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Our Father in Heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season and protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Thank you for your favors in the past. Amen.

EVENTS

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP MEETING

The group will also have a project to help cleaning of the graves in the local cemeteries before All Saint's Day. If you are interested in their help, please contact their Sponsor, Ann Speyrer, at 337-945-3717 for more information and if you are interested.

USHERS' SUPPER

Through the kindness of Sheriff Guidroz there will be an Ushers' Supper for all ushers and spouses at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, 26 September in the Parish Hall.

UPCOMING DIRECTED RETREATS
JESUIT SPIRITUALITY CENTER

The Jesuit Spirituality Center at Grand Coteau, Louisiana, announces these upcoming individually directed retreats: Silent, Individually-Directed Retreats of 3, 5, or 8-days begin on the following dates: Mon., Oct. 2., or Thur., Oct.5; Mon., Oct.,16 or Thur., Oct.19; Mon. Oct.30 or Thur., Nov.2; Mon., Nov.,13(3 & 5days only); Mon. Dec., 4 or Thur., Dec.7. For an application form to register, visit the website jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or call 337/662-5251, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 5:00 pm.

ROSARY CONGRESS AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Lafayette is having a Rosary Congress from Friday, 6 October-Sunday, 8 October. Call the parish office for more information: 337-232-8945.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL ROSARY CONGRESS

On 9 October through 13 October at St John Berchmans in Cankton, there will be a Rosary Congress. For more information, please contact David/Debra Menard. Cell# 337-692-1035.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collections \$14,093.60
Opelousas Catholic Collection 59.00
Harvey Relief 10,507.70

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

READERS

Sept. 30 4:00 p.m. Buster LeBlanc
Oct. 1 8:30 a.m. Bruce & Bernadette Gaudin
10:30 a.m. Josie Prudhomme
5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux

ALTAR SOCIETY

Sept. 30 - Oct. 6 Peggy Crow & Committee
Linens (Sept. 30) Flo Pierrotte

ACTIVITIES

Mon., Sept. 25 4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 1, 2, and 3
6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Tues., Sept. 26 4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 4, 5, and 6
6:00 p.m. Ushers' Supper
Wed., Sept. 27 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Sat. & Sun., Sept. 23 & 24 SECOND COLLECTION FOR OC

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will meet for instructions at Our Lady Queen of Angels at the Parish Office on the the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. 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; Thursday, 7-8am; Friday, 12:00pm, 3:00pm,

4:00pm & 6:00pm; Saturday, 7-8am, 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00pm

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 October 2017

Oct. 1-7, 2017- Cathy & Don Chachere
Oct. 8-14, 2017- Scott and Anita Champagne
Oct. 15-21, 2017- Freddie & Cathy Chautin
Oct. 22-28, 2017- Jo Ann and Glenn Cortez
Oct. 29-Nov. 4, 2017- Tammy Lanolos



Thank you for your commitment!

Remember to pray for our local seminarians:

Ben Pitre-St. Landry
Cade LeBlanc & Michael Pitre-Eunice
Michael Vidrine-Melville
Sean Fontenot-Ville Platte

Extra prayer cards in the back of church

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MASSES

Sat., Sept. 23 4:00 p.m. Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Ashley Doucet Boyd, Charles & Mercedes Going Family, William & Dorothy Hatch Family, Fr. Joseph Deluca, Irvin Deranger, Lisa Macip, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Rene Fontenet & Scotty Artigue, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Theresa Briley, Natalie Pitre, Curtis Hooks, Jr.(Birthday), Harry & Scott Smith, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dudley & Glenn Macip, Bernice D. Guidry(Anniversary of Death), Alvin Taylor Reed & Taylor Families, Lloyd & Marie & Janet Andrus, Rick & Amanda Briggs, John & Sydney Cuccio, Willis & Girlie Fontenet

Sun., Sept. 24 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courvelle, Harold & Todd Fontenet, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, Irvin Deranger, Alvarez Hertzock, Edward & Dennis & Pearl Fontenet, Allen Ardoin, Percy Thibodeaux, John A. Green, 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, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Eddie Rene, Kady-Soileau Family & Hunt-Arceneaux Family, Broussard-Leday Family, Lalond-Johnson Family, Dennis & Daniel Reed, Deceased Members of Leger Family and Arceneaux Family, Theresa Briley, Jacqueline James, Burnley & Aline Bordelon, Dennis & Pearl Fontenet, Willis & Girlie Fontenet, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn & Marie Marks, Telma, Lacey & Randall Spell, Mary Rhettburg, Lloyd, Marie & Janet Andrus, Rick & Amanda Briggs, John & Sydney Cuccio, Lynwood Hidalgo, M/M Felix Hidalgo, Jr. & Family, M/M Vincent Guidry & Family, Jason P. Griffin, Earline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dolores Mayfield, Alison King, T. D. Dolores (Anniversary of Death), Dewey & Charmaine Auzenne, Velton, Sr., Marcianna, Judy, Roy & Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine Cary, Geraldine Bertrand, Jean & Hilton Auzenne

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex & Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff & Greg Durio, Marie & Pappy Richard & Lori Richard Thomasson, Cecily Camille Soileau, Lillian & Ray B. Guillory, M/M Elridge Schwartzenburg & M/M Elmo Simon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Willis & Girlie Fontenet, M/M Lloyd Ardoin, Sr., Arthur "Manny" Veltin, Carolyn Pitre, Joseph Howard Lemelle, Violette Quebedeaux, James "Jim" Wallace, Earline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Adolph Stelly, Bill & Effie Morris

5:15 p.m. Deceased members of the Rae Family, Boutte-Mouton Family, Cole Family & Lackey Family

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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.