

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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OFFICE OF THE PASTOR

My dear Parishioners,

The Bishop has asked that I publish the following in our bulletin. "The Come Home for Christmas" outreach is important and necessary. We have the Real Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist and that is such a tremendous Gift, one about which many forget. Let us do our part and invite inactive Catholics back to the Eucharist. What a Christmas it would be for them and for us, and for Jesus!

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

Handwritten signature of Rev. Msgr. Keith J. DeRouen

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Pastor

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

During Advent we celebrate the coming of Jesus. In this particular season of the Liturgical Year, we are reminded of our family and friends who have drifted away from the church.

Once again, the Diocese of Lafayette will be sponsoring their annual "Come Home for Christmas Campaign." We want our brothers and sisters to return home to be with their spiritual family.

Every active Catholic is encouraged to invite someone to accompany them to Mass on Christmas Day. Offer to pick them up and bring them with you. Please pray for the success of this outreach.

We also encourage you to participate in your parish program by submitting to the Rectory the name of a special friend or family member that you would like to invite to Come Home for Christmas. Please submit the names and addresses by December 13.

THANK YOU

The Parish is grateful to Mr. Woody Watson, Mr. and Mrs. James Guglielmo, Dr. and Mrs. Damian Badeaux, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gaiennie, and St. Landry Lumber for their generosity in providing the string quartet for the Christmas Evening Mass at 5:15 pm on December 25.

O. C. CORNER

The OC Elementary School Christmas Play is set for this Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the school gym featuring preschoolers through fifth graders. Piano students will also have a Recital at Prompt Succor on Monday at 3:30 pm for the residents.

Family and friends of Catholic education are reminded about the 2017-2018 Angel Appeal Drive in progress. You may want to consider an Appeal gift for Christmas in memory of a loved one. You can even make your gift online through the school website www.OCSvikings.com. Besides helping the Foundation Trust Fund, funds will also be used to purchase Chromebooks for classroom use. God bless everyone for the assistance!

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS 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. Matthew Hebert; Monday: T. J. Hebert; Tuesday: Rev. Matthew Higginbotham; Wednesday: Rev. Joseph Hund, OFM; Thursday: Rev. Godwin Imoru; Friday: Bishop Sam Jacobs; Saturday: Rev. Thomas James, SVD.

EVENTS

ADVENT MORNING OF REFLECTION

Our Lady Queen of Angels Senior Angels Group will be sponsoring an Advent Morning of Reflection on Wednesday, Dec. 13. Our day will begin at 8:00 a.m. with coffee and doughnuts in the Parish Hall. We will then walk over to Church for 9:00, where our own Monsignor Keith will lead us through a morning of reflections on Advent. Our morning will end with Monsignor celebrating Mass at 11:30 a.m. All are invited as we gather on the feast of St. Lucy.

DOLL & TOY FUND

Once again this year, the Catholic Daughters, Court St. Landry, is sponsoring the local Doll & Toy Fund drive. Boxes are at the entrances to the church to receive new and unwrapped toys for this worthy cause. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Doll & Toy Fund and mailed to: 176 Rue Savanna, Opelousas, LA. c/o Janis Courvelle. For more information call 337-789-0971.

HOLY FATHER'S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

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.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$12,112.00
BSA 47.00
Opelousas Catholic Collection 1,249.59
Campaign for Human Development 25.00
Archdiocese for the Military 6.00
Religious Retirement 25.00

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

READERS

Dec. 16 4:00 p.m. J.L. Phillips
Dec. 17 8:30 a.m. Gina Tuttle
10:30 a.m. Paula Carriere
5:15 p.m. Kathy Hebert

ALTAR SOCIETY

Dec. 16 - 22 Elsie Smith and Team
Linens (Dec. 16) Gail Phillips

ACTIVITIES

Mon., Dec. 11 4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 1, 2, and 3
5:30-7:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 7,8,9,10 &11
Tues., Dec. 12 4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES 4,5,and 6
6:00 p.m. Catholic Daughters Meeting Parish Hall
Wed., Dec. 13 8:00 a.m.-Noon Advent Morning Reflection
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. Confessions Heard "The Light Is On For You"
Sat., Dec. 16 2:00 p.m. High School Youth Group Christmas Social

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will meet for instructions at Our Lady Queen of Angels in the Parish Conference Room on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. Please call the Office to make an appointment with Deacon Bill at 942-5628.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We are very thankful to the parishioners who called to volunteer for all three of the hours that were in need of adorers. Thanks to their commitment to our Adoration Chapel, we now have all hours filled with at least one adorer. We do, however, have many hours that are in need of a second adorer, so if anyone is interested in sharing an hour of Adoration with Jesus, we gratefully accept your commitment.

Again, Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish sincerely thanks you.

Please contact Claire Robichaux (942-7059), Marie LeBlanc, (948-8940), or Jerome Collins (948-4595) if you would like to commit to any other hour with our Lord.

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.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Advertisement for CREDEUR'S SPECIALTIES, featuring promotional products, marketing ideas, screen printing, embroidery, uniforms, and awards.

MASSES

Sat., Dec. 9 4:00 p.m. Albert Speyrer and Amos Ledoux, Ashley Doucet Boyd, Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph Deluca, Irvin Deranger, Lisa Macip, Angelo and Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Rene Fontenot and Scotty Artigue, Lynn Marks and Marie Marks, Theresa Briley, Natalie Pitre, Curtis Hooks, Jr., Harry and Scott Smith, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dudley and Glenn Macip, Bernice D. Guidry (Anniversary of Death), Alvin Taylor, Reed and Taylor Families, Lloyd, Marie, and Janet Andrus, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Annette and Gerald Domingue, Nazel Fontenot

Sun., Dec. 10 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courvelle, Harold and Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, Irvin Deranger, Alvarez Hertzock, Edward, Dennis and Pearl Fontenot, Allen Ardoin, Percy Thibodeaux, John A. Green, Jane Bellard Family, Calvin and Henrietta Bellard, Janette Bellard, Paul and Pat Castille, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Chachere, Sr., Tony, Jr., and Alex Chachere, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castille, Sr., Harold Castille, Myrtle Smith and Gary G. Castille, Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux and Family, Eddie Rene, Kady-Soileau Family, Hunt-Arceneaux Families, Broussard-Leday Families, Lalond-Johnson Families, Dennis and Daniel Reed, Deceased Members of Leger and Arceneaux Families, Theresa Briley, Jacqueline James, Burnley, Edward, and Aline Bordelon, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn and Marie Marks, Telma, Lacey and Randall Spell, Mary Rhettburg, Lloyd, Marie and Janet Andrus, Rick and Amanda Briggs, John and Sydney Cuccia, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Jason P. Griffin, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Dudley and Glenn Macip, Grace Carriere, Edna Crow

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff and Greg Durio, Marie and Pappy Richard, Lori Richard Thomasson, Cecily Camille Soileau, Lillian and Ray B. Guillory, Mr. and Mrs. Elridge Schwartzburg, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Simon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, Ryder and Quebedeaux Families, Willis and Girlie Fontenot, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ardoin, Sr., Arthur "Manny" Veltin, Carolyn Pitre (Birthday August 31), Joseph Howard Lemelle, Violette Quebedeaux, James "Jim" Wallace, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux, Daniel Mansfield, Gene, Bea, Bill and William Bourdier, Russell and Loula Reed, Carolyn Pitre, Bill and Effie Morris, Emma Elias (Birthday)

5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Benjamin and Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry, Erline Lavergne Thibodeaux
Mon., Dec. 11 5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Tully Special Intention, Evelena DeJean Abdalla
Tues., Dec. 12 7:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger, Ashley Borg Guidroz, John G. Fontenot, Frank Simoneaux (Birthday)
Wed., Dec. 13 5:15 p.m. Joshua Peck (Anniversary of Death), Catherine Comeaux, Eve Thibodeaux Leger (Birthday)
Thurs., Dec. 14 7:00 a.m. Jacqueline James (Birthday), Merle Sudzik
Fri., Dec. 15 5:15 p.m. Dennis and Daniel Reed, Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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