

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 6:30 a.m.

The Baptism of the Lord
Is 55:1-11 / Mk 1:7-11

Julie Bradberry, Al Adams III fly. (L&D)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 1:9-20 / Mk 1:21-28

Julie Bradberry, LJJ

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 / Mk 1:29-39

Julie Bradberry, Melissa Rhodes, JPL, Barbara LeLeux

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 6:30 a.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 4:1-11 / Mk 1:40-45

Julie Bradberry

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 12:10 p.m.

Weekday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a / Mk 2:1-12

Julie Bradberry, Monica Mancuso, Stephanie Baudry

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 / 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 /
Jn 1:35-42

4:00 p.m. M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Lee Nini fly. (L&D), Patrick Gray, Hazel Landry Roy, Lee Landry, Angeliq LeLeux

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

7:00 a.m. Andy Robichaux, Emile & Ivy Adams, Stephen E. Adams

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Edna Alcina, Onesime Richard

6:30 p.m. Patrick Gray

Offertory \$3617.00

Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

The young man looked at the handkerchief in my hand and laughingly told me how he used to mispronounce the word when he was a child. I smiled at this confession from the innocence of his childhood.

Then he asked me what I used a handkerchief for. When I had answered his question, he asked me why I did not use a tissue.

It was one of those moments when I felt like a troglodyte.

A short time later in the course of a conversation, a parishioner expressed the hope that the next pastor here would be a younger priest. I chose not to ask the reason for the wish because I did not want to know.

Perhaps, I thought to myself, I am past the stage of being a troglodyte. I began to wonder if I was not moving into obsolescence.

Is planned obsolescence restricted to design and economic theory or is it possible that planned obsolescence is a part of the human experience?

Admittedly I do not do as well as I did formerly on the periodic cultural IQ test. I basically have no interest in music, have not watched a movie in years, and am indifferent to Hollywood. I do read contemporary novelists, mostly James Lee Burke, Jonathan Kellerman, and John Grisham.

Nonetheless, I do very poorly on the cultural IQ test.

Despite my limited knowledge of their culture, I think I still relate relatively effectively to children and teenagers. I could be deluding myself. Is that another sign of obsolescence?

Upon further reflection, I have concluded that I am not obsolete because humanity never becomes outdated or useless. Cultures can and do change. Actually they must change. Styles and customs need to be fluid. Humans who depend on a culture for the means of expression and fulfillment do not experience the same type of change. Authentic human change is one of depth, not perception. The simple truth is that the deeper our experience of being human, the deeper the bond with others. The adage holds: that which is most personal is most universal.

Therefore I will continue to use a handkerchief and a typewriter, avoid music and movies, and wear my standard clerical attire. I will dabble in cultural matters and find joy there.

And I will never be obsolete because my humanity continues to deepen.

On the other hand, the next parish priest, and I hope that day is far in the future, will definitely be younger than me because there are very few who are older than me.

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette: Our diocese is observing the hundredth anniversary of its establishment this year. Bishop Deshotel will formally open the observance with a Mass at St. Martin of Tours Church, St. Martinville, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend the Mass.

Newly Baptized

Paisley Grace Daigle was baptized on December 31, 2017.

Pray for the following 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.

- January 8, Rev. Clyde LeBlanc
- January 9, Rev. Stephen LeBlanc
- January 10, Rev. Jerome Ledoux, SVD
- January 11, Rev. Louis Ledoux
- January 12, Rev. Mark Ledoux
- January 13, Rev. Austin Leger
- January 14, Rev. Lambert Lein, SVD

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Vanessa Clements, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Reese Grace Johnson, Brooke Rhodes, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Mike Keith, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry, Sonny Gilmore, Laurie Hale, Theresa Henry, Connie Robichaux, Quinn Toups, Gloria Nini, Susan Cantrell, Denyse Millitello, Mike Taylor, Malisa Mayon, Linda DeHart, John Menard, Glenn Eues, J.C. Ratcliff, Matthew LeJeune

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
January 13, 4:00 p.m.	Sandra LeBlanc	Barbara LeLeux	Linda Thomas
January 14, 7:00 a.m.	Susan Blanchard		
10:00 a.m.	Ann Lombardo	Donna Gisclair	
6:30 p.m.	Monique Ratcliff	Brian Theriot	