

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 6:30 a.m.

*St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 /
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a*

Julie Bradberry

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 6:30 a.m.

*Lenten Weekday
Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30*

Julie Bradberry

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 6:30 a.m.

*Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42*

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THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 6:30 a.m.

*Lenten Weekday
Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59*

Julie Bradberry

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 5:30 p.m.

*(Way of the Cross followed by Mass)
Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42*

Julie Bradberry, AML

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

*Lenten Weekday
Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56*

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Mk 14:1 — 15:47*

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), Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), Jamie & Brittani Head, Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Guy Gilmore, Jr., Dana G. Robin, Arden Adams fly. (L&D), Josephine Trahan

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

7:00 a.m. Fran Listi

10:00 a.m. M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Michelle Denning, Donald & Vivian LeBlanc, Angelo & Marjorie Streva, Shane Guidroz

6:30 p.m. Maude & Theophile Marks, Arthur & Celima Hollier

Offertory \$4563.00
Catholic Relief Services \$608.00

Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

Some of the foreign born priests in the new diocese were open about their disappointment with the appointment of Bishop Jeanmard as the first Bishop of Lafayette. A few cautiously opposed him.

Bishop Jeanmard, for his part, was resolved to fulfill his sacred duty. He also concluded that change was needed.

One of those changes was the need for vocations from the new diocese. So Bishop Jeanmard encouraged native vocations. Rather than depend upon priests coming here from other countries, he wanted native sons to serve their own people. While clearly grateful to those priests who left their own homes to serve in Louisiana, Bishop Jeanmard also saw the importance of native vocations.

Monsignor Bacque, my pastor from my birth until I was fourteen, for example, was the first native priest to be appointed pastor of St. Peter parish in New Iberia and the first to be pastor of the Cathedral. He was also the first native priest to serve as Superintendent of Catholic Schools.

Closer to home, Father Warren Boudreaux, a native of this parish, was the first to be sent for further studies in canon law. Returning from the Catholic University of America with a doctorate in canon law, the future bishop was appointed secretary to Bishop Jeanmard and head of the diocesan tribunal. He was later to be the first native to be appointed Vicar General, second in command in a diocese, and the first priest of the Diocese of Lafayette to be appointed a bishop.

Bishop Jeanmard also saw the need to establish a seminary in the new diocese as a means of further encouraging local vocations.

At the time, 1918, seminary formation took place in two institutions: the minor seminary and the major seminary. The minor seminary consisted of high school and the first two years of college. The major seminary consisted of the final two years of college and four years of theology. There was then in Louisiana a minor seminary, St. Joseph Seminary, more popularly called St. Ben's, near Covington, and a major seminary, Notre Dame, in New Orleans.

Travel to both seminaries at the beginning of the Twentieth Century was quite a journey, more often accomplished by bus or train than by car.

Bishop Jeanmard opened Immaculata Minor Seminary in Lafayette in 1948. In order to accomplish this momentous feat, Bishop Jeanmard asked every parish in the diocese to collect money for the project. The people responded so generously that the building was debt free on the opening day. There was actually a surplus of money that permitted the addition of a gym.

This money was raised without the assistance of a professional fund raising company. What a tribute to the faith and commitment of the people of the diocese.

Most importantly, the diocese enjoyed many vocations to the priesthood until the late 1970s.

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Second Collection: The second collection this weekend is for the Bishop's Services Appeal.

Special Collection: The second collection next weekend is for the financial support of the Church in Eastern Europe and Africa.

Adoration for Holy Thursday and Good Friday: Volunteers are needed for Eucharistic Adoration for the hours between the end of the Holy Thursday Evening Mass and the Good Friday Services. Sign up sheets are available this weekend.

Servers Needed: Servers are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Sign up sheets are available this weekend.

Rest in Peace

Theresa DuBois Henry died on March 13, 2018.

Repeat Announcements

The Jubilee of the Word Marathon: Beginning on Wednesday, April 4, at 12:30 p.m. the Bible will be read publicly cover to cover without pause in the Square of St. Martinville. The marathon will conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Bishop Deshotel will begin the reading from the first chapters of Genesis. Over 300 lectors will be needed for 20 minute intervals. Lectors from churches throughout Acadiana and others interested in reading are encouraged to sign up for a reading slot during the marathon. All are encouraged to come and listen and *marinate* in the Word. For more information or to register as a lector, please contact Fr. Michael Champagne, CJC at fetedieuduteche@gmail.com or 337 394-6550. More information is available at www.fetedieuduteche.org and Fete-Dieu du Teche on Facebook.

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
March 24, 4:00 p.m.	Stan Beaubouef	Linda Beaubouef	Jean Beaugh
March 25, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Blake Orgeron Martha Boudreaux Laura Dozar	Debra Parker Briant Dozar	

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.

March 19, Rev. Garrett Savoie
March 20, Rev. William Schambough
March 21, Rev. Gary Schexnayder
March 22, Rev. Nicholas Schiro, SJ
March 23, Rev. Paul Schott, SJ
March 24, Rev. Clinton Sensat
March 25, Rev. Bryce Sibley

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, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Reese Grace Johnson, John Czajka, Brooke Rhodes, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, 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, Wy-anette Monceaux, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, C JL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry, Laurie Hale, Connie Robichaux, Quinn Troups, Gloria Nini, Susan Cantrell, Denyse Millitello, Mike Taylor, Linda DeHart, John Menard, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Tanika Short, Sawyer Allums, Johnny Orlando, Dawn Anslem, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Richard Burnham, Kenny Moore, Peggy Lovell, Elizabeth West Landry, Nicholas Wiggins, Hunter Chaisson, Gene Dreher