

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, MARCH 18, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38*

Julie Bradberry, John B. Hover

**TUESDAY, 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, Angela Price

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28*

Julie Bradberry

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31*

Julie Bradberry

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46*

Julie Bradberry

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32*

**8:00 a.m.** Wilson Bradberry

*Third Sunday of Lent*

*Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 / 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 / Lk 13:1-9*

**4:00 p.m.** M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Julie Bradberry, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Gayle Arnould fly. (L&D), Dana G. Robin, AML, Lee Landry, Hazel Landry Roy

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

**7:00 a.m.** Luella Smith

**10:00 a.m.** M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Grant Hebert, Dale Chaisson

**6:30 p.m.** Ray Rasberry

Offertory \$3562.00  
Black & Indian Missions \$702.70  
Catholic Charities of Acadiana \$1055.39

**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

I find great meaning in the Season of Lent.

There is first the challenge to be a better person. This challenge leads to a desire to “give something up” as evidence of our willingness to change. Giving this evidence of a willingness to change by some act of self-denial is important.

There are the Masses of the Season of Lent. The Scripture passages proclaim the challenges to be embraced if we are indeed to become better people. The prayers of the Masses lift our minds and hearts to the Lord so that we strive to be more intimately united to Him.

If you are not able- or not willing- to attend Mass on weekdays, the passages assigned to the daily Masses are printed in the weekly bulletin. Consider reading the passages and if one particular phrase catches your attention, reflect upon it for a time. If this passage leads you to a better understanding of yourself or the Lord, this may well be a grace, a gift from the Lord.

The ultimate goal of life is to be united with God for all eternity. In order to be united with Him, we must become like Him. We must become holy. Left to ourselves, we could never acquire this holiness essential for union with God. God desires and wills to give us this holiness as a gift, as an expression of His love for us.

We, however, must desire and will to receive this gift. It is not possible for us to accept this gift and remain in our sinfulness. The response to the grace of holiness is conversion of life, turning away from sin and turning toward God.

The standard for holiness of life is neither arbitrary nor relative. We do not get to decide what it means to be holy. What it means to be holy is revealed to us fully in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Each day we should strive to be like Him, to have the mind and heart of Christ.

Although this is a daily struggle, the struggle takes on a greater urgency and intensity during the Lenten Season. May we support and encourage one another during this Lenten Season as we continue this struggle. We demonstrate that support and encouragement in a powerful way when we join one another at Mass on weekdays and Sundays as well as meditate on the Way of the Cross on Friday afternoons during this Lenten Season.

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**Special Collection:** The second collection this weekend is for the Bishop’s Services Appeal.

**St. Joseph Altar:** Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Lafayette will sponsor the annual celebration in honor of St. Joseph on Tuesday, March 19, beginning with Mass at 8:30 a.m. The tupa-tupa enactment, recalling the journey of the Holy Family to Bethlehem, will follow the Mass. The customary meatless spaghetti dinner will be served to the public beginning at 10:30 a.m. and ending at 2 p.m. Italian treats and pastries will be served during the same time and until 3:30 p.m.

**Repeat Announcements**

**Lenten Regulations:** We are invited to enter into this penitential season as a community (c. 1249). The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence, that is, we do not eat meat. This applies to everyone from the age of fourteen on. Adults are obliged to the law of fasting until the age of sixty. Good Friday is a day of both abstinence and fasting. The purpose of abstinence and fasting is to foster a deeper experience of prayer, encourage pious devotions, emphasize acts of charity, and promote fulfilling our duties and responsibilities with greater diligence (c. 1249). In forming their children, parents should introduce them in accord with their age to the values of self-denial and the importance of making sacrifices.

**Lenten Daily Mass:** During the Lenten Season, Mass on Monday through Friday is at 6:30 a.m. Way of the Cross on Fridays begins at 5:30 p.m. There will be an additional Mass on Saturday mornings at 8. The Masses on Saturday afternoon and Sunday are at the usual times. Confessions will be heard before each weekday and weekend Mass.

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
March 23, 4:00 p.m.	Lisa Russo	Brian Giroir	3:30 p.m. Jean Beagh
March 24, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Blake Orgeron Sandra LeBlanc Chuck Boudreaux	Debra Parker Michelle Boudreaux	

**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 18, Rev. Brian Taylor
- March 19, Rev. Joseph A. Tetlow, SJ
- March 20, Rev. Mark Thibodeaux, SJ
- March 21, Rev. Jude Thierry
- March 22, Rev. Charles Nicholas Trahan
- March 23, Rev. Clint Trahan
- March 24, Rev. Harold Trahan

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampedey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, John Czajka, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable La-Coste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Marlene Cole, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Laurie Hale, Quinn Toups, Susan Cantrell, Linda DeHart, John Menard, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Sawyer Allums, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Hunter Chaisson, Gene Dreher, Cori Contreras, Cohen Callas, Debbie Zorn, Eddie Hamlett, Jahmarla Guidry, Richard Clark, Chris Rodrigue, Kristi Liner, Chad Arnaud, Mary Jack Geoffrey, Peter Scaramella, Janet Lee Slaughter, Jonathan Wainwright, Eddie Bradberry, Dan Minter, Roger Bushice, Terence Donnelly, Nate Furlette, Ryan Bowman, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Bonnie Bass