

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 6:30 a.m.

The Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14; 8:10 / Heb 10:4-10 / Lk 1:26-38

Julie Bradberry, Michelle Denning

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Dn 3:25, 34-43 / Mt 18:21-35

Julie Bradberry

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Dt 4:1, 5-9 / Mt 5:17-19

Julie Bradberry, Liz Judice

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23

Julie Bradberry, Mill Fontenot

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 6:30 a.m.

Lenten Weekday

Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34

Julie Bradberry

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Lenten Weekday

Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14

8:00 a.m. Wilson Bradberry

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 / 2 Cor 5:17-21 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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, Lee Landry, Hazel Landry Roy

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

7:00 a.m. Luella Smith

10:00 a.m. Al Adams III fly. (L&D), M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Zelda Fromenthal, Julie Bradberry

6:30 p.m. Ray Raspberry

Offertory \$4113.00

Bishop's Services Appeal \$373.40

Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure

It is not what I wanted or what I planned.

I was looking forward to the Lenten Season, having established certain goals and intending to pursue certain opportunities for spiritual growth. I set aside a part of Mardi Gras Day to be prepared for Ash Wednesday. To use the cliché, I fully intended to “hit the ground running” bright and early on Ash Wednesday.

Not only did that not happen, but I found myself not feeling well at all. Far from running, I limped along the first few days of Lent.

Undaunted, I intended to begin the following week revived and renewed, feeling healthy and determined to pursue my Lenten exercises. Friday evening found me not feeling well again. I concluded that a quick visit to a medical center on Saturday morning for the usual treatment would make me feel better quickly. I ended up feeling worse on Monday and Tuesday. My plans for the week were reduced to ashes. I accomplished nothing.

I have finally come to understand that God has other plans for me during this Lenten Season. He wishes to speak to me in the depths of my soul in His own way.

Simply expressed, I failed to look for the will of God during the first weeks of Lent, choosing to follow my own will. Hardly the first time I have failed to do His will.

Each time we pray the Our Father we say, “thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.” The angels and the saints in heaven promptly embrace the will of God. We are not so prompt.

I now understand that God has plans for my Lenten Season and I am, as of now, not really trying to discover that will. Now that I have put my plans to the side, I am ready to begin to seek his will for me at this time.

I really should know better.

Lent is the time for all of us to try anew to seek and do the will of God in our lives.

What is His will? That we can only discover by listening closely to His Word and that which He speaks in the depths of our souls.

Time for me to begin Lent.

(Msgr.) Courville

New Announcements

Come Lord Jesus and the Religion Program: This Wednesday marks the end of our formal religious instruction for the academic year. Parents are invited to join their children for the celebration of Mass to close the year. Mass for the lower grades will be at 3:15 p.m. and for the upper grades at 6:30 p.m. All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend the Masses as well.

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

A Day of Prayer for Women: Fr. Joe Tetlow, S.J. will present a day of prayer for women on Tuesday, April 2, from 8:30 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau. The theme is “From Adam to Christ to the People of God.” Mass is included in the day. The cost is \$25 and preregistration is required. Visit www.ourladyoftheoaks.com and click on retreats to print a form. For more information, telephone 337 662-5410.

Spring Pilgrimage: Fr. Herb Bennerfield, pastor of St. Joseph in Patterson, will lead a pilgrimage along Mississippi River Road North on Saturday, May 11, leaving at 7 a.m. and returning at 8:30 p.m. The tour includes St. Gabriel Church in St. Gabriel, the National Hansen’s Disease Museum in Carville, St. John the Baptist Church in Brusley and St. John the Evangelist Church and Madonna Chapel in Plaquemine. The deadline for registration is April 8. For more information, telephone 985 759-3154.

Rest in Peace

Zelda Sons Fromenthal died on March 10, 2019.

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.

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 25, Rev. Joseph Sai Tran, SVD
- March 26, Rev. Eugene Tremie
- March 27, Rev. Stephen Uggwu
- March 28, Rev. Gregory Usselmann, LC
- March 29, Rev. Jason Vidrine
- March 30, Rev. Richard Vidrine
- March 31, Very Rev. Thomas Voorhies, VF

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, 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, MILL, 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 Busbice, Terence Donnelly, Nate Furette, Ryan Bowman, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Bonnie Bass

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
March 30, 4:00 p.m.	Linda Thomas	Barbara LeLeux	3:30 p.m. Linda Thomas
March 31, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Susan Blanchard Laura Dozar Anne Theriot		Briant Dozar Brian Theriot