

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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**MINUTES OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 24, 2017 CONTINUED**

E. Spirituality and Social Justice-Keith Hebert – continued

On November 2016, the annual blanket drive collected and distributed donations of 42 blankets, 4 electric blankets, 42 sheets, 9 sleeping bags, 13 pillows, 4 electric heaters and other miscellaneous items which were brought to the barn at Evangeline Downs. Donations from the Men's Group provided for the annual Thanksgiving Day racetrack workers meal at Evangeline Downs. More than 110 workers were well fed and led in prayer service by Chaplain Dwight Brown. His assistants and family send prayers and thanks to all making this possible. These efforts are a joint outreach of Our Lady Queen of Angels Church and the Evangeline Christian Outreach Ministry. The vast majority of these workers are Catholic.

Fr. Mesley conducted an Advent Mission at Queen of Angels 12/04-05. He offered words of encouragement and suggestions as to how we can deepen our spirituality. Fr. Kevin MacDonald will conduct the 2017 Advent Mission.

Over 5,000 "Pray Opelousas" bumper stickers have been distributed with 2,500 on order.

Information is being sought from ULL regarding a program for high school seniors addressing pornography issues.

Deacon Jerome Collins reports that the Adoration Chapel is running smoothly.

Paula Carriere announced she has given high school seniors college contacts for continuing their Catholic practice after graduation.

F. Seniors and Handicapped-Marie LeBlanc

Msgr. DeRouen reports the annual Card Party is to be held on 02/08/17. The OCS Tasters Dinner is that night also.

G. Organizations-Charlie Dore

The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive raised \$2,598. Checks were written to ARC of St. Landry and to St. Mary's Residential Training Center. Msgr. DeRouen reported the Church bells installed in Church steeple cost \$4,300.

The Grand Knight announced that 500 copies of "Confessions of a Mega Church Pastor" have been purchased by the K of C for distribution to parishioners on Epiphany Sunday.

Other reports were as follows: Ron Marcantel will cook for the January and February meetings. Msgr. DeRouen will cook for the April meeting.

The Right to Life-March was well attended and successful. The local Tony Chachere Headquarters provided a delicious Jambalaya, drinks and snacks for lunch, for the group.

Youth Group(Scott)-The group assisted in a successful food drive and participated in the Walk for Life. Plans were made to play bingo with nursing home residents.

Youth Group(Ann)-The group assisted nursing home residents to shop for family and friends. The group enjoyed pizza and a movie night together, attended the Pro-Life march, are planning a field trip to Baton Rouge to visit the Cathedral, a Greek Orthodox Church, and also to visit LSU, a large flea market and several museums.

Couples Group-continues to work with weekly Children's Liturgy and have started making preparations for the annual Family Fun Day on Palm Sunday.

Altar Society-The group helped with decorations and cleaning the Church during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. They also hosted a successful Twelve Night party.

5. Old Business:

Joe Hidalgo said he and Gordon have not done anything on the parking lot exit improvements due to inclement weather. In the spring they will power wash, repaint stipes and make signs subject to approval by the Board. Msgr. DeRouen suggests a bulletin insert with diagrams explaining proper use of the entrance/exit. Keith Hebert suggests widen entrances, and "x" out first parking space on each side, and also, to fix the curb for easier entrance. Also addressed was a need for reflecting sign, speed bump and/or reflectors on the curb at the corner(s) of the Church to slow people down. Mr. Gaudin suggests plastic speed bumps as they allow for drainage.

In a discussion involving Church etiquette Msgr. DeRouen is thinking about a presentation at Mass in the Fall.

Marty Heintz, a resident of Opelousas, has been hired as the new OCS principal beginning Fall 2017. She is presently Vice-Principal at Teurlings Catholic, and has been teaching for 2 decades, and is also newspaper editor in Abbeville and Ville Platte.

6. New Business: No new business at this time.

7. Date of next Meeting – April 4, 2017 at 6:00pm.

8. Closing Prayer - Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm. Closing prayer led by Msgr. DeRouen.

O. C. CORNER

Students are now being registered for 2017-2018. Fee schedules are posted to the school website at www.OCSvikings.com. Please call the school at 337-942-5404 ext. 102 if any information is needed on the RenWeb registration process.

Congratulations to Ann Marie Bihm who was recently elected as Student Body President for next year. Class officers were also elected, and the Senate Student Government will be voted on this week.

PRAY FOR A 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. Sunday: Rev. Darren Eldridge; Monday: Rev. Peter Emusa; Tuesday: Rev. Cyprian Eze; Wednesday: Rev. Richard Fabre; Thursday: Rev. Joel Faulk; Friday: Rev. Kendal Faulk; and Saturday: Rev. Emmanuel Fernandez.

EVENTS

**BATON ROUGE EARLY VOCAL ENSEMBLE
CONCERT (B.R.E.V.E.)**

The Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble Concert (B.R.E.V.E.) will be here at Our Lady Queen of Angels on Sunday afternoon of March 26th at 2:00pm in the Church. The group will be singing with a chamber orchestra on a program of prayerful and appropriate music for the Lenten season. The performance is free and all are welcome. Please mark your calendar!

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS CHURCH
SPECIAL LENTEN ACTIVITY**

Monsignor Keith, our Pastor, will provide a light supper of a soup and salad, and then preach a short homily on the Three Days of the Sacred Paschal Triduum to be held on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall: **March 15th at 6:00pm: Holy Thursday Talk; March 22nd at 6:00pm: Good Friday Talk; and March 29th at 6:00pm: Holy Saturday/Easter Sunday Talk.** Please feel free to attend!

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$13,720.25
Black & Indian Missions Collection 24.00
Bishop's Services Appeal. 177.00
Collection for Opelousas Catholic. 1,415.98
Aid for the Church in Eastern Europe 9.00

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

READERS

Mar. 18 4:00 p.m. Buster Leblanc
Mar. 19 8:30 a.m. Bruce & Bernadette Gaudin
10:30 a.m. Russell Jesclard
5:15 p.m. Lee Deranger

ALTAR SOCIETY

Mar. 18 - 24. Vickie Reed & Committee
Linens (Mar. 18) Flo Pierrottie

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun., Mar. 11 & 12 COLLECTION FOR BLACK & INDIAN MISSIONS
Mon., Mar. 13 3:30-4:30 p.m. CCD Classes 1, 2, 3
6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD Classes 7,8,9,10,11
Tues., Mar. 14 3:30-4:30 p.m. CCD Classes 4, 5, 6
6:30 p.m. RCIA (Office Conference Room)
Wed., Mar. 15 2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
6:00 p.m. Soup, Salad & Sermon (Parish Hall)
Thur., Mar. 16 6:00 p.m. Altar Society Meeting
Fri., Mar. 17 4:30 p.m. Recitation of the Rosary of The Seven Sorrows of Mary
5:45 p.m. The Way of The Cross
Sun., Mar. 19 3:30 p.m. Junior High Youth Group Meeting

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

The instructions for parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will be held at Our Lady Queen of Angels on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. **FIRST, PLEASE CALL THIS OFFICE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT 942-5628.**

**ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR
OUR LADY OF MERCY**

On March 18th a Rosary and Blessing of the altar will be held after the 4:00pm Mass in the Church Hall. On March 19th the "Tupa Tupa" Ritual will be held after the 11:00am Mass in the Church Hall. Lunch will be served. Participation is greatly appreciated!

**ST. JOSEPH ALTAR FESTIVITIES
OUR LADY OF FATIMA/LAFAYETTE**

On Saturday, March 18th: Blessing of Altar and Recitation of the Holy Rosary in English/Italian-immediately following the 4pm Mass. Treats will be served until 6:30pm. On Sunday, March 19th: The tupa-tupa ritual (a re-enactment of the journey to Bethlehem) follows the Sunday 9am Mass. The traditional meatless spaghetti dinner, along with other treats will be served beginning at 10:30am until 2pm. Italian treats and pastries will be served throughout the remainder of the day concluding at 7pm.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

March: Pope's Intentions for Evangelization: Support for Persecuted Christians. That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK



**OUR LADY
QUEEN OF
ANGELS**

K.C. COUNCIL 11270

MASSES

Sat., Mar. 11 4:00 p.m. Lisa Macip, Albert Speyrer & Amos Ledoux, Angelo & Julia Palazzo, Evelyn Comeaux, Lynn Marks & Marie Marks, Nazel Fontenot, Glen Winn, Ralph Ortego, Rene Fontenot & Scotty Artigue, Gene, Bea, Bill & William Bourdier, Lloyd, Marie, & Janet Andrus, Rick & Amanda Briggs, Thelma, Lacey & Randall Spell, John & Sydney Cuccia, Avie Stely (Anniversary of Death)

Sun., Mar. 12 8:30 a.m. Ronald O. Fusilier, Ben & Pat Crosby, Moise & Amy Courvelle, Harold & Todd Fontenot, Rose P. Ryder, Octave "Tat" Pitre, Denise L. Hanks, Verbis Lafleur, Jacqueline James, Irvin Deranger, M/M James Hunt & Family & M/M Leopold Thibodeaux & Family, M/M Rivers Lavergne & Family, M/M Luke Thibodeaux & Family, Alvarez Hertzock, M/M Abram & Irene Lafleur, M/M Alphose & Angela Wyble, Jules Olivier, Joshua Peck, Jesse & Anna Leger, Jesse, Jr., Willis & Girlie Fontenot, Dudley & Glenn Macip

10:30 a.m. Morgan Adams, Sarah Jarrell, Lucille "Lucy" Veltin, James "Jim" Wallace, Donald & Sylvia Chachere, Donald & Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex & Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff & Greg Durio, Cecily Camille Soileau, Lillian & Ray B. Guillory, M/M Elridge Schwartzburg & M/M Elmo Simon, Gerrit Paul Ryder, Ryder & Quebedeaux Families, Daniel Mansfield, Mrs. Clayus Stely (Anniversary of Death), John G. Fontenot, Joseph Stely (Anniversary of Death), George Gennuso, Marie Richard

5:15 p.m. M/M Lucius Courvelle & Hazel, M/M Mike Halphen & Son, Franklin Courvelle, Joseph Stely (Anniversary of Death)

Mon., Mar. 13 5:15 p.m. Marie Amy, M/M Elridge Amy, M/M Oren Amy, M/M Marion Amy, Dr. M. G. Simpson

Tues., Mar. 14 7:00 a.m. Sylvan Soileau

Wed., Mar. 15 5:15 p.m. Will Shepherd, Glenn Macip(B)

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Fri., Mar. 17 5:15 p.m. M/M Lloyd Ardoin, Sr.

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5:15 p.m. PARISIONERS OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS

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.