

Parish Council Minutes
Continued from last Sunday

5) According to Marie LeBlanc's report for the Seniors and Handicapped, the Senior Angels held their first meeting of the 2017-2018 year on October 4, 2017. A \$500 donation was presented to members of the Courthouse Lighting Enhancement Committee to support their project of refurbishment and maintenance of the Courthouse Square Nativity Scene. The annual Event calendar for the Parish Council was presented and discussed. Meetings are scheduled for November, January, March and May. Events that will occur between these meetings are the Annual Card Party (February 7, 2018), the preparation of sweets for Family Fun Day (March 25, 2018), the Rosary and Coffee Reception (May 9, 2018), and the End of the Year Luncheon (May 16, 2018).

At the November 1, 2017 meeting, an additional first time event will be sponsored by our Senior Angels. Msgr. DeRouen has graciously offered to conduct a very special morning of Advent Reflection in the church on Tuesday, December 12, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon followed by a brief welcoming of coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall. Surrounding Parishes, St. Landry, Our Lady of Mercy, Holy Ghost and Immaculate Conception in Washington, will be invited. Msgr. DeRouen will focus on two to three meditations on Advent and end with a Mass. We appreciate Msgr. DeRouen for his help in creating this Day of Reflection. The next meeting after this event will be January 3, 2018 at which time the meeting will begin with planning for our upcoming Card Party.

6) Regarding the Organizations report, Charles Dore (former Chairman) has moved to Lafayette and will be replaced by Wayne Reed.

7) In reviewing old business, Bruce Gaudin reports that the Knights of Columbus had a successful blood drive on November 5, 2017. The monthly Donut Sunday social continues with good attendance by parishioners. The annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive netted \$2,900. Knights of Columbus Ladies Night is set for December 17, 2017. The Knights of Columbus sponsored a Priest Appreciation Dinner which was held at Cathedral Carmel Catholic School and was attended by 30 Diocesan Priests. The group is expected to double or triple in 2018.

8) Regarding new business, Msgr. DeRouen announced that Ms. Elaine Dartez has retired from her position as secretary of the Parish. Volunteers will help with office duties until a replacement is found. Msgr. DeRouen said that the search will begin after January 1, 2018. He also stated that, like other parishes, we will begin closing the office on Fridays. Msgr. DeRouen also reported that a tree along the north property line needs to be removed.

9) The next meeting is scheduled on January 9, 2018 at 6:00p.m. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. with a closing prayer led by Msgr. DeRouen.

O. C. CORNER

Registration for current families is now in progress for the 2018-2019 school year. New students may register beginning February 19 once application for admission has been accepted. With questions, contact Mrs. Briley, Admissions Director, at 942-5404 ext. 109 or email brileyj@ocsvikings.com.

Classes will resume on Thursday following the Mardi Gras break. The Drama Club invites family and friends to their "Spring Drama Showcase". Performances will be held at 7 pm on Feb. 15, 16, and 17 and then at 2 pm on Feb. 18 at the Opelousas Little Theatre. Tickets may be purchased at OC and are limited to 100 viewers per performance.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS 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. Sebastian Myladiyil, SVD; Monday: Rev. Jerome Neyrey, SJ; Tuesday: Rev. Leon Ngandu, SVD; Wednesday: Rev. James Nguyen; Thursday: Rev. Thomas Nguyen; Friday: Rev. Gayle Nunez; Saturday: Rev. Godwin Nzeh, CMF.

HOLY FATHERS'S FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

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.

EVENTS

DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN

There will be a Lenten Day of Prayer for Ladies on Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau. The theme will be "Finding an Attitude of Gratitude". It will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end with Mass at 2:15 p.m. The presenter will be Fr. Joe Tetlow, S.J. Total cost is \$25.00. Space is limited so please register early. For more information on this special Day of Prayer, please contact Our Lady of the Oaks at (337) 662-5410.

CENTENNIAL NEWS

■ **One Native Son to Another** - On February 17, 2016, Pope Francis accepted the retirement of Bishop Michael Jarrell, who served as the sixth Bishop of Lafayette for over 13 years. At the same time, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Douglas Deshotel, previously an Auxiliary Bishop of Dallas, as the seventh Bishop of Lafayette. Bishop Jarrell, a native of Opelousas, and Bishop Deshotel, a native of Basile, follow in the footsteps of Bishop Jeanmard, a native of Breaux Bridge. Remarkably, in our 100 years as a diocese, over 50 of those years, have been led by a Bishop native to Acadiana.

■ **Centennial items being sold** - Centennial Paperweight, Centennial Yard Signs and Centennial History Book can be purchased at Diocesan Central Office, Cathedral Gift Shop, Queen of Angels Church in Opelousas and St. Martin de Tours Church in St. Martinville.

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR FEBRUARY 2018

Jan. 28-Feb. 3, 2018-- Brian and Maureen Harvey
Feb. 4-10, 2018-- Jimmie Rae Cropper
Feb. 11-17, 2018-- Eric & Tina Hebert
Feb. 18-24, 2018-- Keith & Kathy Hebert
Feb. 25-Mar. 3, 2018-- Marty & Earl Heintz
Thank you for your commitment!



OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offertory Collection \$13,882.96
Opelousas Catholic Collection..... \$1309.42
BSA \$202.00
Latin America \$47.00
Centennial Sale \$20.00

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

READERS

Feb. 17 4:00 p.m. J. P. Griffin
Feb. 18 8:30 a.m. Bruce & Bernadette Gaudin
10:30 a.m. Russell Jesclard
5:15 p.m. Lee Deranger

ALTAR SOCIETY

Feb. 17-23..... Elsie Smith and Team
Linens (Feb. 17)..... Valerie Chachere

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 10 & 11 Bishop's Services Appeal Commitment Sunday
Rice Bowl Campaign Begins
Office Closed until Wednesday
High School Youth Group Activity in Parish Hall
Thurs., Feb. 11 2:00 p.m. NO CCD CLASSES
Mon., Feb. 12 NO CCD CLASSES
Tues., Feb. 13 NO CCD CLASSES
Wed., Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday
Masses for Ash Wednesday:
7:00 am, 12:05pm, & 5:15pm
2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
Call 942-7059 for more information
4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
Thurs., Feb. 15 6:00 p.m. Altar Society Meeting
Sat. & Sun., Feb. 17 & 18 Collection for Black & Indian Missions

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Parents of this Parish who wish to have their children baptized will meet for instructions at Our Lady Queen of Angels in the Parish Conference Room on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. Please call the Office to make an appointment with Deacon Bill at 942-5628.



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Adoration Chapel remains in need of several adorers. Below please find a listing of all hours that have only one committed adorer. Please call Claire Robichaux at 337-351-4674 if you are able to sign up for an A.M. hour or Marie LeBlanc at 337-948-8940 if you are able to sign up for a P.M. hour. The Adoration Chapel committee thanks you in advance.

Sunday:
A.M. - 7:00, 10:00, 11:00 P.M. - 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00
Monday:
A.M. - 6:00, 8:00, 11:00 P.M. - 1:00
Tuesday:
A.M. - 11:00 P.M. - 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00
Wednesday:
A.M. - 6:00, 9:00 P.M. - 1:00, 4:00
Thursday:
A.M. - 9:00 P.M. - 3:00
Friday:
A.M. - 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 P.M. - 12:00, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00
Saturday:
A.M. - 7:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 P.M. - 1:00, 4:00, 5:00

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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MASSES

Sat., Feb. 10 4:00 p.m. Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph C, Deluca, Wilbur and Alice Reed, Terry Mayeux, Pater Mayeux, Nazel Fontenot, Lynwood Hidalgo, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Hidalgo, Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Guidry and Family, Chiz Fontenot Smith, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Willie "Bill" Simien, Rose Kimble, Jacqueline James, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux, Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Palazzo, Levoys "Lee" Smith, Bobby Wyble, Stephen Daigle Fontenot, Sharp Family, Howard Pitre Family

Sun., Feb. 11 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Ronald O. Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Irvin Deranger, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph V. Thibodeaux, T. D. Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marianne, Judy, Roy and Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine Bertrand, Jean and Hilton Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield, Alison King (Anniversary of Death), Lee Singleton, Sr.

10:30 a.m. Russell and Loula Reed, Daniel Mansfield, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff and Greg Durio, James Guglielmo, Gene, Bea, Bill and William Bourdier, Morgan Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Courville and Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Halphen and son

5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux
Mon., Feb. 12 ... 5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Dennis B. Stevenson (Birthday), John G. Fontenot, Special Intention

Tues., Feb. 13 ... 7:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger, Eric S. Elkins, Special Intention

Wed., Feb. 14 ... 5:15 p.m. Jerry Nele, Willie "Bill" Simien, Mary Deville, Raymond Couvillon, Velma Thibodeaux, Adrien (Stoney) Angelle, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie and Edna Deckerlegand, Mr. and Mrs. Antoine (Free) and Shirley Bergeron, Fontenot and Stelly Families, Special Intention

Thurs., Feb. 15 ... 7:00 a.m. Kermit and Rose Couvillion, Special Intention, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Newman

Fri., Feb. 16 5:15 p.m. Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish, Special Intention

Sat., Feb. 17 4:00 p.m. Mary Rettburg, Charles and Mercedes Going Family, William and Dorothy Hatch Family, Father Joseph Deluca, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Ray Couvillion and Family, Nazel Fontenot, Rene Fontenot, Scotty Artigue, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Jacqueline James, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux, Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Palazzo, Levoys "Lee" Smith, Viola L. Mello, Special Intention

Sun., Feb. 18 8:30 a.m. Ronald O. Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Irvin Deranger, Richard and Rena Millspaugh, Darnas Daigle (Birthday), Special Intention

10:30 a.m. Marie and Pappy Richard, Lorin Thomasson, Russell and Loula Reed, Daniel Mansfield, Morgan Adams, Sarah Jarrell, Franklin Courville, Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff and Greg Durio, Special Intention, James Guglielmo, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courville, Mrs. Ulysse Fontenot, Special Intention

5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Benjamin and Frances Richard, Benny Richard, Claudette Richard, Ervin Kirkpatrick, Tracie K. Carriere, Kirk Kirkpatrick, Lee and Bernice Guidry, Special Intention

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOCAL SEMINARIANS

Deacon Ben Pitre-St. Landry
Cade LeBlanc & Matthew Pitre-Eunice
Michael Vidrine-Melville
Sean Fontenot & Luke Johnson-Ville Platte
Drew Labbe-Galveston/Houston Diocese
(family from Opelousas)

Extra prayer cards can be found in the back of the Church