

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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FROM THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in this Jubilee Year of the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette!

Soon our diocese will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Your support of this collection serves **Jesus in disguise** in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. Proceeds from this national collection provide services for immigrants and refugees, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, and advocacy for peace and justice around the world. Please join in this collection to support those suffering on the margins around the world.

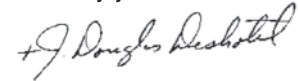
For example, in Central America, there are more than 1 million young people, aged fifteen to twenty-five years old, who are out of school and unemployed. Throughout the region, crime and violence run rampant. Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador have some of the highest murder rates in the world. The escalating violence stifles investment and economic growth, further limiting opportunities for jobs. These factors push young people, already discouraged by a lack of opportunity, to emigrate in record numbers. Economic opportunities are limited, and most education and employment programs do not reach the most at-risk youth, nor are the programs linked to real jobs in the market.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support it this year. If you want to learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

And remember, 25 percent of the collection's proceeds provide food to the hungry, marginalized and suffering within our diocese. By supporting this collection, you answer the knock of **Jesus in disguise** by providing for the most vulnerable population.

Support the collection, and answer the knock of Jesus in disguise. With every good wish, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ



Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D.
Bishop of Lafayette

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O. C. CORNER

The OC Athletic Council is holding a Spring Barbecue Dinner sale on Sunday, March 11. Please contact the athletic department for tickets. Congratulations to the girls' basketball team for claiming the District Championship and for their playoff run as well as to the boys' basketball team for their outstanding season and their playoff run!

The OC Angel Appeal Drive is continuing through June 1st. Thank you to the "angels" who have given thus far, and we pray for more angelic help as OC strives to reach its goal to purchase more Chromebooks for the classrooms.

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: Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell; Monday: Bishop Glen John Provost; Tuesday: Rev. Herve Racivitch, SJ; Wednesday: Rev. Hernando Ramirez, SJ; Thursday: Rev. Louis Richard; Friday: Rev. Michael Richard; Saturday: Rev. Rusty Richard.

HOLY FATHER'S MARCH PRAYER INTENTION

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

BATON ROUGE EARLY VOCAL ENSEMBLE LENTEN CONCERT

On Laetare Sunday, March 11th at 2pm, guest choir The Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble will present a one-hour concert of music appropriate to the Lenten Season. They will perform with a chamber orchestra as well as sing a cappella selections. The performance will include the United States premiere of the stunning Dies Irae by French Baroque composer Michel DeLalande (1657-1726) who worked at the palace of King Louis XIV in Versailles. Admission is free and open to all. This concert is in memory of James Guglielmo who, with his wife Mary Janet, has been a generous sponsor of the music program here at Queen of Angels.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome D'Eric and Rebbie Zachary and Gail Levier to the Parish.

EVENTS

SPECIAL MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL AGES

A special Mass for all married couples of all ages will be held on **Wednesday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. in Our Lady Queen of Angels church hall.** Sponsored by Queen of Angels Men's Mass Group, the Mass will be one to encourage married couples, both young and "more experienced" in our ever changing world. Monsignor Keith DeRouen will begin Mass at 6:30 p.m. and a gumbo meal prepared by Mark LeBlanc will follow. **All married couples are invited to attend while we encourage and support one another through the holy bond established in the Sacrament of Matrimony.** There is no cost to attend however we'll pass a hat to cover the cost of the meal.

We do need a count of those attending so please RSVP by noon on Monday, March 12 by emailing Keith Hebert (hebertkeith1@aol.com) or Don Fisher (don@goingcpa.com) or by calling the church office at 337-942-5628.

Please RSVP and see you on March 14! May God bless!

CENTENNIAL NEWS

• **Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Jarrell** - On March 4, 1993, Bishop Michael Jarrell was ordained to the rank of the episcopacy. Bishop Jarrell, a native of Opelousas, previously served as a priest in the Diocese of Lafayette at St. Louis High School in Lake Charles, at St. Michael's in Crowley, and as pastor of Sacred Heart in Broussard and Sacred Heart in Ville Platte. Pope St. John Paul II appointed him to serve as the second Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. He chose "In all things charity" as his episcopal motto. After nine years in Houma, Bishop Jarrell would be named the sixth Bishop of Lafayette in 2002.

• **Second Centennial Deanery Mass** will be at St. Landry Catholic Church, our 2nd oldest canonically established Church in the Diocese, on March 23 at 6:30pm in Opelousas. All Clergy and Laity are invited to attend this Mass and reception with our Bishop Deshotel as we continue to honor and celebrate this Centennial Jubilee Year of our Diocese. This is an exciting year and it is good for all of us from all parts of the Diocese of Lafayette to come together for the Centennial Events to reflect upon our past and recommit to the future that God is leading us into. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

• **Jubilee Bible Marathon** - In honor of the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette 1918-2018, the Holy Bible will be read from cover to cover in the Square of St. Martinville beginning Wednesday, April 4th at 12:30pm to Sunday, April 8th at 4:30pm - **100 hours for 100 years!!!** All are invited to come and participate in this Proclamation of the Foundation of our Faith. Come and marinate in the word. For more information or to sign up as a Reader, call Fr. Michael Champagne at 337- 394-6550. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend as much as possible of this extraordinary event.

OUR STEWARDSHIP TO GOD

Offeratory Collection	\$11,196.41
Opelousas Catholic Collection	\$44.00
BSA	\$879.00
Latin America	\$0.00
Centennial Sale	\$0.00
Catholic Relief	\$4.00
Black/Nat Am. Missions	\$105.00

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

READERS

Mar. 10	4:00 p.m.	Claire Hollier
Mar. 11	8:30 a.m.	Gina Tuttle
	10:30 a.m.	Paula Carriere
	5:15 p.m.	Kathy Hebert

ALTAR SOCIETY

Mar. 10 - 16	Laura Noel and Team
Linens (Mar. 10)	Anna Pitre

ACTIVITIES

Sat. & Sun., Mar. 3 & 4	Second Collection for Opelousas Catholic
Sun., Mar. 4	8:30 a.m. Coffee and Doughnuts after Mass
	3:00-5:00 p.m. Jr. Youth Group Meeting
Mon., Mar. 5	4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES, 1, 2 and 3
	6:00-7:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Tues., Mar. 6	4:00-5:00 p.m. CCD CLASSES, 4, 5 and 6
Wed., Mar. 7	10:00 a.m. Senior Angel Meeting in the Parish Hall
	2:00 p.m. "Come Lord Jesus"
	Call 942-7059
	4:45 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary before Mass
	6:00 p.m. Soup, Salad and Sermon
Fri. & Sat., Mar. 9 & 10	CONFIRMATION RETREAT
Sat. & Sun., Mar. 10 & 11	Collection for Catholic Relief Services
Sun., Mar. 11	Daylight Savings Time Begins (move clocks ahead)
Sun., Mar. 11	2:00 p.m. Baton Rouge Early Vocal Ensemble Lenten Concert

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 adoror. 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, 5:00	
Wednesday:		
A.M. - 6:00, 9:00	P.M. - 1:00	
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	

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MASSES

Sat., Mar. 3 4:00 p.m. Charles and Mercedes Going and Family, William and Dorothy Hatch and Family, Father Joseph C. Deluca, Lee Andrepoint, Jacqueline James, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Ed and Shirley Moscovis Family, Dan and Pat Miller, Nazel Fontenot, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Allen Ardoin, Charles Loeb, Joseph White, Harold Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Palazzo, Levoys "Lee" Smith, Viola L. Mello, Sharp Family, Howard Pitre Family, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving

Sun., Mar. 4 8:30 a.m. Henry and Irene David, Ronald O. Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Irvin Deranger, Bobby Wyble, Special Intention, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Mary Dolores Straub, T.D., Dolores, Dewey and Charmaine Auzenne, Velton Sr., Marcianne, Judy, Roy and Velton Jr. Lemelle, Augustine, Cary, Geraldine (Anniversary of Death), Bertrand, Jean, Hilton and Sylvia Auzenne, Dolores Mayfield

10:30 a.m. Russell and Loula Reed, Daniel Mansfield, Ben and Pat Crosby, Moise and Amy Courville, Sarah Jarrell, Morgan Adams, Special Intention, Girlie and Willis Fontenot; Donald and Sylvia Chachere, Donald and Sylvia Chachere Family, Alex and Deanna Chachere, Jim, "Tat", Jeff and Greg Durio, James Guglielmo, Sal Diesi, Jr.

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

Mon., Mar. 5 5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Special Intention, Marcus Paul Fontenot

Tues., Mar. 6 7:00 a.m. Louise H. Leger, Special Intention, Sylvan Soileau, Gerrit Paul Ryder (Anniversary of Death) and the Ryder and Quebedeaux Families

Wed., Mar. 7 5:15 p.m. Special Intention, Ronnie Ardoin

Thurs., Mar. 8 7:00 a.m. Special Intention, Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Fri., Mar. 9 5:15 p.m. Emily Boudreaux, Special Intention

Sat., Mar. 10 4:00 p.m. Charles and Mercedes Going and Family, William and Dorothy Hatch and Family, Father Joseph C. Deluca, Jacqueline James, Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Nazel Fontenot, Dalton and Evelyn Comeaux, Edmond Gibson, Charles Loeb, Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Lavergne and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thibodeaux Families, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Palazzo, Levoys "Lee" Smith, Bobby Wyble, Viola L. Mello, Special Intention, Albert Speyrer, Amos Ledoux, Athalie Dupre, Ruby Gautreaux, In Thanksgiving, Jimmy Mizzi

Sun., Mar. 11 8:30 a.m. Sarah Jarrell, Ronald O. Fusilier, Percy and Velma Thibodeaux, Irvin Deranger, Ronald Fontenot, Girlie and Willis Fontenot, Special Intention, Dennis and Daniel Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Thibodeaux and Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt Families, Rodney Bellard, Mary Dolores Straub

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5:15 p.m. Terry Mayeux, Peter Mayeux, Dr. Glen Hunt, Special Intention, Gregory Wade Fontenot, Steve Ronald Fontenot, Teddy Daigle, Judge Denis A. Barry

VOCATION CHALICE FAMILIES FOR MARCH 2018

Mar. 4 -10, 2018--Susie Hilliard
Mar. 11-17, 2018-- Brent & Kristie Hoffpaur
Mar. 18-24, 2018-- Anne Hollier
Mar. 25-31, 2018-- Mike & Linda Hunt
Thank you for your commitment!



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