

ST. ELIZABETH

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Rev. Andrew Merrick, Pastor WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Jules

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules Tuesday, 6:30 am - St. Elizabeth Friday, 7:40 am - St. Elizabeth Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, 3:00 to 3:50 pm - St Jules Monday, 5:00-5:45 pm - St. Jules By Appointment

NEW FAMILIES: Should register at the parish

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Couples must contact the parish office concerning pre-marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Expectant parents should contact the parish office for information and preparation requirements.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls are made immediately. Families are asked to notify the parish office concerning parishioners who are seriously ill.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Families should contact the parish office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

OFFICE HOURS:

8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri Closed Wed and 12:00-1:00 pm daily <u>www.sesjchurch.com</u>

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Dear Family,

Happy Easter! That's right we are only on Day Eight of 50 days of Easter. And this Eighth Day is one fantastic day for sure, **Divine Mercy Sunday**. As I have mentioned before in private revelations to St. Faustina Kowalska, Jesus Himself asked for a special feast to honor His Mercy. The following is taken from www.thedivinemercy.org:

"In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Blessed John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her Diary entry 699: My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.

In all, St. Faustina recorded 14 revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast.

While we as Catholics are not bound to assent in faith to private revelation, in both declaring St. Faustina a canonized saint and naming the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, the Church has given strong support for this beautiful feast. In this Year of Mercy let us do the same. Make sure to log in on www.formed.org to view the 10 part series on Divine Mercy: what it truly is, its roots in Scripture, and how the Lord used the lives of Pope St. John Paul, St. Maximillian Kolbe, and St. Faustina to be messengers of His Mercy in this particular period of history. Jesus has also promised special graces for the dying when the chaplet is prayed for and with them during their dying hours. I continue to hear stories of grace and peace for families as they pray this beautiful prayer with their loved ones while they are dying. I strongly encourage you to take up this chaplet in your personal prayer and to pray with and for those who are dying especially. Let's take up Jesus on His word. To find out all you need on the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy visit www.thedivinemercy.org.

Many, many thanks to everyone who has been getting things ready for **Allons**Manger next weekend, Sunday, April 10th. It is always really great to see the community giving back to support the mission of our parishes. (continued)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 3, 2016

(continued) Make sure to mark your calendars, pray for good weather, invite all of your friends, and do some early Christmas shopping at the auction. And certainly don't forget to make some extra room for all of the fantastic food that is a staple of our festivals. You just can't beat it!

Speaking of festivals **St. Elizabeth School Festival is the following weekend, April 17**th. We are blessed to have the only Catholic school in Assumption Parish right in our backyard. Please mark your calendar to come out and support our Cubs and the mission of Catholic Schools this weekend after Allons Manger.

Also, don't forget to come out to **Dr. Susan Caldwell's talk**, *Life and Love: NFP and Contraception*, at **St. Elizabeth Community Center on Thursday, April 14**th at 6:30pm. Dr. Caldwell is a dynamic speaker who will address the life giving nature of the Church's teaching on an often misunderstood topic. She will speak from her personal testimony of conversion. She did not always agree with and abide by the Church's teaching on this subject, but is now ever grateful to the Lord for opening her eyes. She practices medicine at the Women's New Life Center clinic in New Orleans and lives in Schriever, LA with her family. I would highly recommend any parents and grandparents who have children who are currently or potentially taking contraceptives for other medical reasons to attend. Dr. Caldwell will tell you about the medical dangers associated with taking contraceptives, such as they are cancer causing agents, and other healthy ways to deal with those same issues. For **couples struggling with infertility** she will also speak about the effectiveness of NaPro technology in achieving pregnancy. You don't want to miss her talk!

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Fr. Andrew

ALLONS MANGER - HELP NEEDED

Pie Baking: Please Plan on joining us at the Belle Rose Primary School Cafeteria Friday April 8th from 5-7 pm and on Saturday April 9th from 8 am – till for Making/Baking of the Allons Manger Pies. You don't have to be Betty Crocker, we are looking for able bodied people to assist with making of the pies. So please plan to join us, Great fellowship and LIMITED taste testing are some of the perks. Cafeteria located behind school on the Hwy 308 side of the Belle Rose bridge.

Chopping of Seasoning: Please plan on joining us for the chopping of the seasonings for the Allons Manger. This will take place in the St. Jules Church Hall on Wednesday morning April 6th at 8:00 am. So sharpen your knives and please plan on joining us Wednesday morning.

Food Booth Setup: Booth setup for Allons Manger will start on Monday afternoon April 11th, 4-6 pm and will continue every afternoon 4-6 pm throughout the week. Please join us 4-6 pm each afternoon during the week to help us prepare for our Allons Manger Festival.

SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

DATE	TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTANS
4/09/16	4:00	Darlene Landry	Alice Sternfels	Jacob LeBlanc, Brendan	Brenda Landry
St. Jules	PM	Vicky LeBlanc	Stanley Sternfels	LeBlanc, Ashleigh LeBlanc	Patsy Breaux
4/10/16	8:30	Tommy Joffrion	Ivy Landry	Seth & Kyle Hughes, Alex	Brenda Landry
St. Elizabeth	AM	Jeannie Morris	Raymond Landry	Hood	Patsy Breaux
4/10/16	10:45	Donald Cire	Linda & Barry Aucoin	Trey Jones, Grand Dupaty,	Linda Aucoin
St. Jules	AM	Diane LeBlanc	Katelyn Simoneaux	Matthew LeBlanc	Mona Woods

STEWARDSHIP REPORT						
March 26-27, 2016						
	St. Elizabeth	St. Jules				
Offertory	\$2,705.11	\$3,312.00				
Improvement	\$50.00	\$75.00				
Holy Land	\$684.41	\$261.00				
Holy Thursday	\$432.00	\$574.00				
Priests' Retirement	\$340.00	\$618.00				
Catholic Relief	\$5.00					

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Pat Fontenot, Joan Newchurch, Ella Monteverde, Al Ladner, Danny Traigle, Rita Charlet, Dolores Yoder, Annie Russo, Brent Tauzin, Alice Woods, Susan Grier, Chris Roques Matassa, Benjamin Coty, Johnny Blanchard, Vivian Giroir, Dolly Gaspard, Emmett Greene, Dalton Alleman, Nick Guedry, Michael Rivere, Brenda Blanchard, Carolyn Rice, John Yoder, Ken Reynolds, Carl Manuel, Anita Acosta, Marie Bergeron, Joe Rivet, William "Beagle" Dupré, Robbie Bourg, Carrie & Michael Patureau, , Camille "Boddie" Esneault, Harry Yoder, DeDe & Steve Fitzgerald, George Waguespack, Lester Sedotal, Michael Pizzolatto, Trudy Coupel, Reese Aubin Landry, Gaynell Airhart, Harvey Giroir, Lenora Simoneaux, Janet Landry, Vin Bruce, Louise Fremin, Luke Giroir, Lois Sanchez, Gunnar Landry, Michael Cire, Edwina Lagattuta, Jeanette Beard, Nolbert Prejean, Mary Margaret Bains, Gerry Landry, Eric Watts, Linda Green, Dianna Andras, Lynette Martinez, Kim LeBrun-Flores, Loretta Foret, Karen Breaux, Mark Giroir, Tammy Riggs, Jean Lake, Janet Merritt, Percy Falcon, Jr., Russell Rivere, Jr., Brenda Landry, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Theriot, Erick Spears, John Harris Savoie, Lucy Mae Dupre', Helman Ackman, Joyce Cavalier, Mimi Barton, Kelly Landry, Patti Campbell, Travis Quinn Norsworthy, Lorraine Giroir, Emily Landry, Kathleen Rousseau, Gary P. Landry, Jim Looney, Sue Chenvert Blanchard, Daniel Giroir, Mary Williams, Brayden Patureau, Harry Millien, Pearl Aucoin, Loyce Daigle LeJeune, Nicole Owers, Patricia Simoneaux Hotard, Brett & Dalee LeBlanc, Mike Thibodeaux, James Patureau, Marjorie Thibodeaux, Sarah Hotard

SES ANNUAL FAIR AND FUN RUN

We invite you all to join our St. Elizabeth School family for a day filled with family, food, fun and fellowship at its annual School Fair on **Sunday, April 17**th. There will be a variety of dishes prepared by local chefs sure to please any palate, delectable desserts for the sweet lovers, games galore for the kids to enjoy, cool country store with goodies, awesome auction items, and most importantly a chance to visit with friends old and new! We look forward to seeing you there!

FAITH FORMATION/PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

First Eucharist Workshop: Saturday April 16th CCD Building 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

First Eucharist: Sunday May 1st 10:45 AM Mass St. Elizabeth

A VOCATION VIEW

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 3, 2016

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood or consecrated life? if God is calling you, call or email Father Matt Dupré at 225-336-8778, mdupre@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations

SES 2016 CLAY SHOOT

St. Elizabeth School is excited to announce the second annual Sporting Clay Shoot sponsored by Sagona's Hardware. All proceeds from this shoot will benefit St. Elizabeth School. Event will be held at Southern Shooting Center *979 LA-3185 Thibodaux, LA 70301* on Saturday, April 30th. Registration opens at 8:00 AM and shooting time begins at 9:00 AM. Fees are \$100/Shooter or \$400/team (\$100/person - 4 person teams) and includes 100 clays per shooter, lunch, awards, prizes, and t-shirt. For more information please contact Allison Viator (985) 637-4068 or Robin Baye (985) 859-5037.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING PRESENTATION

Has been rescheduled to **Thursday, April 14**th at 6:30 PM at the **St. Elizabeth Community Center** Dr. Susan Caldwell will be giving a presentation on Natural Family Planning (NFP) and Contraception. These natural methods of family planning assist couples to live more fully the abundant life that God has planned. Dr. Susan Caldwell practices at the Hope Woman's Clinic in Metairie, LA where she specializes in treating women of reproductive age. Please spread the word about this powerful presentation that is open to the public. There is no charge for this event. For more information contact the office at St. Jules (225) 473-8569.

MORNING OF PRAYER

If you are searching for a way to deepen your Relationship with Our Lord and strengthen your spiritual journey by learning how to meditate with His Word, please join us on Saturday, April 16 at St. Anne's Church Hall in Napoleonville from 8:30am until 12:00pm as The Marian Servants of the Eucharist guide us in Ignatian prayer with the Holy Scriptures.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church invites you to an afternoon of reflection on the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy on Sunday, May 1, 2016 from 1:30pm - 4:30pm. Come and learn about this year of divine favor based upon the teaching of our Catholic faith and Pope Francis' recommendations. Included in the afternoon will be a brief preparation for entering the Holy Doors, a long held Catholic tradition practiced during Jubilee year. For more information contact Anna Mabile at 985-252-6633.

ADORATION

St. Elizabeth: Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Sisters'

Chapel

St. Jules: Every Monday, 4:45 PM (followed by 6:00 PM Mass)

THE LORD'S HOUSEKEEPERS-APRIL

St. Jules: Mary Ann Naquin, Cookie Curtis, Darlene Landry

St. Martin: Gertrude Simoneaux

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

St. Elizabeth: (Week of April 3) - Intentions of the Holy Father

St. Jules: (Month of April) - Alma & Paul Daigle Sr.

FORMED.ORG

Divine Mercy - Coming Soon

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's Love and Mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. Featuring the brilliant cinematic artistry of the Augustine Institute's film studio, the vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds as a story to be experienced.

Episodes will be available for a limited time on FORMED.org as a special event beginning on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3rd! Each video will be placed sequentially on FORMED - one episode each week until the end of June. Each episode will be viewable for two weeks. If you have not already signed up for FORMED, see the instructions below.

To create your FREE PERSONAL PROFILE:

- .Go to www.FORMED.org.
- .Scroll past first image.
- .Under the question "Does your parish already have FORMED?" type in our parish access code, ANM34M, and click "SUBMIT CODE".

Fill out your profile information and click "SUBMIT PROFILE".

UPCOMING RETREATS

FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION, a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held May 13-15 in the Diocese of Baton Rouge. The retreat is open to all those who have been touched by abortion. The weekend combines living scripture meditations, spiritual exercises, and discussion in a guided process that leads to the heart of God's love and compassion. If you would like to learn more about this retreat you can contact Tara at rachelsvineyardbrocoor@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. Inquiries, registration and participation are completely confidential.-

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 2

4:00 PM - St. Jules - For the People

Sunday, April 3

10:45 AM-St. Elizabeth- Jimmie & Connie Barrient, Eves & Mary St. Germain, Virgie & Camille "East" Esneault & Heidi Callegan, Sam Klack, Albert & Bernice Comeaux, Ores & Brent Rivere, Dr. & Mrs. Julius Daigle & Brett Batulis, Battie Ann Maggio Hebert, Carol & Alice Aucoin, Anita B. Landry, Cheryl Hebert, Mark Giroir, Ella Daigle, Charles Daigle, Lucille Landry, Jason Gaudet, Wilson & Bernice Woods

Monday, April 4

6:00 PM - St. Jules - D. C. Mattingly

Tuesday, April 5

6:30 AM - St. Elizabeth - Departed Souls of CMC Sisters

Friday, April 8

7:40 AM - St. Elizabeth - Virgie Esneault

Saturday, April 9

4:00 PM - St. Jules -Charles Malarcher, Alma & Paul Daigle, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cancienne, Sr., Albertine Giroir & Family, Virgie & Camille "East" Esneault & Heidi Callegan, Pete & Petey Simoneaux, Chickie Alleman, Thomas Guillot & Family

Sunday, April 10

8:30 AM - St. Jules - Bobbie Gail Breaux Guedry, Rachel Morris, Mr. & Mrs. Maver Landry, Sr., Kent Morris, Sr., Dennis & Edith Guillot.

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth - For the People

FILL A PRESCRIPTION FOR THE NEEDY

You can make a difference in someone's life by filling a prescription for the needy. Simply pick up an empty prescription container from the back of church, place your gift inside, and return it to the collection container in back of church or place it in the offertory collection. These collections will be picked up the weekend of April 24.

The St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy is a beacon of hope that our Church provides to those in need of life-sustaining medical prescriptions. This dynamic and innovative program had a successful year in 2015, but there are still so many people who need this critical service. Last year, thanks to the support of your parish and of people throughout our Diocese, over 31,000 prescriptions valued at approximately 3.2 million were filled for people in desperate need of prescription medications. Those served cannot afford their life-sustaining medications, but you can help. You can provide critically needed medications for someone who has nowhere else to turn.