

MASS OFFERTORIES

Saturday, January 5th

4:00pm: Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville; Irvin "TeTe" Jones; Billy Derouen (27th anniversary); A.D. & Cheryl, Romero & Harrington Family; Bennie Louis Buller; Vergie & Ernest Goodly; Garland Guidry; Howard Andrus, Andrus & Guidry Family

Sunday, January 6th

7:00am: Rosaire & Cheryl Veilleux, Bruce Piserell; Gene & Nada Natali, Amy Natali, Wilfred & Bessie Zaunbrecher (5th anniversary)

9:30am: Mass for the Parishioners

Monday, January 7th

7:30am: Robert Hartwell (30th anniversary)

Tuesday, January 8th

6:30pm: Special Intention

Wednesday, January 9th

7:30am: Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville; Isaac & Steven Leger; Euway Carlin (20th anniversary)

Thursday, January 10th

7:30am: Bennie Louis Buller

Friday, January 11th

7:30am: Howard Andrus

Saturday, January 12th

4:00pm: Mass for the Parishioners

Sunday, January 13th

7:00am: Rosaire & Cheryl Veilleux, Bruce Piserell; Gene & Nada Natali, Amy Natali, Wilfred & Bessie Zaunbrecher

9:30am: Harold & Sylvia Hartwell; Special Intention, Jaci Granger; Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville

Monday: 1 John 3:22-4:6/Psalms 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10/Psalms 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18/Psalms 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mark 6:45-52

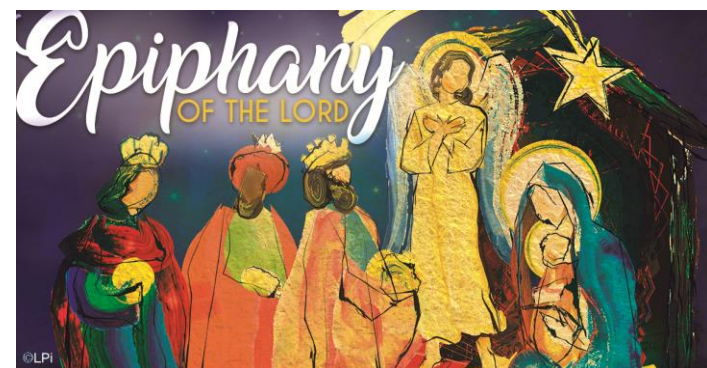
Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4/Psalms 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Luke 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 John 5:5-13/Psalms 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Luke 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 John 5:14-21/Psalms 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/John 3:22-30

The Vocation Cross

Our vocation cross will be taken by Joyce Bourque this week. Let us pray with her for seminarians and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



"Coming from a land that worshipped stars, they fell down and worshipped Him Who made the stars."

-- Venerable Fulton Sheen

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

If you would like to be added to either list or know of someone who needs to be added, please email Becky Schultz at sjv.beckyschultz@gmail.com (E-mail is best because it is in writing and has a date and a time attached to it, but if that would cause a hardship, you can call or text Becky at 337-802-4951.) Names received before noon on Tuesday will appear in that week's bulletin. Names will remain on the list for 2 weeks and then be removed. If after the 2 weeks, you still need prayer, by all means, please send another message and we'll keep praying!

Our Sick: Margaret Arrant, Willie Ashford, Terry Guidry, Emerson Irvin, Lawrence Primeaux, Bridgette Sonnier, Angie Treadway, Sam Treadway, Kenneth Semar, R.L. Webb, Wilton "Buck" Young

Our Recovering:

Our Homebound and Shut Ins: Jeanette Andrus, Julian Arrant, Floyd Baccigalopi, Joyce Conner, Fred Conner, Lillian Conner, Marie Guidry, James Keith Leger, Benny Lognion, Agnes Louviere, Leslie Hartwell, Juanita Nunez, Wyetta Nunez, Don Racca, Diane Thibeaux

Our Nursing Home and Assisted Living Residents: Leo Guidry, Bueleh Louviere, Rita Nunez, Ethel Racca, John & Kenora Theriot

Our Military: Brennan Arabie, Wesley Dugas, Trey Jarrell, Casey Laurents, Gavin Leger

The January Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis and Bishop Glen John Provost:

Pope Francis

Evangelization – Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

Bishop Glen John Provost

As the anniversary of Roe v. Wade occurs this month, may we persevere in our efforts to protect human life and work to end violence in our society.

OFFERTORY GIFTS – Week Ending 12/30/18

Regular Collection	\$ 4108.00
Christmas Charities	\$ 260.00
BSA	\$ 25.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
Masses	\$ 40.00
Youth Missals	\$ 250.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 150.00
Second Collection	\$ 93.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 24.00
Total	\$ 4970.00

Next Second Collection:

January 12-13, 2019- Youth Group



We accept:

DIOCESAN NEWS

July 5th-14th, 2019

Abrazando Cristo Mission

The Abrazando Cristo Mission Trip for 2019 will be Friday through Sunday, July 5-14, to Puerto Rico. Cost of the trip will be \$2,200, which covers all air and ground transportation, meals, lodging, trips, taxes, retreat, and mission shirts. For an information, contact Felicia Borel at 337-477-1236 or by e-mail at Felicia.borel@lcdioocese.org. A \$300 non-refundable deposit with the registration form is due by Saturday, Jan. 12, to secure a seat. Only 25 seats are available.

PARISH NEWS

Tuesday, January 8th

5:30 pm: Holy Hour of Exposition, Adoration and Benediction

6:30 pm: Mass for the Solemnity of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Patroness of Louisiana and of the Province of New Orleans

Wednesday, January 9th

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting

The Knights of Columbus will meet in the KC Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

Sunday, January 13th

5:00 pm: Catholic Daughters Meeting

The Catholic Daughters will meet next Sunday, in the St. Daniel Center. If you haven't turned in your t-shirt order form, you can bring it to the meeting.

Christmas Flowers

Donations for our Christmas flowers were donated in loving memory of the following people:

- Armas Joseph Fruge
 - Lillian Aymond Fruge
 - Senua Joseph Bertrand
 - Avia Primeaux Bertrand
 - Arrant & Racca Families
 - Rufus Nelands, Steven Nelands
 - Ernest Duplantis, Jr., Duplantis & Vidrine Family
 - Ruthvan Rudy Guillory
 - Wilfred & Bessie Zaunbrecher
 - Gene & Nada Natali
 - Amy Natali
 - Roy & Rose Guillotte
 - Allen & Agnes Ardoin
 - Lee Anna Dubrock
 - Debbie Dubrock Trahan
 - Dubrock & LaCombe Family
 - Irma Faye Granger
 - Danos Family
 - Armentor Family
 - Rheagan Shields
 - L.J. Bourque
 - Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Watkins
 - Reese Fruge
 - Black-O & Marie Conner
 - Norman & Vivian LaBove
 - Val, Billy, & Pricilla Gragg
 - Walter & Elia Verret
 - Horace, Sr. & Lee Belle Hebert
 - Zachary & Cathy Zaunbrecher
 - A.D. & Cheryl, Romero & Harrington Family
 - Curtis & Marjorie Richard
 - Walter & Regina Philips
 - Willie & Aline Hoffpauir & Lognion Family
 - Bennie Buller
 - Robert (Bruce) Broussard
 - Alvin Breaux, Dubard & Trahan Family
- Thank you Judy Zaunbrecher and Ursula Natali and your helpers for making our church beautiful and joyful this Christmas!

Calendars

If you haven't picked up your 2019 calendar yet, you can find one in the back of the church!

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. *Matthew 5:4* Our condolences to the family of Nona Helms. We offer our prayers for peace, comfort, and healing as you mourn her loss. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Celebration of Baptism

Welcome into our church family; Blaire Catherine Fruge, daughter of Clayton & Kayla Fruge and Kinsley Renee Tupper, daughter of Roy & Ashley Tupper who are being baptized into the faith, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May the blessing of the Lord be always upon Blaire and Kinsley, and may God watch over and cherish these children whom He has blessed with the grace of Baptism.

Mass Intentions

2019 Mass Request sheets are available in the office, in the back of the church and on our website, sjv-bc.com. Completed forms and stipends can be put in the collection basket, if they are in an envelope marked "Mass Offertories". Forms can also be mailed to the office: St. John Vianney, 7120 Hwy 14 E, Bell City, LA 70630, brought to the church office during office hours or e-mailed to sjv.beckyschultz@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, January 21st

Martin Luther King Holiday

Thursday, January 31st

11:00 am-1:00 pm: Senior Social

GOSPEL MEDITATION

The Epiphany of the Lord

"Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'" How strange to journey so far for perhaps so little. Of course the magi go to the capitol city. Of course they entreat with King Herod. Of course this is where they expect newborn royalty to be. But where is the child? "In Bethlehem of Judea," the scribes say. And so the magi go on to what is yet another Christmas miracle.

We don't know where the magi met the Christ Child, but it cannot have been lavish. Perhaps it was the stable. Perhaps it was a small hovel Joseph had found to wait out the census. But it would have been the home of a laborer, worn and threadbare. Here, in this unassuming abode, the magi are still "overjoyed...they prostrated themselves and did him homage."

Have you ever gotten to the end of a great work and found the results to be underwhelming? How did you respond? Were you disappointed or elated at God's providence and your upended expectations? The magi journeyed hundreds of miles over treacherous terrain to pay homage to royalty they have seen prophesied in the stars. They encountered an ordinary family displaced from their home. This Sunday, the magi are an example for us. Can we see God in the unexpected? Do we encounter Him in the person who doesn't fit our expectations of propriety? Do we revere Christ's presence in the poor? Or do we expect to meet God only in places of honor and esteem? This week, ask God for the grace to honor Him in the unexpected places and unassuming people. He is waiting for you!