

MASS OFFERTORIES

Saturday, March 2nd

4:00pm: Howard Andrus; R. L. Webb; Angie Treadway

Sunday, March 3rd

7:00am: Mass for the Parishioners

9:30am: Harold & Sylvia Hartwell; Bennie Louis Buller; Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville; Darrell & Sue DeRouen; Isaac & Steven Leger, Courville Family; For All the Poor Souls in Purgatory; Lucille Hartwell (25th anniversary); Ivan Guidry (18th anniversary), April, Leon, & David Guidry; Special Intention & Thanksgiving, Bennie & Breaux Family

Monday, March 4th

7:30am: NO MASS

Tuesday, March 5th

7:30am: NO MASS

Wednesday, March 6th

6:30pm: Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville; Isaac & Steven Leger

Thursday, March 7th

6:30pm: Lee Anna Dubrock. Dubrock & LaCombe Family

Friday, March 8th

6:30pm: Special Intention

Saturday, March 9th

4:00pm: Howard Andrus; Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville; Isaac & Steven Leger, Courville Family; Angie Treadway; Fred Myers, Jr.

Sunday, March 10th

7:00am: Rosaire & Cheryl Veilleux, Bruce Piserelli; Clifford & Katin Broussard, Broussard & Primeaux Family; Vincent & Tillie Leonards; Gene & Nada Natali, Amy Natali, Wilfred & Bessie Zaunbrecher; Louis & Helen Zaunbrecher; Francis Roger Guillory

9:30am: Mass for the Parishioners

Monday: Sirach 17:20-24/Psalms 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [11a]/Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sirach 35:1-12/Psalms 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday: Joel 2:12-18/Psalms 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2/Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Deuteronomy 30:15-20/Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Luke 9:22-25

Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a/Psalms 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14/Psalms 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Luke 5:27-32

The Vocation Cross

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

Inspiration for the Week- Live the Liturgy

How quick are we to point out the faults of others? It is so easy to see what others are doing wrong and much harder to see ourselves for who we are. Many want to see themselves as one of the privileged and the saved and are quick to condemn those who choose to do things differently. We can be so hypocritical while at the same time proclaiming to be so spiritual. What we speak reveals the true thoughts of our minds and intention of our hearts. We fool no one but ourselves. Rather than being defensive, critical, and exclusive, does it not make more sense to help each other and work together for the kingdom of God? We may have to leave something behind, but in turn, we'll gain much more.



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, Bonnie Aucoin, Benny Breaux, Terry Guidry, Emerson Irvin, Lawrence Primeaux, Bridgette Sonnier, Raydenna Sonnier, Sam Treadway, Kenneth Semar, Wilton "Buck" Young

Our Recovering: Daniel Landry

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 March Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis and Bishop Glen John Provost:

Pope Francis

Universal:

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Bishop Glen John Provost

For the sick, may God bring quick healing to them in their illness and for the dying, may He prepare them for the reward of eternal life.

OFFERTORY GIFTS – Week Ending 2/24/19

Regular Collection	\$ 4184.00
Youth Group	\$ 10.00
Total	\$ 4194.00

Next Second Collection:

March 23-24, 2019- Catholic Relief Services

We accept: 

DIOCESAN NEWS

April 12th – 14th**“Come and See” Retreat**

Men, 16 years and older, are invited to a “Come and See” Retreat on April 12-14, at St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College. The weekend is about how to discern God's call for your life, according to Father Jeffrey Starkovich, Director of Vocations and Seminarians. There is no cost to attend the retreat and transportation will be provided from Lake Charles and return.

Those interested can register at lc vocations@lcdioocese.org or by contacting Fr. Starkovich at 337-725-3719.

PARISH NEWS

Monday, March 4th**Lundi Gras Holiday**

St. John Vianney office will be closed.

There will be no mass. There will be no PREP.

Tuesday, March 5th**Mardi Gras Holiday**

St. John Vianney office will be closed.

There will be no mass.

Wednesday, March 6th**Ash Wednesday****6:30pm: Mass**

All PREP students are expected to attend an Ash Wednesday service. Please be sure to sign the books in the back of church. It will be counted as class attendance for this week.

There will be no collection taken up at this mass, but there will be a basket set up for almsgiving if you wish.

Thursday, March 7th**5:30 pm: Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Adoration will be followed by mass at 6:30 pm.

Friday, March 8th**6:00pm: Way of the Cross**

We will pray the Way of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:00pm in the church. The way of the cross will be followed by Mass at 6:30pm. Please note there will not be a morning Mass on Fridays during Lent.

Lenten Regulations

As we look to the beginning of the Lenten season this week, be reminded that every Catholic should participate in some way in the spiritual disciplines and penitential practices of Lent. This obligation binds children age 14 to adults. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. This means that we do not eat meat and have only one full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence from meat. It may be advisable for diabetics or those with other medical conditions to substitute another suitable penance in the place of fast and/or abstinence. There is another kind of fasting too in the modern age: fasting from smartphone, internet, texting, media, or computer and electronics. Any or all of the above - for a definite period of time, an evening or a day.

RCIA

We have two RCIA catechumens for 2019! On March 10th, Mallory Bell and Emily Sonnier will be recognized at 9:30 mass and attend The Rite of Election in the afternoon at St. Margaret's Church to receive a blessing from Bishop Provost. They will continue their RCIA journey until the Easter Vigil. At the Vigil, Mallory and Emily will receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

Sunday, March 10th**5:00 pm: Catholic Daughter's Meeting**

The Catholic Daughters of St John Vianney Court 2738 will meet Sunday, March 10th at 5:00 pm in the St Daniel's Center. Please bring a bag of wrapped Easter candy.

Sunday, April 12th**10:00-12:00: Knights of Columbus Dinner**

Once again, on Palm Sunday, our Knights of Columbus will be providing barbeque pork steak dinners with rice dressing and beans. They will be available for pick up at the Saint Daniel Center between 10:00 am & 12 noon, April 12th. Tickets will be available for purchase this weekend after each Mass.

Thank You

The family of Angie Treadway would like to thank you for your prayers and support during her illness. A special thanks to Braun Bourque and Mrs. Esther for serving and Father John for celebrating her funeral mass, and to those who brought food and attended her visitation and funeral. Your display of respect and love for her is very much appreciated!

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4 Our condolences to the friends and family of Fred Myers, Jr. We offer our prayers for peace, comfort, and healing as you mourn his loss. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April 1st, 2nd, & 3rd

6:30 pm: Parish Lenten Mission—Recently-ordained Fr. Samuel Orsot who was baptized here as a baby at St. John Vianney, will give the mission consisting of a series of preached masses and a confessional service. Please save the dates now to ensure your calendar is open for this Lenten mission.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Emails. Carpools. Shopping lists. Home repairs. It can seem like we move so quickly from one thing to the next. Our news comes in sound bites and headlines. How often do we take time for silence, for prayer, for reflection, for wisdom? Jesus warns us of stumbling through life without an adequate sense of where we're going. "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?" This Sunday's Gospel isn't about fumbling along but offers a self-check on our own motivations.

"Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Without adequate self-reflection, it's easy to become blind to our own faults. We go through life's motions as our bad habits linger or even increase. We may become increasingly impatient, we may avoid important tasks, we may neglect the emotional needs of our spouse. Perhaps, in the process, we find fault with those around us. In the words of Jesus, "remove the wooden beam from your own eye first."

So how do we know? How can we notice the hidden faults in our lives? "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of store of evil produces evil." Do you notice certain relationships that have become strained, or situations where you know you don't act your best? Perhaps this is an area where you are acting out of sin, rather than virtue. The truth is, all of us are a mixture of light and dark, vice and virtue. We can't pretend we're perfect! But we also need to take time to pause and prayerfully examine the fruit we're bearing.