



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS AT 9:00 AM

On Thanksgiving Day, November 22, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM in the church. We begin our Thanksgiving holiday by giving thanks to God for all that he has done for us in Christ. Before we gather at our family tables, let us gather around the Table of the Lord.

**MLK CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER
LATE NIGHT STUDY - NOVEMBER 26-27**

The MLK Catholic Student Center in collaboration with CSS Tutoring will host two Late Night Study Nights for students on Monday and Tuesday, November 26-27 from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. All students are welcome to come out and take advantage of tutoring by peer tutors and faculty tutors. Snacks will be available. Get ready for finals in a supportive and helping atmosphere!

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thankful family
blessed grateful
together
blessings
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**Announcements and
Upcoming Events**

**THANKSGIVING FOOD GIVE AWAY
ON NOVEMBER 20**

On Tuesday, November 20, the Food Pantry will be giving away Thanksgiving food assistance to those who have been receiving food assistance from our pantry during the year. If you would like to make a donation of money or food, please see Rogers Jackson.



**SUPPORT MLK CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER
WITH A GIFT TO igivecatholic**

On Giving Tuesday, please consider making a contribution to the MLK Catholic Student Center by going on line to www.igivecatholic.org and choosing the Diocese of Baton Rouge from the menu and then choosing the MLK Catholic Student Center. Your tax deductible gift will help us to continue to minister to the students at Southern by offering MLK as a place to study and by our being out on campus meeting students. If you prefer to make a donation by check or in cash, please contact Fr. Clark.

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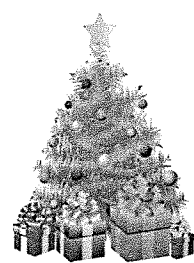
BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Established by Bishop Stanley Joseph Ott more than thirty years ago, and expanded by Bishop Alfred Hughes and Bishop Robert Muench, the Bishop's Annual Appeal continues extensive outreach and significant ministry under the spiritual leadership of our newly-appointed spiritual shepherd, Bishop Michael G. Duca. Through decades of blessing, the generous contributions of Catholic parishioners like you remain the heart of each effort. Thank you for giving to support the work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, as we *Follow the Shepherd's Lead*.



**SCOTLANDVILLE COMMUNITY
TREE LIGHTING**

On Saturday, December 1 at 5:00 PM-8:00 PM, there will be a tree lighting ceremony at Scenic Highway and Scotland Ave with Mayor Sharon Weston Broome, live Gospel Music, Christmas Carols, Liturgical Dance, Puppets, and more. Please come out and support this important event for the building up of the Scotlandville community.



Happy Birthday

JULIAN	RICHARD	11/18
RANDLE	THOMAS, SR.	11/18
CARISSA	CROPPER	11/19
MEAGAN	THIERRY	11/19
NICOLE	JOHNSON	11/20
SHARON	NIXON	11/20
JOY	THIERRY	11/20
AMBROSE	GRAY	11/21
RENA	PORTER	11/21
DAWN	RICHARD	11/21
DANEEN	WILLIAMS	11/21
JOIDAN	WILTZ	11/21
TAYLOR	BOUDREAUX	11/22
CANDICE	NORTHERN	11/22
DANIEL	RICHARD, JR.	11/22
MELISSA	WIGGINS	11/22
JOSEPH	ALLISON	11/23
LINDA	BROWN	11/23
REGINA	WILSON	11/23
RYAN	KNIGHT	11/24

MUSIC FOR THE CHRISTMAS MASSES



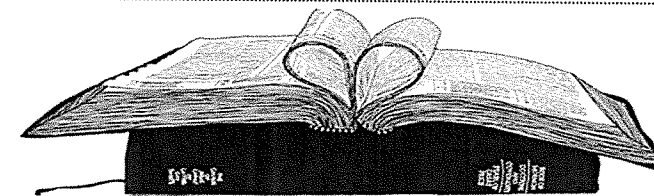
The choirs invite you to join with them in singing at the Christmas Masses. The Knights Choir invites all men and women of the parish to join them for the 4:00 PM Vigil mass on Christmas Eve. Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the church. For more information contact Gerald Berzat @ 225-276-4674.

The Traditional Choir invites all parishioners to sing with them at Midnight Mass at 12:00 AM on December 25. Practices will begin on Tuesday, November 20 at 7:00 PM. For more information, please contact Keith Thierry.

**TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 7:00 PM**



The Office for Black Catholics will host a production of the play, **Tolton: From Slave to Priest** on Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 PM at the Catholic Life Center. Tickets are available from Deacon Alfred Adams at 225-562-3255. You may watch a trailer for the play at www.youtube.com (Tolton: From Slave to Priest). Don't miss this national touring production of the life of the first known African American priest in the United States. You may purchase tickets using this link <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/tolton-from-slave-to-priest-tickets-52550292339>



Mass Readings

**November 18th - November 25th
Sunday**

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Heb. 10:11-14, 18
Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Monday

Rv. 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Psalm 1
Gospel: Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday

Rv. 3:1-6, 14-22; Psalm 15
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv. 4:1-11; Psalm 150
Gospel: Luke 19:11-28

Thursday

Sir. 50:22-24; Psalm 145; 1 Cor. 1:3-9
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Friday

Rv. 10:8-11; Psalm 119
Gospel: Luke 19:45-48

Saturday

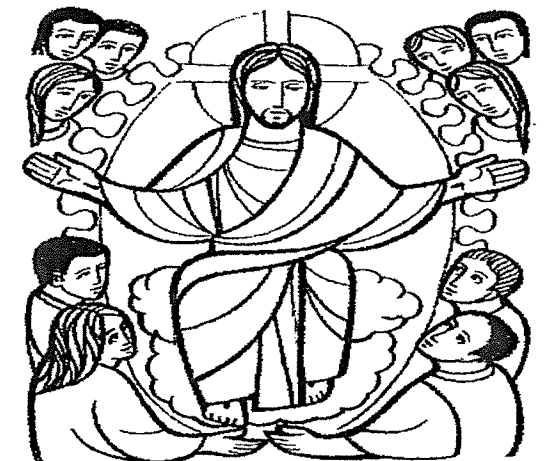
Rv. 11:4-12; Psalm 144
Gospel: Luke 20:27-40

Sunday

**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Daniel 7:13-14; Psalm 93; Rv. 1:5-8
Gospel: John 18:33b-37

*Forms for new parishioners or changes
are located in the vestibule of the church.*



Happy Thanksgiving



Help Me Thanksgiving Day Prayer

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry;
When I have work, help me to remember the jobless;
When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all;
When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer,
And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency;
Bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to help;
By word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen.

Samuel F. Pugh

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

BAPTISMS: To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

FUNERAL: Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

VISITING THE SICK: If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call the parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

MARRIAGES: Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. **Please** make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION: Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

RCIA: Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

TUITION ASSISTANCE: Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the Financial Advisory

To Whom Do We Go

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....	778-1977
Child Protection Coord: Andrea Toles.....	(504)491-6556
Communication Coord: Andrea Toles.....	(504)491-6556
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....	229-6076
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....	936-4051
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder.....	428-5981
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....	775-7067
Lectors: Yvonne Jackson.....	362-0897
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
Ministry to the Sick: Gene Decuir.....	229-6076
Pantry/Food and Vouchers:	774-3661
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr.	362-0907
Traditional Choir: Lloyd Doucette, Jr.....	999-0090
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....	775-7332

This Week's Prayer

God, sometimes I wish I could be saved from the struggle and pain of learning the hard way. But, Lord, that's not your plan, and I need to be willing to wait as you work gently from the inside out. Please grant me some strength in this time of uncertainty. I trust and love you. Amen.

Thankful
&
Blessed