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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m. [5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Victory]

Sunday — 7:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

[9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory]

Monday, Wednesday and Friday — 6:45 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

Tuesday and Thursday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

First Saturday — 8:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Every Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. [5:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.

at Our Lady of Victory] and one-half hour before all weekday

Masses, or by appointment during office hours.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday — 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

RECEPTIONIST/BOOKKEEPER/CEMETERIAN

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Mrs. Jeanne Stiles — jstiles@diolaf.org

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mrs. Janice Carboni (4:00 p.m.)

Mrs. Jeanne Stiles and Mr. Dro Gondron (10:30 a.m.)

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Mr. Ken Theriot and John Thomas Neuville

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The chapel is open every day from 6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office prior to contacting the funeral home. Funerals are celebrated in the morning of Tuesdays through Saturdays no later than 11:00 a.m.

A Funeral Vigil is celebrated on the preceding evening at 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism classes are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:45 p.m. in the rectory. Baptism are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Please contact the parish office for scheduling.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples must contact the pastor at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the parish office to schedule a pastoral visit.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Contact the parish office.



Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by Your peaceful rule and that Your Church may rejoice, untroubled in Her devotion.

Please pray for our parish family members who are sick:

We invite you to submit the names of people who are in need of our prayers.

Jess Koch, Lisa Adcock, Kendall Romero, Alicia Durand, Janice Stacy, Joseph Huval, Marie Lee Prioux, Troy Barras, Kelly Ransonet, Jessica Scott, Mary Smith, Brian Thibodeaux, Cora Laviolette, Jackie Savoy, Barry Thibodeaux, Doris "Boutte" Barras, Michele Dugas Burke, Paul Crochet, Craig Breaux, Helen Simon, Ross Rouly, Jamie Brady, Holly LeBlanc, Faye Gary, Tony Berard, Glenn Romero, Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Judy Judice, Hayden Ransonet, Trevor Louviere, Vanessa Courville, Rita and Wayne Louviere, Austin

Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Dennis and Helen Bastian, Butch and Debbie White, Gwen Borel, Guy Thibodeaux, Lydia May, Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Jerry Fruge, Jimmy Clifton, Michelle Breaux, Rowena Borel, Megan Scully, Terrel Dressel, Maxine Latiolais, Dawn Derouen, Deacon Chris Doumit, Beulah Dugas, Matil LasSalle Romero, Falyn Sonnier, Rickey Sonnier, Caline Provost, Katie Boutte, Patricia Freyou, Lecia Broussard, Jason Walker, Ronald Albert Sr.

Please note that our office will purge the names on our sick list every quarter. We ask anyone who lists someone's name to please call the parish office to add or remove a name.

Collection for February 24, 2019

Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes (61%)	\$ 4,443.00
Regular Sunday Offering Loose (39%)	\$ 2,881.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 9,136.00
Regular Collection Total	\$ 7,324.00
Difference	-\$ 1,812.00
Completion Loan Balance	\$ 106,839.25
Completion Collection	\$ 388.00
Insurance Balance 2018-2019	\$ 30,107.70
Insurance Collection	\$ 286.00

145 of 1314 families used collection envelopes (11% participation).
239 of 1314 families attended Mass this weekend (18% attendance).

Thanks to those who practice Sacrificial Giving and give of their time, talent and treasure as an act of profound Christian stewardship.

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for:

Louto, Anite, Alton and Jason Gondron
Howard Joe Trahan

The Vocation Chalice is in the home of:

Gwendolyn Dunn

Please pray for vocations. If you would like to have the vocation chalice in your home please call the rectory office at 229-4254.

The Bi-Monthly Statue is in the home of:

Liz Belaire

The Weekly Statue is in the home of:

Carroll and Hariette Boudreaux

Flowers on the Altar in loving memory of:

Audrey Crochet and Jordan Prince

Saint Joseph Altar Candles are burning for:

Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Ronald Broussard
Louis and Mae Mae, Audrey Crochet and Jordan Prince
Jessie B. B. Benoit, Porrier Family

Mass Schedule Change

Because of Mardi Gras festivities, the usual 5:30 p.m. evening Mass at Saint Joseph Church on Tuesday, March 5 has been moved to 6:45 a.m. with Confessions at 6:15 a.m.

Please pray for our priests, seminarians, deacons and religious

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these special sons and daughters. 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.

March 2	Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI/ Rev. Patrick Broussard, Director of Vocations Dcn. Arthur Bakeler/Sr. Mary Vianette, MC
March 3	Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel/ Seminary Faculty, Parents and Benefactors of Seminarians Dcn. Scotty Baudoin/Sr. Mary Romero, MC
March 4	Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell/Brent Didier Dcn. Glen Bertrand/Sr. Mary Denise, MC
March 5	Rev. William Schambough/Casey Dugas Dcn. Jose Blanco/Sr. Margaret Caïre, RSCJ
March 6	Rev. Gary Schexnayder/John Dugas Dcn. Reggie Bollich/Sr. Maria Louisa Cotto, RSCJ
March 7	Rev. Paul Schott, SJ/Tré Fontenot Dcn. Dwayne Boudreaux/Sr. Barbara Moreau, RSCJ
March 8	Rev. Andrew Schumacher/Andrew Furka Dcn. Jerry Bourg/Sr. Lucie Nordman, RSCJ

Mass Intentions — 2/23-3/1

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Stjo — Octave in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, and Gerdie Judice and Family, Louto, Maude Granger and Mr. and Mrs. Anite, Alton and Jason Gondron, Ossie Romero, Louis, Mae Mae and Ronald Broussard, Louis J. "Nego" and Lita N. Judice and parents, Alton and Cecile Segura, Joseph L. and Helen Bastian, Wayne LeBlanc, Lily Mae and Alvin LeBlanc, Sam and Glo Delcambre and Family, Tasey Eldridge, Clarence Champagne Family, Robert Prados Family and Breaux Family, Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Audrey Crochet, Jordan Prince and Special Intention, Joseph Dressel, Kimberly Decuir, Decuir and Dugas Family, J.O. Sr. and Marie Neuville and Ted Neuville Family, Barry Eldridge and Ned Broussard Families, Melvin Dugas, Roy Sr. and Gladys Berard, Forbus Mestayer Sr., Granger and Mestayer Family, Ronald, Sr. and Mildred Gonsoulin, Leed and Mabel Gondron, Fred Laviolette, Louis and Grace Moran, Virginia Frioux, Lennet and Marie Antoinette Crochet, Dorothy T. Latiolais and Kathy Latiolais Holtzclaw, Clenie and Eve Segura and Billie, Sally Domingue, Cabrol and Domingue Family, Lorraine Huval, Preston and Agnes Huval, Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Lloyd Broussard, Claude and Felicie Granger, Nancy Broussard, Clarence and Hilda Landry, Otto Sr. and Laurence Girouard, Terradot Family, Theresa Girouard Allen, Antoine Judice Families, Suzette B. Judice, Kelly Louviere, Sylvia Thibodeaux, Francis and Art Mazerole, Billie and Armance Barrilleaux, Herman Walet, Oneil and June Landry, Al Broussard Jr. Family and Abby Dugas Broussard Family, Will and Lily Roberts, Collins and Doris Louviere, Earl Mestayer, Kay Dooley and William and Dolores Dooley, Sue Crochet.

10:30 a.m. Stjo — Ury Louviere, Goldie and Ferdinand Breaux, Sam and Glo Delcambre, Inez Vincent, Phillip and Neil Hebert, Begnaud Family, Loto Sr., Leah and Loto Louviere, Jr., Alvin and Faye Tauzin, Edmonia Tauzin, Marcel and Nadage Broussard, Jimmy Eldridge, Elaine Plessala and Eldridge Family, Sylvia Thibodeaux, Gam and Velma Gondron and Family, Cheryl Segura, Jeanette "Jan" Crochet, Pliny Walet Family, Agnes Breaux, Angus and Florence "Flo" Mestayer, Louis and Elbay Judice, Boots Thomas, Joe Boudreaux and Justin Boudreaux, L.J. and Anita Grivat and Parents, Louis Landry, Una and Otto Landry, Widley Louviere, Anita and Lennet Grivat, Sylvia Thibodeaux, Antoine Judice Families, Suzette B. Judice, Kelly Louviere, Butsy Walet, Sandra Angelle, Glenn Angelle, Percy Granger, Sue Crochet.

Monday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Audrey Crochet, Jordan Prince, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Sue Crochet.

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Stjo — Glenn and Sandra Sandi Angelle, Lucien and Lorena Angelle, Georgean Babin, Cobey Braquet, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Sue Crochet.

Ash Wednesday 6:45 a.m. OLV

12:10 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Stjo

Earl O. Savoy, Perry J. Burke, Bertha B. Eaves, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Sue Crochet, Audrey Crochet, Jordan Prince.

Thursday 5:30 p.m. Stjo — James Frawley, Jr., In thanksgiving, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Sue Crochet.

Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Walet and Judice Families, Sue Crochet.

5:30 p.m. OLV — Special Intention, Sue Crochet.

Sunday 7:00 a.m. Stjo — Mr. and Mrs. Albert Broussard, Lora Bloom, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Boudreaux, Noelle Seneca, Maude Granger and Velma and Gam Gondron, S.J. "Bute" Granger and Junius & Mary Hebert, Suzette Judice, Jay Gonsoulin Family, Paul Sonnier Family and Clyde Warfel Family, Sandra P. Horton, John Michael Steiner, Joe and Rita Habetz, Kay Habetz and Thomas Voorhies, Howard and Irene Duplantis, Louis Landry, Loto and Leah Louviere, Robert Braquet, Cathy Braquet Latiolais, Mark Braquet, Antoine "Boy" LeBlanc Family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Albert Sr., Champagne and Landry Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DURING LENT

Thursday Evenings at 6:30 p.m.
in Saint Theresa Hall

March 7, 2019 — Deacon Chris
March 14, 2019 — Deacon Jeanlouis
March 21, 2019 — Fr. Godwin
March 28, 2019 — Fr. Crochet
April 4, 2019 — Fr. Godwin
April 11, 2019 — Deacon Jeanlouis

Events Calendar

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Mardi Gras — Offices are Closed
6:45 a.m. — Mass at Saint Joseph Church
[There is NO Evening Mass]

March 6, 2019

Ash Wednesday

Universal Day of Fasting and Abstinence from Meat
[NOT a Holy Day of Obligation]

6:15 a.m. — Confessions/6:45 a.m. — Mass
Our Lady of Victory Church

Fish Dinner Sale, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Victory Parish Hall

11:15 a.m. — Confessions/12:10 p.m. — Mass
5:00 p.m. — Confessions/6:00 p.m. — Mass
Saint Joseph Church

Thursday, March 7, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Mass with Way of the Cross at Saint Joseph Church

Thursday, March 7, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

Adult Religious Education Class at Saint Theresa Hall

Friday, March 8, 2019, 3:30 p.m.

Youth Way of the Cross at Saint Joseph Church

Friday, March 8, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Mass with Way of the Cross at Our Lady of Victory Church

Wednesday, March 13, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Extra Confession Time at Saint Joseph Church

Thursday, March 14, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Mass with Way of the Cross at Saint Joseph Church

Thursday, March 14, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

Adult Religious Education Class at Saint Theresa Hall

Friday, March 15, 2019, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fish Dinner Sale at Our Lady of Victory Parish Hall

Friday, March 15, 2019, 3:30 p.m.

Youth Way of the Cross at Saint Joseph Church

Please check back weekly
as this calendar is updated



Youth Way of the Cross
Fridays During Lent
3:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph Church



Lenten Mission

Tuesday, March 19 and
Wednesday, March 20
Saint Joseph Church
6:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker — Chad Justice

Confessions will be heard each evening



Men of St. Joseph's Church

This Lent can be the best ever for you if you attend a retreat at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau with other men of New Iberia. Take some important time away to get closer to Jesus Christ. Join us March 21-24. For more information about retreats or to reserve your spot call or text Wayne Delcambre at 337.519.0462.



Our Lady of Victory Fish Dinners

Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Fried Fish, Seafood Dressing,
Potato Salad, Sweet Peas

\$10 Donation

Tickets: Rose Mitchell (380-3658), Barbara Pierre (380-8949)
Donations: Bessie Vital (229-6512), Laura Antoine (256-3518)
Victoria Green (229-4447)

Youth Group Meeting

Sunday, March 24, 2019, 11:30 a.m., Saint Theresa Hall



The Light is On for You Extra Confession Times for the Wednesdays of Lent

March 13, 27 and April 3, 10, 17
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Saint Joseph Church

[Also during the Mission on March 20, 6:30 p.m.]



MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Date and Time	Readers	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Ash Wednesday March 6 12:10 p.m.	Mike Lawson	Claire Breaux Gloria Boutte Claudette Thibodeaux Roberta Degeyter	Volunteers
6:00 p.m.	Lori Barras	Charles Jefferson Betty Guidry Lynn Delcambre Linda Dore	Volunteers
March 9 4:00 p.m.	Victoria Landry	Gloria Boutte Earl Price	Kristyn Dorsey Nicholas Gondron Mia Hebert
March 10 7:00 a.m.	Ted McIntyre	Antoinette McIntyre Russell Steiner	Kylie Kay Mestayer
10:30 a.m.	Mike Ackal Monica Delahoussaye	Patti Gondron Sully Gondron Cheryl Koch	Emma Ackal Madelyn Ackal

Guide to a Catholic Lent

What is Lent?

Lent is the forty-day liturgical season of fasting, special prayer and almsgiving in preparation for Easter. The name “Lent” is from the Middle English *Lenten* and Anglo-Saxon *Lenten*, meaning spring; its more primitive ecclesiastical name was the “forty days,” *tessaraoctoe* in Greek. The number “forty” is first noted in the Canons of Nicaea (A.D. 325), likely in imitation of Jesus’ fast in the desert before His public ministry (with Old Testament precedent in Moses and Elijah). By the fourth century, in most of the West, it referred to six days’ fast per week of six weeks (Sundays were excluded); in the seventh century the days from Ash Wednesday through the First Sunday were added to make the number forty.

With this penitential season upon us, we Catholics, like Christians everywhere, begin preparing to commemorate the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Just a few short weeks ago, we celebrated His Birth, and now the Church prepares to join Him on His journey to Calvary. The church scene becomes somber, more intense, and such terms as contrition, conversion, penance, almsgiving, fasting and abstinence dominate the liturgy.

Benedictine Father Dom Prosper Gueranger wrote about Lent (1887): “Lent, is a time consecrated, in a special manner, to penance, and this penance is mainly practiced by fasting. Fasting is an abstinence, which man voluntarily imposes upon himself, as expiation for sin, and which, during Lent, is practiced in obedience to the general laws of the Church.”

Why fast and abstain?

Pope Clement XIII in 1759 said that “penance also demands that we satisfy divine justice with fasting, almsgiving and prayer and other works of the spiritual.” The purpose of our fast is to not become physically weak or lose weight but to create a hunger, a spiritual void that only Christ can fill; in fasting from the heart, we express our love of God and acknowledge our sinfulness. Though unworthy, we pray that our sacrifices will be acceptable to the One Who suffered and gave His life Blood for us.

Every Ash Wednesday we hear from the prophet Joel (2:12-14): “Yet even now — oracle of the Lord — return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, weeping and mourning. Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God.” It is not our clothes but our hearts we need to rend in reflecting our sorrow. Our fast is not for man but for God.

Fasting and abstinence

Fasting and abstinence are Church-imposed penitential practices that deny us food and drink during certain seasons and on certain days. These acts of self-denial dispose us to free ourselves from worldly distractions, to express our longing for Jesus, to somehow imitate His suffering.

Abstinence traditionally has meant not eating meat and, for centuries but no longer, included meat by-products. Many may recall the calendar hanging in the kitchen that included a fish symbol on each Friday of the month. Catholics never have been compelled to eat fish on days of abstinence, but rather, to avoid meat. While abstinence refers to the kind or quality of food we eat, fasting refers to the amount or quantity of food consumed. It is contrary to the spirit of abstinence and fasting if we avoid steak but pile our plate high with fish.

Fasting in Scripture

In the Old Testament, God told Adam and Eve not to eat (abstain) from the Tree of Knowledge (Genesis 2:17). Queen Esther (Esther 4: 15), in a successful attempt to save the Jews, ordered a three-day fast for herself and her court. The Book of Jonah describes how the people of Nineveh fasted and were saved from God’s wrath (3:4-10).

Pope Saint Leo the Great on Fasting

“Enter upon the celebration of the solemn fast, not with barren abstinence from food ... but in bountiful benevolence ... Let works of piety, therefore, be our delight, and let us be filled with those kinds of food which feed us for eternity. Let us rejoice in the replenishment of the poor, whom our bounty has satisfied. Let us delight in the clothing of those whose nakedness we have covered with needful raiment. Let our humaneness be felt by the sick in their illnesses, by the weakly in their infirmities, by the exiles in their hardships, by the orphans in their destitution and by solitary widows in their sadness: in the helping of whom there is no one that cannot carry out some amount of benevolence. For no one’s income is small, whose heart is big. ...” (Excerpt from Sermon 40) The Lord Jesus set the example for our fasting when He went into the desert and fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11). His entire life involved suffering and self-denial. In Mark 2:18-20, He responds to the Pharisees’ accusation that His disciples do not fast: “As long as they have the Bridegroom with them they cannot fast. But the days will come when the Bridegroom is taken away from them, and

then they will fast on that day.” Once the Lord was not with them, the Apostles did fast and advocated fasting to new Christians as evidenced in the books of Acts and the Epistles.

Evolution of practice

By the second century, fasting was integrated into Christian worship. Jews had long fasted on Mondays and Thursdays, but the Christians chose to fast on Wednesdays, because that was the day of Christ’s betrayal, and Fridays, the day He was crucified. By the fourth century, Saturday had replaced Wednesday as a day of fasting, and over the centuries Saturday fasting was dropped.

Fasting before Easter was practiced in those first centuries, but the times and extent varied. Until the ninth century, fasting meant one meal a day and then only enough food to sustain life. Those keeping a fast often would give the food not eaten to others in need.

Saint John wrote in I John 3:17, “If someone who has worldly means sees a brother in need and refuses him compassion, how can the love of God remain in him?” The philosopher Aristides, around the year 128, explaining how Christians lived, noted, “And if there is among them a man that is poor or needy ... they fast two or three days that they may supply the needy with their necessary food” (Apologia, XV).

Hermes, a writer in the first and second centuries, said, “and having reckoned up the price of the dishes of that day which you intended to have eaten, you will give it to the widow or the orphan.”

Later, Saint Augustine said, “What you deprive yourself by fasting, add to your almsgiving” (“Sermons on the Liturgical Seasons: Fathers of the Church,” 1959). Today we are often encouraged to calculate the funds not spent for food during Lent and put that amount in the “poor box.”

By the Middle Ages, the number of fast days during the liturgical year had increased and at times included seventy days. Sundays and solemnities have never been days of fast. Through the mid-20th century, Catholic Missals identified fasting on weekdays of Lent, ember days, the vigils of Pentecost, All Saints, Immaculate Conception and Christmas. Abstinence was required on all Fridays, Ash Wednesday, the vigils of the Assumption and Christmas. This all would change.

In 1966, Blessed Pope Paul VI significantly amended the laws of fasting through his apostolic constitution *Paenitemini*, in which he affirmed some practices and gave certain

authority to national conferences of bishops around the world. The changes by Pope Paul were incorporated into the 1983 **Code of Canon Law**.

Abstinence and fasting are required on both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On those days, one full meal is allowed along with two other smaller meals. Catholics bound by the law of abstinence include everyone age fourteen and over; the law of fasting includes individuals age eighteen through the beginning of their 60th year.

Canon Law, the **Catechism**, and the *Precepts of the Church* explain our fasting obligations. Before Lent, most every Catholic parish emphasizes the rules and rewards of fasting and abstinence. A one-hour fast is always required before receiving Communion.

In addition to Friday abstinence during Lent, every Friday of the year is a day of penance (**Canon Law**, ¶1250). According to Canon 1253, the conference of bishops in each nation may “substitute other forms of penance ... for abstinence and fast.” U.S. bishops have maintained the obligation to fast and abstain on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and abstain on the Fridays of Lent. They have granted U.S. Catholics the option of doing another form of penance on Fridays outside Lent rather than abstaining from meat. The bishops focus us on Friday self-denial, along with works of charity and mercy while recalling Christ’s passion.

What are you doing for Lent this year?

Ask Catholics what they’re doing for Lent this year, and they’ll probably tell you that they are giving up a favorite food, a favorite pastime or

anything else they really love but isn’t essential in their lives.

Giving up something for Lent fosters self-discipline and tempers our desires. It is a form of fasting. It is a form of penance. It promotes spiritual growth. If you’re giving up something for Lent, that’s great. But think also about the possibility of doing something positive to bolster your spiritual life. Look for ways that you can increase your knowledge of your faith, strengthen your spiritual life or perform special acts of mercy and kindness at home, at work, in your parish or in your community.

Ten tips for making the season more meaningful

1. *Slow Down* - Set aside 10 minutes a day for silent prayer or meditation. It will revitalize your body and your spirit
2. *Read a good book* - You could choose the life of a saint, a spiritual how-to, an inspirational book
3. *Be kind* - Go out of your way to do something nice for someone else every day
4. *Get involved* - Attend a Lenten lecture or spiritual program
5. *Volunteer at your parish* - Whether it’s the parish fish fry, cleaning the church or helping with the food drive, it will give you a chance to help others
6. *Reach out* - Invite an inactive Catholic to come with you to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday
7. *Pray* - Especially for people you don’t like and for people who don’t like you
8. *Tune out* - Turn off the television and spend quality time talking with family

members or friends

9. *Clean out closets* - Donate gently used items to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society or Goodwill
10. *Donate* — Pick one mission and decide how you can help by sending money, clothing or supplies

Bless me, Father, for I have sinned...

If you haven’t gone to confession in a while, Lent is the perfect time to reconcile yourself with God and the Church. Most parishes have the opportunity for individual confession (a necessity for absolution of mortal sins). Or you can also make a private appointment with a priest.

Preparation for confession should include an examination of conscience, which means you think back on sins you have committed since your last confession.

What happens during confession depends on the priest and the person. Most people still start with the formula: “Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (state the number of months or years) since my last confession.”

If you can’t remember the words or you don’t recall how long it’s been, don’t worry. Just tell the priest it’s been a long time, and he will guide you through the process.

What you will experience is the healing gift of God’s love, the chance to start over with a clean conscience, and an overwhelming sense of gratitude.



Ash Wednesday Second Collection Catholic Charities of Acadiana March 6, 2019

As a diocese, we will soon participate in the Ash Wednesday collection for Catholic Charities of Acadiana. I believe that you share in our concern for those who are experiencing poverty, hunger and homelessness right here in our diocese. We believe in ensuring that basic human needs are met in our community. Most importantly we believe that those suffering through unimaginable circumstances deserve a future filled with hope.

We believe that any night that a person has to sleeping unsheltered in our community is a crisis that demands a response. With this belief in mind, we began operating a low barrier shelter, which offers a sleeping solution for anyone in need above our existing capacity at *Saint Joseph Shelter for Men*. Additionally, Catholic Charities of Acadiana opened the *Emily House* and began providing emergency shelter with specialized care for families who are experiencing homelessness.

All of CCA’s shelter programs have a goal that anyone’s

experience of homelessness should be rare, brief, and non-recurring. Shelter Service Coordinators provide individualized case management and housing stability planning to ensure that those experiencing homelessness find appropriate and affordable housing as soon as possible. Each night CCA provides safe shelter for an average of 135 men, women, children and veterans between its shelter programs that cost approximately \$475,000 each year to operate.

Your support of the Ash Wednesday Second Collection makes a difference for those who are in need of shelter and can assist CCA in helping them regain housing stability. In addition, 25% of donations collected will go directly toward social ministries in each deanery.

Together we can work to shelter the homeless and care for the sacred gift of all human life, especially the most vulnerable. Please give generously to the Ash Wednesday collection to support Catholic Charities of Acadiana in their mission to provide safe shelter to people experiencing homelessness in our community.

www.catholiccharitiesacadiana.org

March 1
1873 Thomson Hayes
1903 Ella Floyd
1935 Antonia Gonsoulin
1941 Dorsey Jones
1949 Ovignac Girouard
1970 Noemi Guillot
2001 Mary Sue Touchet

March 2
1880 Artimise Lee
1892 Louis Ambrose
1903 Onias Broussard
1911 Ms. Louis Broussard
1920 Marie Broussard
1929 Marie Jefferson
1932 Marie James
1936 Mariah Joseph
1937 Pauline Boutte
1939 Joseph Gaillet
1961 Troy Gondron
1966 Odonia Breaux
1981 Eugene Segura
2002 Myrtle Cabrol
2007 Guy Ransonnet
2016 Sylvia Thibodeaux

March 3
1892 Julia Broussard
1895 Valerien Broussard
1900 Infant Oubre
1902 Camille Hebert
1916 Adele Henry
1920 Mellin Laurince
1928 Charles Williams
1932 Alfred Rias
1945 Catherine Perkins
1952 Laura Castillo
1961 Infant Grivat
1989 Louto Gondron
1994 Henry Bourque
2008 Charles Mestayer
2010 Brenda Robin
2014 Joan Falgout

March 4
1873 Infant Dugas
1890 Felix Fontenet
1893 Ms. Antoine Leroux
1896 Ms. Julien Romial
1908 Annette Louviere
1920 Antoine Latiolais
1933 Sylvie Prince
1971 Erasie Bonin
1979 Sully Vincent
2007 Charleton Monroe
2016 Linda Bergeron

March 5
1893 Annette Crochet
1894 Marie Anne
1898 Joseph Louis
1910 Victorine Mow
1914 Leonce Dugas
1921 Nicholas Dugas
1922 Ms. Joel Angel
1931 Norbert Decoux
1936 Araoie LeBlanc
1941 John Massena
1956 Eddie Borel
1998 Genevieve Ransonnet
2008 Rebecca Darby
2013 Melvin Louviere
2015 Lodo Broussard
2018 Louis Theriot, Jr.

March 6
1904 Eugene Thomps
1904 Laurence Dugas
1907 Beatrice Broussard
1917 Ms. Charles Durand
1951 Leon John
1961 Keith Broussard
1971 Edgar Peltier
1985 Van Judice

1985 John Damal
1997 Sidney Mouton
1999 Evangeline Crochet
2000 Odette Louviere
2018 Howard Trahan

March 7
1908 Louis Braquet
1909 Caroline Trahan
1912 Ozinee LeBlanc
1929 Alice Gonsoulin
1930 Dora Lamperez
1993 Tonya Comeaux
1995 Eve Patin
2014 Cathy Latiolais
2015 Junius Louviere

March 8
1907 Alexandre Vital
1918 Ms. Louis Suard
1930 Leo Ransonnet
1958 Louis Bonin
1965 Albert Eldridge
1980 Lucille Bonin
1996 Starla Hymel
2010 Rita Addie

March 9
1885 Leonce Prosper
1906 Gustave Judice
1908 Sidney Dominick
1916 Therese John
1930 James Billey
1939 Livie Bonin
1949 Roy Bonin
1975 Dumas Dugas
1977 Rudolph Copp
1979 Preston Huval
1986 Kandace Dupre
2011 Skye Sonnier

March 10
1892 Odile Berard
1900 Infant Grand
1903 Bemadatte Broussard
1910 Henriette Chalambert
1912 Helene Mitchell
1918 Amalie Broussard
1934 Cleopha Berard
1946 Voothies Bonin
1955 Elizabeth Milliman
1972 Laurent Braquet
1978 Cora Rebert
1988 Editha Robin
1991 Evelyn Bonin
2001 Hazel Richard
2010 Douglas Walet

March 11
1909 Clementine LeBlanc
1922 Joseph Dugas
1923 Emma Broussard
1935 Pierre Benoit
1956 Leon Braquet
1963 Adonis Courville
1965 Perry Judice
1977 Lena Gamba
1978 Brenda Bonin
1994 Annette Boutte
2005 Lydia Broggi
2006 Barbara Buras
2013 Camille Fraering
2018 Loretta Dressel

March 12
1901 Amadee Guidry
1912 Adam Bonin
1918 Vernice Olivier
1919 Marie Broussard
1930 Infant Prados
1931 Lawrence Abraham
1940 Placide Bonin
1951 Leoncia Jones
1964 Dosrye Prados
1968 Jennifer Boutte

1987 Herbert Etie
1990 Edna Mestayer
1991 Mary Judice
2008 Leah Louviere
2008 Gerald Gonsoulin
2011 Hayes Borres

March 13
1901 Ms. ALEXandre Joachin
1907 Christine Gondron
1912 Olivia Bonin
1916 Ms. Robert Lapeyrouse
1920 Antoine Simon
1932 Luzin Breaux
1960 Aurelia Provost
1973 Nama Gondron
1979 Freddie Suire
1984 Noemie Vaughn
1984 Clomie Viator
2004 Alvee Dugas

March 14
1903 Ms. Didier Gonsoulin
1903 Emmar Louviere
1917 Henriette Bourges
1923 Adrien Gonsoulin
1942 Jewell Gonsoulin
1945 Alphonsine LeCamus
1949 Harry Wagner
1963 Martin LaGrange
1968 Errol Boutte
1979 Ivy Williams
2002 Mae Moulis
2007 Louis Suard
2010 Forbus Mestayer

March 15
1910 Aurelie Simon
1918 Ms. Alfred Gondron
1923 Dalton Johnson
1933 Dumase Broussard
1934 Fuadel Borel
1964 Dominique Vaughn
1969 Julius Courville
1976 Rhule Gondron
2008 Levie Ronsonet

March 16
1924 Laurent Olivier
1943 Antoinette Bourgeois
1965 Rev. Francis (LaSalette priest)
1978 Cora Broussard
1979 Moise Tauzin
2006 Bemice Boutte
2007 Irene Champeaux

March 17
1893 Pierre Molbert
1932 Perry Verret
1934 Sophie Aucoin
1944 Albertine Anthony
1984 Alziere Patin
2017 Kenney Louviere

March 18
1880 Ms. Zyphy
1887 Emile Tromy
1892 Julia Oubre
1896 Maxile Abraham
1907 Edward Vaughn
1914 Fualdes Borel
1916 Matthew Jean-Louis
1922 Infant Gonsoulin
1931 Alphe Broussard
1932 Mary Verret
1942 Ovan Arnaud
1952 Dewey Broussard
1972 Willie Gonsoulin
1985 Rufus Horton
2008 Edna Wilson

March 19
1893 Octave Vincent
1895 Ulgere Vidal

1924 Eusebe Gonsoulin
1930 Altene Vincent
1964 Maurice Courville
1999 Roberta Landry
2007 Joseph Boudreaux

March 20
1884 Virginie Green
1892 Aapharie Mestayer
1896 Victorine Gasmier
1900 Felix Blanchard
1906 Marie Borel
1906 Antoine LeBlanc
1943 Antoinette Bonin
1976 Rosa Blanchard
1986 Katie Vaughn
1998 Charles Oubre
2005 Francis Mazerole
2018 Louis Prince

March 21
1900 Floret
1916 George Prioux
1929 Jules Fauchaux
1940 Albert Riley
1969 Alice Bonin
1974 Ms. Lee Oube
1983 Sidney Breaux
1985 Julia Courville
2002 Francois Guillot
2005 Stan Judice
2014 Peter Holtzclaw
2018 Rogers Courville

March 22
1883 Rosalie Mitchell
1891 Celestine Oubre
1892 Merance Johnson
1918 Rose DeBlanc
1928 Alicia Rodrigues
1941 Alziere Mestayer
1955 Josephine Dressel
1961 Leonare Girouard
1966 Infant Verret
2001 Russell Ruiz Sr.

March 23
1877 Cleophas Dugas
1882 Eugene Antoine
1887 Oscar Guillotte
1916 Ms. Henri Vaughn
1927 Emile Green
1927 Paul Dugas
1929 Thomas Eldridge
1941 Elise Dupuis
1964 Amelie Richard
2007 Helen LaGrange

March 24
1887 Anezpont Gonsoulin
1890 Agni Wary
1892 Jules Chataignier
1905 Eulalie Henry
1926 Anatole Judice
1951 Leonce Prosper
1957 Amilcar Breaux
1998 Nola Provost
2009 Oscar Oubre
2010 Clarence Champagne

March 25
1890 Mathilde Dugas
1913 Ms. Eduardo Broussard
1936 George Willis
1967 Constance Girard
1977 Lazin Gonsoulin
1987 Armina Latiolais
2007 Linwood Crochet

March 26
1889 Marnie LeBlanc
1900 Infant Judice
1900 Victor Morbert
1914 Mathilde Anthony
1923 Anatole Judice

1927 Amelie Archangel
1928 August Lampressé
1940 Sadie Breaux
1944 Jeanne Judice
1946 Henry Vaughn
1984 Frank Moulis
1991 Alfred Judice
2000 Alexis LeBlanc
2000 Drake Vandeventer

March 27
1909 Louis LeBlanc
1926 Adrienne Horton
1939 Infant Crochet
1943 Cecile Breaux
1962 Sophie Bonin
1995 Amanda Provost
1998 Lucien Cudera
2006 Ellen Gonton
2012 Gladys Badeaux

March 28
1903 Ravil Moulis
1909 Basile Bastien
1914 Sidalze Blanchard
1922 Eddie Bonin
1955 Alice Broussard
1970 Theresa Judice
1977 Keith Crochet
1979 Yveta Broussard
1995 Nicholas Crochet

March 29
1873 Infant Gonsoulin
1883 Celestine Louis
1893 Ms. A.B. Dauterive
1898 Paul Ambroise
1906 Gilbert Bonin
1908 Eve Hebert
19223 Infant Chataignier
1939 Theresa Theriot
1948 Desphane Provost
1948 Homer Dugas
1953 Diane Crochet
1964 Judy Latiolais
1964 George Conner
1971 Oneil Girouard
1974 Vergie Murphy
1898 Eola Harbin
1984 Byrns Berard
1989 Hilda Landry
1990 Norma Mestayer

March 30
1873 Marcellite Broussard
1931 Aline Breaux
1942 Laura Cole
1960 Felix Moulis
1971 Felicine Berard
1972 Alcia Broussard
1989 Elton Berard
1992 Trenton Etie

March 31
1900 Rose
1903 Ms. Gustave Broussard
1903 Emilien Fauchaux
1913 Infant Dominique
1918 Emma Broussard
1927 Alfred Escagne
1927 Francois Antoine
1928 Adcles Broussard
1942 Infant Poinier
1942 Dewey Antoine
1944 Marie LaGrange
1954 Oza Judice
1978 Nola Broussard
1983 Edward "Boon" Dressel
1985 Desire Broussard
1995 Lillian Seneca
2000 James Picheloup
2008 Lorena Dupoy
2018 Ossie Romero, Jr.

Necrology

March Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

May God richly bless you on your special day. It will be our privilege to remember you at the altar during the celebration of Holy Mass as we offer the Victim.

— Father Crochet and Fr. Godwin

March 1

Adrian Albert
Lanny Begnaud
Brantley Champagne
Kason Desormeaux
Robert Holtzclaw
Samantha Horton
Killey Menard, Jr.
Robert Robin
Hayden Viator
John Vicknair

March 2

Max Dugas
David Gordon
Jaelin Hebert
Justin Prioux
Gauge Thomas

March 3

Ali Baudry
Claire Dooley
Kayla Dorsey
Angel Gabriel
Kristen Morris
Heidi Romero
Gloria Thibodeaux

March 4

Chasidy Bonin
Dailon Eldridge
Dedric Hull
Paige Romero
Rusty Segura

March 5

Brooklyn Allain
Layla Crochet
Scott Crochet
Ashley Floris
Spencer Freyou
Courtney Hebert
Virginia Hebert
Tracey Rebert
Hailey Robin

March 6

Jesse Albert
Ally Angelle
Carrol Boudreaux
Jasey Broussard
Britney Judice
Kevin Latiolais
Julius Ransonet, Jr.
Hannah Rogers
Kassidy Walet

March 7

Sophee Breaux
Otto Buteaux
Kayden Stevens
Tamara Walker

March 8

Jay Boatright
Casey Broussard
Hunter Crochet
Felix Duplechain
Matthew Fontenot

March 9

Olivia Boudreaux
Durphy Domingue
Patricia Gondron
Trent Landry

March 10

Craig Brodie
Matthew Eldridge
Cory LaGrange
Antoinette McIntyre

Brock Romero
Brance Sonnier
Paul Steiner
Diane Theriot

March 11

Daniel Leleux
Kirsten Soileau

March 12

Beverly Blanchard
Jace Gachassin
Joyce Gondron
Susan Gondron

March 13

Ethan Dauphine
Gabrielle Landry
Rylee Melancon

March 14

Byron Decuir
Miley Derouen
Gannon Dooley
Mark Dugas, Jr.
Nevin Landry
Aiden LeBlanc
Roxie Prioux

March 15

Ira Bourque
Caiden Carline
Rebecca Edler
Carmen Jefferson
Katrina Kilgore
Scott Lopez
Chet Mestayer
Tiffany Meyers

March 16

Kennedi Angelle
Chance Boudreaux
Baylor Chastant
Patricia East
Seth Gondron
Ted McIntyre
Gage Romero
Khloe Viator

March 17

Alec Bauer
Patricia Boutte
Andrew Claudet
Tracie Guillot
Gene Jefferies
Shelby Mora
Georgette Romero
Nicki Stein
Tanya Viator

March 18

Viley Borne
Nolan Crochet
Ronald DeRouen
George Guidry

March 19

Scott Breaux
Lacie Broussard
Ryan Champagne
Brennon Courville
Drew Dugas
Reece Fontenot
Mattix Norris
Marlie Westcott

March 20

Donna Allen
Taylor Bonin
Brayleigh Dugas
Kyzin Jacob
Makenzi Landry
Connie Louviere
Kassie Louviere
Gwen McCraw
Austin Mestayer

March 21

Jenna Armentor
Clint Bernard
Jardyn Boudreaux
Jed Courville
Terry Dooley
April Hunter
Arlene Oubre
Scott Provost
Braelyn Schouest
Noah Smith

March 22

Alyssa Amy
Cameron Boudreaux
Angelo Broussard
Kanden Crochet
Shane Richard
Brian Theriot, Jr.

March 23

Blayze Bonin
Jerry Boudreaux
Cole Courville
Jase Hunter
Junelle Jefferies
Kevin Landry
Phett Neuville
Sara Romero
Kamryn Theriot

March 24

Kanden Crochet
Cyndi Eldridge
Pamela Frioux

March 25

Jesse Albert
Kierra Antoine
Wyatt Barras
Andrew Camacho
Wilfred Escagne
Kristi Judice
Evan Williams
Steven Williams, Sr.

March 26

Charlotte Begnaud
Bree Bonin
Danny Chataignier, Sr.
James Judice
Thomas Landry
Ryder Norris
Heather Trevizo
Kaylee Verret

March 27

Joan Arceneaux
Savanna Clement
Drake Hoffpaur
Kylon Polk
Mackenzie Provost

March 28

Ronald Albert
Annalise Dugas
Bonnie Eldridge
Alexis Flores
Garrett Ledford

March 29

Jaime Dauphine
Beau Huckabay

March 30

Madelyn Ackal
Lynn Broussard
Brodie Sonnier

March 31

Kaleb Aucoin
Max Broussard
Cameron Courville
Larry Escagne
Sully Gondron
Kim Landry
Darrell Neuville, Jr.



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