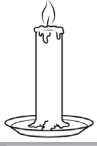


Returned to Christ through death, our prayers & sincere condolences are offered to the families of *Paul Andrus Lee, Joseph "T-Joe" Fontenot, and Mercedes T. Lafleur*



The Sanctuary Light at Sacred Heart Church is lit in memory of *Stephanie Stromer*.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Emily Odom, Joseph G. Fontenot, Josie Guillory, Velma Bernard, Gilbert Deshotel, and James Briley.



**Encountering the Mercy of God**

St. Joseph Retreat  
- One Day Only!

**Tuesday, February 16th starting at 6:00pm**

Presenter: Fr. Joshua Johnson,  
Diocese of Baton Rouge  
Everyone is invited to attend!  
St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1107 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.  
Ville Platte, La.

**Sacred Heart Church Lenten Mission 2016** Presented by Fr. Hampton Davis February 29th, March 1st, and March 2nd at 7:00pm

**Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction:**

**Attention!** For this month ONLY, Sacred Heart Church will have the Eucharistic Holy Hour with Exposition of Solemn Benediction on **Thursday, February 25th, 5:30pm – 6:30pm** in church. The normal third Thursday of the month Holy Hour schedule will resume on March 17th.

**FROM THE PASTOR**

Dear parishioners,

Today Jesus is tempted in the desert and shows us how we are to overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil. Just like the Israelites were in the desert for 40 years, we journey for these 40 days in penance and prayer. With Jesus at our side we too can be victorious over temptation. It is good to give up things that we like in order to test our will and focus on God more. It is also good for us to do extra good works. As we heard on Ash Wednesday, prayer, fasting and almsgiving are a powerful combination. Let us support each other during this Lenten journey.

Today is also Valentine's Day and in our second reading from Romans 10, Paul mentions the believing heart twice. He also mentions the word heart from another place in scripture. So let us be God's valentine and believe with our hearts and love with our hearts. Blessings be upon married couples and those engaged and those who are dating. May the love of God be in all of your relationships.

Just for this month, the **Holy Hour in church** will be moved to **Thursday, February 25th at 5:30pm**.

Friday's during Lent are days of abstinence.

The Way of the Cross will be led on Fridays at 5:30pm in church during Lent. Please come and bring the whole family!

It is time to start thinking about what exactly we want to do for the interior of the restoration of the Church. If you have any suggestions please speak to a member of the Parish Advisory Council or email me. Members of the Parish Advisory Council are Eva Guillory-Chairperson, Kathy Coldiron, Jessica Fontenot, Paul Fontenot, Tanya Guillory, Leah Hollier, Perry Meche, Sheila Miller, Ursula Miller, and Lydia Trahan. Our Trustees, Jeanor Fontenot and Chris Stromer, are ex-officio members. So please talk to any one of them listed above or myself.

Please mark your calendars, our Lenten Mission this year will be led by Fr. Hampton Davis on February 29th through March 2nd at 7:00pm in church. Let's draw a big crowd for him!

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr-Tom*

Fr. Thomas Voorhies

**Fr. Tom's Joke of the Week**

A cop pulls over a car full of nuns. The cop says, "Sister, the speed limit on this highway is 55 mph. Why are you going so slow?"

Sister replies, "I saw a lot of signs that said 41, not 55."

The cop says, "Sister, that's the name of the highway, not the speed limit." "Silly me," the embarrassed nun says, "Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful." But then the cop glances in the back seat where the other nuns are quaking with fear. He asks, "Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends?" Sister says, "Oh, we just got off Highway 101."

**SUNDAY: 14 FEBRUARY: 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 20 & 21 FEBRUARY**

Sat., 4 p.m. (BC) Jace Marcantel  
Sat., 4 p.m. Morgan Fontenot  
Sun., 7 a.m. Laura Manuel  
Sun., 10 a.m. Gabe Fontenot, Vic Parks,  
Chase Bordelon, CJ Dupre  
Sun., 5 p.m. Nick Bellow

**READERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF 20 & 21 FEBRUARY**

Sat., 4 p.m. (BC) Don Marcantel  
Sat., 4 p.m. Darnell Firmin  
Sun., 7 a.m. Eva Guillory  
Sun., 10 a.m. Kermit Miller  
Sun., 5 p.m. Rebecca Rhodes

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION  
FOR THE WEEKEND OF 20 & 21 FEBRUARY**

Sat., 4 p.m. (BC) Edna Soileau  
Sat., 4 p.m. Joel Guillory & Barbara Vidrine  
Sun., 7 a.m. Perry & Bonnie Meche  
Sun., 10 a.m. Kenneth Luke & Tanya Guillory  
Sun., 5 p.m. Tony Marks & Yvette Buller

**ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEK OF 15-19 FEBRUARY**

Mon. February 15, 6:30 a.m. Laura Manuel  
Tues. February 16, 6:30 a.m.  
Wed. February 17, 6:30 a.m.  
Thur. February 18, 6:30 a.m. Nick Bellow  
Fri. February 19, 6:30 a.m.

**\*ATTENTION:** Holy Hour in Church will be rescheduled for this month ONLY! Instead of the usual third Thursday of the month, Feb. 18th, **Holy Hour will be the following Thursday, February 25th from 5:30pm-6:30pm** in church.

**\*Altar server for the Holy Hour on Thursday, Feb. 25 will be Ben Manuel.**

**Celebrate Life Banquet 2016**

Friday, February 19, 6:30pm  
Petroleum Club, Lafayette, La.  
Tickets ~ \$75.00

To purchase tickets call 337-289-9366  
All proceeds benefit the DesOrmeaux  
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Center of Lafayette, St. Marguerite d'Youville  
Maternity Home and Baby & Me Boutique.  
Auction items are needed. If you have  
something to donate please contact Phil Camel  
at (337) 280-6157.

**Catholic Reading:** We have several resources available for you to take advantage of concerning our Catholic Faith. One literature rack contains pamphlets on some of the key doctrines, dogmas, and views of the Church on issues. The other is through Light House Publications and contains materials for reading as well as audio CD. Please take time to look over these items. They are located at the south exit of the church beneath the organ/choir gallery.

*\*\*If anyone would like to get a particular item or topic, please write it on a piece of paper and put it in the money slot on the kiosk. Thank you!*

**Walk With Christ 2016  
March 25th ~ Good Friday**

Please join us in the annual Walk With Christ. This is an annual walk through Ville Platte to commemorate the passion and crucifixion of our Lord, Jesus Christ. This year the walk will **begin at St. Joseph Catholic Church** on Martin Luther King at **1:00pm**. Buses will begin picking up people at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church parking lot at 11:30am to be dropped off at St. Joseph's Church. We should complete the walk at 3:00pm at Sacred Heart Church and conclude with Good Friday services after a brief break.

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES  
(7 FEBRUARY 2016-5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)**

SACRED HEART	\$ 6,079.20
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$1,456.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,535.20</b>

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BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$81.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$516.00</b>

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**INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS  
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:**

- **Universal:** That we may take good care of creation – a gift freely given- cultivating and protecting it for future generations.
- **Evangelization:** That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.



**PRAYERS FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS:**

Each day, please remember the following Priests in prayer:  
**Sunday, February 14:** Bishop Glen John Provost; **Monday, February 15:** Rev. Herve Racivitch, SJ; **Tuesday, February 16:** Rev. Hernando Ramirez, SJ; **Wednesday, February 17:** Rev. Louis Richard; **Thursday, February 18:** Rev. Rusty Richard; **Friday, February 19:** Msgr. Robie Robichaux, JCL, VJ; **Saturday, February 20:** Rev. Raymond Robitalle; **Sunday, February 21:** Rev. Edmundo Rodriguez, SJ  
Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. 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.

**February's Stewardship Prayer:**

Merciful Lord, As we embark on our journey of renewal toward the great paschal feast of Easter, teach us to be good stewards of your mercy and forgiveness, so that we may extend these gifts to others. Give us the strength to bear witness to you at all times, even in times of stress and adversity. And fill our hearts with love that we may be faithful to the Gospel Jesus proclaimed and ready to celebrate his resurrection. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen!

**NECROLOGY:**

Please remember the souls of these departed Priests, Deacons, Bishops, and other religious who have served our Diocese: **Tuesday, February 16:** Msgr. Bernard W. Neyboer (+1978) **Thursday, February 18:** Rev. Harry Joseph Pelous (+1994) **Saturday, February 20:** Msgr. Joseph Peeters (+1940); Deacon Randy LeBlanc (+2008) **Sunday, February 21:** Rev. Marcel Sigrist (+1969); Msgr. John Edward Gremillion (+1997)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, February 15:** Lv 19:1-2,11-18; Mt 25:31-46 **Tuesday, February 16:** Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15 **Wednesday, February 17:** Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32 **Thursday, February 18:** Est C:12,14-16,23-25; Mt 7:7-12 **Friday, February 19:** Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26 **Saturday, February 20:** Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48 **Sunday, February 21:** reading for Holy Mass: *Worship hymnal page 1032*

**A Stewardship Moment...**

**First Sunday in Lent, February 14th:** The second reading from Saint Paul to the Romans is a favorite of those involved in the ministry of evangelization. There are no "secret" disciples of the Lord. Those who exercise good stewardship of their faith realize that publicly identifying themselves as followers of Christ has a cleansing effect on their lives. Openly confessing Christ makes them more conscious of how they live their daily lives. Are we content to privatize our faith or are we good stewards of a faith that we share, make public, and regularly identify as a life in Christ?

First Sunday of



**ATTENTION**

**\*ATTENTION! Volunteers are needed to serve Mass on the following days (Altar Servers/ Readers/Extraordinary Ministers):**

**+ Saturday, March 26th ~ Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil: 8:00pm at Sacred Heart Church;**

**+ Saturday, April 23rd ~ 1st Communion for Sacred Heart Parish: 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church;**

**+ Sunday, February 21nd ~ 5:00pm Mass: Two Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed.**

**If you are available for any of these Masses, please contact Michelle at the rectory. There is also a sign-up sheet in the sacristy.**



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## INTENTIONS FOR HOLY MASS

### **SATURDAY, 13 February 2016**

**4 p.m. BC:** Joyce-Leo Tate, Evariste-Leman Fontenot; Janet Deville; Delores Chapman

**4 p.m.:** Fred & Bonnie Phillips; Lelma Manuel; Annie Vidrine (3rd Anniversary); Jackie Fontenot & family, Gerald, Lawrence & Pearl Attales; Mr. & Mrs. Elton McCauley, Rayburn Kerney Ermon, Mr. & Mrs. Avy L. Granger

### **SUNDAY, 14 February 2016**

**7 a.m.:** Gerald Ortego, Mr. & Mrs. Curley Ortego Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Fabuse Ortego; Jessie & Rogers Brown, David Sebastein, Adam Corona, Emily & George Catoire; Joe & Marjorie Ardoin; Bob Lafleur (Anniversary)

**10 a.m.:** Meris Dupre; Zach Guillory, Cloynise Lachney, Dr. & Mrs. Gordon Soileau & Lyndon Soileau; Andree LeBas; Dwight Lafleur; Pearl McDaniel Foret; Ray J, Eva S. LaFleur, Vernon, Eunice & Marla Prudhomme; Rachael & Shane Brown, Adam Corona; Anthony Fuselier; Fred & Bonnie Phillips

**5 p.m.: FOR PARISHIONERS**

### **MONDAY, 15 February 2016**

**6:30 a.m.:** Jessie Brown(Birthday), Rogers Brown, David Sebastein, Adam Corona, Emily & George Catoire

### **TUESDAY, 16 February 2016**

**6:30 a.m.:** Special Intention

### **WEDNESDAY, 17 February 2016**

**6:30 a.m.:** Dean Soileau & family; Percy David; Hazel (26th Anniversary) & Percy Sylvester, Euwell (19th Anniversary) & Bernise Fontenot

### **THURSDAY, 18 February 2016**

**6:30 a.m. :** Harvey Lebas family; Lucien Manuel (Anniversary); Jeanette Bordelon, Paula Bordelon, Alvin Bordelon family

### **FRIDAY, 19 February 2016**

**7:00 a.m.:** Felicia S. Vidrine; Willard Fontenot

### **SATURDAY, 20 February 2016**

**8 a.m.:** McKendall Family, Melvin, Renita, Keith, Sisters of the Holy Family

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