

# Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church

Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> - The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



## HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday Anticipated 4 p.m. (*organ & cantor*); Sunday—9 a.m. (*choir*);  
11 a.m. (*organ & cantor*); 5 p.m. (*organ & cantor*)  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday—6:15 a.m.;  
Tuesday & Thursday—5:30 p.m.

## FIRST SATURDAY

8 am followed by Recitation of the Rosary

## FATIMA VOTIVE MASS

13<sup>th</sup> of the Month, May thru October - 5 p.m. Rosary  
followed by 5:30 p.m. Mass (*with the Fatima Farewell Procession*)

## MONTHLY PEACE MASS

This votive Mass heeds Our Lady's call to pray for world peace and conversion of hearts. It is prayed on the First Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. The recitation of the Rosary and an Act of Consecration precedes the Mass at 5:00 p.m.

## THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

**Saturdays**—1 hour prior to the Vigil Mass;  
**Sunday**—30 minutes prior to the 9 a.m., 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Masses  
**Monday, Wednesday, Friday & 1<sup>st</sup> Sat.**—30 minutes prior to Mass;  
**Tuesday & Thursday**—1 hour prior to Mass

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month, following the 11:00 am Mass. Please contact the parish office before the baby is born for required classes. Sponsors are to be confirmed and practicing Catholics who attend Sunday Mass.

## THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Due to a new "couple mentoring" marriage preparation program, arrangements are to be made with the Church office, if at all possible, at least **ONE YEAR** in advance. To avoid schedule conflicts, all wedding dates held at Our Lady of Fatima must be confirmed with the Parish Administrator, who should be the first contact of the couple. Please visit our Parish Website to review wedding and music guidelines, and details of paperwork and preparation requirements.

2319 Johnston Street, Lafayette, LA 70503—Established 1949

**Rev. Msgr. Jefferson DeBlanc, Pastor; Rev. Fr. Nathan Comeaux, Parochial Vicar**  
**Deacon Timothy Maragos, Deacon Randy Hyde**

**Administrator:** Stephanie Supple; **Parish Secretary:** Mona Bouillion; **Receptionist:** D D McElligott;  
**Bookkeeper:** Annie Governale; **Director of Music, Organist, Choir Director & Bulletin Editor:** Keith D'Anna

**Parish Office:** (337) 232-8945; **Parish Fax:** (337) 232-0323; **School Office:** (337) 235-2464

**Church Website:** [www.fatimalafayette.org](http://www.fatimalafayette.org)

**Office Hours:** Monday thru Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

## My dear parishioners,

### Enduring Little Annoyances

The fourth in the series of little sacrifices is enduring without complaint “whatever little annoyances we may encounter.” \* Sister Lúcia enumerates several examples of annoyances and ways of responding.

- ◆ A disagreeable, irritating or unpleasant word.
- ◆ An ironic smile.
- ◆ A look of disdain.
- ◆ A contradiction.
- ◆ Being passed over or set aside as if we were of no account.
- ◆ A misunderstanding.
- ◆ A reproof.
- ◆ A rejection.
- ◆ An act of ingratitude.
- ◆ Being forgotten.
- ◆ Enduring with good grace the company of those we do not like or whom we find disagreeable or of those who go against us, upset us, and torment us with indiscreet or unkind questions. Lúcia urges us to “repay them with a smile, a little kind deed done for them, a favor, forgiving and loving, with our eyes fixed on God.”

The Servant of God Lúcia urges us to endure these annoyances, to let them go, and to offer them to God as a sacrifice. Let them drop, she writes, as if we were blind, deaf, and mute “so that we may in fact see better, speak with greater certainty and hear the voice of God. Let others seem to have their way; I say ‘seem’ because in reality the one who prevails is the one who knows how to keep silent for the love of God.” Cheerfully let other people “occupy the first places, whatever is best for them.” Let other people “enjoy and take credit for the fruit of our labors, of our sacrifices, of our activities, of our ability, of things that have been taken from us. I would even say of our virtue, as if it belonged to them, and let us content ourselves with being humble and self-sacrificing for the love of God and of our neighbor.”

Lúcia says emphatically that this “denial of ourselves is often the most difficult for our human nature, but it is also the one most pleasing to God and meritorious for ourselves.”

### Exterior Penances and Sacrifices

Exterior penances and sacrifices are the fifth in Lúcia’s series of little sacrifices. Some penances are obligatory and others are voluntary. The Church designates Friday as a day of abstinence from meat, although outside of

Lent we may substitute some other penance. During Lent, abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays is obligatory for those 14 years old and above. Fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday obliges those 18 years old and above up until their 59<sup>th</sup> birthday. In the mind of the Church, fasting means eating one full meal a day with lighter nourishment at the other two meals. No solid food should be taken between meals, but liquids are permitted.

There are saints who have used instruments of penance such as disciplines and hair shirts to be in union with Jesus scourged at the pillar, bound with cords, and crowned with thorns. Since Christ suffered for us, “it is more than just that we should do something for Him and for his redemptive work.”

Another exterior penance is to pray with arms outstretched in the form of a cross in solidarity with Christ crucified or to prostrate oneself with forehead on the ground, abasing ourselves “before God Whom we have dared to offend, we who are nothing in his presence.” These penances “help overcome fiery natures which cause people to sin, or the violent temptations of the world, the devil, pride and the flesh.”

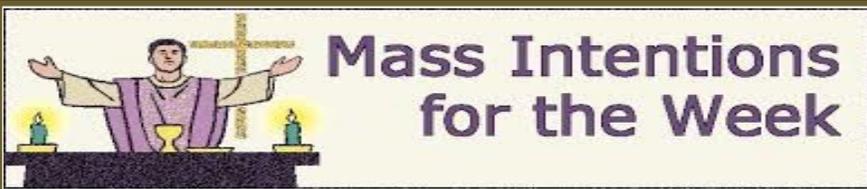
Jesus could not sin as He is Divine, yet He gave us “splendid example of a life of penance.” Before beginning His public ministry, the Lord prayed and fasted in the desert for forty days. Throughout His ministry, Jesus would withdraw from the crowd to pray to His heavenly Father. Before He delivered Himself to death, Jesus prayed for a long time in the Garden of Gethsemane.

In prayer, we meet God who gives us “the grace and strength we need in order to deny ourselves by offering up whatever it is that is required of us: *Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction .... For the gate is narrow and the way is hard, that leads to life....*” Jesus tells us that without a spirit of renunciation and self-denial, we shall not enter into life eternal.

**A word of caution:** Before embarking on bodily penance other than the abstinence from meat and fasting prescribed by the Church, **consult your spiritual director or parish priest for guidance.**

*Next Week: Call to Share in the Eucharist,  
Eighth Appeal of the Message of Fatima*

\* Unless otherwise indicated in the text, all quotes are those of Lúcia and may be found in chapter 9 of *Calls from the Message of Fatima*, Sister Lúcia of Jesus and of the Immaculate Heart, Sisters of Mosteiro de Santa Maria, trans. (Fatima, Portugal: Secretariado dos Pastorinhos, 2000), pp. 108-109.



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**16 Sat. 4:00 p.m. Anticipated:** James Judice, Eva Fontenot, Edwina Smith Hernandez, Faye Marie Gesser, Nathan, Loretta, & Robert Schiller, Gerald & Alberta Gossen, Lucy Russo, Randon Costello, Charles Connolly, Jr., Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau, Lorena Guillory, Madge Madona, For Holy Souls & Victims of abortion, Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, Michael W. McElderry, Sr., M.D., Emery Guilbeau, Charles Blanchard; **Living & Deceased Members of:** Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Bouvier & Boudreaux Families, The Kallam, Langlinais, Judice, & Hamilton Families; **Living:** Liz Keenze, Glenda Coleman, Kenny Roberts, Mark & Myra Hebert, Mary Duplantis, Kate Rountree, Elroy Perrien, Clay Judice, Ricky & Lynn Sooter

**17 Sun. 9:00 a.m.:** Joseph Charles & Lucy Lipari Russo, The Nugier Family, Eva Fontenot, Daniel Voorhies, Edward & Gertrude Gros, Elroy F. Perrien, Col. Thomas N. & Lena B. Ritchie, Anna Landry, Eric Todd Hebert, Tony Pellerin, Steven James Matt, Patricia Thibodeaux, For Holy Souls & Victims of abortion, Albert Champagne, Daniel James Menard, Bradley Foreman, Jr.; **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Butcher & Smith Families, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Prejean, Fleming, Martin, Leger, & Cary Families, The Spaetgens & Hoffpauir Families, L.G. Kerne & Family, A.T. Kerne & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Plaisance & Family; **Living:** Andre Leah Hebert

**11:00 a.m.:** Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo

**5:00 p.m.:** Mrs. Anna Landry

**18 Mon. 6:15 a.m.:** Living & Deceased Members of the Butcher & Smith Families

**19 Tue. 5:30 p.m.:** Eva Fontenot

**20 Wed. 6:15 a.m.:** Eric Todd Hebert

**21 Thu. 5:30 p.m.:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families

**22 Fri. 6:15 a.m.:** Living & Deceased Members of the Butcher & Smith Families

**23 Sat. 4:00 p.m. Anticipated:** James Judice, Eva Fontenot, Edwina Smith Hernandez, Nathan, Loretta, & Robert Schiller, Gerald & Alberta Gossen, Lucy Russo, Randon Costello, Charles Connolly, Jr., Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau, Madge Madona, For Holy Souls & Victims of abortion, Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, Lorena Guillory, Michael W. McElderry, Sr., M.D., Bradley Guilbeau, Charles Blanchard; **Living & Deceased Members of:** Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Catholic Daughters, The Kallam, Langlinais, Judice, & Hamilton Families; **Living:** Marcos Miller, Deacon Tim Maragos, Kenny Roberts, Clay Judice, Ricky & Lynn Sooter

**24 Sun. 9:00 a.m.:** Anna Landry

**11:00 a.m.:** The Nugier Family, Eva Fontenot, Mr. & Mrs. Jean Hulin, Jared "Sanders" Cocke, Jr., Joe Charles & Lucy Lipari Russo, Faye Marie Gesser, Olga Hebert, Eric Todd Hebert, For Holy Souls & Victims of Abortion, Madge Madona, Bradley Foreman, Jr.; **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Prejean, Fleming, Martin, Leger, & Cary Families, The Thomas Guidry, Jr. Family & The Edney Guidry Family; **Living:** Mary Duplantis, Kate Rountree

**5:00 p.m.:** Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo

## A Stewardship Prayer for November

Gracious and Loving God, as the autumn season continues its transformation; and the days become shorter, the earth cooler; as we anticipate joining family and friends in joyful celebration on Thanksgiving Day, we pause to give You thanks and praise for the abundant blessings You have bestowed upon us:

For life and health, safety and comfort, food and nourishment, we are sincerely grateful. Through your Spirit, open our hearts so that we may be even better stewards of these rich and unmerited gifts.

Show us how to be a blessing for the poor, sick, lonely and all who suffer.

And help us nurture the gift of faith, revealed to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, our greatest gift, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

## A Stewardship Moment

In today's Gospel Jesus suggests that his disciples must be prepared to suffer ridicule, persecution and perhaps even death if they are to follow him. Sometimes we may wonder if enduring ridicule and scorn are what we really signed up for when we received the sacraments of initiation. Would we not rather sneak through life as painlessly as possible? Good stewards take their faith seriously and find comfort in the closing words of today's Gospel: "You will be hated by all because of my name but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Let us make it part of our daily prayer routine to ask the Holy Spirit for the courage to act in Jesus' name no matter the consequences.

### The Weekend of November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Envelopes / Cash .....	\$21,942.00
Online Giving .....	\$7,788.00
<b>Total Offertory .....</b>	<b>\$29,730.00</b>
Envelopes / Cash .....	\$695.00
Online Giving .....	\$85.00
<b>Total Mercy Works .....</b>	<b>\$780.00</b>
Envelopes / Cash .....	\$1,588.00
Online Giving .....	\$175.00
<b>Total Fatima Promise .....</b>	<b>\$1,763.00</b>
<b>All Saints / All Souls Day .....</b>	<b>\$1,451.00</b>

### The Weekend of November 10<sup>th</sup>

Envelopes / Cash .....	\$7,689.00
Online Giving .....	\$3,511.00
<b>Total Offertory .....</b>	<b>\$11,200.00</b>
Envelopes / Cash .....	\$185.00
Online Giving .....	\$195.00
<b>Total Mercy Works .....</b>	<b>\$380.00</b>

# Fatima Mercy Works

"Do something beautiful for God" —MOTHER TERESA

## Advent Giving

Imagine the joy your special gift will bring to a child who suffers separation from a parent due to incarceration or the delight a gift can bring to someone in need.

*Tags will be distributed after all Masses this weekend. Gifts are due Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the church office or at the St. Joseph Altar in Church.*

*Advent Giving gifts help the following:*  
**Diocesan Child Smile Project**  
(children with a parent(s) that is incarcerated)  
**The Missionaries of Charity Elderly & Children in our community.**

*If you would like to help deliver the gifts on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, please contact Sarah Chance at 337.288.7139.*

## Diocesan Christmas Party

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Immaculata Center  
1408 Carmel Drive in Lafayette

Please join Fatima Mercy Works and the Diocese in hosting the Christmas Party for the Diocese Program in which the children of incarcerated adults receive a Christmas gift.

The party will include Santa Clause, food, soft drinks, cake, and music.

***If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sarah Chance at 337.288.7139.***

**THE DAUGHTERS INVITE YOU  
AND YOUR FAMILY TO THEIR...**



# *We is Born*

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH THE  
DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

**LAFAYETTE**  
**WED. DEC. 11, 2019**

**TIME: 7:00PM**

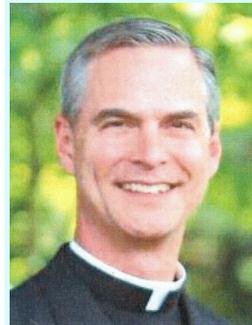
**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE**  
**ANGELLE HALL, 601 E. ST MARY BLVD.**  
**LAFAYETTE, LA 70503**

**GET TICKETS NOW!**  
**WWW.PAULINE.ORG/LAFCONCERT OR**  
**CALL: 504-887-7631**

## ***Advent: A Time for Hope***

*With Special Guest Speaker*

***Fr. John Bartunek, LC, S Th.D***



Author of Catholic Bestseller *Inside the Passion* based on his role as spiritual support on set of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*. Fr. Bartunek is also author of the well-known book *The Better Part*, and numerous other books, essays and on-line retreats.

***Please join us for dinner on the evening of Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Petroleum Club of Lafayette***

***Ticket Price: \$50/person***  
***Please mail checks made out to RC Activities, Inc.***  
***Rebecca Blanchet***  
***603 Woodvale Avenue***  
***Lafayette, LA 70508***  
***rbblanchet@lus-fiber.net***

***6:00 to 6:30 p.m.—Cocktails***  
***6:30 p.m.—Welcome, Introduction and Grace***  
***6:45 to 7:15 p.m.—Dinner Served***  
***7:30 to 8:30 p.m.—Talk by Fr. Bartunek, LC, S Th.D***

# MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

**Note: The Mass intention book for 2020 is now open. Requests for certain dates are taken first come first serve.**

**Please Print Clearly:**

Name of Person Making Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**One Intention per form (A single person, living or deceased married couple, a family [Ex. Mr. & Mrs. John Doe & Family]). Living Intentions should have the word "living" before the name.**

Intention Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like a recurring Mass Time for a period of time for one intention (ex. Every Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass for a year), please record on the lines below

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Weekday Masses: MWF - 6:15 a.m.; Tuesday and Thursday - 5:30 p.m.  
Weekend Masses: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.; Sunday - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.**

Date Requested	Mass Time Requested

**How are Mass Intentions assigned at our Church?** Mass Intentions - according to Canon Law. All Masses are for a single intention except Saturday 4:00 p.m. anticipated Mass and one of the Sunday Masses which is rotated between the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses and the Sunday 5:00 p.m. Mass every third week. Therefore, the Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass and the one Sunday Mass are always for multiple intentions. In addition, on Holy Days of Obligation there is always one multiple Mass time.

**What other policies are followed when requesting Mass Intentions?** Requests cannot be made for **every** First Friday, First Saturday, Or Fatima Novena Masses. This is in charity to others who would like to share in these special Masses throughout the year.

**What donation is made and how are you to request your intention?** Each Mass Intention request is made with a donation of \$5 per intention. Therefore, you must complete a form for each individual intention. Grouping of several **families**, several individual members of a family, or several friends into one intention is not a single intention, therefore these intentions will need to be requested separately. Your donation may be in cash or by check. Please have this form completed when you come into our office to make your request(s).

If you choose to mail the forms into our office, mail them to: *Our Lady of Fatima Church, Attention-Mona, 2319 Johnston St., Lafayette, LA 70503*. If you choose to scan and email the form to Mona, please send it to [frontoffice@fatimalafayette.org](mailto:frontoffice@fatimalafayette.org).

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## Flowers on the Side Altars (\$50 per Altar)

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory / Honor of (specify Marian or Joseph Altar): \_\_\_\_\_

Weekend requested: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Please do not combine payment for Mass Intentions & Altar Flowers. Write separate checks!**

**Monday, November 18**  
**Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne**



Born to a family with wealth and political connections; her father, Pierre Francois Duchesne, was a lawyer, a businessman, and prominent civic leader in Grenoble, France, and her mother, Rose Perier, was a member of a leading family from the Dauphine region of France. From age eight Rose had a desire to evangelize in the Americas, sparked by hearing a Jesuit missionary speak of his work there. She received a basic education at home from tutors, and religious education from her mother. Educated from age 12 at the convent of the *Visitation* nuns in Grenoble, she joined them in 1788 at age 19 without the permission or knowledge of her family who were violently opposed to her choice, but finally gave in.

Religious communities were outlawed during the *Reign of Terror* of the French Revolution, and Rose's convent was closed in 1792. She spent the next ten years living as a lay woman again, but managed to act like a good member of her Order. She established a school for poor children, provided care for the sick, and hid priests from Revolutionaries. When the *Terror* ended, she reclaimed her convent and tried to re-establish it with a group of sisters she had maintained in Grenoble. However, most of the sisters were long gone, and in 1804 the remainder was incorporated into the *Society of the Sacred Heart* under Saint Madeline Sophie Barat. They then re-opened the convent of Sainte-Marie-d'en-Haut as the second house of the *Sacred Heart* nuns. Rose became a postulant in December 1804, and made her final vows in 1805.

In 1815 Mother Duchesne was assigned to found a *Sacred Heart* convent in Paris, France. On March 14, 1818 at age 49 she and four sisters were sent as missionaries to the Louisiana Territory to establish the *Society's* presence in America. Diseases contracted during the trip to America nearly killed her, and after she recovered in New Orleans, the trip up the Mississippi nearly killed her again. She established her first mission at Saint Charles, Missouri, a log cabin that was the first free school west of the Mississippi River. She eventually founded six other houses in America which included schools and orphanages. She ran into some opposition as her teaching methods were based on French models, and her English was terrible; her students, however, received a good education, and her intentions were obviously for their best.

She was ever concerned about the plight of Native Americans, and much of her work was devoted to educating them, caring for their sick, and working against alcohol abuse. Finally able to retire from her administrative duties at age 71, Mother Duchesne evangelized the Pottowatomies, and taught young girls of the tribe. This work, however, lasted but a year as she was unable to master the Pottowatomi language. She was known to the tribe as "*Woman-Who-Prays-Always*".

She spent her last ten years in retirement in a tiny shack at the convent in Saint Charles where she lived austere-ly and in constant prayer.

**Born:** August 29, 1769 at Grenoble, France; **Died:** November 18, 1852 at Saint Charles, Missouri of natural causes

**Canonized:** July 3, 1988 by Pope John Paul II

**Wednesday, November 20**  
**Blessed Ambrose of Camaldoli**



Born to the Tuscan Nobility. Studied assorted arts, sciences and languages in Venice, Italy, and would be considered a classic Renaissance man. Joined the Camaldolese in 1400 at the Santa Maria del Angelis monastery in Florence, Italy. A noted scholar and theologian, he read widely, wrote extensively, including lives of the saints, collected a large library, and translated much of it. Teacher of both religious and lay people. Superior-general of the Camaldolese in 1431. Negotiator between the pope and emperor Sigismond. Worked for re-unification with the Greek bishops at the Council of Florence in 1439, drawing up the final statement of the Council.

**Born:** September 16, 1386 in Portico di Romagna, Florence, Tuscany, Italy as Ambrose Traversari

**Died:** October 21, 1439 in Rome, Italy of natural causes

## Upcoming Events



- Nov. 18 8<sup>th</sup> graders serve at St. Joseph's Diner
- Nov. 18 Fatima Channel Announcements
- Nov. 19 Faculty Meeting
- Nov. 20 PreK3-4 grade Field Day
- Nov. 21 5-8 grade Field Day
- Nov. 21 Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov. 22 School Mass

**SALUTE TO 70 YEARS FUN FACT**— After Father Tracy, Father Wayne Richard served until 1967, growing the parish from 700 to 2100 families making it the largest of the deanery's eight parishes. He also added six classrooms for the growing school population. He also originated plans to install a pipe organ.

*Our Lady of Fatima School will have applications available ON-LINE ONLY for NEW student admission for school year 2020-2021 beginning Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. We encourage you to visit [www.fatimawarrior.com](http://www.fatimawarrior.com) under the Admissions tab as soon as possible for details. For more information, please contact Charlotte Huval at 235-2464 or [admissions@olf.org](mailto:admissions@olf.org).*

## Mass of Remembrance

In honor of the International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Office of Marriage and Family Life will host a special Mass of remembrance of those who lost their lives to suicide. Join us at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Church on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. All those who attend are invited to bring a tabletop framed photo of their loved one to the Mass so it can be displayed near the altar. For more information and to register the name of your loved one that died by suicide for the Mass, please call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 337.261.5653 or visit our webpage at [www.diolf.org/suicide-survivors](http://www.diolf.org/suicide-survivors).

# #iGIVECATHOLIC

December 3, 2019

Support our Parish! Participate in #iGiveCatholic by donating on #GivingTuesday, December 3!

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Give early! Advanced day giving runs **November 18** through **December 2**.

#iGIVECATHOLIC on #GIVINGTUESDAY

## Flowers on the Side Altars



***Marian Altar***  
In Memory of  
Those lost to abortion

***St. Joseph Altar***  
In Memory of  
Deceased Pastors of  
Our Lady of Fatima

# A CELEBRATION OF 70 YEARS - MONTH BY MONTH

It was on Easter Sunday in 1949 (the date was April 17<sup>th</sup>) that Our Lady of Fatima Parish was established.

**ANNIVERSARY DATE - November 16<sup>th</sup>** (Saturday): Anniversary of the First time Mass was offered in Our Lady of Fatima Church (November 16, 1958); 3:30 p.m. Rosary, 4:00 p.m. Mass.

**ANNIVERSARY DATE - November 21<sup>st</sup>** (Thursday): Anniversary of the Dedication of Our Lady of Fatima Church (November 21, 1958); 5 p.m. Rosary, 5:30 p.m. Mass.

**December 10<sup>th</sup>** (Tuesday): 5 p.m. Rosary followed by 5:30 p.m. Mass; showing of Fatima Film follows Mass. (Date of the apparition of Our Lady and the Child Jesus to Sr. Lucia at Pontevedra, Spain in 1925 - the call to make the Five First Saturdays.)

*Respect Life  
Mass*

*Celebrated by  
Most Rev. Michael G. Duca*

**JANUARY 25, 2020 // 8:30 AM**  
**ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL**  
**401 MAIN STREET, BATON ROUGE**

Join us immediately following Mass,  
 as we walk to the State Capitol  
 for the beginning of  
 the Louisiana Life March at 10 am.




### RESPECT LIFE MASS - Baton Rouge

Join us in thanking God for the gift of life and praying for its protection at all stages! Bishop Michael Duca will celebrate Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral in Baton Rouge, LA on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., prior to the Louisiana Life March. All are welcome! After Mass, all will walk to the State Capitol for the beginning of the March at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Danielle VanHaute at (225) 242-0164 or email her at [dvanhaute@diobr.org](mailto:dvanhaute@diobr.org).



**GRIEVING? KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS?**

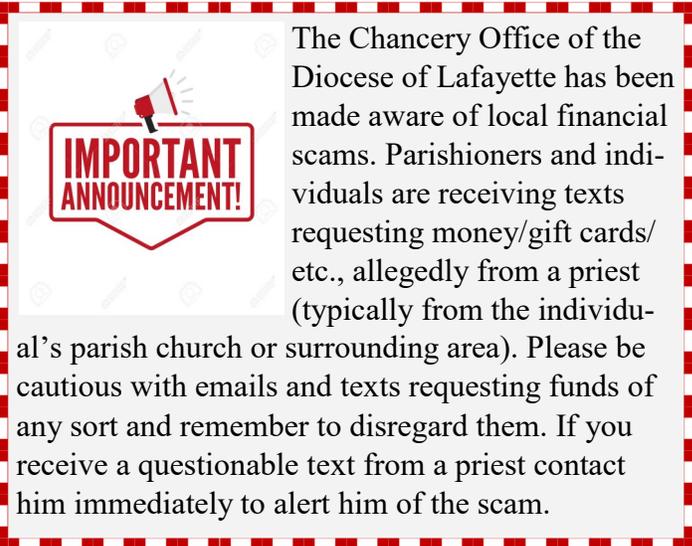
**HOLIDAY TIPS**  
*for those who are grieving*

For many people, approaching the holidays following a loss can cause stress and trigger painful emotions. This workshop will offer practical tips that can assist those who are grieving or anyone supporting someone who is grieving during the holiday season.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019**  
 Morning Session: 10-11 a.m., Evening Session: 6-7 p.m.

**Iberia Parish Main Library—455 East Main St.**

Presented by Mary Bergeron of *Hospice of Acadiana*, sponsored in partnership with Iberia Mental Health Initiative. For more information, please contact Catherine Wattigny at 337.944.4171 ([cfwattigny@aol.com](mailto:cfwattigny@aol.com)) or Mary Bergeron at 337.344.3885 ([mbergeron@hospiceacadiana.com](mailto:mbergeron@hospiceacadiana.com))




The Chancery Office of the Diocese of Lafayette has been made aware of local financial scams. Parishioners and individuals are receiving texts requesting money/gift cards/etc., allegedly from a priest (typically from the individual's parish church or surrounding area). Please be cautious with emails and texts requesting funds of any sort and remember to disregard them. If you receive a questionable text from a priest contact him immediately to alert him of the scam.

# Marriage & Family Life

**Catholic Engaged Encounter: Engaged Couples:** Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Dates for the new year include **January 10-12 & March 6-8**. For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at [www.ceelafayette.org](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or contact **Paul & Carolyn Trahan** at 337.254.8947 or 337.898.9257, or [cee.trahan@gmail.com](mailto:cee.trahan@gmail.com).

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Little Shepherds (Knight Hall)



Solemn Exposition of  
the Blessed Sacrament



**Monday and Wednesday,**  
following the 6:15 am Mass  
to 5 p.m.;

**Tuesday and Thursday,**  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.;

**Friday,**  
following the 6:15 a.m. Mass  
to 12 Noon;

**First Friday/First Saturday All Night Vigil,**  
(Friday 6 p.m. until the 8 a.m. First Saturday Mass)

### ADORATION COORDINATORS (Call to Commit)

If interested on Monday, call Elaine Martin, 234-6752  
If interested on Tuesday, call D D McElligott, 232.8945  
If interested on Wednesday, call Dotsie Butcher, 234-6678  
If interested on Thursday, call D D McElligott, 232-8945  
If interested on Friday, call Bubbles Stelly, 233-8660  
If interested on **First Friday/First Saturday Night Vigil**  
-call Mona Bouillion, 232-8945

## WEEKLY ROSARY GROUP

Each Tuesday in Church, 9:15 to 11:00 a.m. (except on the second Tuesday of the month) to pray the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries for priests, world peace and individual intentions. FMI call Dotsie Butcher (234.6678) or Claire Randazzo (984.4415).



## PRAYER CALENDAR FOR PRIESTS



Monday, November 18: **Rev. Joseph Stemmann**  
Tuesday, November 19: **Rev. Michael Sucharski, SVD**  
Wednesday, November 20: **Very Rev. Jared Suire, VE**  
Thursday, November 21: **Rev. Brian Taylor**  
Friday, November 22: **Rev. Joseph Tetlow, SJ**  
Saturday, November 23: **Rev. Arockiadass Thanaraj, HGN**  
Sunday, November 24: **Rev. Jude Thierry**

## Loved Ones Who Leave the Church

Send their names to St. Monica Sodality, c/o St. John Cantins Parish, 825 N. Carpenter Street, Chicago, IL 60622-5499. The Sodality will include your loved ones in their prayers and sacrifices. When all other efforts fail, the only thing left to do is pray and sacrifice. Consider joining the St. Monica Sodality. Writing to the above address will give you information on how to do so and the requirements for membership.

## PRAYER FOR CANCER PATIENTS

A statue of St. Peregrine, patron of cancer patients, is made available to go into the homes of those diagnosed with cancer. This statue of St. Peregrine was acquired from a convent in the city of Lille, northern France. The statue was hand-painted by nuns in the mid 1900s. Call the parish office to get on the roster.



## BLESSING OF CHILD IN THE WOMB



Follows the Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.  
Masses on the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of the month.

## SACRED HEART HOME ENTHRONEMENTS

Call the Parish Office to schedule your Sacred Heart Home Enthronement. Promoters go into the home to conduct the Enthronement, which follows a 9 day period of prayer by the family.



## APPLAUSE AT MASS

### Is it appropriate to applaud after Mass?

Fr. Vincent Serpa, O.P. (Dominican) and previous chaplain for *Catholic Answers* for 17 years states: “**Absolutely not.** It’s most inappropriate. **The choir is not singing as a matter of entertaining anybody. They’re singing to worship God.** We don’t clap for prayer. We pray.”

He continues, “Again, that is not an option. If we were someplace else it would be a different matter. But Liturgy is liturgy. It’s the worship of God, and it needs to be done in an appropriate way as the Church sees fit. It’s good that they appreciate the choir, but they can thank them outside. **Applause is not appropriate at that time.**”

Fr. Vincent adds, “There are times when that’s called for, as in the ordination ceremony when you are asked to give the response to the worthiness of the candidate for ordination. But this isn’t that. This is something else. **You don’t clap at the end of Mass because you had a good time. That’s not what it’s about.**”

## The Church's teaching on human sexuality

**Natural Family Planning Courses** are held in conjunction with marital prep. FMI, Contact the Parish Office.

**RECLAIM Sexual Health Catholic Recovery Program**  
www.reclaimsexualhealth.com (online help 24/7)

**Porn Addiction Support Group for Men:** Weekly meetings are held for one hour and fifteen minutes. Strict confidentiality is observed. A confidentiality statement is signed by each prospective member of the group. Call and leave a confidential message at 337.944.9860 for more information.

**Healing Hearts:** Weekly meetings for women whose lives have been affected by porn or sexual addiction of a loved one. Must sign confidentiality statement. Call 337.404.6113.

**Unplanned Pregnancy:** Call 1.800.256.7222 for free confidential counseling regarding keeping or placing your baby.

**Post Abortion Trauma:** Call Project Rachel (337) 261-5607.

## "Come, Lord Jesus!" Bible Study

**Mondays 1:00pm (WOMEN):** Susan Foret, 316.4932  
Email: ssforet@usa.net  
6:30pm (WOMEN): DD McElligott, 319.8866

**Tuesdays 5:30pm (MEN):** Art Mixon; contact by email only  
Email: amixon@petroquest.com  
6:30pm (WOMEN): Email: Stef.Buchholz1@gmail.com

**Thursdays 6:00 am (MEN):** Joe Wolf, 349.2645  
6:00 am (MEN): Deacon Tim Maragos, 235.1521

**Fridays 1:00 pm:** Adele Connolly, 278.0531

**Saturdays 8:00am:** Anne Pesacreta, 739.5903  
**First Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. after Mass & Rosary

### Parish Representatives

**Jill Jordan: 337-501-1147**  
**DD McElligott: 337-319--8866**

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Women's Group "WOMEN OF GRACE"

(Contact Stephanie at the Parish Office for upcoming events!)

*Mommy Meals*—Outreach to new moms  
*Mercy Meal Team*—Outreach to the sick  
*St. Gemma Food Bank*—Outreach to the needy

*Mary's Mothers*  
Formation for mothers of school age children

**Catholic Daughters** - 3rd Thursday, 6 pm  
**Knights of Columbus** - 1st Thursday, 7 pm  
**Sts. Joachim & Anne Society**—2nd Tuesday - Rosary/Social  
**Fatima Mercy Works** -monthly outreach to needy

### Men's Group - CAST

CAST stands for Catholic, Apostolic, Sacramental, Theology, and is the focus of a Fall and Spring Fishing Retreat in Grand Isle. The CAST men then meet regularly on a monthly basis for fellowship and study. CAST Masses are every Monday morning at 6:15 a.m. and Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. If interested in making the CAST retreat, contact the Parish Office.

**6th through 8th grade YOUTH FORMATION**  
(Contact Stephanie Supple for more information)

*Young Women of Grace and Young Warriors*

***Programs beginning January 2020***

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