HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH
747 N Union Street
P.O. Box 1785
Opelousas, LA 70570
Church: (337) 942-2732
Fax: (337) 948-4108
Religious Ed: (337) 948-4722
Website: www.hgcatholic.org
Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 a.m. –12 noon
Founded: October 7, 1920 by Fr. James A. Hyland,
C.S.Sp.
Staffed by Divine Word Missionaries

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Anticipated—Saturdays: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
Monday thru Friday
7:00 a.m.
First Saturday: 8:00 a.m.
Holydays: 6:00 p.m. (anticipated) & 7:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS
Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. During the week: 6:30 a.m. and at
any time by appointment.

Baptism
Please meet with a priest to register for the Baptism preparation Class
which usually takes place on the first Saturday of the month. The
Rite of Baptism is done also on the first Saturday of the month after
the 5pm Mass.

Matrimony
Make arrangements with a priest at least six months prior to wedding
date.

October 31, 2021
Holy Ghost Mission Statement: 
Holy Ghost Faith Community invites its members to a personal conversion to God the Father through the Son in the Holy Spirit and is committed to teach and share the Good News of Christ to others.

2021 Holy Ghost Catholic Church Raffle

Drawing, December 5, 2021

- 1st prize--500lb. Calf
- 2nd prize--$750.00 Cash
- 3rd prize--$350.00 Cash
- 4th prize--$200.00 Cash

Donation—$2.00

Families are asked to sell 5 books

Baptism Class/Workshop
Will be on the first Saturday of the month at 9:00 am in the Parish Life Center (attendees are required to wear a mask)

Rite of Baptism
Rite of Baptism will be celebrated that evening after the 5:00 pm Mass

- The Baptism schedule is as follows:
  - November:
    - Deadline for registration/interview: November 3rd
    - Baptism Class & Baptism: November 13th (due to festival)

Creole Festival Sponsors

- Snyder Insurance Agency, Inc. $1000.00
- M/M Joseph (Patricia) Malveaux $1000.00
- St. Landry Bank & Trust Co. $1000.00

SVD Associates Teleconference Rosary
Every Friday at 6:00 p.m.

Dial-in-number: 720-740-9863
Access Code: 3657425#

SUNDAY 5:30PM MASS

The Sunday, 5:30pm mass attendance is very low. Attendance will determine to continue the evening mass in the upcoming weeks.

Since November 1 falls on a Monday this year, All Saints Day is not a Holyday of Obligation in 2021.

November 7, 2021
Holy Ghost Church
“Mini Creole Festival”

Friday, November 5th - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Saturday, November 6th - 10:00 am - 6:30 pm

Delicious foods will be served:

Friday, November 5th
Pork Stew dinners ($10.00), Boudin, Pies, and Hog Cracklin

Saturday, November 6th
Pork Stew, BBQ Chicken and Pork Steak dinners ($10.00) Boudin, Pies, Funnel Cakes and Hog Cracklin

Dinners include rice dressing, green beans & yams

- All food will be served in outside booths on the church parking lot.
- Social Distance and face mask will be required.
- Drive through pick-up will also be available by request.

Tickets can be purchased after weekend masses in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office during normal business hours.
**GIFTS TO GOD’S WORK**

**Week# 16 of Fiscal Year 2021-2022**

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**Required Wkly Average Collection:**
Parish Operation Budget FY 2021-2022 $ 15,125.00

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**OC CORNER**

There will be an all-school Mass on Monday for All Saints’ Day in St. Landry Catholic Church where the PreK and elementary children will dress as their favorite saints. The Alumni & Friends Rosary at the Pieta will be held on Wednesday at 5:30 pm. On Friday, it will be Senior Night at the OC-Westminster game at 7 pm in Donald Gardner Stadium.

There has been a change of date in an important event for OC. The Dinner, Auction & Music evening on December 3 has been re-scheduled for January 29. Please mark your calendars!

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**The Book of Remembrance**

The Book of Remembrance will be at the entrance of the church beginning on November 1st. You are welcome to enter the names of your family members who passed away in the year 2021.

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**In Prayerful Sympathy**

Holy Ghost family wishes to extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayerful support to the bereaved family of:

**Robert Lee Gradnigo**

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

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**Cemetary Blessing**

**Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

5:00 pm- **Serenity Memorial Park**
Fr. Hai Pham

5:00 pm- **Garden of Memory**
Fr. Lambert Lein

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**Readers/Lectors**

**November 6/7, 2021**

5:00 p.m.          7:00 a.m.
J. Andrus          E. Henry
B. Curtis          C. Ventress

9:00 a.m.          11:00 a.m.
L.L. Florence      M. Major
M. Taylor          G. Major

5:30 p.m.
D. Hill
K. Donatto

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**Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers**

YOUTH DAY
of
Praise & Worship

November 20, 2021
St. Thomas More High School, Lafayette, LA

We must have a separate form for each participant. (Please duplicate and distribute this form as needed.)

Registration Fee: $25.00  Deadline: November 12, 2021 (snack included).

Check one: □ Adult Advisor □ Youth Director □ Youth Participant - Please provide the name of your
□ I wish to sponsor a participant  □ Clergy/Religious (Congress Fees Waived)

Adult Advisor/Youth Director:
Adult Advisor/Youth Director’s Phone:

Name
Address
City Zip
Phone
Age Grade
Church Parish
City of Church Parish

Amount enclosed: $ ________

REGISTRATION
No On-site Registration!

Sponsored by:
*The Office of Black Catholic Ministries *Diocese of Lafayette

African American Catholic Youth Congress Committee
*1408 Carmel Drive *Lafayette, LA 70501
*Phone: (337) 261-5694 *Website: www.diolaf.org
Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 30, 2021
5:00 p.m.
For the Deceased: Goldie Broussard, Howard Broussard, Byron Broussard; Joseph LaDay, Preston Broussard, Jr. Viola Laday; Victor Green, Esperanza Green; Mable Robertson, Gerald Robertson, Kenneth Gradney, Kenneth Ray Robertson; M/M Calvin Chavis and deceased children, M/M Jack Jones and deceased children; Ella Mae Fitzgerald, Althea McKnight, Fr. Albert J. McKnight, C.S.sp; Kay Castille, Martine Castille, Herbert Castille

Sunday, October 31, 2021
7:00 a.m.
For the Deceased: Audrey Prince Owens, Cora Prince, Lee Prince, Paul M. Prince; Lillie Clay, Carl Clay and deceased members of the Richardson, Robins and Clay families; Yvette Clay Darby, Ray Talbert and deceased members of the Talbert families; Benjamin, Marie, Curt, Lorenzo and Dixie Chenier; Willie Pickens, Sr., Adele D. Pickens and deceased members of the Pickens and Davis family; Elliot Jerome Donato, Hamilton Donato and members of the Chevis and Donato families; M/M William Gabriel and deceased members of the Gabriel and Linvaine families, Helen Reed, Eronia Reed and deceased family members, Mercedes Valary, Charles Tyler and deceased members of the Tyler family, Greta Hebert, Anna L. Allen
9:00 a.m.
For the Deceased: Mildred Hiner Gordon, Ruby Rideau Gordon, Henry Gordon; Douglas Kimble and deceased members of the Kimble and Broussard families; Jason Zachary, Antoinette R. Zachary, Faye H. Zachary, Dexter Harmon, Lillian C. Richard, Clement Richard, Freddie Zachary, Bertha Zachary, Linda Gail Zachary-Hardy; Joseph and Lee Audrey Beverly; Malcolm Xavier Broussard and members of the Broussard and Jardouin families; Gregory L. Washington, Sr., Gregory L. Washington, Jr., Ella Hill, Michael Pickens, Arthur Pickens, Sr.; Donald West Tate, Norma Singleton; Junius and Lillian LeBlanc, Wilson Leblanc, Marie Lynn Randle, Glenn Keith Thomas, Kevin Randle; Tatiana Richard, Dianne Amos, Calvin Amos, Jimmy Broussard; M/M Louis Butler, Sr. and Sons, Mary B. McCoy, Mary B. Butler; Bernard Lewis, Sr., Victoria A. Lewis, Vickie Lester Lewis; Farice Daigle, Sr., Selby Daigle and deceased members of the Mallet, Chenier and Daigle families; Eugene Zachary, Theo and Eloise Gailes, M/M Nathan Zachary, Delores Gailes, Karen Gailes, Debra Giron; Desmond Lewis, Sr. and deceased family members, Ann Orbro; Wilson Young, Sr.; Mitchell and Leonor Olivier, John Miller, Darren J. Miller, Sr.; Rogers Payne, Sr., Rogers Payne, Jr., and deceased members of the Payne and Davis family; Judy Singleton, Weston Singleton, Hazel Singleton; Barbara L. Penn; Linus Emmerson, Eunice Emmerson and deceased family members, Clayton, Orel, Mervin, and Irvin Anderson, Georgia Allen, Linus Emmerson, Jr.
11:00 a.m.
For the Deceased: Calvin Roberts, Kevin J. Roberts, Margaret Beverly Roberts; Charles Richard, Jr., Zack and Leona Richard, Members of the Richard and Collins families; Gilbert Jolivette, John E. Jolivette, Therazile A. Jolivette, Frances Darrenbourg, Peter Ventress, Bertha Lemelle; M/M Felix Fontenot, Joyce & Stanley Abbot, Aubrey Fontenot, J.C. Beverly

5:30 p.m.
Holy Ghost Parishioners

Weekday Mass Intentions
7:00 a.m.

Monday, November 1, 2021
For the Living: Mary Laviolette and family

Tuesday, November 2, 2021
For the Living: Frances Lavergne (B), Alicia Franklin, Florence Henry (B)
For the Deceased: Ronald Taylor (B), Bernice Taylor, Lalia Taylor; Deceased members of the Fontenot, LaChapelle and Savant families; Christopher D. Thomas, Tony and Julia Robert, John Roberts and deceased members of the Roberts family, Leon Chenier; Deceased members of the Roberts, Esprit, Savant, and Chenier families, Mildred Mayon; Deceased members of the Amos, Kennerson, Savoy, and Singleton families; Audrey Prince Owens, Cora Prince, Lee Prince, Paul M. Prince, Joseph Sam, Sr.; Desmond Lewis, Sr. and deceased family members, Ann Orbro

Wednesday, November 3, 2021
Holy Ghost Parishioners
Thursday, November 4, 2021
Holy Ghost Parishioners
Friday, November 5, 2021
Holy Ghost Parishioners
For the Living: Sharla Prejean- Special Intentions
For the Deceased: Erwin, Lucille, and Charles Collins, Jackie Green, Karen Dartez, Harold Dartez, Hugh, Lovenia, and Raymond Espree, Betty E. Fontenot and Rebecca Dillard; Orelia Carter and deceased members of the Clark and Carter family; Tawasha Esprit; (B) Albert Taylor and deceased members of the Taylor and Guillory family; Rodney Gradney (23rd A)
Exegesis of the 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2–6
In this book Moses impresses upon the people of Israel how crucial it is for them to remain faithful to their covenant bond with God. If they succeed in this, they will enjoy countless advantages. On the other hand, if they engage in idolatry, replacing God with other interests, they risk losing all that matters. What motivates Moses to say such things is his concern that, once the tribes cross the Jordan River to enter the promised land, they may grow complacent and begin to entertain notions of self-reliance.

1) Divine law. The key to a long life in the land of the patriarchs is reverence for the law. The statutes and commandments of the law of Moses make perfectly plain what is expected of them as covenant partners with God. For this reason they need not fear unintended infractions of God’s commands that would lead to a break in their relationship with God. On the other hand, they must have the kind of fear exhibited in awe and respect for God for all the blessings they have experienced. Among such blessings in the past are the deliverance from Egypt, the covenant at Sinai, and protection from all harm on their journey through the wilderness. Future blessings include the gift of the promised land, their growth and prosperity within it, and the enjoyment of a long life filled with its bounty. Evidence of this bounty is the milk and honey derived from the land’s fertile fields and abundant flowers.

2) Human heart. Thus the people of Israel have every incentive to love the Lord God, never allowing anything else to replace God in their hearts. Such absolute devotion will be assured by dedicating their entire selves to serving God alone.

Exegesis of the 2nd Reading: Hebrews 7:23–28
1) Eternal priesthood. Because his priesthood is eternal, Jesus is always able to save and make intercession for us.

2) Perfect sacrifice. Jesus, Son of God, made the perfect sacrifice. On the cross he offered himself once for all for the salvation of all people.

Exegesis of the Gospel: Mark 12:28b–34
Today’s Gospel describes a rare occasion where Jesus has an exchange with a scribe and there is no controversy. Here, everyone seems to be on the same page. The context would be a typical discussion among rabbis about which of the 613 precepts of the Old Testament law was the most important. These were precepts understood to have been communicated orally to Moses by God on Mt. Sinai. The answer Jesus gives fits very well the Jewish orthodox position.

1) The question being debated. A scribe who has overheard Jesus having an exchange with others is impressed and thus poses to him the following question: “Which is the first of all the commandments?” This is not a trick question nor a trap. The rabbis took these discussions very seriously in their attempt to better understand the Jewish law. Jesus apparently knew the intricacies of the law very well and was thus invited to join the discussion.

2) Jesus’ response. Jesus responds to the scribe’s question by quoting the famous passage of Deuteronomy 6:4–5, “Hear O Israel!” This prayer is a strong affirmation of Judaism and a declaration of faith in one God. The importance of internalizing this prayer is shown by the emphasis on loving God with one’s heart, soul, mind, and strength. On his own, Jesus adds a second teaching from Leviticus 19:18: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” The two commandments are connected by the word love. Jesus does not, however, attempt to combine the two into one new commandment.

3) The scribe confirms Jesus’ response. The scribe is pleased to hear what Jesus said. This is mainline Jewish orthodoxy. In his response the scribe adds an observation from Hosea 6:6 indicating how important these teachings are. They are worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices. This shows that contrary to what some think, Judaism was not a narrow-minded, legalistic religion. God’s law had to be internalized in order to be fulfilled. Both Jesus and the scribe know this. In a final affirmation, Jesus tells the scribe that he is not far from the kingdom of God. Jesus does not say this to any other scribe throughout his ministry.
1. M/M Martin (Della) Manuel
2. Andrea Brisco
3. Evelyn Barrow
4. M/M Henry (Juanita) Allen
5. M/M Leroy (Helen) Payne
6. Dianne Christy
7. Josie Christy
8. James Gordon
9. Sharon Richard
10. Percy Jordan
11. M/M Gene (Barbara) Richard
12. Brenda Keys
13. Loretta Stevens
14. M/M Phillip (Tiphani) Todora
15. Frances Durousseau
16. Sandra Gabriel
17. Frances Lavergne
18. Mary Zachary
19. M/M James (Mary) Lastrapes
20. Barbara A. Brown
21. M/M Ivory (Mary) Stewart
22. Mary Daigle
23. Cornelius Stoot
24. Cynthia Lewis
25. M/M George (Dorothy) Hill
26. M/M Gabriel Lewis
27. M/M Donald Broussard
28. M/M Whitney Guilbeaux
29. Willie Richard
30. M/M Roy (Leona) Bellard
31. M/M Elliott (Eula) Rami
32. Latonia Rami
33. M/M Darrell (Rose) Minix
34. M/M Alfred (Gloria) Durpree, Sr.
35. M/M Stephen (Kathy) Brisco
36. M/M Arthur (Paulette) Henry
37. M/M Warren (Joyce) Jones
38. Doris Lewis
39. Shirley Robertson
40. Linda Bertrand
41. Amilda Charles
42. Phyllis Young
43. M/M Clifford Thierry
44. Frances Durousseau
45. M/M Donald Giron
46. Mary Ann R. Broussard
47. Miracle Designs, LLC
48. Stephanie Roberts & Donald Leday
49. Bodemuller The Printer, Inc.
50. M/M Joseph (Patricia) Malveaux
51. Earl McCarthy
52. KPC Court 8 Ladies Auxiliary
53. Snyder Allstate Insurance Co.
54. Terry Auzenne
55. M/M Donald (Rose) Sam
56. St. Landry Bank & Trust
57. Lena Charles
58. SVD Associates
59. M/M Curtis (Norma) Donatto
60. Dianne Christy
61. Josie Christy
62. Fr. Lambert Lein, SVD
63. Patricia & Lucretia Hertzock
64. M/M Roy Bellard
65. Pamela Chenier
66. M/M Donald Young
67. John Hubbard
68. Nelson Robertson
69. M/M Gilbert Jerry
70. Sheila Holmes
71. M/M Joseph Thomas
72. M/M Larry (Catherine) Watson
73. M/M Kenneth Biagase
74. Gailia Batiste
75. Dominic Andrus
76. Terry Auzenne
77. M/M Darryl Minix
78. Donna Brown
79. M/M Alton (Mary) Broussard
80. Brenda Keys
81. Ann Alfred
82. Emma Andrus
83. Mary Daigle
84. M/M Russell Baltazar
85. M/M Joseph W. Richard, Jr.
86. Cynthia Singleton
87. M/M Leon Payne
88. M/M James Calais
89. M/M Melvin (Vergie) Broussard
90. M/M Stephen (Bernadine) Pickens
91. M/M Leroy (Helen) Payne
92. Wilda Jones
93. Stephanie & Donovan Roberts
94. Mary Zachary
95. Rita Kimble
96. Doris Lewis
97. M/M Simon (Barbara) Brown
98. M/M Nelson (Darlene) Durald
99. Dorian Durald
100. M/M Michael (Deborah) Reed
101. Barbara T. Brown
102. M/M Ivory (Mary) Stewart
103. Cynthia Rose
104. Mary Ann Broussard
105. Earl McCarthy
106. M/M Wilbert Richard
107. Patricia Smith
108. Joseph & Victoria Roberts
109. Mrs. Jonathan Andrus
110. Cynthia August
111. M/M Gabriel Lewis
112. Lillie Ewell
113. Janice Jolivette
114. M/M Claude (Gloria) Auzenne
115. M/M Joseph (Marjorie) Richard
116. Carolyn Thomas Sibley
117. M/M Joseph (Brenda) Curtis
118. M/M Phillip (Tiphani) Todor
119. M/M Francis (Irma) Singleton
120. Dora Domminck
121. Constance Brown
122. Loretta Stevens
123. Barbara Jones
124. M/M Darryl (Minnie) Fink
125. M/M Peter (Liz) Latino
126. M/M Jeff (Catherine) Anderson
127. Fr. Thomas James, SVD
128. Frances Durousseau
129. Frances Lavergne
130. M/M James (Mary) L'asrapes
131. M/M Alfred (Glenna) Dupree, Sr.
132. Dr. & Mrs. Wayne Brumfield
133. Lou Anna Shaw
134. Mary Odelia Jerry
135. Vivian Mason
136. M/M Danny Zachary
137. Joseph Brown
138. Ashley Shaw
139. Vernell Thompson
140. Willie Richard
141. M/M Kenneth (Avriel) Joubert
142. M/M Dewey (Lois) Thomas
143. M/M Horace Gallow
144. Sedia Victoria
145. Shirley & Jennifer Rachal
146. Albertha Jackson
147. Eva Roberts
148. Nelson Robertson
149. M/M John Chenier
150. Eugene Thomas
151. M/M Terry (Nettie) Anderson
152. M/M Donald (Rose) Sam
153. M/M Howard (Delphine) Lafleur, Jr.
154. M/M Isaac (Betty) Woods
155. Nelson Zachary
156. M/M Joseph (Madeline) Taylor
157. Gloria Prince
158. Catherine Jenkins
159. M/M James (Hazel) Sias
160. M/M Michael (Sheila) Johnson
161. M/M Brian (Karen) Villery
162. Dr. & Mrs. Eric Chatman
163. Michael Minix
164. M/M Peter (Liz) Latino
165. Robert Guilbeaux
166. Patsy Anderson
167. Janice Henry
168. Mary Doucet
169. Freida Donatto
170. M/M Joseph M. Landry
171. Mary Riggs Butler
172. M/M Glossy (Barbara) Butler
173. John Calvin Manuel
174. Vivian Mason
175. M/M Sidney (Clarnette) Chenier
176. Dorothy Beverly
177. Cornelia Stoot
178. Catherine Miller
179. Tamara Miller
180. Norma Wiley
181. M/M Willie Pickens
182. Donna Fontenot
183. M/M Joseph (Barbara) Butler
184. Josephine Clark
185. Lena F. Charles
186. Mazie Taylor
187. Jeanette Paillet
188. Mary Colomb
Funds raised this year will be used to repair the cafeteria roof. The roof will cost us approximately $69,000-$75,000.