

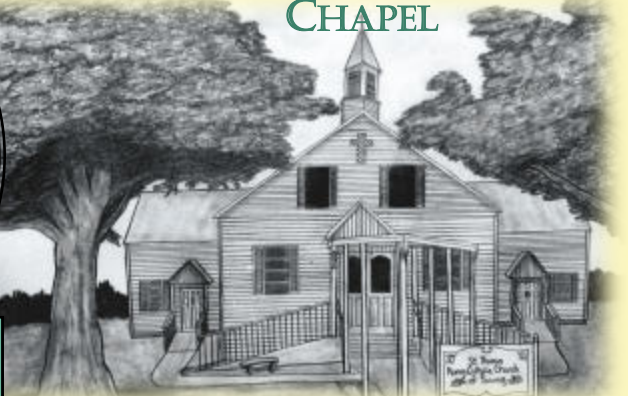
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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Charlene Marie Richard
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January 02, 2022

The Epiphany of The Lord



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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MASS SCHEDULE SAINT EDWARD CHURCH

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Monday 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 6:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.

SAINT THOMAS CHAPEL

Sunday 8:45 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

All parents must attend required Baptism Seminar prior to baptism.
Please call Parish Office to Schedule your class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact Father Lavergne upon engagement or at least six month's prior to your wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

30 Min before each weekday mass.
Saturday 3:00pm—3:50pm

CEMETERY SALES

Please call the Parish Office and someone will assist you

MASS INTENTIONS**SAT, JAN 01—NEW YEAR'S DAY**

9:00AM For the Students, Faculty, Staff and Families
of Richard Elementary School

SAT, JAN 01—ANTICIPATED MASS

4:00PM Kelly Hebert, Zachary Guidry,
James Johnson, Leroy & Nick Daigle (B'day)
Ethel LeJeune (B'day 1/3), Charles Cox, Jr.,
Todd Sattler, Viola & Wilson Doucet,
M/M Esteve Boon-Living & Dec. Family,
Harold and Clara Richard and Daughters,
Deceased members of the Hilton Doucet Fly.

SUN, JAN 02

7:00 AM St. Edward Parishioners, Grace Jagneaux

SUN, JAN 02

8:45 AM St. Thomas Parishioners,
M/M Elwood D. Soileau

SUN, JAN 02

10:30 AM Felton LeJeune, Jane Miller, Ian Kyle Miller,
Randal & Michael Benoit

MON, JAN 03

6 PM People of the Parish

TUE, JAN 04

9 AM Missions and Missionaries of the world

THU, JAN 06

6 PM For the sick and suffering

FRI, JAN 07

9 AM Zachary Guidry

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Dear Parishioners:

As we celebrate the Christmas season, we are reminded of the warmth of family and friends as we all visit with each other during this holiday season. We also know that a number of our parish family members no longer worship here with us, but it is my hope that through a simple invitation back to their home parish, they may visit with us again and find a warm welcome.

If you know anyone who has not felt welcomed here or has fallen away from the Church in years past, please encourage them to visit our community or even to reach out to me. Please assist me in this work of charity as we continue our ministry here at St. Edward Church and St. Thomas Chapel. May God bless you all.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Korey R. LaVergne
Pastor

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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While at Prayer, Please Remember

Jerry Albertelli, Rachel Aguilard, Allen Andrepont, John Arabie, Earl Arceneaux, Carrol Ardoin, Michael Ardoin, Tammy Ashford, Troy Ashford, Mae Austin, Greg Baronet, David and Robin Barry, Rachael Bellard, Heath Bergeron, Charles and Barbara Boone, Phillip Boone, Ryker Boone, Terri Boone, Cody Boudreaux, Evelyn Bourgeois, Marie Bourque, Michelle Bradley, Debra Breaux, James Breaux, Isiah Broussard, Gavin Brown, Leo & Cynthia Burleigh, Juan Butler, Laddy Butler, Dot Chapman, Olivia Clark, Sandra Clement, Alyssa Cormier, Bernice Cormier, Jackie Crawford, Leroy Daigle, Mary Doucet, Velma Doucet, Wanda Doucet, George Dugas, John Dugas, Linda Duos, Haylee Dupre, Kenneth Edwards, Mildred Edwards, John Kirk Feucht, Jackie Fontenot, Joseph Fontenot, Lauren Fontenot, Lillie Fontenot, Maril Fontenot, Terry Fontenot, Ruth Frame, Odile Fulmer, Emile Garcia, Morris Gautier, Bert Guidry, Brenda Guidry, Jimmy Guidry, Rita Guidry, Catherine & Don Guillory, Dana Guthrie, Judy Hawk, Connie & Woody Hays, Glenda Hebert, Christine Higginbotham, Richard Horecky, Herman Hudson, T.K. Hulin, Tina Janise, Sarah Jeanis, Patricia Johnson, Peyton Joubert, Dolores Labbie, Martin LaCroix, Colleen Landreneau, John Lantier, Dianna Lavergne, Ivan Lavergne, Dolores LeBouef, Harper Grace Ledet, Kert Leger, Wilma LeJeune, Ronnie & Carrie Lemaire, Marvin Macip, Thelma Macip, Al Malveaux, Benny Manuel, Ham Manuel, Jarrod Manuel Fly., Dennis Matte, Melissa Meaux, Mary Meche, Myra Meche, Ricky Meche, Jacob Miller, Pauline Miller, Tonya Miller, Leonard & Dawn Miles, Phillip Meyers, Tyler Myers, Nathan Paul Olivier, Riley Orr, Shawnee Pearce, Patsy Chehotsky, Dagan Pitre, Mary Ann Pitre, Elmond Polard, Amanda Prather, Betrella Prather, Bella Richard, Berna Richard, Isabelle Richard, Reynold Richard, Ronald Richard, Stevie Richard, Tasha Richard, Bob Robinson, Debbie Rodriguez, Carolyn Romero, Keith Romero, Paige Rozas, Pere' Rozas, Audry G. Rushing, Nancy Schmidt, Shane Smith, Kaylee Stephens, Andrew Thibodeaux, Glen Thibodeaux, Rodney Thibodeaux, Scotty Thibodeaux, Victoria Valdatero, Kerry Vuillemont, Tommy Young, Suzanne Wimberley

~PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR LIST UPDATED~

Readings for the Week of January 02, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/ Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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PRAYER FOR BEATIFICATION



Our Father in Heaven, moved by the Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Savior, we lift up our hearts to You and ask that, if it be Your will, You grant our request. May Your servant and native of Louisiana, Charlene Marie Richard, be raised to sainthood by the Holy Father, Successor of the Apostle St Peter, and visible head of Jesus' Church on earth.

We entrust this prayer to You through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus, under her title by which she is known as the Patroness of Louisiana: The Immaculate Conception.

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

Follow The Charlene Richard Foundation website as another avenue to support the cause and for updates on the process.

@ www.CharleneRichardFoundation.com



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SCHEDULE

2021-22

Sessions begin promptly @ 9:30am

Meet in the hall on Oct 3rd. All subsequent sessions begin in the church.

1st - 12th Grade:
(Parents Must Attend)

 Jan 9th
Feb 6th
Mar 6th

2nd Grade
First Communion:
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Mar 20th
Jan 23rd Apr 9th *

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