

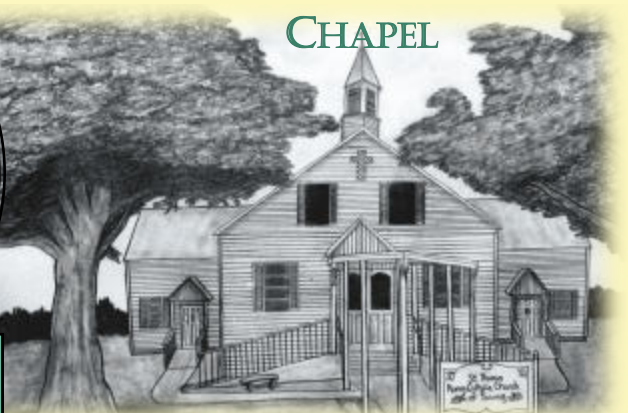
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*Charlene Marie Richard*  
1947-1959



*January 09, 2022*

*The Baptism of The Lord*



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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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

Saturday 5:30 p.m. (*Beginning 01/15/2022*)  
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 08**

4:00PM Kim Millet, Kelly Hebert, Zachary Guidry,  
James Johnson, Charles Cox, Jr.,  
M/M Esteve Boone-Living and Deceased Fly,  
Harold and Clara Richard and Daughters,  
Viola and Wilson Doucet

**SUN, JAN 09**

7:00 AM St. Edward Parishioners,  
Deceased members of the Hilton Doucet Fly

**SUN, JAN 09**

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

**SUN, JAN 09**

10:30 AM Felton LeJeune, M/M Offord Richard  
(Her 19th anniv of death 1/4), Kristi Fredieu,  
Ian Kyle Miller

**MON, JAN 10**

6 PM People of the Parish

**TUE, JAN 11**

9 AM Missions and Missionaries of the World

**THU, JAN 13**

6 PM The sick and suffering

**FRI, JAN 14**

9 AM For an end to the pandemic

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 9, 2022****The Baptism of the Lord**

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."*

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

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**While at Prayer, Please Remember**

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~PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR LIST UPDATED~

**Readings for the Week of January 09, 2022**

**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  
**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/ Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/ Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/ Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 2:13-17  
**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/ 1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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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](http://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:**  
(Meet in the hall)

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Jan 23rd Apr 9th \*

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