

FEBRUARY 21, 2021 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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Schedule of the Holy Mass	Daily Mass Schedule	Confession Schedule
Saturday (anticipated).....4:30 PM Sunday.....8:00AM, 10:00AM 5:00PM	Tuesday-Friday.....12:00 PM	30 minutes before weekday Masses Saturday..... 3:30 PM Sunday.....7:00AM, 9:00AM

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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

(contact Office)

*Baptism

*Annulment

*RCIA

*Anointing of the Sick

*Confession by appointment

*Holy Communion for the Home-bound

*Marriage (6 months in advance)

If you have recently become engaged and will be married at Our Lady of the Lake, please contact the Office for our Wedding Policies before any expenditures or deposits are made.



Monthly Meetings & Events

- ♦ **Come, Lord Jesus!** - Mon, Tue, Wed & Thurs, every week—contact the Parish Office for times & locations
- ♦ **Altar Society Meeting** - 1st Tues, 2PM, Oustalet Center *No meetings in Jun, Jul & Aug*
- ♦ **Rosary for Life** - 1st Tue, 3:30PM, in Church
- ♦ **Weekly Hour of Adoration** - between the Sunday 8AM & 10AM masses
- ♦ **JCDA Meeting** - 2nd Sunday after 10AM Mass unless notified
- ♦ **KC Meeting** - 2nd Tuesday, 6PM, KC Bldg
- ♦ **Catholic Daughter's Meeting** - 2nd Thur, 6:15PM, Oustalet Center, *No meetings in June or July*
- ♦ **Women of Faith Prayer Group** - 3rd Monday, 6PM, Oustalet Center
- ♦ **Bereavement Meeting** - contact Loretta Broussard @ 652-0143 or Annette Broussard @ 658-5580 for more info
- ♦ **Summer CCD Session** - Jun 14-Jun 25, 2021
- ♦ **Annual Steak Dinner & Auction** - Sunday, August 8th
- ♦ **Family Fall Festival** - TBA
- ♦ **Andrus Cove Cemetery** - Cheryl Broussard, 246-1546
- ♦ **St. Anthony Cemetery** - Chad Woods, 616-7191 or 329-0933

Finance Committee Members: Ben Hornsby, Beau LeJeune, Tim Parker, Judy Hundley and Dominique Monlezun—*Next Meeting: April 27, 2021*

Pastoral Council Members: Sue Chapman, Susan Matt, Tina Monlezun, Bridget Thomas, Jimmy Thomas, Joel Trahan and Christy Yates—*Next meeting: April 27, 2021*

Trustees: Deanne Duhon and Kenny Chapman

First Sunday of Lent

...in our Parish

Meetings this week:

- Feb 24—Atrium A, 4:00-5:30pm
- Feb 25—Atrium B, 4:00-5:30pm
- Feb. 25—Women's Day Retreat Mtg 6pm
- Feb 26—Way of the Cross, 5:30pm

Phase 2 public mass restrictions:

- Adequate social distancing in church, masking is required
- Mass will continue to be broadcast over the loud-speakers for those not able to sit in church
- Mass may be heard from your autos if parked near church on FM 91.7**
- Fr. Alexius will bring communion to those outside if there is not enough room inside for those attending mass. Please let an usher know before communion.

- Download our new App!!** Our Lady of the Lake has its own app & it's free! Use it to keep informed of parish activities, contact parish staff, register for church events & even make your regular contribution! Please download it soon, as it will make it easier for the parish to keep you informed! Go to ourladyofthelake.church & click on one of the links on the homepage. Tap on MinistryOne, select Our Lady of the Lake as your church, then you're in!

- Mass Intentions Book & Tabernacle Lamp Schedule for 2021** are open. Masses can be scheduled during Parish Office business hours in person, or by phone.

- Altar & Tabernacle Flowers** ~ please call Mrs. Lynette Fox at 337-489-7989.

- Tax Contribution Letter** ~ Please call the parish office for a 2020 tax contribution letter. Thank you for your generosity to our church!

- Lenten Ember Days** ~ Feb 24, 26 & 27 ~ Four times a year, the church sets aside three days of prayer & fasting to sanctify the year, ask God's blessings, thank Him for His blessings & to become aware of the need for moderation & temperance. Bishop Provost has urged us to observe these days. For recommendations on how, visit ourladyofthelake.church/ember-days

- Altar Society & CDA dues** are due! Thank you to all who have paid them. Altar Society dues-\$15, CDA dues-\$25. Dues may be brought to the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket in a marked envelope. Thank you!

Way of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent—5:30PM

Saint of the Day February 21st—28th

Each and every saint is waiting for us to ask him/her to pray for us (Revelation 5:8 & 8:3)! Get to know these saints this week:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Feb 21—St. Peter Damian | Feb 26—St. Maria Bertilla |
| Feb 22—Chair of Saint Peter | Boscardin |
| Feb 23—St. Polycarp | Feb 27—St. Gabriel of Our Lady |
| Feb 24—Bls. Luke Belludi | of Sorrows |
| Feb 25—Bls. Sebastian of | Feb 28—Bls. Daniel Brottier |
| Apario | |

Pray for the Sick

Family Members should contact the Office if prayers are needed. Names will be listed in the bulletin for 3 months unless the Office is notified.

Carolina Aucoin	Jean Gage	Bill & Mazie Marceaux
Donald Benoit	Dorothy Gaspard	Ben Martin
Francis Benoit	Frederick Guillory	Pauline Martinez
Lilla Benoit	Lenora Hayes	Frank Messina
Shirley T. Broussard	Peter Hundley	Donald Richard
Chris Broussard	Jude Kibodeaux	Lisa Richard
Dale Broussard	Anne Klenke	Ludrick Schexnider
Alvin Conner, Jr.	Beverly LaPoint	Marcus Teague
Annette Dobson	Hilda LaPoint	Jamie Theunissen
Virgie Dronet	Betty LeBlanc	Grace Trahan
Carmelita Fisher	Rita Lewis	Edwin Woods
Slade Fox	Joan Benoit Mandola	

Knights of Columbus, Council 3012

Palm Sunday Fried Pork Rib Dinner

Fried Pork Ribs, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Fried Pistolette & Dessert
\$12/plate

Sunday, March 28th

Lake Arthur Park Pavilion, Main Street
Pickup between 11am and 1pm

Tickets on sale starting in March. Thank you for your support!

Free Online Resources, Studies & Conferences

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

Dr. Edward Sri

Wednesdays, 7pm, Feb 24-Apr 7

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Cincinnati Men's Conference (Virtual)

March 13, 2021

catholicsspeakers.com/cincinnati-mens-conference

Marriage In Christ At Home Seminar

5 Sessions, free until May 31, 2021

marriageinchrist.com

MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

Next Week: Second Sunday of Lent

Feb 27-28	4:30	8:00	10:00	5:00
Lectors	Johnette Rogers	Janice Esthay	Leslie LeDoux	Mona Landry
Altar Servers	Myles Hymel	James Sanders	Adam McGee	TBA

SANCTUARY and SACRISTY

Month of February—Dorothy Leger, Leslie LeDoux, & Lisa Oustalet



Second Collections

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Feb. 20-21
Bishop's Services Appeal Mar. 6-7



BSA Quota: \$14,009 Total Collected: \$7,715
Did you know... your BSA gifts support
Catholic Charities and the Family Life Office?

For Our Beloved Living & Deceased

Tabernacle Lamp: Roderick Broussard

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat, Feb 20 (4:30 pm)** Rodney & Regina Roche', L/D Members
Margie & Robert Broussard Families,
Fred Schlesinger, Dixie & Maxine Chapman,
Alicia & Louise Trahan, Sr.
- Sun, Feb. 21 (8:00 am)** Effie & Dallas Touns, Betty Broussard,
Chester Dugas, Madeline Hymel Trahan,
L/D Members Lloyd & Grace Moore Families
(10:00 am) Pro Populo (For the People)
- Tue, Feb 23 (12:00 pm)** Adeline Chapman
- Wed, Feb 24 (12:00 pm)** Rodney Roche'
- Thu, Feb 25 (12:00 pm)** Bobby Chapman
- Fri, Feb 26 (12:00 pm)** Pauline Martinez (L)
- Sat, Feb 27 (4:30 pm)** Shelton Guillory, Charlie & Dona Beard,
Allen Hymel, Chico Canik, Fermin &
Armine Breau, Philip Broussard, Jr.,
Betty Hebert
- Sun, Feb. 28 (8:00 am)** Pro Populo (For the People)
(10:00 am) Bobby Palermo, Adeline & Bobby Chapman,
Stacy Broussard, Wilbert LeGros

In our Diocese

- * **Catholic Charities & Disaster Relief** ~ Catholic Charities is open for regular operations, 8:30am-4:30pm & is in need of donations. Those in need may stop by during regular hours. Visit catholiccharitiesswla.com to make a financial gift to assist the Diocese's disaster response.
- * **Samaritans Purse Disaster Relief** ~ Samaritans Purse has helped clean & rebuild several hundred homes in Lake Charles & the surrounding area. Over 700 home-

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH February—St. Joseph Most Chaste

Did you know? This year has been proclaimed the **Year of St. Joseph** by Pope Francis! Because of his special role as foster-father of the Child Jesus, St. Joseph has merited singular privileges in heaven unmatched by any saint excepting the Blessed Virgin Mary. Certain saints have received special insight into his holiness and the wonderful power of his heavenly intercession.

Find out more about why we honor St. Joseph, how to celebrate the year, Consecration to St. Joseph, and much more at yearofstjoseph.org, and in the booklets available in the back of church.

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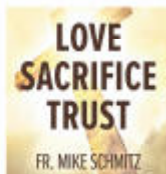
PICK OF THE WEEK

February 21, 2021

LISTEN

LOVE, SACRIFICE, TRUST:
HE SHOWED US THE WAY
BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!



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owners are still not back in their homes. SP will be here for the next two years helping them. If you would like to volunteer in their efforts, visit spvolunteer.org.

Are you concerned for someone who is considering terminating a pregnancy? There is a great resource in Lake Charles!

Call the **New Life Counseling Center** as soon as possible to protect both human life and the human heart. Their number is 337-474-7003. newlifecounselinglc.com

Lenten Regulations

Every Catholic, to enter more deeply into the life of Christ, is to participate in some way in the spiritual & penitential disciplines of Lent. The regulations of the Catholic Church in the United States are as follows:

- The obligation to **abstain from meat** binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. The obligation to **fast** binds Catholics from the age of 18 to 59. Those younger or older are encouraged to voluntarily embrace these disciplines in so far as they are able. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
- Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting & abstinence. Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.
- Throughout Lent, Catholics are especially encouraged to perform voluntary acts of penance.
- With any penitential discipline, both the letter & the spirit are to be maintained. For example, replacing meat with a gourmet seafood meal is not in keeping with a penitential practice. Also, hosting "crawfish boils" on Good Friday is inappropriate. Good Friday remains an extraordinary and solemn day on which we recall the suffering & death of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Good Friday should remain a day of prayer, penance, and interior and exterior quiet.

More info about abstinence during Lent:

catholicdish.com/the-pastors-page/why-no-meat-on-fridays-in-lent/

CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDI!



*Please keep those who were confirmed
this Thursday in your prayers as they
begin their life as fully initiated members
of the Body of Christ!*

Alayna Harrington
Zoie Hebert
Cadence Hodges

Myles Hymel
Jenna Mallett
Adam McGee

Youth Ministry Corner

Teen Movie Night is every first Monday of the month! March's movie is "Facing the Giants". (You can find a full schedule of movies in the back of church.) Popcorn and soft drinks will be provided or you can bring your own. Doors open at the Oustalet Center at 4pm; the movie starts at 4:30pm. *Invite your friends!*

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