



MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS

Saturday | 4:00pm

Sunday | 7:00am & 9:30am

WEEKDAYS

Monday / Wednesday | 6:30pm

Tuesday / Thursday | 7:30am

1st Thursdays | 6:30pm

Holy Days & Anticipated Mass | TBA

Wednesday Rosary | 5:00pm

Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction

1st Thursdays | 5:30pm

Other Thursdays | After 7:30am Mass

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SACRAMENTS

Confession: 30 minutes before weekend
mass or by appointment.

Matrimony: Contact the pastor
at least 6 months prior to the desired
wedding date.

Baptism: A class will be given if you are
expecting and have not attended a
baptismal class. No baptisms during the



THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS OFFERTORIES

Saturday, December 26

4 PM Mass for the Parishioners

Sunday, December 27

7:00 AM Rosaire & Cheryl Veilleux, Bruce Piserell; Harry Gaspard; Faye Granger, Granger, Fruge, Guillory Families

9:30 AM Madeline Leonard, Leonard & Aucoin Family; Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville, Brenda & Patsy Courville; Howard Andrus, Guidry & Andrus Family

Monday, December 28

6:30 PM NO MASS

Tuesday, December 29

7:30 AM NO MASS

Wednesday, December 30

6:30 PM NO MASS

Thursday, December 31

4 PM Dubrock & LaCombe Family; Julian, Mark, Michael Arrant, Steve Racca, Norma Breaux, Arrant, Racca, Benford, Giles, LeBouef, Langue Families & All Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 1

NO MASS

Saturday, January 2

4 PM Patsy Holland, Holland & Nunez Families, Justin; Lawrence Primeaux, Jan Primeaux; Alice Nucy Nunez ; Julian, Mark, Michael Arrant, Steve Racca, Norma Breaux, Arrant, Racca, Benford, Giles, LeBouef, Langue Families & All Poor Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, January 3

7:00 AM Mass for the Parishioners

9:30 AM Idell & J B Courville, Norman & Tammy Courville, Brenda & Patsy Courville; Howard & Jeanette Andrus, Guidry & Andrus Family

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

If you would like to be added to either list or know of someone who needs to be added, please email Julie Racca at julie.racca@gmail.com (e-mail is best because it is in writing and has a date and a time attached to it, but if that would cause a hardship, you can call or text Julie at 337-452-1418) Names received before noon on Tuesday will appear in the next week's bulletin, not the current week. Names will remain on the list for 2 weeks and then be removed. If after the 2 weeks, you still need prayer, by all means, please send another message and we'll keep praying!

OUR SICK

Margaret Arrant, Patty Borne, Joyce Bourque, Bennie Breaux, James Castille, Pammy Derouen, Terry Dubard, Gaston Dubrock, Terry Guidry, Bella Hahn, Emerson Irvin, Judy Leonard, Linda Lognion, Alex Manning, Kennon Martin, Katie McLean, Mark Pedersen, Don Racca, Henry Romero, Jeannie Taveney Smith, Bridgette Sonnier, Barbara Theriot, Sam Treadway, Ethan Trosclair, Wilton "Buck" Young; Craig Zaunbrecher

OUR RECOVERING

Cindy Pedersen

OUR HOMEBOUND

Joyce Conner, Fred Conner, Lillian Conner, James Keith Leger, Benny Lognion, Leslie Hartwell, Wyetta Nunez

OUR NURSING HOME, RETIREMENT HOME, & ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

Terry Guidry, Urlick Guidry, Ethel Racca, Barbara & Clarence Theriot, John & Kenora Theriot, Sidney Theriot

OUR MILITARY

Brennan Arabie, Hayden Broussard, Austin Brown, Wesley Dugas, Trent Jarrel, Trey Jarrel, Gavin Leger, Alex McCready, Terry N. Trawee

OUR DISABLED VETERANS

Please contact Hal Hebert if you are a veteran of any war, police action (Korea), Etc. Disabled Veterans especially. Phone: (337) 452-1256 or email: ahhebert@gmail.com

THE DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Pope Francis

During this Advent season, we pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ would be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

Bishop Glen John Provost

For a deeper faith, that parents pass on the true faith to their children by

GOSPEL MEDITATION | ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 27, 2020--The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Tragedy and disappointment are inevitable. What sees you through this? There will be challenges, changes, unexpected circumstances, interrupted plans, hurts, and injustices experienced by every human being at some point in their lives. We will be asked to adjust our plans, change course, and even encounter suffering and death. Where do we learn all of the lessons we need to live life well? Some of them we learn along the way but much of what we bring to life, positive and negative, comes from our early beginnings, our families. This is our early world and provides the blueprint for how we see the bigger, more inclusive world, which unfolds before us.

Our families of origin can be sources of grace, heartache or a combination of both. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication, and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. They can also determine whether we have an accessible and healthy relationship with God. Many of life's challenges can literally bring us to our knees and require that we possess a

strength of character that resides well beyond the superficialities of our world. At some point we will all need three coping gifts that can be given to us only by God: faith, hope, and love. Our families help us learn that we are not the ones responsible for their creation, but God!

Our experience of early family life colors all of our relationships and what we expect to achieve from life in general. Resolving conflicts, dealing with difficulty and suffering, celebrating accomplishments, prioritizing our needs, listening to God's call, understanding relationships, understanding disappointment, learning about the virtues and living a centered focused life are all lessons our families either succeed in teaching or do not. To succeed, as God has designed and ordered our world, is to discover his presence and then trust that Presence. The Holy Family can teach even the most dysfunctional family how to best use God's gifts of faith, hope, and love to find him and do his will. Their simple humble example is always before us, showing us the way. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

PARISH NEWS

Office Closure:

Office will be closed from Thursday, December 24th to Friday, January 1st and will reopen Monday, January 4th. If there is emergency, call the church phone.

Mass Schedule:

Mass Schedule for Holidays--11:30pm Christmas Eve and 8:00am Christmas Day; New Years Eve 4:00pm. There will be no weekday masses on December 28th, 29th, 30th, and 1st.

For the upkeep of flowers on our altar, Father John is asking for donations in memory of someone special. If you are willing to donate please contact the office. While flowers for each week cost around \$90.00 we will accept any donations. And remember there are no flowers during lent.

Father John would also like to thank all the participants, workers and benefactors for the success of St. Nicholas Eve Celebration. In spite of all the difficulties of this year, we still came together and made it a special time for all. Special thanks to Sheila Shultz, Carol Jo Shultz, Tubby Zaunbrecher, Cleve Hoffpauir, Becky Shultz, Lacey Guillory, Jennifer Pedersen, Ashley Hoffpauir and Lannie Gilbeaux for their efforts.

Question: I've seen people hang rosaries over the rear-view mirrors in their cars and a few of them wear them around their necks. Is it OK to do that?

Answer: The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals).

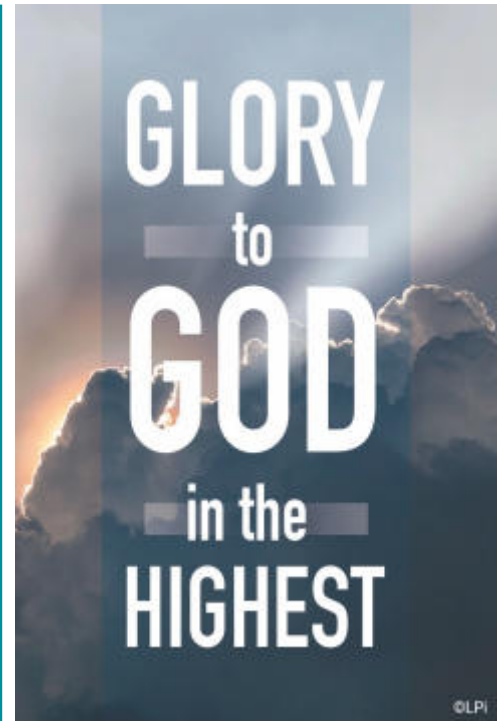
An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions?

One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.



AREA NEWS

--If you would like to make a financial contribution to aid in the Hurricane Laura and Hurricane Delta relief and rebuilding efforts for the Diocese of Lake Charles, you can donate at www.lcdiocese.org.



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WEEK ENDING ON 12/13/20:**

Regular Collection.....	\$3855.00
PREP.....	\$70.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$70.00
Food Baskets.....	\$100.00
Retirement Fund.....	\$419.00
Total.....	\$4514.00

NEXT SECOND COLLECTION:

- January 3-Bishop's Service Appeal
- January 10- A/C Heating Building Main. Fund
- January 24- Latin America
- January 31- A/C Heating Building Main. Fund

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