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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

Weekdays:

5:30 pm (Tuesday and Thursday)

9:00 am (Wednesday) 6:30 am (Friday)

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm

(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

PASTOR:

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:

Fr. Ed Degeyter

BOOKKEEPER:

Linda L. Viator

SECRETARY:

Polly Camacho

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Brenda Romero — 365-3759

PASTORAL COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: *Barbara Breaux*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

ROSARY:

Wednesday: 8:20 am (*Pro-Life*)

Thursday: 5:00 pm

March 8, 2020

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Second
Sunday of Lent

From the cloud came a voice that said,
"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him."
Matthew 17:5

All are invited to a Celebration for Msgr. Romero, Fr. Arnaud & Fr. Finley in honor of their 45th year Ordination to the Priesthood after 9am Mass on Wednesday, March 11th at the Parish Hall. Please bring your favorite finger foods.



Tuesday, March 10 2020

5:30pm Parishioners

Wednesday, March 11 2020

9:00am Msgr. Robert Romero (liv)
Fr. Mike Arnaud (liv), Fr. Tom Finley (liv)
Cecile & Robert Halphen, Sr.
Quang V. Nguyen, Agapito A. Castro
M/M Allen Daigre & John
Kevin Elmer (bd), Alan Cordero
Carolyn C. Fuselier (liv)(bd)
M/M Lewis Merryman & Linda
Patti Gagnard, Joseph Viator

Thursday, March 12, 2020

5:30pm Parishioners

Friday, March 13, 2020

6:30am Violet Lancon, Bonnie L. Boudreaux (bd)
Ronnie J. Landry (liv)(bd)

Saturday, March 14, 2020

4:00pm Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Roy Flores
Amelia Segura Selph, Warren Barras
Oris Gachassin, Rodney Comeaux
Lynward Ransonet, Donald Dupuis
Antoine & Marie Judice, Andrew Dupuis
Domingue, Delcambre & Crochet Fly

Sunday, March 15, 2020

7:00am Parishioners, Mona B. Simon
Charles Froisy, Marlene T. Broussard
Tan Dugas, Philip Monté, Jr.
9:00am Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Gerald "Bick" Girouard
Quang V. Nguyen, Joseph & Amelia Borel
Agapito A. Castro, Vicky Miller
Arthur & Agnes Romero, Gisele Fremin
10:30am Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza
Clarence & Violet Lancon
Phyllis Guilbeau Biglane

REFLECTIONS – Second Sunday of Lent - Living a Gospel life is not easy and it does not mean that everything will go your way. We have been called to be holy - to follow Jesus' example. At times, it can seem to be an impossible goal. However, God's grace is with us and all we have to do is to accept this grace and keep trying each day. Our focus cannot be on grasping perfection, but on being faithful to the struggle and trusting that with God's grace we will become a little more like Jesus each day.

"Our soul waits for the Lord, who is our help and our shield." - Psalm 33:20

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

- CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Q: Our prayer group is discussing ways we can change and strengthen our faith. What one thing could we change that would have the greatest impact on our faith?

A: A famous coach once said that when the team is in trouble and things aren't going well, go back to the basics; when the team is winning and things are going well, go back to the basics! Any renewal program, faith development, or spiritual growth effort has to start with the basic core of what it means to believe. If the foundation is not strong, the house will not stand.

So if you work on one thing, begin with the idea that God is love, who loves us and calls us to love one another. If we really take that belief to heart, it changes how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It would change how we pray, how we treat others, and how we understand and live our own life. Our sense of mission and purpose will be more focused on God's plan and our role in it. Love is the core of faith, the goal of life, and the hope of heaven. Whatever we do to strengthen and deepen our faith will begin and end with love.

Catholic Christian speaker, singer, songwriter and recording artist, **Paul Koleske**, will be offering a parish mission, **'IGNITING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST WITHIN YOU'** March 16, 17 & 18, 2020 at 6:00pm in Nativity of Our Lady Church. He will give us inspirational direction to experience an increased presence of the Holy Spirit in our life! Paul has been on EWTN and is known throughout the nation for his music and speaking presentations. This mission will empower us to live a more successful spiritual life! For additional information on Paul's ministry go to www.paulkoleske.com

While the general theme of the mission is **'Igniting the Light of Christ Within You'**, the focus each night is:

- Monday:** Connecting with the Light of Christ
- Tuesday:** Experiencing the Light of Christ
- Wednesday:** Living the Light of Christ

1 lb. Boiled Shrimp, Corn & Potato



Knights of Columbus
Council #12997 Fundraiser
Sunday, March 29, 2020
**Pickup is under the Carport behind
the Church Office (behind Church)
from 11AM - 1PM**

Tickets are \$15.00 each. Tickets will be sold after each weekend Mass and are available from any KC member. Also, the Ladies K.C. Auxiliary members will be selling brownies at pickup time.

Fr. Ed Degeyter Seminary Burse:

The Office of Vocations continues to collect for the Burse in Father Ed's honor. A seminary trust fund is to pay for the diocese's annual cost of seminary formation. Currently, the interest from the trust pays 20% of this expense, while the remainder is supplemented by funds raised during the BSA Campaign. The goal of the burse is \$15,000 which represented the total cost of a single seminarian when it was first established, although today the cost is \$200,000.

Please make the check payable to: Lafayette Diocese Office of Vocations/Fr. Ed Degeyter Burse # 455:

Seminary Burse - Diocese of Lafayette
1408 Carmel Dr.
Lafayette, LA 70501

Our Lady of the Oaks, Grand Coteau

Upcoming Retreats:

New Iberia Retreat for Men

March 19-22, 2020

Contact: Wayne Delcambre 519-0462 or
Paul Gulotta, Sr. 577-6377

May 14-17, 2020

Contact Tommy Hebert 364-6946 or
Glenn Eldridge 519-0361

For more information, please contact Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau at (337) 662-5410 or visit the website at www.ourladyoftheoaks.com.

Call Our Lady of the Oaks for the below retreats:

Married Couples Retreats:

April 24-26, 2020

September 4-6, 2020

Mid-Week Retreat for Women: April 6-8, 2020

Weekend Retreats for Women:

April 30-May 3, 2020

May 28-31, 2020

27th Annual PILGRIMAGE-RETREAT WITH FATHER MANNY

July 5-17, 2020

CARMELITE SPAIN/GARABANDAL/LOURDES ... In Spain, Shrines of St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross including Avila, Toledo, Alba de Tormes, along with the Eucharistic Miracle of Daroca, the incorrupt body of Maria Agreda, and the apparition site of Garabandal. Also included, Three days and four nights in Lourdes France, where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette. If interested, please act quickly, seats are limited to 35 and many have already been filled.

For more information, contact Bonnie at (337) 772-9377

Or visit the website www.fathermanny.com

FR. MANNY FERNANDEZ, SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR
BONNIE & RICK LATIOLAIS, ADMINISTRATORS

welcome to
Catholic High
NEW IBERIA

CHS Admissions Office invites you to spend more time with CHS—here are a few events we would love to share with you!

MASS

Every Thursday at 9:15 a.m. we have All-School Mass in our gym. Please join us.

PERFORMING ARTS

The Tony Award winning Best Musical, Annie, comes to Catholic High School's Disch Gym this Spring. The popular children's musical, Little Orphan Annie, is performed by the students of Catholic High and is open to the public with a \$2 admission on Saturday, April 26th.

TOURS

Tours are a great way to learn all about what CHS has to offer! Call the Admissions Office schedule your personal tour.

NEW STUDENTS

We are currently accepting applications for new students. Visit our website or call our Admissions Office for more information, and we will be more than happy to help.

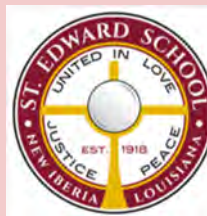
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St. Edward School does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, or gender in the administration of education policies, application of admission, financial aid programs or extracurricular activities.

PRAYER & SICK LIST



The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office

@ 364-8360: Rhonda Darden, Peggy Lancon, Mary Ann Babin, Clifton Babin, Cindy Trahan, Kay Bourreaux, Lynn Bodin, Harriet Fowler, Craig Daniels, Acey & Diana Frugé, Mercedes Turner, Lonnie Lavergne, Cheryl Lavergne, Rita Gary, Kurt Lambalino, Kressant Landry, Joy Mayer, Lori Aguiard, Dale Landry, Charles Gautreaux, Jason Walker, Peggy Miguez, Alvin Theriot, Rose Guilbeau, Peter & Bernadine Williams, Mike & Dolores Boutte, Jerome Reed, Carol Romero, Jr., Hiroe Argobright, Neal Boutte, Christy Lannie, Sherry Darcey, Chandler Dore, Betty Duhon, Keren Viator, Patsy Barrilleaux, Emile & Doris Barras, Kiersten Price, Dawn Broussard, Stephen Etienne, Michael & Linda Sundberg, Raphael & Marie Duplechain, Dr. Angela Langlinois, Dawn Broussard, Myrna & Millard Poche, Jaquie Gondran, Ed McVey, Tammy Johnson, Stephanie Breaux Bradley, Celia Camacho, Carmen Merryman, Fran Jackson, Gilbert Jackson, Robin L. Viator, Theresa Olmsted, Sheryl S. Bourque, Lloyd & Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Gloria Landry, Kate & Dylan Ortego, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego, Colin D. Trahan, Carson Viator, Stella & Kole Schouest, Gerald Viator, Brittany Marceaux, Hadley Babin, James Boudreaux, Heath Michael Boutte, Brent Buteaux, Gayle Hebert, Danny Segura, Ruby Seneca, Randy Breaux, Monique Martin McCarty, Sally Romero, Jason Goutierrez, Edward Hartwell, Caroline Dubois, Donald Poche, Debbie Clark, Gwen Meyers, Jim Upchurch, Irene Hebert, Janis Dugas, Alice Robicheaux, Matilda Romero, Thelma Hulin, Dwayne Dugas, Curtis Hulin, Emma Lou Doerle Segura, Abby Musselwhite, Tiffany Segura, Child of Antonio & Jaclyn Aleman, Tara Romero, Billy Slampa, Brenda & Larry Musselwhite, Corliss Ramirez, Dorothy McDonald, Ulysse Robicheaux, Margaret Richard

Please also pray for those individuals who, although they are in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

Meet Trinh

Trinh's family are farmers in Vietnam who have been affected by climate change. What would you do if your source of nutrition was threatened? How can we support those whose livelihoods are vulnerable to weather? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



We are a sacrificial giving Parish, giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure:

OUR GIFTS TO GOD March 1st

Loose	\$ 1,191.00
Envelopes	\$ 6,296.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 7,487.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 542.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 630.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 8,659.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$ 1,023.00
Ash Wednesday Offerings	\$ 1,132.70
Catholic Charities of Acadiana.....	\$ 700.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

Sisterhood with the Saints

Annual Women's Lenten Morning of Prayer & Reflections Hosted by the Living Spirit of Acadiana District Theresians Saturday, March 14, 2020 8:00am - Noon St. Pius X Elementary School Auditorium Presented by: Fr. Joel Faulk & Mrs. Gretchen George Retreat Fee - Pre-register: \$25 At the Door: \$30. To register online go to: www.eventbrite.com. Search for "Theresian" then click the link to register.

Do you feel a calling to help children in the foster care system? CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is seeking Volunteers for the CASA of the 16th JDC. You must be 21 years of age, be willing to complete necessary background checks, provide references and undergo interview, and complete a minimum of 32 hours of pre-service training. To volunteer or donate visit www.casa16jdc.org or call 337-359-9016

The Disch-DeClouet Social Service Center is a non-profit organization, run by 40 dedicated volunteers. The Center has served the poor and needy of Iberia Parish providing for critical and basic human needs (food, clothing, utility and rent assistance, and other help) for over 40 years. Last year alone, over 12,000 persons - our neighbors - were served.

We are conducting our Annual Campaign which will run through the Lenten Season, and we need your help. We ask that you prayerfully consider investing in those less fortunate by sharing your gifts. Without additional financial support we cannot maintain the level of service that we have been giving for many years. May God bless you for your generosity. Thank you!

TODAY'S READINGS

Second Sunday of Lent March 8, 2020

Reading I: Genesis 12:1-4a

- Abram took a tremendous risk in trusting the Lord and following the divine call to leave behind his own land and home. What has been the biggest risk in your Lenten spiritual journey thus far?

Reading II: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

- St. Paul encouraged his beloved co-worker, Timothy, to be open to suffering for the sake of the Gospel. What gives you strength when you bear hardship for the Gospel message?

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

- Peter, James, and John were frightened at the revelation of Jesus' divinity. How do you cope with fear in your faith life?

Iberia Mental Health Initiative Family Support Group

A facilitator-led family support group which will assist family members and caregivers of individuals living with mental illness in a safe and confidential setting.

Every 4th Tuesday of each month
6pm - 7pm Meeting Room 2
Iberia Medical Center North Campus New Iberia

CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, March 9, 2020

Faith Formation Classes - 9th, 10th & 11th Grades
- 6:30pm -Barsen Hall

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Faith Formation Classes - 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Grades
- 6:30pm -Barsen Hall
R.C.I.A. - 6:30pm - Church Office

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20am with Mass at 9am
Reception for Msgr. Romero's, Fr. Arnaud's & Fr. Finley's 45th Anniversary of Ordination - 9:30am - Parish Hall
Faith Formation Classes - 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Grades
- 5:30pm - Barsen Hall
K.C. & K.C. Ladies Auxiliary Supper & Meeting
- 6:30pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Nativity Diner 1 Crew
Baptismal Class -6:30pm - Church Office

Friday, March 13, 2020

Stations of the Cross - 5:30pm - Church

Saturday, March 14, 2020

Baptisms - 11am - Church
Paul Koleske to speak at 4pm Mass

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Paul Koleske to speak at all Masses
Jesus is Alive - 4pm - Parish Hall

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

*In Memory Of:
Kevin Elmer*



MASS SERVERS March 10 - 15, 2020					
DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 3/10/20	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Madeline Domingues	Bea Romero Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Wednesday 3/11/20	9:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Ginger Comeaux	Willie & Cynthia Elmer	Sacristan
Thursday 3/12/20	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Kimberly Clay	Mary Taylor Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Friday 3/13/20	6:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Keith Comeaux	Ricky Segura Mike Degeyter	Sacristan
Saturday 3/14/20	4:00pm	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Lloyd Verret	André Schlicher, Nancy Barras Brenda Romero	Cohen Schlicher John LaRive
Sunday 3/15/20	7:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Ellen Claudy	Donald Voorhies, Brenda Oubre Percy Barrilleaux	Anna Pham Morgan Salsman
	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Nena Suit	Agnes Castro, Mary Taylor Brenda Robicheaux	Lexi Anderson Carmyn Darcey
	10:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Dona Schexnayder	Karl & Sarah Boudreaux Brenda Smith, Lloyd Nicholson Peggy Fitch, Kathy Indest Rickey Huval	JP Theriot Jesse Clay

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