

Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church

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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 29, 2020

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Fifth
Sunday of Lent

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
John 11:25-26

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mass Intentions will be prayed for during private Mass by Msgr. Romero

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

5:30pm Anthony David Hollier

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

9:00am Cecile & Robert Halphen, Sr.

Quang V. Nguyen

Joseph Viator, Patti Gagnard

Thursday, April 2, 2020

5:30pm Woodie Daigre

Friday, April 3, 2020 - First Friday

6:30am Janell Broussard, Phyllis Guilbeau Biglane

Marlene T. Broussard, Don Taylor

Earl & Shirley Robicheaux, Sr.

Pat Robicheaux, United States of America

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - First Saturday

9:00am Quang V. Nguyen, United States Military

Brother & Claire LaBauve

4:00pm Memorial Book Intentions, Ray Comeaux

Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Oris Gachassin

Amelia Segura Selph, Lynward Ransonet

Mike Belaire, Sr. Fly, Carroll Geoffroy

Vernice & A.J. Estilette

Vera & Avery DeHart

Liv. & Dec. Dressel & Ransonet Fly

Sunday, April 5, 2020

7:00am Memorial Book Intentions, Tan Dugas

Parishioners, Mona B. Simon

Charles Froisy, Marlene T. Broussard

9:00am Memorial Book Intentions

Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Gerald "Bick" Girouard

Quang V. Nguyen, Terrance Overland

Agapito A. Castro, Creig Broussard

10:30am Memorial Book Intentions, Warren Barras

Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza

Theonie & Ernest Breaux, Kenny Byrom

Dean Smith, Aline & Asa Stewart

Hours the Church is open for prayer:

During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Sunday 9am - Noon

Eucharistic Adoration: Sunday 9am - Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 9:30am - 10:30am in Barsen Hall

Monday 9am - 5pm

Tuesday 9am - 5pm

Wednesday 9am - 5pm

Thursday 9am - 5pm

Friday 9am - Noon

Saturday 9am - Noon

Enter & Exit
only through door
directly facing
Parish Hall

Please remember to maintain social distancing at all times (at least 6 feet between people).

Children must be monitored by an adult at all times.

Thanks from Fathers Arnaud & Finley & Monsignor Romero . . .

Sincere Thanks to all who took part in any way in our recent Ordination Anniversary Celebration. We feel blessed to experience the pastorate here at Nativity. The warm welcome, the love of the congregation, and the care and concern in Christ has a special place in our hearts. Let us continue developing the One Mind and One Heart of Christ in each of us. God Bless all of you!

1 lb. Boiled Shrimp, Corn & Potato

Knights of Columbus

Council #12997 Fundraiser



The fundraiser been postponed. Tickets purchased will be used for the rescheduled date.

If you have any questions, please contact Wayne Duhon, Sr. 337-339-1602.

Due to recent events, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel has instructed that all Faith Formation Classes will be canceled. Nativity teachers will be in touch with all students. Contact Brenda Romero (365-3759) with any questions.

Stations of the Cross - Nativity of Our Lady has Stations both indoors and outdoors for your prayer time. We recommend that you participate in independent prayers for Stations of the Cross during this season of Lent. If praying in groups, please remember to keep appropriate spacing.

REFLECTIONS – Fifth Sunday of Lent - Do you believe that Jesus is truly the resurrection and the life? What does that mean? How is it reflected in your life? Consider your priorities, how you regard your possessions, what you are doing to prepare for your own death. We tend to think there will always be a tomorrow. Our time here is limited and the most important thing we have to learn in this "boot camp" of life is how to love. Everything else is passing. God is not impressed with our possessions nor is he interested in hearing about our grievances. In the end, only one thing matters: How well have you learned to love?

"I trust in the Lord; my soul trusts in his word." - Psalm 130:5

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 Pray for Fr. Sal Istre Memorial Book No Public Masses	6 Pray for Fr. Thomas James	7 Pray for Fr. Johnathan Janise No Public Mass	8 Pray for Fr. Rofinus Jas No Public Mass	9 Pray for Fr. Stanley Jawa Holy Thursday No Public Mass Nativity Office Closed Diner I	10 Pray for Fr. Raymond Jones Good Friday No Good Friday Service or Mass Nativity Office Closed	11 Pray for Fr. Ryszard Kalinowski Easter Vigil No Public Mass
12 Easter Pray for Fr. Steven Kimmons No Public Masses	13 Pray for Fr. Andrew Kirschman	14 Pray for Fr. Rodney Kissinger Masses Resume (per 3/16/20 update)	15 Pray for Fr. Mark Kramer Pro-Life Rosary	16 Pray for Fr. Clifton Labbe Baptism Class	17 Pray for Fr. Donovan Labbe Diner III	18 Pray for Fr. Paul LaFleur
19 Pray for Fr. Jeremy Lambert New Iberia Poor & Needy	20 Pray for Michael Keith Landry	21 Pray for Fr. Oneil Landry	22 Pray for Fr. Charles Langlois Pro-Life Rosary	23 Pray for Msgr. H.A. Larroque Women's Ultreya 7pm - Barsen Hall	24 Pray for Fr. Korey LaVergne	25 Pray for Fr. Bernard Lebedz Baptisms - 11am
26 Pray for Fr. Clyde LeBlanc Nativity Building Fund	27 Pray for Fr. Steven LeBlanc	28 Pray for Chaplain Col. Louis V. Ledoux	29 Pray for Fr. Mark Ledoux Pro-Life Rosary	30 Pray for Fr. Austin Leger Pastoral Council Mtg. 6pm - Office		

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 Aguillard, 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 Langlinais, 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, 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, Brenda Castille, Chuck Estave, Ricky L. Lewis, Keisha Castille

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.

Opportunity to Dream

Young people must provide good nutrition to be able to pursue their dreams. Did you have the opportunity to dream? What can you do to give young people the opportunity to dream? Visit crs-ricebowl.org for more.



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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD March 22nd

Online Giving offertory..... \$ 302.00
Mailed in offertory.....\$ 1,123.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

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.

TOURS

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

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.

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.

Like us! Share us!

Please visit our website for more info about our upcoming events.

WWW.CHSPANTERS.COM



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WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Q: What is the difference between a basilica and a cathedral?

A: Basilicas are churches that are so titled because of their antiquity, dignity, historical importance, or significance as centers of worship. A cathedral is the principal church of a diocese, which contains the chair of the bishop, or "cathedra" in Latin. The chair is the symbol of the bishop's teaching authority.

Coming May 24th
K.C. Ladies Auxiliary Blood Drive.

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 29, 2020

Reading I: Ezekiel 37:12-14

- During the dark days of Israel's exile in Babylon, the prophet Ezekiel foresaw God's resurrection and restoration of his people. As the season of Lent comes to a close, what parts of your life are still in need of God's restorative power?

Reading II: Romans 8:8-11

- St. Paul assured the believers in Rome that "the Spirit of God dwells in you" and that this same Spirit will raise you from the dead. What gives you confidence in St. Paul's words?

Gospel: John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

- St. John tells us that after Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, many "began to believe in him." On what grounds do you believe in Jesus as our Lord and Savior?

CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, March 30, 2020

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No Public Mass

Friday, April 3, 2020 - First Friday

No Public Mass

Stations of the Cross - See notes in bulletin

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - First Saturday

No Public Mass

Sunday, April 5, 2020

No Public Masses

No Jesus is Alive Prayer Meeting

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory Of:
Tan & Jean Dugas



Everyday Stewardship for Lent – Committed

By — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

I remember Jim Valvano, Jimmy V to many, saying the iconic words, "Don't give up; you can never give up." The former coach of the NC State men's basketball team was dying of cancer, yet he refused to throw in the towel and give in to his disease. His words exemplified the best of the human spirit we all share. Sometimes, living out those words seem much more difficult than saying them.

These words are also important for our faith life. The life Jesus calls us to is not easy. When working toward a life of greater generosity and surrender of all to God, we are prone to fall flat on our face many times. We are not called to this life only when we are strong. It is how we respond when times are the most difficult that truly defines us as disciples and stewards. The world may think we are down for the count, but rising again gives testimony that in Christ we are stronger.

Commitment takes a willingness to do the things needed to get stronger and build our spiritual muscles. We cannot expect to find success in the spiritual life unless we continue to work on our resolve and grow in our knowledge of the faith. A marathon runner would never be able to make it to the finish line unless they have trained and prepared in advance. We must work hard to stay the course and prepare for the race at hand. No matter what this life may have in store for us, we are called to not give up. God will never give up on us.

LIVE THE LITURGY

We face death every day. Whether it comes with the actual death of someone we love (or someone we don't even know), a failed relationship, the loss of a job, a broken dream, or pondering our own mortality, death is always around us. What does death say to us? What we believe about our death experiences is going to say volumes about how we live our lives. Jesus comes to us today just as he did many years ago to people who were struggling with loss and death and wondering what to do. He calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" Jesus leads us out of death and gives us hope. There is always hope. There is always transformation. Although we may not always see where the road of life is taking us or see God's presence with us on our journey, we will be brought to a new place and be given new life. Walk with God and listen to Him call you. Tomorrow, there awaits another surprise.

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