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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 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

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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

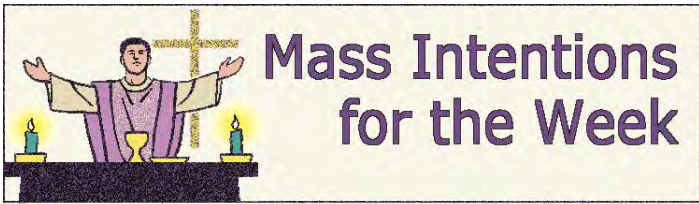
**First Sunday
of
LENT**

Filled with the Holy Spirit,
Jesus returned from the Jordan
and was led by the Spirit into
the desert for forty days,
to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

March 6, 2022

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Mass Intentions for the Week

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Tuesday, March 8, 2022

5:30pm Elizabeth L. & Linden Champagne, Sr.

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

9:00am Rodney & Gersie Bienvenu, Joyce Barras
Kevin Elmer (bd), A Special Intention
Patrick Richard

Thursday, March 10, 2022

5:30pm Emile Perret (8yr ann of death), Alan Perret

Friday, March 11, 2022

6:30am Carolyn C. Fuselier (bd)

Saturday, March 12, 2022

4:00pm Harvey & Joyce DeCourt, Mona B. Simon
Jules & Leona Broussard
Lynward Ransonet

Sunday, March 13, 2022

7:00am Parishioners, Charles Froisy
Kimberly Ann Clements

9:00am Msgr. H. J. Barsen, Agapito A. Castro
Clarence & Violet Lancon, Melvin Petry
Gerald "Bick" Girouard, Quang V. Nguyen
L.J. & Edna Begnaud, Loretta Trahan
L.E. & Barbara Dugas, Kenny Byrom
Joey Breaux, Theonie & Ernest Breaux, Sr.
Ernest P. Breaux, Jr. (liv)
Bonnie L. Boudreaux (bd)
Ronnie J. Landry (liv)(bd)

11:00am Fr. A.J. Boumans, Donna M. Lanza
Marcella Brasher

*Nativity Parish Lenten Mission
Monday, March 7th & Tuesday, March 8th
Presenter: Fr. Edward Duhon
"Journey Towards The Resurrection"*

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

*In Memory of:
Francis Sapienza*



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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD February 27th

Loose	\$ 2,268.00
Envelopes	\$ 4,057.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 6,325.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 951.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 705.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 7,981.00
Black & Indian Missions.....	\$ 984.78

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

1 lb. Boiled Shrimp, Corn & Potato

Knights of Columbus

Council #12997 Fundraiser

Sunday, April 3, 2022

**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.



St. Katharine Drexel Coalition of New Iberia

The Catholic Pastors of New Iberia have come together to form a Coalition of the ACTS Retreats. ACTS is an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. There are women's and men's ACTS Retreats. We have a men's retreat schedule for **May 19 - 22, 2022**. A women's retreat is scheduled for October 13 - 16, 2022. A "pulpit talk" was given at the Masses of February 26th & 27th. All men of each New Iberia Catholic Church are invited to attend the retreat. Please register online at www.tinyurl.com/2022MensNewIberiaRetreat.

All Catholics in New Iberia are asked to bring the ACTS program to prayer, praying everyone in New Iberia will be blessed with a more intense love of God and neighbor through the ACTS Retreats.

REFLECTIONS First Sunday of Lent - As we begin this season of Lent, the reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of the importance of showing our gratitude to God. The passage recalls how the Lord delivered his people from bondage in Egypt and brought them to a new land. Now, the people, recalling all God has done for them, offer their "first fruits" in gratitude and rejoice at the good things the Lord has done. Everyday the grace of God is at work in us, freeing us from those things that enslave our spirits. How are you giving thanks for what the Lord has done for you? Do you share your "first fruits" or just the leftovers? Reflect on all you have been given. Consider how to share these gifts.

*"Because he cleaves to me in love, I will deliver him;
I will protect him, because he knows my name." - Psalm 91:14
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THE PILLARS OF LENT

As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and almsgiving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are “elements which, when lived sincerely, can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity.” How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Disch-DeClouet Social Service Center

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Disch-DeClouet Annual Campaign

The Disch-DeClouet Social Service Center is a non-profit organization with an all volunteer staff. 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 46 years. We service approximately 400 families a month.

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.

Please use the campaign envelope for your tax-deductible donation and see the brochure for more information. May God bless you for your generosity. Thank you!

John L. Indest
Executive Director

A poster for a men's retreat. The top left says "MEN'S RETREAT" in large, bold letters. The main title is "Reset from the Everyday" in a white serif font. Below it is a paragraph of text: "Our days are overflowing with commitments, obligations, and responsibilities. Every man needs time to reset his priorities, renew his focus and regain his inner strength. A three-day silent retreat is a perfect time to do just that. Join other New Iberia men in this restful and quiet time. In silence you can hear yourself think; but more importantly, you also give yourself the opportunity to actively listen for the voice of God and His desire for your life." At the bottom right is a small icon of a church and the text "OUR LADY OF THE OAKS JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE". At the bottom left is "MARCH 24-27" and at the bottom center is "WAYNE DELCAMBRE • 337.519.0462 • WDEL19@GMAIL.COM". The background is a dark, textured wood.

An Examination of Conscience using the New Testament JARED DEES

A BEATITUDES EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Blessed are poor in spirit: Do I put my possessions before God, my family, or my friends?

Blessed are they who mourn: Am I a good friend to those who are sad?

Blessed are the meek: Have I disobeyed my parents, teachers, coaches, or God? Have I been gentle and kind towards others?

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness: Do I sincerely want to do God's will, or have I done only what I want to do instead?

Blessed are the merciful: Have I forgiven those who have wronged me?

Blessed are the clean of heart: Have I been open to others, or am I hiding something inside of me? What have I done that causes me to feel guilty?

Blessed are the peacemakers: When others argue or fight, have I tried to prevent it or end it?

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness: Am I afraid to do what is right because of what others will think of me?

A scriptural examination of conscience gives students a fresh perspective and helps them to make a good confession.

Jared Dees is the creator of TheReligionTeacher.com and author of 31 Days to Becoming a Better Religious Educator (Ave Maria Press, 2013).

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: Coty Lynn Romero, Rhonda Darden, Peggy Lancon, Art & Carmen Merryman, Nicole Guilbeau & Fly, Deacon John & Linda Sarkies, Fr. Eugene Tremie, Lester Simon, Gene Gonsoulin, Celia-Kate Williams, Jane Schaubert, Alexis Bourque, Alvin LeBlanc, Evan Garbarino, Stephanie Kelly, Harry Buteaux, Jovi Racca, Stephanie Trahan, Amber Gaspard, Rosetta Mouton, Keisha Castille, Tricia Estave, Christine Jumonville, Max Borres, Clifton Babin, Norvelle Belaire, Ace, Jenny & Jersii Mayeaux, J.R. Romero, Sr., Donna Snoddy, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Eric Simeon, Betty Romero, Juliette Dubois, Sarah Tabor Collette, Linda Bernard, Margaret Peltier, Xander Menard, Ellis Labat, Luis Aguilar, Lori Aguilar, Martha Lewis, Mardell Broussard, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator family, Sheryl S. Bourque, Ronnie Landry, Elise C. Verret, Michael & Claire Landry Family, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego family, Gloria Landry, Linda & Clint Trahan family, Josephine Delcambre, Abby Musselwhite, Timmie Trahan, Alice Robicheaux, Enola Benoit, Jean-Paul Marceaux, Corliss Ramirez, John Ray, Farina Guidry, Glenn Mason, Mary Saltzman, Rachel Romero, Peyton Norwood, Nicholas Andrus, Neal Seago, Steven Meyers, Terry & Mary Broussard, Victor Bernard, Ruth Bernard, Sirena Rogers, Johnny Dore, Enrique Escot, Darlene Boutte, Jason Goutierrez, Sue Hartwell

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.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

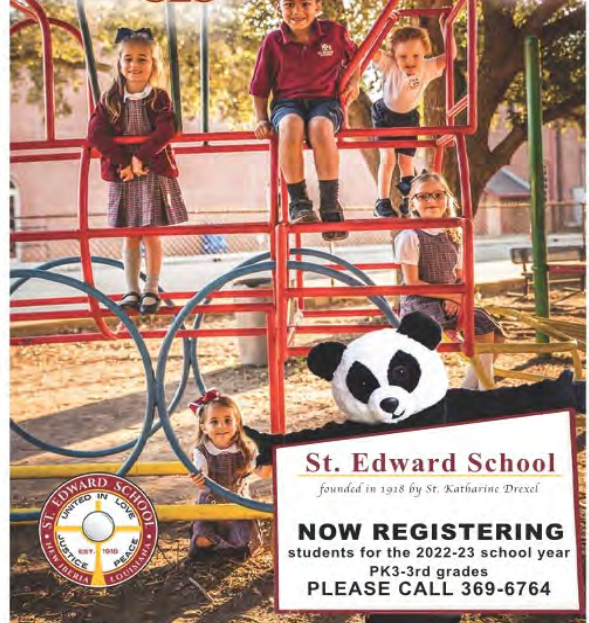
Q: After a civil divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

A: Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.

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Tolton Spirituality Center - Gulf Coast

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 2, 2022

Mass of Thanksgiving at 4:00 PM

St. Edward Catholic Church

Bishop Joseph Perry - Main Celebrant

Tolton Gala Banquet starts at 6:30 PM

St. Katharine Drexel Family Life Center

175 Ambassador W. Lemelle Drive

New Iberia, LA 70560

For more information call 337.369.3101

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Website: www.stedwardparish.com

Facebook: St. Edward Catholic Church

Tickets on sale at Administrative Office- \$50.00 per person

Checks Payable to Katharine Drexel Fund



TODAY'S READINGS

**First Sunday of Lent
March 6, 2022**

Reading I: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

- Moses taught the Israelites the importance of remembering and thanking God for how God saved them from Egyptian slavery. What has the Lord done for you that warrants your gratitude and thanksgiving?

Reading II: Romans 10:8-13

- St. Paul speaks of the importance of sincerity of heart and speech in one's belief in Jesus. How well do you uphold this spiritual exercise?

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

- Jesus confronts and defeats the devil before he begins his public ministry. As we begin the season of Lent, in what ways do you think the devil is present in your life?

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VOCATION CROSS

At Mass each week, a family or individual accepts the responsibility of praying for vocations to the Priesthood or Religious Life. At Mass they are given a kit that includes prayers, the vocation cross and a statue of Our Lady of Prompt Succor to use as a focal point. The family or individual is either called up at the end of Mass to receive the kit or they can pick it up in the sacristy after Mass. There is a sign-up sheet located on the right side of the tabernacle. Call the church office if you have any questions.

“Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.” (Mt. 9:38)

CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, March 7, 2022

Faith Formation Classes attend Parish Mission
Parish Lenten Mission - 6:30pm - Church

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Mass at 5:30pm
Faith Formation Classes attend Parish Mission
Parish Lenten Mission - 6:30pm - Church

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20am - Mass - 9am
K.C. & Ladies Auxiliary Dinner & Meeting
Faith Formation Grades 1, 2, 3 & 4 - 5:30pm

Thursday, March 10, 2022

Mass at 5:30pm
Baptismal Seminar - 6:30pm - Church Office

Friday, March 11, 2022

Stations of the Cross - 5:30pm - Church

Saturday, March 12, 2022

Baptisms
Mass at 4pm

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Masses at: 7am, 9am & 11am
2nd Collection - Nativity Building Fund

2021 Contributions Statement

If you would like to have a copy of your 2021 Statement of Contributions mailed to you, please call the office at (337)364-8360 to request one.



MASS SERVERS March 8 - 13, 2022					
DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 3/8/22	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Madeline Domingues	Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Wednesday 3/9/22	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Curt Fontenot, Reneé Haney Linda Viator	Sacristan
Thursday 3/10/22	5:30pm	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Pete Aucoin	Mary Taylor	Sacristan
Friday 3/11/22	6:30am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Keith Comeaux	Mike Degeyter	Sacristan
Saturday 3/12/22	4:00pm	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Carmen Nicholson	Lionel & Doris Louviere André Schlicher	<i>See Altar Server Schedule</i>
Sunday 3/13/22	7:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Paul Broussard	Janis Dugas Nancy Barras	<i>See Altar Server Schedule</i>
	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Nena Suit	Ross & Cindy Landry Margo LeBlanc	<i>See Altar Server Schedule</i>
	11:00am	Msgr. J. Robert Romero	Lloyd Verret	Mike & Brenda Comeaux	<i>See Altar Server Schedule</i>

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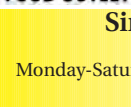
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