

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2018



Coming Events

- Sun Feb. 11 **NO** 5:00 PM Mass
- Mon Feb. 12 Parish Office Closed
- Tue Feb. 13 Parish Office Closed
- Wed Feb. 14 Masses: 7:00 AM; 12:30 PM; 6:00 PM
- Fri Feb. 16 Way of the Cross

St. Mary Mother of the Church

419 Doucet Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503 www.stmarych.com

Pastor	Rev. Harold J. Trahan	Baptism	Expectant parents should register for Baptism Class four to six months before the child's birth. Baptismal classes are held once every month. Baptisms are celebrated once per month on Saturday at 10:00 AM or periodically during the year at the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass.
Phone	337-981-3379	Marriages	St. Mary Church is available for weddings of registered parishioners and those interested in becoming parishioners. The pastor should be contacted 9-12 months before the wedding date.
Office Hours	Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00-4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM	Funerals	The pastor should be contacted immediately after the death of a loved one. Funeral plans should be discussed with the pastor prior to making final arrangements at the funeral home.
Masses	Monday, Wednesday-Friday: 7:00 AM Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 AM, & 5:00 PM		
Reconciliation	Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM Sunday: 9:45—10:15 AM Monday, Wednesday-Friday: 6:45 AM		

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers Monday thru Friday 6:30 – 6:45 AM

SUN	Feb 11	5:00 PM	NO Mass this afternoon
MON	Feb 12		Parish Office Closed
TUE	Feb 13		Parish Office Closed
WED	Feb 14		Ash Wednesday Masses: 7:00 AM; 12:30 PM; 6:00 PM
FRI	Feb 16	5:30 PM	Way of the Cross (Church)
SUN	Feb 18	10:30 AM	Children's Church (Church/School)
		10:30 AM	Bells of St. Mary Ringing at Mass
		6:00 PM	Confirmation Session
		6:00 PM	Edge Program (School)
		6:00 PM	Life Teen (Parish Hall)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Feb 12	7:00	Sick & Homebound of the Parish
Tue	Feb 13	7:00	Communion Service
Wed	Feb 14	7:00 AM	Claylee Latour; Del & Emery Guidry; Ronnie Gibbens; George H. Cole;
		12:30 PM	Judy Murphy
		6:00 PM	Barbara Stansbury
Thu	Feb 15	7:00	Rev. Joseph Brennan; Nick Bernard
Fri	Feb 16	7:00	John Meche; J.T. Landry Family; Arthur J. Mire Family
Sat	Feb 17	4:30	M/M Edmund Baudoin; Henry Cary; S.J. Landry Jr.; Adeline Cary Duhon; Helen Palombo; Cynthia Babineaux; Bill Stonecipher; Barbara Stansbury; Andre Holloway; Sylvia Smith
Sun	Feb 18	8:00	Dr. Dean Keeley; Ronnie Gibbens; Gerry Guidry; Keith LeJune; Bill Kenny Sr.
		10:30	Jean Paul Judice; Scotty Hargroder; Sara Johanna Herpin; Jerry Sibille; Repak Family; Merlin Smith Jr.; Ed Whitson; George H. Cole; William Bishop; Hudson Bain; M/M Herman Gesser Sr.
		5:00	St. Mary Parish Family

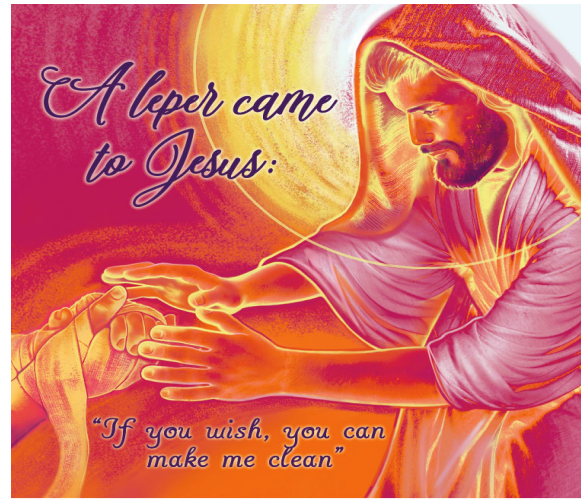
SICK IN THE PARISH

Please pray for:

Loraine Namias; Thad Doucet; Tom Martin; Alice Carlin;
Vance Carlin; Billie Hebert; Jeannine Sibille;
Carolyn Kreig; Grant Elledge; Lawana Carlin;
Sammy Guilbeaux; Stephanice Davis; Mason Sonnier;
Carolyn Perron; Rita Schenck; Don Breaux.

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Purificator for February – Gerry Horaist
Feb 15-16 Beth Pellessier & Joelynn Credeur
Feb 22-23 Caroline Mader & Volunteer needed
Mar 2 Corky Hutchison & Catherine Andrew
Mar 8-9 Shirley LeBreton & Loraine Allain



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JANUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday Weekly Offertory	\$77,437.00
Average Weekly Offertory	\$15,487.00

ANNUAL DONATIONS

\$30,000.00

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COLLECTION

January	\$ 5,932.00
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TOTALS: JANUARY 2018

Total Parish Income	\$113,369.00
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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

St. Mary Charities	\$ 1,233.00
Church is Latin America	\$ 1,318.00

FEBRUARY 12 – 18

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

Mon Feb 12

David Andrus
Michael Fontenot
Katherine LaGrange
Arthe Lambert
Mary McMillan
Elson Smith
Camille Yerger

Tue Feb 13

Nathaly Carrion
Antonio Cutrera
Joyce Dwyer
Isabella Pecoraro
Allison Reaux
Annette Saloom

Wed Feb 14

Claire Bohn
Gwyn Creek
Suzanne Fowler
Gibson Laborde
Deborah Tabchouri

Thu Feb 15

Gregory Elmore
John Hammond, III
Margaret Jennings

Nathan Judice

Theresa King
Janet LaFleur
Betty Magruder
James Mansfield, III
Lila Pugliese
Matthew Rush
Bo Schreiber

Fri Feb 16

Cara Acomb
Trent Andrus
Elise Lasiter
Thomas Lecocq
Emma Monfra
Evan Privat
Morgan Richard
Robert Schreiber
Anna Sebastian
Max Sebastian

Sat Feb 17

Phil LeBlanc
Mark Lerille

Sun Feb 18

Donald Breaux
Scott Briley
Melanie Campbell
Brannon Elledge

LITURGY

5:00 PM Sunday Mass February 11

There will be **NO** 5:00 PM Mass **this Sunday, February 11**. The Parish Office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, February 12 and 13.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE

All Liturgical Ministers are reminded to send in their unavailable dates for March and April to Deborah at deb58@cox.net or call 981-3379 ext. 250, by **Monday, February 19**.

LENT ACTIVITIES

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is **February 14**. Masses on Ash Wednesday are at **7:00 AM, 12:30 PM, and 6:00 PM**. Ashes will be distributed during Mass.

DAILY MASS

Daily Mass during Lent will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 7:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 3:00 to 4:00 PM
Sundays, 9:45 to 10:15 AM
Monday thru Friday, 6:45 AM

WAY OF THE CROSS

Way of the Cross at St. Mary is scheduled for Friday **February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23**, at 5:30 PM.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

St. Edmond Ladies Altar Society Lenten Day of Reflection is **Feb 15**, 8 till 3. For more information, call Betty Robinson at 232-2849 or 258-6372.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN

Lenten Day of Prayer for Women is **February 27**, at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau. Space is limited so register early by calling 337-662-5410.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

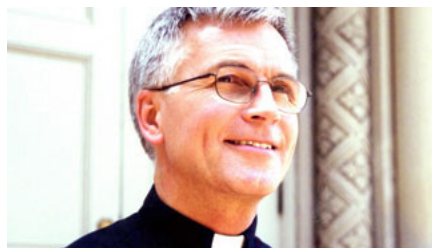
CONFIRMATION SESSION

The next Confirmation Session is scheduled for Sunday, **February 18**, beginning at 6:00 PM.

FROM PASTOR'S DESK

LENTEN MISSION SPEAKER

To find and schedule good Lenten Mission speakers a pastor must do so two or three years in advance. Such is the case for this year's Lenten Mission speaker who accepted my invitation two years ago.



Fr. Jack Conley, CP is a member of the Passionate Community stationed at St. Vincent Strambi Retreat Center in Chicago, IL. He has given missions throughout the United States for the past 48 years.

Fr. Conley will be speaking at all the Masses on the Third Sunday of Lent (March 3-4), three weeks from now. The Mission will be on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (March 5-7) at 6:30 PM. We will also celebrate Mass at 10:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, as well as be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the 10:00 AM Mass.

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend Mass that weekend and the evening sessions that week. (HJT)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL

Commitment Sunday at St. Mary Church will be **next weekend, February 18**.

GRIEFSHARE

St. Mary Mother of the Church is offering GriefShare, on Wednesdays, from 1:30 to 3:00 PM, beginning **February 21**, and lasting for 12 weeks. Call 981-3379 ext. 241 to register.

DINNER AND A MOVIE

All seniors are welcome to our next Dinner and a Movie, Saturday, **February 24**, 5:30 PM, in the Parish Hall. *Victoria and Abdul* will be our featured movie starring Judi Dench.



FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday, February 14, and Good Friday, March 30, are days of fast and abstinence. Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

Fasting allows us to be in unity with the millions of children and adults who are starving in our world. Over 925 million people are hungry in our world today. www.worldhunger.org.

What does it mean to "fast"?

To fast is to do without food. Its purpose is to experience the effects of not eating. It also serves to be a penance or a sacrifice – for the purpose of strengthening us. When we don't eat, for even a little while, we get hungry. When we get hungry, we have a heightened sense of awareness. If, when we eat too much, we have a sluggish feeling, when we fast, we have a feeling of alertness. Fasting is a wonderful exercise whenever we want to sincerely ask for an important grace from God. It is not that our fasting "earns" God's attention, but by fasting, we clarify our thinking and our feeling. It is purifying and prepares us to pray more deeply.