

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 4, 2018

Lenten Mission
“Rekindling the Spirit”

March 5, 6 & 7

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

6:30 PM

Fr. Jack Conley, CP

Our Mission Speaker will give the homily at all of the Masses the weekend of March 3-4.

Mass will also be celebrated at 10:00 AM on Monday through Wednesday, with Confessions following each Mass.



St. Mary Mother of the Church

419 Doucet Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503

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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	Mar 4	2 nd Collection St. Mary Capital Improvement 10:30 AM Children's Church (Church/School) 6:00 PM Edge Program (School) 6:00 PM Life Teen (Parish Hall)
MON	Mar 5	10:00 AM Mass & Confessions 1:30 PM Suga Bees Meeting (Conference Rm) 6:30 PM Lenten Mission (Church)
TUE	Mar 6	10:00 AM Mass & Confessions 3:45 PM Children's Bells Classes (Church) 6:30 PM Lenten Mission (Church)
WED	Mar 7	10:00 AM Mass & Confessions 1:30 PM GriefShare (Conference Room) 6:30 PM Lenten Mission (Church)
FRI	Mar 9	11:00 AM Adult Social (Parish Hall) 5:30 PM Way of the Cross (Church)
SAT	Mar 10	8:00 AM Confirmation Session (School)
SUN	Mar 11	2 nd Collection Catholic Relief Services 10:30 AM Children's Church (Church/School) 6:00 PM Confirmation Session (Ministry Room) 6:00 PM Life Teen (Parish Hall)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 5	7:00	Peace in Our Country
Tue	Mar 6	7:00	Sick and Homebound of the Parish
Wed	Mar 7	7:00	Bill Stonecipher
Thu	Mar 8	7:00	Vocations
Fri	Mar 9	7:00	George Cole; James & Sarah Tooke
Sat	Mar 10	4:30	George Scott; Lloyd Joseph Hebert; M/M Edmund Baudoin
Sun	Mar 11	8:00	Dr. Dean Keeley; Ronnie Gibbens; Gerry Guidry
		10:30	Jerry Sibille; William Bishop; Hudson Bain; Doris Decoux; M/M Herman Gesser Sr.; George Cole
		5:00	Richard Blaise Gaudet Sr.; Emery Paul Guidry Jr.; 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; Diane Sibille.

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Purificator for March – Carol Duplechin

Mar 8-9	Shirley LeBreton & Loraine Allain
Mar 15-16	Kayla Matte & Jessica Farrington
Mar 22-23	Miriam Ellis & Jan Vinning
Mar 29-30	Carol Duplechin & Volunteer needed



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

MARCH 5-11

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

Mon March 5

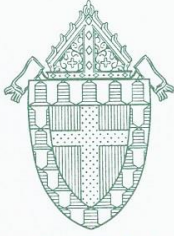
Gretchen Babineaux
Erika Courville
Claire Curry
Jeffery LeBlanc, Jr
Cole Lirette
Matthew Matherne
Faye Meaux
Nicoleta Paval
Will Thompson
Bryson Travasos

Tue March 6
Jacques Dumont
Richard Ebner
Christina Olivier
Susan Thibodeaux
Hayes Toups
Roberta Wetzel

Wed March 7
Patrick Cotter
Henri LeDee

Luke Mancuso
Brandy Mitchell
Thu March 8
Timothy Barras
Sophie Bergeron
David Dooley, Jr
Iris Foley
Todd Hanvy
Oliver Hebert
Katherine Joseph
Amy Myers
Charles Roché
Kathryn Thomas
Madelyn Triple
Fri March 9
Ashley Alexander
Eric Bellard
Cynthia Bishop
Grant Ellis

Daniel Harbison
Martin McManus
Amy Mitchell
Jonathan Moore
Kay Richard
Sat March 10
Catherine Andrew
Don Benoit
Travis Champagne
Elsie Hebert
Samuel Heinen
Justin Henderson
Mary Margaret Saloom
Michael Venable
Sun March 11
Donald Broussard
Nicholas Chase
Ashley Hebert
Bradley Quoyeser
Jeffery Rosteet
Emily Yerger



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March 4, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in this Jubilee Year of the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette!

Soon our diocese will take The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Your support of this collection serves **Jesus in disguise** in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. Proceeds from this national collection provide services for immigrants and refugees, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, and advocacy for peace and justice around the world. Please join in this collection to support those suffering on the margins around the world.

For example, in Central America, there are more than 1 million young people, aged fifteen to twenty-five years old, who are out of school and unemployed. Throughout the region, crime and violence run rampant. Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador have some of the highest murder rates in the world. The escalating violence stifles investment and economic growth, further limiting opportunities for jobs. These factors push young people, already discouraged by a lack of opportunity, to emigrate in record numbers. Economic opportunities are limited, and most education and employment programs do not reach the most at-risk youth, nor are the programs linked to real jobs in the market.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for so many around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support it this year. If you want to learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

And remember, 25 percent of the collection's proceeds provide food to the hungry, marginalized and suffering within our diocese. By supporting this collection, you answer the knock of **Jesus in disguise** by providing for the most vulnerable population.

Support the collection, and answer the knock of Jesus in disguise. With every good wish, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D. D.
Bishop of Lafayette

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HOLY WEEK 2018

Palm Sunday Weekend, March 24-25

Blessing of palms at all Masses

Holy Thursday, March 29

Incense will be used

Mass begins at 7:00 PM

Adoration after Mass till 10:00 PM

(Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There is **NO 7:00 AM Mass** today.

Good Friday, March 30

Service begins at 3:00 PM

(Collection for the Holy Land)

There is **NO 7:00 AM Mass** today.

Easter Vigil, March 31

Incense will be used

Mass begins at 8:00 PM

(2nd Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There is **NO 4:30 PM Mass** or Confessions today.

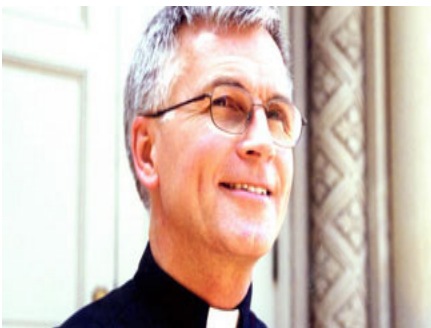
Easter Sunday, April 1

Masses are: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

(2nd Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There is **NO 5:00 PM Mass** today.

LENTEN MISSION SPEAKER



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**), 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CONFIRMATION SESSION

Saturday, March 10, 8:00 AM, School
Sunday, March 11, 6:00 PM, Parish Hall
Saturday, March 17, 7:00 PM, Church
Sacrament of Confirmation

FIRST COMMUNION SESSION

Wednesday, March 14, 6:00 PM, P Hall
Saturday, April 28, 9:00 AM, Parish Hall
1st Communion Retreat
Saturday, May 5, 4:30 PM, Church
Sacrament of 1st Communion

ADULT SOCIAL

SUGA BEES MEETING

The Suga Bees will meet **Monday, Mar. 5**, 1:30 PM, in the Conference Room. New volunteers are always welcome.

LES BONS AMIS LUNCHEON

The adult social luncheon will be **Friday, March 9**, 11:00 AM, in the Parish Hall. All senior citizens are welcome to join us for fellowship, bingo, and a delicious meal.

LENT ACTIVITIES

DAILY MASS

Daily Mass is on Monday - Friday at 7:00 AM. Confessions are at 6:45 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, St. Mary Church
March 9, 16, 23, at 5:30 PM.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

EVANGELIZERS FOR CHRIST

The March 15th meeting has been canceled. We will begin again after Easter. The next meeting date will be published in the near future.

GRIEFSHARE

St. Mary Mother of the Church is offering GriefShare, on Wednesdays, from 1:30 to 3:00 PM. You may join this group at any time. This is a support group designed to help and encourage those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. This group will finish this session on May 16. For more information and to register, please contact JoAnn at 981-3379 ext. 241.

HEALING HEARTS

A Catholic support group for Women, whose relationships have been negatively impacted by the pornography addiction or sexual addiction of a loved one. This may include a spouse, boyfriend, family member or friend. Strict confidentiality is observed by all members. Contact 337-404-6113 for more information.

POKENO NIGHT

Looking for something to do? Want to play Pokeno? Parishioners are asking! If you are interested, please call JoAnn LeJune at 981-3379 ext. 241.

ANNULMENT PROCESS WORKSHOP

April 17, the Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Lafayette, Msgr. Robie Robichaux, will be presenting workshops on Declaration of Nullity and what is needed to begin the process. The 2 hour workshops will be held at 10:00 AM or 6:00 PM, at the Diocesan Offices. Please register by calling 261-5623, or email to catrahan@diolaf.org. There is no charge for this workshop.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSION

Monday – Wednesday
March 5, 6, 7 • 11:00 AM
St. Mary Church

Mar 5, St. Edmond Church
Mar 6, Holy Cross Church
Mar 13, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
Mar 15, St. Elizabeth Seton Church
All from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

LENTEN MISSIONS

St. Mary Church, March 5-7
"Rekindling the Fire"

For information, call 981-3379

St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Mar 12-14
"Escaping the Twilight Zone: A Call to Repentance and Renewal"

For information, call 235-1483

OL of Wisdom Church, March 12-14
"Evangelization Along the Streets of the World"

For information, call 232-8742

St. Jules Church, March 12-14
"I Thirst"

For information, call 234-2727

Holy Cross Church, April 14-18

"The 'Yes' of Discipleship"

For information, call 984-9636

COME MARINATE IN THE WORD!

The *Jubilee of the Word Marathon – 100 Hours for 100 Years* is an extraordinary and unique way to celebrate the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette! Beginning on Wednesday, April 4, 12:30 PM, the Bible will be read publicly cover to cover, without pause, in the Square of St. Martinville. The Marathon will conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday at 4:30 PM. Bishop Douglas Deshotel will begin the reading from the first chapters of Genesis and Bishop Michael Jarrell will conclude with the closing chapters of the Book of Revelation. Over 300 lectors will be needed for 20 minute intervals. Lectors from churches from throughout Acadiana and others interested in reading are encouraged to sign up for a reading slot during the Marathon. All are encouraged to come listen and *Marinate* in the Word! For more information or to register as a lector, please contact:

Fr. Michael Champagne, CJC
at fetediouduteche@gmail.com or 394-6550. More information is available at www.fetediouduteche.org and Fete-Dieu du Teche on Facebook.