

PARISH NEWS

ST. PEREGRINE NOVENAMonday, January 9th - 6:30 p.m.**ADULT EDUCATION**

Beginning Tuesday, January 10, 2017

7 week series on the Sacraments

Pot Luck: 5:30 p. m.; Presentation at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited. There is no requirement to attend all seven presentations.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLETJanuary 22, 2017, (4th Sunday)

10:30 a.m. Mass conclusion

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until the sung Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m.

EPISCOPAL VISITATION

Bishop David Talley will be celebrating our 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 22. A pot-luck luncheon will follow in the hall. Please come to meet and welcome our new Bishop.

SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFASTWe are in need of hosts for breakfast on Sunday, February 12th and Sunday, April 16th (Easter Sunday). Please call or email Kathy Rachall at the parish office if you are interested in hosting one of them.**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****FIRST CLASS OF SPRING 2017****Grade 6 thru Grade 11**Sunday, February 5th

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pre-K thru Grade 5Wednesday, February 8th

Dinner: 5:30 p.m.; Class: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY GRADES 2-12

Drop-In night is every Tuesday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.! Come hang out with us! We will have music, snacks, pool, Ms Pac Man, ping pong, air hockey, video games and lots of fun! All youth are invited.

FROM THE PASTOR

Additional figures for our Christmas crèche available for purchase to complete the set. Three wise men: \$500 each; camel: \$500; shepherd: \$400; sheep: \$100 each. Please let me know if you would like to donate and/or memorialize any of the figures.

Thank you to Mr. Casper Philip Kramer who donated the granite bench in the front of the Church. The "Hail Mary" is engraved on both sides. A lovely site to pray and meditate.

This past week I met with Ada Choate who agreed to be our "Head Sacristan". Her duties will mainly involve ensuring that sacristans are available for all Masses, including holidays and special events. She will monitor the supplies necessary for Mass and recruit/train new sacristans.

Thanks to everyone who helped make our recent open house at the rectory a wonderful evening of fellowship and fun. Thanks to all those who provided desserts and especially to Back Woods Catering who are normally closed for the week between Christmas and New Year's Day.

DOMESTIC CHURCH**Informational Meeting**Saturday, January 14th - 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

This movement started in 1973 in Poland with the help and support of Karol Wojtyla (Pope St. John Paul II). It provides life long formation for Sacramentally married couples so they can grow in holiness, toward sainthood together, and learn to live and take advantage of the gift of their Sacrament. Couples begin formation by attending a retreat together. Afterwards they meet once a month with a circle of 4-7 couples and a priest to share their lives, pray together, share the fruits and struggles of the commitments, etc.

C.I.A.**(CHRISTIANS IN ACTION: ADULTS 21-45)**January 25th - 6:30 p.m.

Hosting bingo at the VA, Building 45, Pineville. Meet at MMJ at 6:00 p.m. to car pool. We need prizes gathered for bingo! Cash or prize items!

*Mary, Mother of Jesus Catholic Church***PARISH OFFICES**

Monday - Thursday 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Friday 8:00AM to Noon

9323 Highway 165 South - P. O. Box 408,

Woodworth, Louisiana 71485

Phone - (318) 487-9894/Fax - (318) 445-0436

Website: mmjchurch.org**ALL ARE WELCOME**

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., you are invited, welcomed, loved and respected here.

PARISH STAFF**Rev. Paul M. LaPalme KHS, Pastor**

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30 minutes before every weekend Mass for 15 minutes.

Baptism

Celebrated during any weekend Mass or on Sunday afternoons. Contact the church office.

Holy Matrimony

Contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought weekly to all shut-ins.

Mass of Christian Burial

All arrangements should be made directly with the funeral home who will then contact the church.

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2016

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

4:00PM - Rita A. LaPalme 4th anniv.

Lector: S. Cranford
Server: B. Gadel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

8:00AM - Patrick L. Matt

Lector: C. Sayes
Server: L. Delaney

10:30AM - Mae Baum

Lector: R. Patin
Server: S. Landry

5:30PM - For our parish family

Lector: M. Leleux
Server: M. Leleux

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

7:00AM - No Intention

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

7:00AM - Carl Bess, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

7:00AM - No Intention

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

7:00AM - No Intention

WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2017

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

4:00PM - No Intention

Lector: A. Stevens
Server: B. Gadel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00AM - No Intention

Lector: T. Ogaard
Server: J. Loken

10:30AM - No Intention

Lector: C. Coreil
Server: B. Coreil

5:30PM - For our parish family

Lector: J. Louviere
Server: M. Mallach

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

7:00AM - No Intention

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

7:00AM - Carl Bess, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

7:00AM - No Intention

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

7:00AM - No Intention

MASS INTENTIONS

You will notice that for a significant number of scheduled Masses there are no Mass intentions listed. It has been a millennia-long practice in the Catholic Church to offer prayers and petitions through the Divine Liturgy. Therefore, I encourage you to continue this noble practice. Masses may be requested for the living or the dead, in thanksgiving, for birthdays, anniversaries, prayers answered, or any other acceptable and appropriate need or reason. Although Masses are always "free", a monetary donation is customary. Please call or email Kathy Rachall at the parish office.

If you are a victim or survivor of sexual abuse by members of the Catholic clergy or representatives of the Catholic Church and you want to make a formal complaint of abuse to the diocese, arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, and/or to obtain support for the needs of the individual and families, call Dr. Lee Kneipp, Victim Assistance Coordinator (318) 623-3804 or the Diocesan **HOTLINE** (318) 445-1427. Diocesan "Protecting our Children - Understanding, Reporting, and Preventing Child Abuse" brochures are available in the narthex bookcase. Both the Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors and the Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct are available in the safe environment section of the Diocesan website: www.diocesealex.org.

STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY GIFTS - 01/01/2017

Total # of envelopes	38
Avg. identifiable gift	\$ 105.39
Weekly Collection	\$ 3,835.00
EFT Collection	\$ 550.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 4,529.00
Shortage	\$ 144.00
Goal for January (5 wks)	\$ 22,645.00
Received for January	\$ 4,385.00
Still needed for January	\$18,826.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 50.00
(FY 2016/2017)	\$ 3,970.00
Mary, Mother of God	\$ 304.00
Christmas Flower Offering	\$ 1,191.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

STEWARDSHIP NOTE

In today's second reading we hear the teachings of Saint Paul to the members of the Church at Ephesus. He proclaims that he, and they, are stewards of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and therefore stewards of God's loving, unifying and inclusive grace. He also proclaims that the Holy Spirit is at work within each of them, if only they would be open to the Spirit. Today, our world races by with intolerance, violence, desperate poverty, fear and division. At the beginning of this New Year, perhaps it is appropriate to reflect on Saint Paul's words and ask ourselves how we can be good stewards of the Gospel today. How will we allow the Holy Spirit to work within us? How can we be better stewards of Christ's justice and peace?

DAILY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

For this coming week:

January 7 - Father Emil Tirkey
January 8 - Father Adam Travis
January 9 - Father Gabriel Uzongu
January 10 - Father Abraham Varghese
January 11 - Father Vic Vead
January 12 - Father Nino Viviano
January 13 - Father John Wiltse

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

OUR SICK

Landen Bradford, Charlie Butler, Patricia Davies, John Gallent, Robyn Gallent, Russell Gauthier, Jane Juneau, Bruce Laborde, Evelyn Lamkin, Randall Lamkin, Donzal Langston, Paul Lauve, Mathew Leotta, Helen R. Mathews, John McClure, Charles Medica, Leigh Anne Mulvey, Donald Normand, Cynthia Parker, Donna Pearson, Kelly Pias, Raymond & Joan Rachall, Ben Rougeou, Jenny Butler Spurlock, Michael Stevens, Ruth Valley, Jacob Williamson

OUR RECOVERING

Cameron Brown, Amy Ladner Davis, Gerri Deptula, Walter, Jr. & Jackie Deptula, John Goetz, Terry Kohler, Jana Massy, Rachel Mayfield, Ottis Monroe, Dusty Nassif, Harold Roshto, Sarah Waits

OUR HOMEBOUND

Joan Alpha, Butch and Marty Doiron, Richard and Linda Kelly, Buddy Normand, Fleta Waits

OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

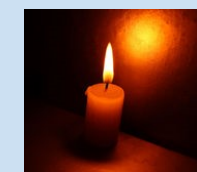
Florence Broussard, Rose Ponthieux, Ray Reich, Emma Wells, Mary Virginia Young

OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Timothy Deptula, Travis Edwards, Cade Jameson, Daniel Keely, Michael Smilie

If you know of anyone who should be included or removed, contact Kathy at the office. You may also use a pew envelope for this purpose.

SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK



In loving memory of
Rita A. LaPalme
by Rev. Paul M. LaPalme

If you would like to have a loved one or special intention remembered by providing for the sanctuary candle, please contact the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 per candle.