

# Mary, Mother of Jesus Roman Catholic Church

## COLD & FLU PRECAUTIONS

Our response to cold and flu should continue to be guided by recommendations from our health officials. During 'flu seasons', they are recommending extra caution which includes:

- ◆ Those who are feeling ill stay at home so as not to spread the disease;
- ◆ Increased vigilance in washing hands and not touching our own eyes, mouth, or nose;
- ◆ Coughing and sneezing into disposable tissues (and washing one's hands afterwards), or if none available, the inside of one's forearm to reduce spreading any virus;
- ◆ Getting the current flu and pneumonia vaccination;

Whenever there is a report of a disease outbreak, it is often asked if we would stop the shaking of hands at the Sign of Peace. However, that 'solution' ignores the fact that colds and flu are also airborne viruses. Those who are infected can spread such viruses simply through breathing, let alone sneezing and coughing. Also, if someone's hands are infected, then those hands also touch door handles, tops of pew, hymnals, etc... and spread the virus to those surfaces. If the touch of hands is to be excluded at the Sign of Peace to avoid 'contact germs,' then one would also have to refrain from touching *anything* in the church that those infected hands have also touched, which is nearly impossible to do. The absolutely best way for colds and flu to be kept from spreading is for those who have them to self-quarantine.

## REGISTRATION/CENSUS

Do you consider Mary, Mother of Jesus Parish "home"? Do you worship with us regularly? If you have not done so already, we ask that you please register in our parish. Forms for this purpose are available in the church or online at [www.mmjchurch.org](http://www.mmjchurch.org). Adult children no longer living at home and recently married couples are especially encouraged to register. In this way we can serve you better. It also facilitates sponsorship for baptisms and confirmations, religious education registration, etc.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament should no longer be considered exclusively for the dying, as in "last rites". It is to be celebrated by and for those whose health has been seriously impaired by illness or old age. Anyone may be anointed before surgery or an invasive test or medical procedure. Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present. The sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after being anointed and then again falls ill or if during the same illness the person's condition becomes more serious. This is one more way that God imparts to each of us, and in particular at this time to the seriously ill and elderly his endless love and grace. Please contact Fr. Paul if you would like to be anointed.

## AMAZON SMILE



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## OF COUNSEL TO THE PASTOR

### Pastoral Council

Chair: Deborah Bess  
 Brinda Edwards, Brad Gadel, Priscilla Gadel,  
 Runnie Hunter, Bobbie Long, Rachel Patin,  
 Cindy Sayes, Katie Upton

### Finance Council

Chair: Marshall Long (Trustee)  
 Gary Delaney, Bernard Patty,  
 Kenny Sayes (Trustee), Kevin Switzer



## 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.



## PRE-FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST

THIS SUNDAY FOLLOWING THE 8:00 A.M. MASS

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

JUNE 18 - 22, 2018  
 8:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To live, love, forgive, and serve the needs of others in the example of Jesus Christ.

**PARISH OFFICES**

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Website: [mmjchurch.org](http://mmjchurch.org)

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

A program of religious education for children ages 2-4. They meet every Sunday in the Youth Center during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Facilitator: Rachel Patin at (318) 625-5614.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

During the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, children ages 3-7 are dismissed during the Liturgy of the Word. They return to the worshipping community for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

**FIRST PENANCE & FIRST EUCHARIST**

If you have a child who is or will be 7 years old in the Fall and is expecting to celebrate their first Penance and receive their first Eucharist in the Spring of the next year, the following conditions must be met: Attend separate class; one year previous religious education, either CCD or Catholic School; Complete and submit a religious education/CCD registration form;

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION**

If you are or have a child who will be entering 11<sup>th</sup> grade in the Fall and is expecting to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring, the following conditions must be met: A letter handwritten by the candidate submitted to the Pastor by October 1 requesting the Sacrament; submit a completed and signed Sponsor eligibility form; one year previous religious education, either CCD or Catholic School; attend Wednesday classes 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.;

**PRAYER/SOCIAL/OUTREACH****PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
10:00 a.m. - Cumella Hall

Contact Gerry Craft at (318) 448-3152

During construction, whether of a shawl, blanket or infant baptism gift, the committee begins with prayers and blessings for the recipient. Please call Gerry if you know of anyone affected by physical or mental illness who could benefit from a prayer shawl or blanket.

**PRAYER/SOCIAL/OUTREACH****SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

The second Sunday of every month, September through June, a complimentary breakfast is served following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**PRO LIFE COMMITTEE**

Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month to address various pro life issues. We help Cenla Homeless Coalition, local crisis pregnancy centers, nursing homes, hospices, etc. Call Cindy Sayes at (318) 446-2893 if you would like to join us in this ministry.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES****SACRISTAN**

A family, couple or individual that arrives at least 30 minutes before mass to open up the church and ensure everything is set up for Mass; that the Lector, Altar Server, Eucharist Ministers and Ushers have arrived, if not find their replacement. Please contact head sacristan Ada Choate (318) 484-3529 if you are interested.

**ALTAR SERVER**

Any young person in at least the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, or adult, is invited to serve at the altar during Mass. Training is provided. There are also social events planned throughout the year. Anyone interested should contact lay leader Jennifer Montalvo (337) 704-1892

**LECTOR/READER**

The ministry of proclaiming the Word of God is a real gift and blessing. We welcome any adult who has a strong voice and is comfortable in front of people to share God's word in scripture. Contact Fr. Paul to share your gifts and talents.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

If you are confirmed and in a valid Catholic marriage, you may distribute Communion. All ministers are recommended by the pastor and approved by the bishop for a three year term which is indefinitely renewable.

**Rev. Paul M. LaPalme KHS, Pastor**  
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**Mrs. Natalie Flynn, Janitorial/Maintenance**  
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**Mrs. Priscilla Gadel, Director of Music**  
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**Dr. Mary DeVille, Organist**  
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**Mr. Matt Brundrett, Youth Minister**  
(225) 274-5196 - [mbrundrett@mmjchurch.org](mailto:mbrundrett@mmjchurch.org)

**DIVINE WORSHIP**

Monday - Thursday  
7:00 a.m.

Saturday Anticipated  
4:00 p.m.

Sunday  
8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

**SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH****Reconciliation/Confession**

30 minutes before every weekend Mass for 15 minutes.

**Baptism**

Celebrated during any weekend Mass or other convenient time. 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.

**KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE INSIDE THEIR HOMES**

Joan Vienna, MA  
Safe Environment Coordinator  
Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CA

Picture the following scenario: Your family is just sitting down to dinner when suddenly you hear a loud "knock, knock" at your front door. On your doorstep is a stranger who demands to come into your home and spend some time with you and your family. The stranger wants to have a sexual encounter with his girlfriend in your living room, or a violent shootout in your family room, or may even want to talk to your children about sex and arrange to meet with them outside your home.

What would your reaction be? Would you think it was a joke? Would you be stunned, afraid and angry? Would you turn the lock and open the door so that this stranger can have access to your family? Or would you instead slam and lock the door, call the police and protect your loved ones?

This may sound melodramatic, but this is virtually what is happening in homes every day. Whenever you or a family member turns on the television, you are potentially allowing such images to invade your home. When anyone in your family clicks on a computer or uses a cell phone, a "virtual door" to your home opens and you are inviting in a world of strangers and images that are potentially harmful to your children and family life. Are you stopping to ask, "Who's there?" Chris Hansen from ABC Dateline has done eleven dramatic hidden camera investigations that have exposed over 250 men who target young teenagers over the Internet. Yet teens and parents alike are still in denial that this can happen to them.

This phenomenon was first addressed by Mary Pipher, Ph.D. in her 1996, New York Times bestseller, *The Shelter of Each Other: Rebuilding Our Families*, in which she wrote about the rise of the "electronic community" and its effect on family life. She very astutely pointed out, "Any one invention probably wouldn't do that much damage. The problem is the whole pile. It's the cumulative effect of all this technology that has changed the very ways we live in families. Eventually the quantity becomes quality and the integrity of our lives is altered."

Do you know who is virtually in your home right now, in your family room or even your child's bedroom? Technology is here to stay; however, we must be aware of the effects it has on our lives. It is up to each of us to make responsible and conscious choices, and it is up to parents to protect and guide their children. What will you do the next time a sexual or violent image appears on a TV or computer in your home? Do you know who your child is text messaging or what information they are posting on "My Space" "Snapchat" or "Instagram"? Will you recognize a teachable moment with your child when they or someone in their class is being bullied over the Internet?

There are many excellent online resources such as: <http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>, <http://www.kidsafenetwork.com>, <http://www.netsmartz.org> as well as other free resources from your local police department and agencies that can help to increase your knowledge and awareness as well as give you the tools you need to control access to the "virtual door" of your home. Learning to make the right choices can make a profound difference in protecting yourself and your children.

**MASS INTENTIONS****WEEK OF JUNE 9, 2018**

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

**SATURDAY, JUNE 9**

4:00PM - Carl Ogaard 85<sup>th</sup> birthday remembrance

Lector: R. Patin  
Server: B. Gadel

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10**

8:00AM - Laurie Ogaard 47<sup>th</sup> anniv.

Lector: T. Ogaard  
Server: M. Mallach

10:30AM - Janet Normand for strength and courage

Lector: J. Foote  
Server: M. Hawthorne

5:30PM - Our Parish Family

Lector: E. Lohman  
Server: V. Montalvo

**MONDAY, JUNE 11**

**NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 12**

**NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**

**NO MASS**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 14**

**NO MASS**

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 in the safe environment section at [www.diocesealex.org](http://www.diocesealex.org)

**WEEK OF JUNE 16, 2018**

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

**SATURDAY, JUNE 16**

4:00PM - For our fathers living & deceased

Lector: S. Cranford  
Server: K. Sayes

**SUNDAY, JUNE 17**

8:00AM - For our fathers living & deceased

Lector: B. Edwards  
Server: M. Mallach

10:30AM - For our fathers living & deceased

Lector: J. Antee  
Server: I. Antee

5:30PM - For our fathers living & deceased

Lector: R. Patin  
Server: R. Lowe

**MONDAY, JUNE 18**

7:00AM - Gerri Deptula for health & healing

**TUESDAY, JUNE 19**

7:00AM - Diane Melder

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20**

7:00AM - Carl Bess, Jr.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 21**

7:00AM - Dalila Ortega

**SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK**

*In loving memory of  
Bob Reich  
The Reich Family*

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 \$7.00 per candle.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**OFFERTORY GIFTS - 06/3/18**

Total # of envelopes	52
Avg. identifiable gift	\$ 97.83
Weekly Collection	\$ 4,710.00
EFT Collection	\$ 475.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 5,330.00
<b>Shortage</b>	<b>\$ 145.00</b>
Goal for June (4 wks)	\$ 21,320.00
Received for June	\$ 5,185.00
<b>Still needed for June</b>	<b>\$ 16,135.00</b>
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 65.00

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - PHASE I**

Goal	\$400,000.00
Pledged to Date	\$ 37,475.00
Received to Date	\$ 16,775.00
Remaining Pledges to Goal	\$362,525.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

**EXPENSES WEEK OF 06/03/18**

Payroll	\$ 1,116.00
Fr. Paul ( <i>Mass Stipends</i> )	\$ 170.00
F.C. Ziegler ( <i>Liquid Wax</i> )	\$ 49.55
ACS Technologies	\$ 36.00
Cleco ( <i>3 Buildings</i> )	\$ 1,340.08
Suddenlink ( <i>Rectory</i> )	\$ 207.07
Suddenlink ( <i>Office</i> )	\$ 65.00
Brinda Edwards ( <i>VBS Reimb.</i> )	\$ 257.38
AT&T ( <i>Office Phones</i> )	\$ 183.68
Our Sunday Visitor ( <i>Envelopes</i> )	\$ 59.21
WC of Louisiana ( <i>Dumpster</i> )	\$ 93.64
Turner Telco ( <i>Office Phone</i> )	\$ 195.00
Impact Advertising ( <i>VBS Shirts</i> )	\$ 571.84
Total Expenses	\$ 4,344.45

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

**THOSE PREPARING FOR MATRIMONY**

Jason E. Duck and Elizabeth A. Smith

**OUR SICK**

Fr. Terry Allen, George Babin, Becca Bartlett, Cary Boyd, Mary Brawner, Gerri Deptula, Jackie Deptula, Eric Duck, Justin Hebert, Betty Jones, Dan Keely, Shelly Larrieu, Paul Lauve, Mathew Leotta, Leigh Anne Mulvey, Tommy Pearson, Biz Roberts, Jenny Butler Spurlock, Blaine Thiels, Francis Thiels, Elliott Trahan, Tommy Tremer, Jody Walker, Buddy Wise, Marilyn Wilson

**OUR RECOVERING**

Kathy Stevens Bosch, Joann Fuqua Brock, Kylie Renee Bush, Amy Ladner Davis, Walter Deptula, Jr., John Goetz, Rachel Mayfield, Ana Maria Sierra

**OUR HOMEBOUND**

Joan Alpha, Butch and Marty Doiron, Richard Kelly, Donald Normand

**OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

Bunny Bosak, Richard Gadel, Francis Thiels, Fleta Waits, Ruth Valley

**OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

Timothy Deptula, Travis Edwards, Cade Jame-son, Daniel Keely, Michael Smilie

**DAILY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

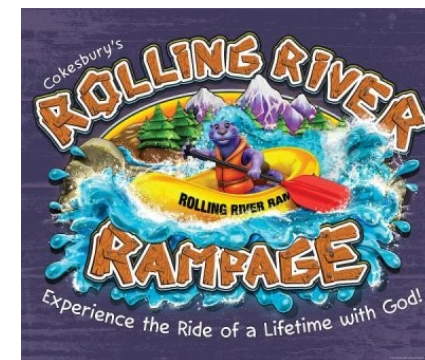
Fathers Jacob Thomas, August Thompson, John Timmermans, Adam Travis, Gabriel Uzongu, Abraham Varghese, Vic Vead

*Please inform us if you know of anyone who should be included or removed. You may also use a pew envelope for this purpose.*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CCD**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

*"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you"* (Isaiah 43:2)



Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God and learn that Jesus is with us all the time, even in rough water rapids. Along the river, we'll discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that we can trust God to be with us through anything.

**June 18 - 22, 2018**

8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

PreK - Grade 6 (Spring of 2018)

Early drop off begins at 7:30 a.m.

There will be no charge for registered parishioners. The cost for all others is \$25 per family. Donations are always welcome. Please call the office if you're not sure of your registration status.

**ADULT AND TEEN TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED**

We're going **Rolling on the River** for VBS this year and we need you to come along for the ride! Call Brinda Edwards at (317) 250-9997 or email [ccd@mmjchurch.org](mailto:ccd@mmjchurch.org) to sign up for the excitement at Rolling River Rampage.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Every Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass

During the Liturgy of the Word

Ages 4-7 - Youth Center

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

Will resume on Sunday, September 16 during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please bring your children ages 2-4 directly to the Youth Center. Please call facilitator Rachel Patin at (318) 625-5614 with any questions.

**FROM THE PASTOR**

Envelopes for Father's Day, June 17, are available in your packet and in the pews. Please list the name(s) of those fathers, living or deceased, for whom you would like us to pray during the month of June. Put the envelope in the collection basket. They are placed on the altar.

Please remember to make your donation/pledge for our **Phase I** project, as soon as possible. Your envelope may be mailed or placed in the collection basket. You may also make your pledge/donation online at [mmjchurch.org](http://mmjchurch.org) selecting *capital campaign* from the online giving tab. In order for us to be successful with this phase, all parishioners are asked to join me in providing financial support for this endeavor.

Thank you to the families and individuals who helped us achieve and surpass our parish's goal for the 2018 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your generosity will support the many good works and services of our diocese.

**PARISH NEWS**

**MASS FROM MMJ CHURCH**

For the benefit of our sick, shut-ins, and homebound our 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is live streamed every week. To watch it live on YouTube, search for MMJ Woodworth. You may also view it on our Facebook page.

**PRE-FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST**

Sunday, June 10

Breakfast will be served immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We are celebrating a week early this year since Fathers' Day weekend the hall will be set up for VBS that following week.

**BIENNIAL AUTUMN GARAGE SALE**

Saturday, September 29 - 7:00 a.m. to Noon

**Drop Off: Thursday, 9/27 & Friday, 9/28**

**We are not accepting any clothes or shoes.**

If you have any questions or need to arrange a pick-up at your home, please call Priscilla Gadel at (318) 446-5502.