

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. 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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CCD

Grades 6 to 8

Sunday - February 17 - 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Grades Pre K to 5

Wednesday, February 20 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH OFFICES

9323 Highway 165 South
P. O. Box 408,
Woodworth, Louisiana 71485

Phone - (318) 487-9894
Website: mmjchurch.org

OFFICE HOURS

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

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Mrs. Priscilla Gadel, Director of Music

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Ms Jennifer Smilie, Youth Minister

(318) 201-5367 - youthministry@mmjchurch.org

Mrs. Natalie Flynn, Janitorial/Maintenance

(318) 487-9894 - maintenance@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.

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 11th 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 Sacramental Preparation Classes.

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

Monthly on the 3rd 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 at 6:00 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of the month to address various pro life issues. Contact: Cindy Sayes, (318) 446-2893.

LADIES' ROSARY MINISTRY

Women gather in the Church every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. to pray the rosary.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Provides for the luncheon following the funeral of a member of our parish family. Contact: Bobbie Long, (318) 442-3578

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 prepared for Mass. Contact: Ada Choate (318) 484-3529.

ALTAR SERVER

Any young person in at least the 3rd grade, or adult, is invited to serve at the altar during Mass. Training is provided. Contact Deacon Paul or 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 Deacon Paul to share your gifts.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF 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.



**SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST
FEBRUARY 10**



MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16, 2019

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH
ADD'L COLLECTION: THE CHURCH TODAY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

4:00PM - Betty Mathews 4th anniv.

Lector: G. Patty
Server: TBD

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:00AM - Donald Normand

Lector: B. Edwards
Server: K. Chapman

10:30AM - Joe Gauthier, Billy Jean Prestidge

Lector: J. Foote
Server: I. Antee

5:30PM - Our Parish Family

Lector: R. Mallach
Server: C. Mallach

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

7:00AM - Max Kroll

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:00AM - Isabelle Weltring

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:00AM - Margurite Steinkamp

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:00AM - Louise Destor

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

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2019

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

4:00PM - Richard Gadel

Lector: M. Leleux
Server: TBD

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:00AM - Raymond Paul, Sr.

Lector: G. Delaney
Server: M. Mallach

10:30AM - Marshall B. Newton, Sr.

Lector: J. Antee
Server: M. Hawthorne

5:30PM - Our Parish Family

Lector: J. Montalvo
Server: V. Montalvo

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:00AM - Communion Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:00AM - Communion Service

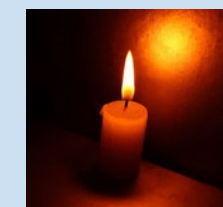
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:00AM - Communion Service

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

7:00AM - Communion Service

SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK



*In loving memory of Teresa Coker
by Kenny & Cindy Sayes*

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 - 2/10/19

Total # of Envelopes	67
Avg. Identifiable Gift	\$ 91.19
Weekly Collection	\$ 5,195.00
EFT Collection	\$ 915.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 5,330.00
Overage	\$ 780.00

Goal February (4 wks)	\$ 21,320.00
Received for February	\$ 10,612.00
Still needed for February	\$ 10,708.00

Maintenance & Repair	\$ 50.00
Church Today	\$ 20.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 20.00

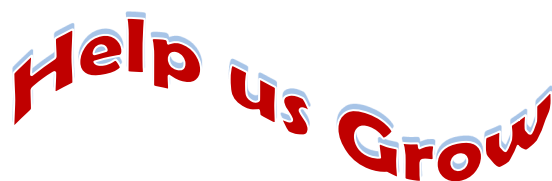
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - PHASE I

Goal	\$400,000.00
Pledged to Date	\$186,955.00
Received to Date	\$166,817.00
Remaining Pledges to Goal	\$213,045.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

EXPENSES WEEK OF 2/3/19

Payroll	\$ 6,732.07
Payroll Taxes	\$ 1,604.64
Total Expenses	\$ 8,336.71



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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Ridge Grady Wilson

OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

Robin Burns, Katelyn Emerson, Lincoln Holton, Lindsay Holton, Becky Lowe, Pete Lowe

THOSE PREPARING FOR 1ST EUCHARIST

Luke Brocato, Caroline White

THOSE PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Noah Bellard, Julianna Foote, Tucker Foshee, Frank Lemoine, Max Mallach

OUR SICK

George Babin, Becca Bartlett, Cary Boyd, Mary Brawner, Mamie Denham, Jackie Deptula, Stephen Deville, Eric Duck, Lona Foote, Justin Hebert, Dan Keely, Paul Lauve, Mathew Leotta, Missy Mathews, Leigh Anne Mulvey, Jennifer Quitta, Biz Roberts, Jenny Butler Spurlock, Zac Steely, Francis Thiels, Tommy Tremer, Carlyn Volman, Jody Walker, Marilyn Wilson

OUR RECOVERING/CONVALESCING

Callie Bess, Kathy Stevens Bosch, Kylie Renee Bush, Glenn Carroll, Amy Ladner Davis, Geri Deptula, Walter Deptula, Jr., John Goetz, Brenda Holloway, Betty Jones, Shelly Larrieu, Rachel Mayfield, Ana Maria Sierra, Irene Thompson, Elliott Trahan, Buddy Wise

OUR HOMEBOUND

Joan Alpha, Butch Doiron, Marty Doiron, Richard Kelly, Henry Lemoine, Beatrice Papillion, Donald Smith, Shirley Smith

OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Bunny Bosak, Francis Thiels, Fleta Waits, Ruth Valley

OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

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

DAILY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Fathers Harold Imamshah, George Krosfield, Peter Kuligowski, Paul Kunnumpuram, Silverino Kwebuza, Martin Laird, Paul LaPalme

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

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6:00pm to 7:00pm

GRADES 6 TO 8

Sunday - February 17
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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

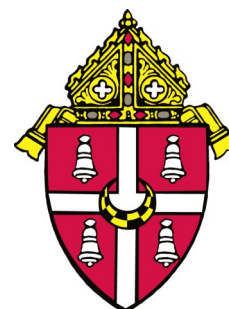
Every Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. Mass
For children ages 2 - 4.

Drop children off directly at the Youth Center before Mass.

LIVESTREAMING MASS

For the benefit of our homebound and/or sick parishioners, we livestream the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass each week. To watch it live on YouTube, search for MMJ Woodworth. You may also view it on our Facebook page.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2019



Today the Diocese of Alexandria begins its 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. This is an opportunity for us to unite with all Catholics in the Diocese and the universal church to share our blessings and to show our concern for one another. The ADA lets us act together as a family and to support programs and services no single individual or parish can offer alone. Your gift is very important, regardless of size, and is vital to the success of the Appeal. Every registered household in the diocese will receive a letter and brochure from Bishop David. Please take time to prayerfully consider what you are able to give in support of our diocesan Church.

PARISH NEWS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer shawls are constructed with prayers and blessings for anyone of any age affected by physical or mental illness, autism, PTSD, etc.. Please call the parish office if you know someone who could benefit from this gift.

SPEND TIME IN PRAYER

Remember that our church is open Monday through Thursday from 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to take some quiet time out of your day to spend a moment in prayer with Jesus.

BULLETIN BY EMAIL

To receive a weekly bulletin via email, please email secretary@mmjchurch.org and write bulletin in the subject line. It's also available online at www.mmjchurch.org.

ADDITIONAL COLLECTION

This weekend, we will be taking up a special collection for our diocesan newspaper - The Church Today. Every month, this 24-page newspaper is mailed FREE to every Catholic household in the diocese. All donations to this special collection go directly to The Church Today to help defray the cost of printing and mailing. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive The Church Today FREE each month, call (318) 445-6424, ext 209 to request it.

LENT 2019

ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 6

7:00 a.m. - Mass with imposition of ashes
4:00 p.m. - Prayer Service & imposition of ashes
6:00 p.m. - Mass with imposition of ashes

WAY OF THE CROSS

Fridays - 6:00PM

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Bishop Robert Barron's - The MASS
The Tuesdays of Lent - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Presenter: Deacon Paul Sunderhaus