

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.

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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.



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
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OFFICE HOURS

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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.

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH: AGES 4 - 17



1978 Monroe Hwy Pineville, Louisiana

Saturday, July 27

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 pm.

Call or Text Jennifer Smilie at 318-201-5367 to reserve a place for you and your friends. Friends who are not parishioners are welcome to join us, but they must be signed up before the event as well.

There are waivers on the narthex bookcase for the Diocese and Air U. Both waivers must be completed for you to participate.

THE DEADLINE TO SIGN-UP IS MONDAY JULY 21.

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF JULY 13, 2019

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JULY 13

4:00PM - Polly Walton

Lector: S. Cranford

Server: TBA

SUNDAY, JULY 14

8:00AM - Marie LaPalme 32nd Anniv.

Lector: K. Switzer

Server: M. Mallach

10:30AM - Lillian Miller

Lector: J. Foote

Server: M. Hawthorne

5:30PM - Our Parish Family

Lector: J. Montalvo

Server: V. Montalvo

MONDAY, JULY 15

7:00AM - Jacqueline Brown

TUESDAY, JULY 16

7:00AM - Emile Gadel

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

7:00AM - David Foshee, Sr.

THURSDAY, JULY 18

9:00AM - Irma Cospelich

WEEK OF JULY 20, 2019

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JULY 20

4:00PM - Katie Scalise

Lector: M. Leleux

Server: B. Gadel

SUNDAY, JULY 21

8:00AM - Thomas Nassif recovery & healing

Lector: B. Edwards

Server: L. Delaney

10:30AM - Marty Doiron

Lector: K. Bellard

Server: I. Antee

5:30PM - Our Parish Family

Lector: J. Louviere

Server: V. Montalvo

MONDAY, JULY 22

7:00AM - Charles Buhot

TUESDAY, JULY 23

7:00AM - Gena Tucker

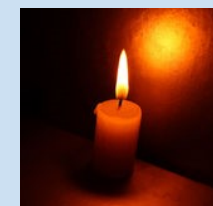
WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

7:00AM - Mary Mrozinski

THURSDAY, JULY 25

7:00AM - A Special Intention

SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK



**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
OUR MOTHERS LIVING AND DECEASED**

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.

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

STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY GIFTS - 7/07/19

Total # of Envelopes	55
Avg. Identifiable Gift	\$ 81.09
Weekly Collection	\$ 4,273.00
EFT Collection	\$ 715.00
Weekly Goal	\$ 5,330.00
Shortage	\$ 342.00
Goal July (4 wks)	\$ 21,320.00
Received for July	\$ 4,988.00
Still needed for July	\$ 16,332.00
Maintenance	\$ 50.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 90.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - PHASE I

Goal	\$400,000.00
Pledged to Date	\$190,295.00
Received to Date	\$177,707.00
Unpaid Pledges	\$ 12,588.00

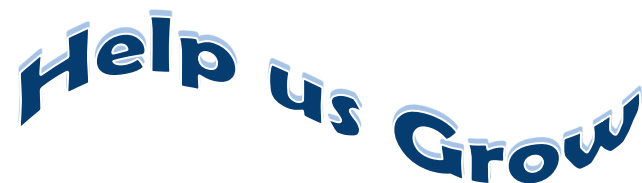
ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2019

Goal	\$ 18,702.00
Pledged	\$ 17,251.00
Remaining	\$ 1,451.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

EXPENSES WEEK OF 7/07/19

Payroll	\$ 75.00
Total	\$ 75.00



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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

OUR RECENTLY MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Grant (Jocelyn) Ogaard
After having obtained all the necessary documentation from our Diocesan Tribunal, Grant and Jocelyn were validly married on Friday, July 12. We congratulate them on this joyous occasion.

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Paul Lauve

OUR SICK

Baby Allison Grace Adams, George Babin, Becca Bartlett, Mary Brawner, Joann Fuqua Brock, Stephen Deville, Rev. Ross Ford, Justin Hebert, Dan Keely, Mathew Leotta, Jacques Matt, Doratha Melder, Leigh Anne Mulvey, Jennifer Quita, Biz Roberts, Theresa Spence, Jenny Butler Spurlock, Keelie Steely, Francis Thiels, Carlyn Volman, Jody Walker, Marilyn Wilson, Cody Leon Wood

OUR RECOVERING/CONVALESCING

Carl "Buddy" Bess, Sr., Kathy Stevens Bosch, Kylie Renee Bush, Cindy Campbell, Glenn Carroll, Amy Ladner Davis, Geri Deptula, Walter Deptula, Jr., Butch Doiron, Eric Duck, Lona Foote, John Goetz, Betty Jones, Neil Kavanaugh, Shelly Larrieu, Rachel Mayfield, Robert Ruemker, Ana Maria Sierra, Irene Thompson, Joseph Thompson, Elliott Trahan, Buddy Wise

OUR HOMEBOUND

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

OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Bunny Bosak, Francis Thiels, Ruth Valley

OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Kory Butler, Brandon Coreil, Travis Edwards, Michael Hawthorne, Daniel Keely, Kelley Perry, Michael Smilie

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



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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

On Vacation for the Summer.
We will resume on Sunday, September 8

Sometimes no matter how well we plan, we still need to use the lavatory in the narthex. That's certainly understandable. However, barring an emergency situation, everyone is asked not to use it during the Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass. At this most holy and sacred time, our attention should be directed to the Eucharist.

CREMATED REMAINS

Most Catholics know that the church permits cremation. However, many don't know the proper disposition of the cremains. In fact, even Church law wasn't specific on this topic. In 2016 Cardinal Gerhard Müller, prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, issued a statement in which he states that "a human cadaver is not trash." An anonymous burial or scattering of ashes "is not compatible with the Christian faith. The name, the person, the concrete identity of the person" is important because God created each individual and calls each individual to himself. "We believe in the resurrection of the body and this must be the principle of our understanding and practice."

Only in grave and exceptional cases may local bishops give permission for ashes to be kept in a private home.

Here is a link to the document: bit.ly/2eBe2Yt

PARISH NEWS

FINANCE COUNCIL

Monday, July 15
 6:00 p.m. - Cumella Hall

PRO LIFE COMMITTEE

Next Meeting
 Monday, August 19 - 6:00 p.m.
 Cumella Hall

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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle is available to burn weekly for any intentions you may have for the living, the deceased, in thanksgiving, in need, etc. Please contact Cindy at the parish office.

BULLETIN BY EMAIL

To receive a weekly bulletin via email, please email secretary@mmjchurch.org and write bulletin in the subject line.

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.



MASS LIVE STREAMED

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.