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Roman Catholic Church

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm

Wednesday: 8:00am - 2:00pm

Friday: 8:00am - 12:00 Noon

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Weekly Calendar

Saturday, December 30

4:00pm - Mass, 4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 31

7:00am - Mass, 4th Sunday of Advent

10:00am - Mass, 4th Sunday of Advent

4:00pm - Christmas Vigil Mass (Does not fulfill Sunday Obligation)

6:00pm - Christmas Vigil Mass (Does not fulfill Sunday Obligation)
- Sponsored by Rayne Catholic

Monday, December 25th

Midnight - Christmas Midnight Mass

8:00am - Christmas Mass

Tuesday, December 26

6:30pm - Choir Practice, Church

6:30pm - Legion of Mary Meeting, Cry Room

Wednesday, December 27

9:00am - Elderberries, FLC

6:30pm - RCIA, FLC

Thursday, December 28

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, December 29

Saturday, December 30

Sunday, December 31

Weekly Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:30 pm

Monday: 6:30 am

Tuesday: 12:05 pm

Wednesday: 6:30 am

Thursday: 12:05 pm

Friday: 6:30 am

First Saturday: 9:00 am

Reconciliation/Confession

30 minutes prior to Mass or any other time by appointment.

Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled through the Parish Office. Please call 334-2193 to schedule the sacrament.

Preparation Classes are held the 4th Sunday of each month after 10 AM Mass.

Marriage

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of desired wedding date to schedule an appointment and begin the preparation process.

Funerals

Funeral home personnel will contact the parish office for you to make all the necessary arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the parish office to schedule the sacrament of anointing with one of our priests.

Readings of the Week

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13;

Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6,

11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6;

Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59;

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn

20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 -- 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:

1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or

Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

The Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

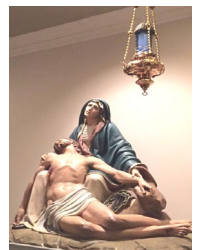
Daniel Landry Sr.

May H. Hains

Vernice Sonnier & Family

The Pieta Lamp

Mother of Sorrows, You who held Jesus in your arms, please intercede with your Divine Son on behalf of:



Wilson & Laura A. Meaux & Family

M/M Wallace Hanks Family

Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux

Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 12/10/2017 \$10,706.63

Save The Date

Make sure to save the date for our annual Parish Gumbo Feb 9th 2018!

RUNNIN' REVS vs. SLAMMIN' SEMS

Dec. 27th all are invited to the 12th Annual Runnin' Revs vs Slammin' Sems Basketball Game. This game between the priests and seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese has become a popular, fun-filled, family event that helps to promote and support priestly and religious vocations. Tip-off is at 6:30 pm at Cathedral-Carmel School Gymnasium. \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children.

Baptisms

We welcome those who entered our Catholic faith through the waters of Baptism:

Hudson Michael Castille
Hayes Paul Credeur
Wyatt James Menard

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed. We pray that they will find joy & peace in the Lord's presence. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends.

Anna C. Menard
Lydia B. Comeaux
Grace Suiter

Prayers for the Sick

Peggy Bellard, Elsie Besse, Betty Boullion, Madilyn Claire Boyer & Family, Susan Kibodeaux Bourque, Christine Brandon, Debbie Breaux, Gladdie Breaux, Jim Breaux, Sheila Breaux, Marie Broussard, Betty Bush, Susie Carrier, Martin Chatelain Jr., Lima Clement, Ronald Clement, Christopher Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, Peggy Deville, James Dogua, Wesley Doucet, Fr. Benoit Drapeau, Kathy Duhon, Elgie Dupuis, Frannie Dupuis, Paula Dupuis, Mary Dugas, Daniel Fontenot, Racy Foreman, Richard Foreman, Barbara Gaspard, Judy Gautreaux, Mike Guidry, Roberta Mier Guidry, Karen Hebert, Kathryn Istre, Lloyd Jeffers, M. J. LaCroix, Malcolm Landry, Elaine LeBlanc, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Paul Matte, Ruth McBride, Shirley Menard, Ian Miller, Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Wilma Normand, Joseph Ortego, Scott Pharr, Derek Plaisance, Janell Kibodeaux, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Michelle Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Tina Terro, Dexter Theunissen, Jr. Thibodeaux, Billy Towry, Connor Trahan, Joe Trahan, Sherman Trahan, Kurt Venable, Alfred Zaunbrecher Sr.

Christmas Mass Schedule

4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday, Dec 23rd
4pm Mass
Sunday, Dec 24th
7am Mass
10am Mass

Christmas

Sunday, Dec 24th
4pm Mass
6pm Mass
Monday, Dec 25th
Midnight Mass
8am Mass

Remember 2 obligations = 2 Masses. Christmas is always a holy day of obligation even when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday. So we can fulfill our moral obligation this year by attending:

1. Mass on Saturday afternoon and Sunday after 4pm
2. Mass on Saturday afternoon and Monday
3. Mass on Sunday morning and Sunday after 4pm
4. Mass on Sunday morning and Monday

However, only attending Mass after 4pm on Sunday or only on Monday does not fulfill our obligation. Remember 2 obligations = 2 Masses.

Dear Youth, Love Core

When you're truly participating in Advent with daily prayer, sacrificial charity, hopeful reflection, etc., it can feel like much longer than four weeks. This is especially true because Advent is all about waiting. Which can sometimes make you feel like a young kid again, making sure you're on your best behavior because SANTA IS COMING!

But Christmas isn't about Santa, gifts, or even your family traditions. You see, Advent helps us to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ. The best part? Jesus waits for us, too. He waits for us to seek Him, as He always intended it. He challenges us to see past everything our society has commercialized about Christmas, everything we've allowed to get in the way of Jesus' true heart, and encounter Him simply because He loves us.

As we round out Advent, reflect on your season of waiting. Ponder the true meaning of Christmas and every tradition you have. Remember that the true meaning of Christmas is love, because Jesus is love. Encounter Jesus.

Merry Christmas!
Youth Ministry Core Team

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CENTURY OF LOVE



News of the Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette, Louisiana

December 2017

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Centennial of the Diocese of Lafayette

Throughout the year of 2018, we, as Catholics of the Diocese of Lafayette will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary of God working in our midst forming us into a unique and unified people of faith. In this historic year, there will be many events throughout the Diocese and Bishop Deshotel and the Centennial Committee invite and encourage you to attend as many events as possible. These events will help us to reflect upon our past and present in order to better understand how God is leading us into the future.

This anniversary year is a unique and special time for us to reflect upon how the people of our diocese have come together from many continents and cultures in various circumstances and in these 100 years, there have been tough times and joyous times, times of poverty and suffering, and times of great growth. Through it all, God has always been with us, His People. As the Israelites encountered so much in the Old Testament, one can easily understand that God is also progressing us into His vision and goal. And just as it wasn't always easy for the Israelites, so for us too, but together we strive to offer God our faithfulness so that we can be the Church He needs and calls us to be.

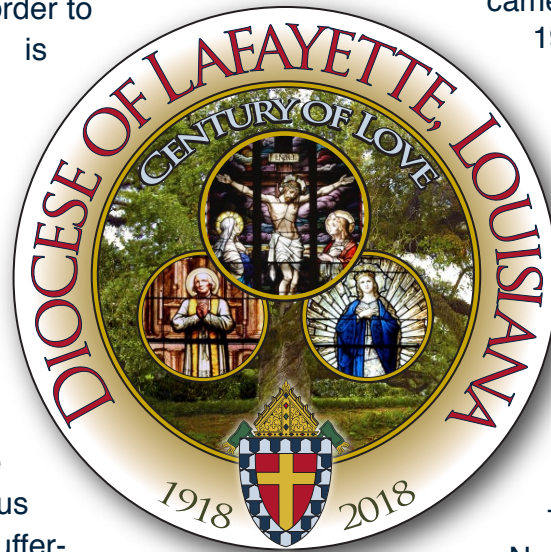
This anniversary year is being called a Century of Love because God has always loved us and even

though there have been many tests, the existence of our diocese shows that there has been a love of God and neighbor by God's People throughout our history.

We would like to present to you a few events and dates of the year so that you can begin planning and preparing. All information for the Centennial can be found in greater detail on the Diocese of Lafayette Website through the Centennial link.

As the initial promulgation for a new diocese to be created in Lafayette by Pope Benedict XV came from Rome dated January 11, 1918, so our anniversary year will begin with an opening Mass at St. Martin de Tours Church in St. Martinville on January 11, 2018 at 6:30pm. While all clergy, religious and laity of the South Deanery are especially encouraged to attend, all clergy, religious and laity of the whole Diocese are invited to attend our opening Mass of the Centennial Year with Bishop Deshotel. There will also be a Mass in the North Deanery of the Diocese at St. Landry Church in Opelousas on March 23, 2018 at 6:30pm and a Mass in the West Deanery at St. Mary Magdalen in Abbeville on April 13, 2018 at 6:30pm. All clergy, religious and laity are invited to attend these Mass with Bishop Deshotel.

Throughout the Year of 2018, Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence to all who visit our Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist and pray the Centennial Prayer. All other requirements for an indulgence are necessary (can be found on the Centennial Webpage).



Centennial Logo



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Each church parish will celebrate their establishment to enhance the reality that each church makes up and is a vital part of the Diocese of Lafayette. Dates and activities can be found on the Centennial Webpage. In the parish that you received sacraments, all are invited to go back to those churches and take part in their Centennial Anniversary Parish Activities because you help make up part of the sacramental life and history of that parish. We ask all of you to look up the dates and times of the activities occurring in those parishes where you made a sacrament (baptism, confirmation, marriage, etc.) and plan to go back and attend the celebration in those parishes so that in this historic year, all can reconnect with their spiritual roots.

Some of the other events are as follows:

(Details can be found on the Centennial Webpage on the Diocese of Lafayette Website)

- Pro – Life Centennial Walk and Rose Dinner – January 19 & 20, 2018
- Centennial Bible Marathon – April 4-8, 2018 in St. Martinville Square, St. Martinville
- National Family Life Convention – July 13-18, 2018
- Fete du Dieu Vermilion – August 15, 2018
- Centennial Pilgrimage to Canada – August 27 – September 5, 2018 (contact Magnificat Travel for information and reservations)
- Youth Rally and Adoration – October 27, 2018 at Parc International in Lafayette

A Closing Mass of the Centennial Year will be at the Cajundome Convention Center in Lafayette. At this Mass, there will be a Historic Memorabilia Walk, Video and a reception following the Mass. This Mass will be a grand affair that celebrates our diversity and unity as Catholics in the Diocese of Lafayette. We will honor our past and present with an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to God's Call as individuals and as a Diocese. All Catholics throughout the Diocese are invited and encouraged to come together for this Historic Mass.

Also there are Centennial items for sale. Details and prices can be found on the webpage -

- Centennial Yard Signs
- Centennial Commemorative 3 Coin Collection in case
- Centennial Commemorative Bronze Coin in case
- Commemorative Paperweight Coin
- Centennial Diocesan History



Commemorative 3" paperweight coin

*We look forward to celebrating this
Century of Love Centennial Year
with all of you!
Diocese of Lafayette 1918 - 2018*

December 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Allison Gray Larry Van Pelt	Mary Guidry, Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry	Allie Gray Elise Gossen
Sun.	7:00 am	Dan Landry	Becky Miller, Patrick Miller, Janet Bertrand, Randy Bertrand	Ivy Credeur Peyton Menard Parker Menard
	10:00 am	Anthony Emmons Layna Thibodeaux	Linda Ancona, Angelo Ancona, Liz Deaville, Zubaida Elahi	Evan Hebert Lane Comeaux JC and Ashton Orillion Nasyr Billy
	5:30 pm	Laila Wyatt	Peggy Lake Jimmy Fontenot	Emma Landaiche Katherine Gossen

Eucharistic Adorers



Please consider scheduling one hour a week in the adoration chapel with our Lord.

For more information please call or text Cathy Breaux at 337-501-1404 or email stjoe24.7@gmail.com to schedule your time.

Pray For Priests and Seminarians

Eternal Father,

We lift up to You these and all the priests and seminarians of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray.

- Amen

- Dec 25 Rev. Rodney Kissinger, SJ
Sem. Brent Didier
- Dec 26 Rev. Clifton Labbe
Sem. Cameron Domingue
- Dec 27 Rev. Donovan Labbe
Sem. Phillip Domingue
- Dec 28 Rev. Keith LaBove
Sem. Rev. Mr. Blake Dubroc
- Dec 29 Rev. Paul LaFleur
Sem. Casey Dugas
- Dec 30 Rev. Keith Landry
Sem. John Dugas
- Dec 31 Rev. O'Neil Landry
Sem. Adam Fenstermaker

RCE Asks: Did You Know?

There are 3 sacraments that change our character, leaving an indelible mark on our soul: Confirmation, Baptism and Holy Orders.

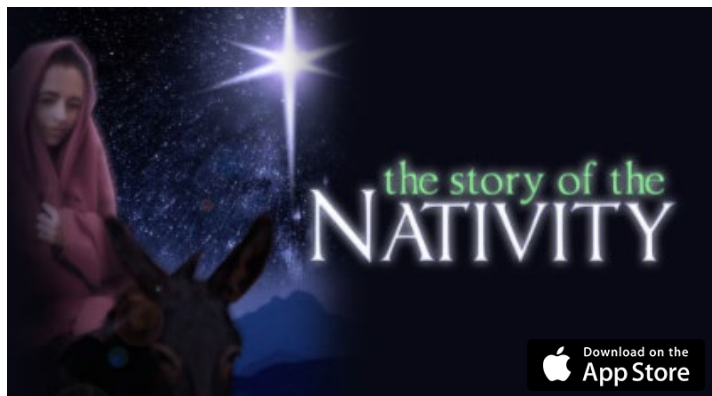


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