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ST. ELIZABETH SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH WEEKLY BULLETIN

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday

8:30AM –12:30PM 1–3:30PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipated) 4:15PM

Sunday 8:15AM, 10:15AM, 6:15PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:15AM

Wednesday 5:30PM

Confessions heard daily 30 minutes before Mass.

Confessions heard Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:00PM.

Children’s Church is held at 10:15AM masses. Children 4 years old up to first communion are invited to participate in their own celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. Simply bring children to the baptistry 10 minutes before mass begins.



PARISH STAFF

Rev. David Hebert, Pastor

Deacon Nelson Schexnayder, Deacon

Deacon Michael Morrison, Deacon

Deacon Ronald Chauvin, Deacon

Linda Souther

Secretary

Gerrie Baumbouree

Director of Religious Education / Safe Environment

Marc Conque

4:15 & 8:15 Music Minister

Michael Grado

10:15 Choir Director

Francis LeBlanc

6:15 Music Minister

Elmary Francis

Bulletin Editor & Bookkeeper

Tonia Harrington

First Communion/ First Penance Coordinator, & Preschool Religious Education

Diane Triche

Welcome & Visitation Minister

BAPTISM

Registration during the early stages of pregnancy for the Baptism course is strongly recommended.

CONFIRMATION

All students, including those in Catholic schools, are to register in August of their junior year of high school. Call the office for registration requirements.

FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST COMMUNION

All children, including those in Catholic schools, should be registered at the beginning of their second grade year in order to participate in the sacramental preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- First through tenth -graders meet on Tuesday evenings, October-April.
- Vacation Bible School, for children ages 4-10, is held for one week each summer.
- Confirmation students must complete 24 hours of high school religious education prior to their junior year.
- Adults wishing to learn more about their Catholic faith, including those wishing to become members of the Catholic Church, should call the office to speak with Gerrie Baumbouree.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The church can be reserved only after meeting with the priest to begin marriage preparation for the couple. It is recommended that an appointment be made at least one (1) year in advance of the anticipated date of the wedding. Marriage preparation requirements, policies and guidelines are reviewed and must be completed prior to any marriage in the church.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the office to speak with Diane Triche.

Online Giving



Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018



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2017 Financial Tax Report Those in need of a copy of their 2017 financial report may request them by calling the office at 235-1483. Please allow 2 to 3 days for it to be prepared.

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Day of Prayer for Women There will be a Lenten Day of Prayer for Ladies on Tuesday, February 27th, at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau. The theme will be "Finding an Attitude of Gratitude". It will begin at 9AM and end with Mass at 2:15PM. The presenter will be Fr. Joe Tetlow, S.J. Total cost is \$25.00. Space is limited so please register early. For more information on this special Day of Prayer, please contact Our Lady of the Oaks at (337) 662-5410.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEB 26

7:15AM Georgette Caubarreaux (AD)

TUESDAY, FEB 27

7:15AM Shine & Mary Domingue, Deneige Breaux, Ashton Breaux, Charlotte Domingue, Paul & Ina Savoie, Shannon Savoie

WEDNESDAY, FEB 28

5:30PM Hayes Boudreaux, M/M Danille Dugas, M/M John Primeaux

THURSDAY, MAR 1

7:15AM Bella Hernandez, Yvonne Hernandez, Gussie Hernandez

FRIDAY, MAR 2

7:15AM Jules & Irma Broussard & fly., Jules & Mathilde Broussard & fly.

SATURDAY, MAR 3

4:15PM Curley Hebert, Fred & Roy Souther, Slim & Lois Souther, Roy &

Georgette Caubarreaux, John, Agnes & Rena Lemaire, Alozia Benoit, Doris Jane Hebert, Joseph E. Valentour, Jr., M/M Joseph E. Valentour, Sr., Roy, Cora & Paul Gauthier, Kristan Fauntelory, Sandra Oppenheimer, Paul Oppenheimer, Sr.

SUNDAY, MAR 4

8:15AM Mass for the people, Bertha Guilbeaux, Yves Guilbeaux, M/M Clarence Lyons, Velma Gaudet, Frank Hemphill, Jim Pollock, E.J. & Inez Camelle, Russell Breaux, Bryan Huval, M/M Abel Breaux, Anthony Fuselier, Ricky Fuselier, Dorothy Fuselier

10:15AM Jolynda Comeaux, Vivian Guidry, Stephanie Vincent, Elie Olivier, Edia Robin Olivier, M/M Antoine Vincent, Sr., M/M Edais Hebert, Dudley Hebert, Wynonna Hebert, M/M Herbert Palombo, Jean, Pat, Flaman Palombo, Soul of Charles Bundrick, Mitchell Brown, Olin Brown

6:15PM Diana Viator, Sharon Borel

B=Birthday, WA=Wedding Anniv., AD=Anniv. of Death

Holy Land Gifts Olive Wood Carvings

for sale after Masses

February 24 & 25



Saida & George Rashmawi, who are volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem in the Holy Land, will be visiting our parish this weekend, February 24 & 25. They will speak to us about the Christian struggles in the Holy Land. They will also have some beautiful Olive Wood carvings which are all handmade by the Christian people in Bethlehem, for sale after all the Masses this weekend. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
FEB 25 Holy Land Gifts Sale in Church	26 6:00PM Confirmation Class, FC	27 5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	28 6:15PM RCIA, MB	MAR 1	2	3 3:30PM Confession Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection
4 Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection	5 6:00PM Confirmation Class, FC 6:30PM Stewardship Committee Meeting, MB	6 5:30AM TMIY Meeting, FC	7 6:15PM RCIA, MB	8	9	10 3:30PM Confession

PARISH DATE

24 HOLY LAND GIFTS SALE Saturday/Sunday, February 24 & 25 at all Masses.

26 CONFIRMATION CLASS Monday, February 26, at 6:00PM in the Family Center.

3/4 BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND SECOND COLLECTION Next weekend at all Masses.

SUN CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:15 AM)

TUES ADORATION (7:45AM til Wed 4:00PM)

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Liturgical Minister's Schedule

March 3 - 4, 2018 Saturday, 4:15PM

Hospitality Coor.	Hospitality Min	Eucharist Coor.	Eucharist Min.	Altar Servers	Readers
Yvonne Guidry	Jackie Thomas Elsie Chaisson Rebecca Theriot Michelle Marks	Nell Sheets	Deacon Mike Bruce Broussard	Hayleigh Thomas Justin Thomas	Wilda Marks Yvonne Lemelle

Sunday, 8:15AM

Tom Woods	Helen Lauff Joseph Lauff Dawn Womack Kory Womack	Greg Landry	Ina Courville Joe Courville	Christian Wills Graham Wills Bryn Fontenot	John Benoit
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Sunday, 10:15AM

Gerald Frederick	Mary Brown Claudette Frederick Youlanda Joseph Francis Delhomme	Robley Domingue	Deacon Nelson Karen Domingue	Jacob Monic Keegan Leger	Barbara Batiste Suzanne Ambler
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Sunday, 6:15PM

Tonia Harrington	Holden Harrington Jonas Harrington Mollie Comeaux Bell Malveaux	Carol Perrio	Phyllis Collette Lorita Brisco	Ava Sorlie Katelyn Sorlie	Pat Cottonham Carol Malbrough
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March 10 - 11, 2018 Saturday, 4:15PM

Darrell Landry	Cindy Beckwith Linda Souther Burnel Moreau Curlis Daigle	Gayle Landry	Deacon Nelson Helen Bajat	Etta Chisholm Kane Chisholm	Annette Chapman Doris Begnaud
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Sunday, 8:15AM

Kevin Prejean	Lisa Prejean Ida Fusilier Jakori Fusilier Betty Landry	Sharon Hay	Deacon Mike Myron Fonseca	Ethan Stevens Jaidyn Fusilier Colin Crevier	Wayne Wills
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Sunday, 10:15AM

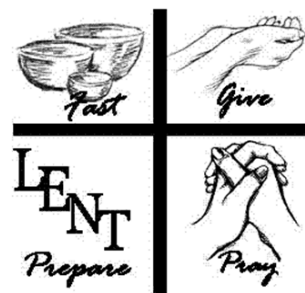
Carolyn Stith	Thomas Stith Austin Champagne Derick Hill Ima Williams	Dale Bourgeois	Clayton Hanks Felice Hanks	Paige Barthlemy Aubree Brown	Germaine Breaux Mia Tolliver
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Sunday, 6:15PM

Mandy Keown	Dos Reis Acker Melonie Drennan Lisa Patin Todd Patin	Billy Daigle	Franchesca Acker Mona Bodoïn	Dos Acker Caleb Bodoïn	Suzanne Daigle Troie Acker
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PASTOR'S CORNER

February 24 - 25, 2018



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

As we continue on our journey in this Season of Lent let us reflect upon the meaning of Lent. Lent is the annual preparation for Easter observance calling us to reform our lives and to open our hearts to the spiritual blessings God has promised to bestow on us. Lent begins Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday evening when the Triduum begins.

According to the Church's Canon Law, all healthy Catholics from age 18-59 are required to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and to abstain from meat on all other Fridays of lent. Youth 14 and older are also to abstain from meat on those days. "Fasting" means that no more than one main meal is eaten daily, while in the same day no more than two partial meals are eaten which together don't equal the one main meal.

Each of us should take the necessary steps to get ourselves on the road to conversion and spiritual renewal. To help us do this, the three main Lenten disciplines urged are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We are invited during Lent to practice these disciplines often. But these aren't just chores we must do because the Church strongly urges them; they are above all opportunities to grow in faith and in love for God.

The Lenten basic practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving are rooted in Jesus' original guidance about how to be his disciples that we find in the Sermon on the Mount. *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#1966-1972) also reminds us that Jesus here outlines for us the new law which, if we embrace and implement it, will lead us more surely to the interior renewal and growth in holiness and perfection that Jesus expects of us as his disciples.

Fasting expresses our desire to find happiness in god rather than in the satisfaction of our physical needs. The control we gain over our appetites helps us recognize more deeply that all true and lasting pleasure comes from God. Knowing this we are freed to gratefully accept food and savor it, or to avoid or limit foods that we know are unhealthy for us. Through fasting, our relationship to ourselves is reoriented toward God.

Almsgiving provides assistance to the poor among us and helps us recognize god as the true source of our security. Property and wealth exercise less control over us when we give away or share our wealth out of love for God and for others. Almsgiving is a way of bringing our relationship to others into the orbit of Christ' love.

Prayer changes our relationship to God. Through prayer, we admit our need for a power that is greater than ourselves. We acknowledge our limitations and let go of the drive to control everything. In the process, we open ourselves to all that God has to offer us.

Let us never forget the ashes we placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. They remind us that we are sinners. When we come forward to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, we are saying that we are sorry for our sins, and that we want to use the season of Lent to correct our faults, purify our hearts, control our desires and grow in holiness so we will be prepared to celebrate Easter with great joy.

Let us live this way every day and may our Lenten Season be one that brings us closer to God and to one another.

Fr. David



Centennial News Sunday, February 25, 2018

- **Mother Drexel** - On March 3, 1955, Mother Katharine Drexel passed away at the age of 96. She and the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, which she founded, would have a profound and lasting effect on the Diocese of Lafayette. With her sisters and her financial support, the diocese founded many parishes and schools, particularly for the African American Catholics in Acadiana. Her support began in New Iberia in 1917 when she donated funds for a new church, school and hall to be built. The parish was named after her recently deceased brother-in-law Edward. At the time of her death, Mother Drexel was donating \$20,000 a year to schools and churches in the diocese. In 2000 she was canonized a Saint by Pope St. John Paul II.
- **Centennial items being sold** – Centennial Paperweight, Centennial Yard Signs and Centennial History Book can be purchased at Diocesan Central Office, Cathedral Gift Shop, Queen of Angels Church in Opelousas and St. Martin de Tours Church in St. Martinville.

ENGAGED COUPLES

Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Upcoming weekend dates are **March 9-11, and April 27-29**. For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org or contact **Paul & Carolyn Trahan** at 254-8947 or 898-9257, or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

St. Elizabeth Seton Annual Food Drive

March 10 & 11



Our parish will conduct its Annual Food Drive the weekend of March 10 & 11, 2018 to help the needy of our area through the St. Joseph Diner. **Special grocery bags will be available next weekend: March 3 & 4**, for parishioners to take, fill with non-perishable food items, and return by March 11. The groceries will then be delivered to the Diner on March 13. Your assistance in this matter is greatly needed.

Opportunities for Confessions

The Central Deanery for the Diocese of Lafayette will host five regional “Opportunities for Confession” during Lent. Several priests will be present to hear Confessions at the locations, dates and times listed below. All are invited to attend any of these “Opportunities for Confession”. Please make every effort to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Easter Sunday.

Monday, March 5, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
St. Edmond Catholic Church
4131 West Congress Street

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
Holy Cross Catholic Church
415 Robley Drive

Thursday, March 8, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
St. Bernard Catholic Church
204 N. Main Street

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church
818 12th Street

Thursday, March 15, 2018 - 6:00 - 7:30PM
St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church
610 Raintree Trail



Feb. 24-25, 2018 —

> The Liturgy of the Eucharist in the Mass

It has two main parts, the Eucharistic Prayer and the sharing of Holy Communion. In the Eucharistic Prayer, the community prays that the Holy Spirit will change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. Divinely speaking, by the power of the Holy Spirit, through our memory Christ's saving acts are made present now in the Eucharist.

During Holy Communion, the faithful share in the sacrament, establishing their union with Christ and with one another. The early church called the Eucharist "The breaking of the bread." At the wedding in Cana, Jesus changed the water into wine. Here, the wine is changed into His blood. When we eat bread and drink wine, we change those elements into ourselves. When we consume the Eucharistic Body and Blood of Christ, we are changed into Christ.

The *Informed Catholics* monthly column can be found on our church website.

Angola Bus Trip



Sunday, March 18, at 7:30AM, a bus will leave from St. Paul's Catholic Church heading to Angola State Prison to assist individuals with a chance to visit a loved one who may be incarcerated there. **Please note the**

following rules: bring a current pictured Louisiana issued driver's license or current I.D., your name must be on the inmate's visiting list, children over 14 years of age must also have a current Louisiana issued identification card, no shorts, sleeveless or T-Shirt, Ladies no purses - wallets only, no blue jeans, children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. This is made possible by the Catholic Diocese of Lafayette, no fee charged. Reserve your seat early. Call 261-5545 for more information.

St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church now offers electronic giving as a way to automate your offertory donations. Electronic giving is convenient so that when travelling, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at www.setonchurch.org and locate the **Online Giving** button located on the Home Page.

Or, you can use the QR code on the front of this bulletin on your smart phone!

If you choose this method of electronic giving, and you receive envelopes, please call the office (235-1483) to cancel the mailing of envelopes!

SEMINARIAN PRAYER CALENDAR

All are encouraged to pray for our Seminarians as they study to become faith-filled followers and leaders of Christ. Below is a list of those to pray for this week:

- * Monday, Feb. 26th - Rev. Mr. Korey LaVergne
- * Tuesday, Feb. 27th - Cade LeBlanc
- * Wednesday, Feb. 28th - Calvin LeMaire
- * Thursday, Mar. 1st - Seth Lemaire
- * Friday, Mar. 2nd - Joseph Marcantel
- * Saturday, Mar. 3rd - Riley Maturin
- * Sunday, Mar. 4th - Scott Mitchell

Prayer: O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Blessed Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase of laborers for Your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ Your Son who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit God forever and ever. Amen.

THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The second Sunday of Lent every year recalls the Transfiguration of the Lord. Since the fourth century, Mount Tabor has been the focus of devotion to this event. As mountains go, it is not particularly lofty, rising about fifteen hundred feet, within view of the Sea of Galilee and very close to Nazareth. Scripture doesn't identify the mountain, but in the year 348 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem said he preferred Mount Tabor to Mount Hermon as the site of the Transfiguration, and his opinion won. It has long been a strategic military site, and ancient fortresses are visible on the heights. Over the centuries, churches and fortified monasteries rose on the mountaintop, only to be destroyed by various invaders. Six hundred years ago, local Christians started to decorate the ruins with flags and banners on the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1631, the Sultan granted permission to the Franciscans to live on Mount Tabor, and they have been there ever since, discovering the ruins of an old Crusader church and constructing the present church on the site in 1924.

The top of the mountain is divided into Greek Orthodox and Latin (that's us) zones. At one time, tourists arrived on the summit by bus, but this is no longer permitted. Some ride bicycles up a challenging and winding path, while others take the four thousand three hundred steps constructed for Christian pilgrims in the fourth century. It's hard to imagine the fishermen following Jesus up this craggy mountain without complaint. Visitors will sympathize with Peter's plan to construct booths and stay put with Jesus, Moses, and Elijah for a while, enjoying the view, and planning the trip back down.

- Rev. James Field, Copyright @ J.S. Paluch Co.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Saturday/Sunday, February 24/25** - Holy Land Gifts Sale in Church.
- * **Monday, February 26** - Confirmation Class at 6:00PM in the Family Center.
- * **Tuesday, February 27** - "That Man Is You" at 5:30AM in the Family Center.
- * **Wednesday, February 28** - RCIA held at 6:15PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Saturday/Sunday, March 3/4** - Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection at all Masses.
- * **Monday, March 5** - Confirmation Class at 6:00PM in the Family Center.
- * **Monday, March 5** - Stewardship Committee Meeting at 6:30PM in the Ministries Building.
- * **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 12,13,14** - St. Elizabeth Seton Lenten Mission, from 6-7PM nightly. The theme is "Escaping the Twilight Zone" by Deacon Art Bakeler.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

All are encouraged to pray for the priests who work in the Diocese of Lafayette each day. Every day there is a specific intention for one of our priests for special consideration; the specific **intentions this week are:**

- * Monday, Feb. 26th - Rev. Daniel Picard
- * Tuesday, Feb. 27th - Rev. Mikel Polson
- * Wednesday, Feb. 28th - Rev. Ruben Primor
- * Thursday, Mar. 1st - Pope Francis
- * Friday, Mar. 2nd - Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- * Saturday, Mar. 3rd - Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- * Sunday, Mar. 4th - Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell

Prayer: Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests 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.

WEEKLY DONATION

February 18, 2018

Offertory:	\$8,906.00
Building Fund:	771.00
Black & Indiana Mission	1,438.00
Other Donations:	170.00
Total:	\$11,285.00

Thank you for your generosity.