MASS INTENTIONS

March 11, 2023 – March 19, 2023 Sat. March 11, 2023 4:00 P.M.

Judy Miller; Fernand & Sadie Latour; Remi, Louise & Leon Richard; Kyle Miller; Norman & Rose Venable; Donald Mouton (**11**th **An**); Louella D Doucet (**Bd**); Kerminth (**Bd**) & Theresa Cormier; Mary & Leeward Meche Sr.; Archie Bellard; Rayo Daugereau

Sun., March 12, 2023 8:00 A.M.

Charlie Prevost; Lorita (**Wdg An**), Winnie & Lloyd Bearb; Conrad Mouton; Emily Prejean Dupuis

<u>10:00 A.M.</u>

John D, Leota, Robert, Patrick, Jeffery & JoJo (4th An) Bergeron; Benjamin Vienne; Allison (2nd An) Comeaux & Lantier Families; Claire Daigle; Jeremy Meche (Bd); Villery & Mary Helen Benoit; Rilley, Audrey, & David Barron; Cecile & Howard Broussard; Horace Young; Gordon Richard; Joseph & Lucille Prejean; Melancon & Bernard Families; Francis L & Lillian C Bergeron

Mon., March 13, 2023, 5:30 P.M.

For those who feel unworthy of God's love and attention, and those who have the ability to share God's love.

Tue., March 14, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Help us to stay the course of peace and justice so that our world will come to know Jesus

Wed., March 15, 2023 5:30 P.M.

For parents who are guiding their children through difficult situations.

Thurs., March 16, 2023 5:30 P.M.

For the sick, the lonely, and the lost, may those in deepest need find support in the Christian community, and may God shower them with love and grace.

Fri., March 17, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Stanley & Annie LaPoint

Sat. March 18, 2023 4:00 P.M.

Lester, Anna Mae, Becky & Shane Breaux; Judy Miller; Fay, Maud & Raoul Trahan; Norman & Rose Venable; Mary & Leeward Meche Sr; Bourgeois, Rivette & Breaux (**Bd**) Families; Roland, Theresa & Eucharist Hernandez; Kyle Miller; Rayo Daugereau

Sun., March 19, 2023 8:00 A.M.

Comeaux & Lantier Families; Lorita (**Bd**), Winnie & Lloyd Bearb; Johnson, Petitjean, Goins & Mason Families; Conrad Mouton; Blake Trahan (**Bd**)

<u>10:00 A.M.</u>

Claire Daigle; Francis L & Lillian C Bergeron



Lieutenant Father Joseph Verbis Lafleur

Fr. Verbis Lafleur was born on January 24, 1912 in Ville Platte, Louisiana. In 1926, his family moved to Opelousas, LA. From early in his life, he felt a calling to the priesthood. Fr. Colliard, Pastor of St. Landry Church, made arrangements for him to enter St. Joseph's Minor Seminary in St. Benedict, Louisiana. His further studies took him to Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. He was ordained a priest on April 2, 1938. After celebrating his First Solemn Mass at St. Landry Church, he was assigned to St. Mary Magdalen in Abbeville. In the summer of 1941, Fr. Lafleur joined the Army Air Corps as a chaplain.

He arrived at Clark Field in the Philippine Islands just a few weeks before it was attacked on December 8, 1941. Here, Fr. Lafleur ministered to the wounded and dying without any regard for his personal safety. The attack started a series of events that led to the surrender of all American soldiers to the Japanese militia. He became a prisoner of war for approximately two and a half years. While in prison, he regularly gave his own food and clothes to those in the prison hospital. On September 7, 1944, Father Lafleur gave his life while aboard a torpedoed "hell ship" carrying over 700 American Prisoners of War. Father Lafleur struggled to push other men to possible freedom from the hull of the torpedoed and sinking Shinyo Maru. Of the prisoners aboard this ship only 83 survived to tell the tragic story of their plight and how Lieutenant Father Joseph Verbis Lafleur, "Padre" to his fellow soldiers, gave his life once more for the men entrusted to his care. During his ministry in the Diocese of Lafayette, he was known for his prayerful and dedicated service to God's people. He was an inspiration to the youth of the community and took that holiness and profound relationship with God oversees in his service to our country.

Fr. Lafleur was a man of great compassion and understanding, a man of bravery and courage eager to give all for his God and his country.

On September 5, 2020, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel of the Diocese of Lafayette officially opened his cause for sainthood and respectfully declared him "Servant of God", further advancing his cause toward beatification and sainthood.

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March 12, 2023 ASSUMPTION of the B.V. M. CHURCH

MINISTERS: March 18 & 19, 2023 EUCHARIST LECTOR ALTAR SERVERS Saturday (4 PM) Vanessa (FA) Rebecca (RA) Kristi (RA) Annette Jean Paul Sunday (8 AM) Lisa (FA) John (RA) Charmaine (RA) Lillian (cup) Keith (cup) Connie Emery & Gage (10 AM) Phil (FA) Belinda (RA) Angel (RA) AI C Bailey & Braxton

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<u>St. Matthew's Guild</u>: March 19, 2023 Al, Phyllis, Ricky, Bobbie

Weekly Financial Report: March 5, 2023	
Offertory	6,674.00
Projects & Maintenance	1,406.00
Candles	33.00
Mass Intentions	50.00
Other Donation	95.00
Total	8,258.00

MEETINGS Knights of Columbus-Thu., April 13-7:00pm-K C Hall C D A-Monday, March 27, 2023--6:00-FLC

> "HEALTH BUGGY BUS" 8-11am-Tu., March 14, 2023

> > Lenten Bulletins, 2023

The covers for the bulletins for Lent will feature holy people who were born in Louisiana or served the people of Louisiana. Two were lay people, one a religious woman and two priests. Three are from our diocese: Charlene Richard, Auguste Pelafigue, and Fr. Verbis Lafleur. Two are associated with New Orleans: Mother Henriette DeLille and Fr. Francis Xavier Seelos. Let their holy journeys inspire us throughout this sacred season of Lent.

There are texts and emails saying that I am requesting gift cards. **THESE ARE NOT FROM ME**. Please delete them and disregard them. I will never communicate appeals of any kind this way. Thank You, Msgr. Russell J. Harríngton

The Way of the Cross will be celebrated on Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday) after 5:30pm Mass.



Viewing & Discussion of the **"The Chosen" Thursday, March 16th** at **6:30 PM** in the Office Meeting Room.

SECOND COLLECTION Bishop's Services Appeal All weekend masses March 11 & 12, 2023

Communion from the cup We have begun to serve Communion from the cup at the 8:00 mass. In the month of April, we hope to begin serving the cup at Saturday 4:00 and Sunday 10:00 masses as well. The following is a reminder on how to receive from the cup: after receiving the host, approach the Eucharist Minister serving the cup, simply bow before the Eucharist, the Minister will say, "The Blood of Christ", you answer, "Amen", the minister will hand you the cup with the precious Blood, you take a small sip, return the cup to the Minister, bow once again and return to your place in church. The person receiving from the cup should never dip the host in the cup, but simply take a small sip. If you are uncomfortable with drinking from the cup because of the possibility of spreading illness, then please do not drink from the cup. The same goes for if you are not feeling well or may have a cold or something more serious, then please do not drink from the cup. Even though the Body and Blood of Jesus is present in the host itself, it is still a wondrous gift to once again "partake of the cup".

Don't Forget, Spring Forward March 12, 2023

HOLY WEEK Wednesday, April 5th 5:30PM Mass CONFESSION (Last chance to go to Confession before Easter) 6:00PM-8:00PM Holy Thursday, April 6th 4:00PM- Altar Server Rehearsal 7:00PM-Mass 8:00-10:00PM-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Family Life Center Good Friday, April 7th 1:00PM Altar Server Rehearsal 3:00PM Service Holy Saturday, April 8th 10:00AM- Easter Egg Hunt 11:00AM- Altar Server Rehearsal 8:00PM-Easter Vigil Mass Easter Sunday, April 9th 8:00AM & 10:00AM-Mass

Because St. Patrick's Day falls on a Friday, March 17th, during lent this year, Bishop Deshotel has granted the dispensation from abstinence from meat & meat products. All who make use of this dispensation are to engage in another sacrificial that day.



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT