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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Jules

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 6:30 am - St. Elizabeth

Friday, 7:40 am - St. Elizabeth

Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, 3:00 to 3:50 pm - St. Jules

Monday, 5:00-5:45 pm - St. Jules

By Appointment

NEW FAMILIES: Should register at the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Couples must contact the parish office concerning pre-marriage preparation at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Expectant parents should contact the parish office for information and preparation requirements.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls are made immediately. Families are asked to notify the parish office concerning parishioners who are seriously ill.

CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Families should contact the parish office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

OFFICE HOURS:

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Dear Family,

Believe it or not Holy Week is here. In last week's bulletin I wrote about the nature of **Holy Week** and how our participation in the liturgy is one that is a *real participation in the savings events of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ, His Incarnation, Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection*. We are blessed beyond measure to have this great gift. Many times we do not fully understand the gifts of the Sacraments and even the simple Gospel message itself. This lack of understanding does not allow us to receive the depth of graces that God pours out to us on a daily basis. I would like to remind you of the **treasure chest of incredible educational tools that we now have with www.formed.org**. Ebooks, audio downloads, movies, and different programs (bible studies and such) that teach the Faith in a dynamic and understandable way. I would like to highlight the **Symbolon series**, which goes through the Catholic Faith from the beginning to end. You can start from the first video and watch them all in succession, or you can choose which topics you want to learn most about (the Bible, Mary, the Eucharist, etc.). As we are approaching Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday you can prepare yourself by watching the documentary called, **Oceans of Mercy**. It is about the lives of St. Faustina, St. Maximillian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II and how they were particular instruments of speaking anew the mercy of God for our times. If you have not already signed up you can do so by going checking the bulletin for instructions. Our parish has a **free access code** offered to all parishioners.

I want to personally invite everyone to come to our **Holy Week services this year**. This will be my fifth year celebrating this most sacred of weeks with you and each year has its own particularly moving moments. The washing of the feet and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Thursday Mass is really beautiful. Good Friday's Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Holy Cross have a deeply penetrating solemn character. The Easter Vigil Mass is a tour du force of liturgical symbolism and sacramentality. The lighting of the fire, procession of the Paschal Candle, proclamation of Salvation History, blessing of baptismal waters, and celebration of the Holy Eucharist combine for a mystical experience. So... basically, if you want to have a beautiful encounter with Jesus in the heart of the Church come join us. See the bulletin for details of place and time.

As our state and region continue to recover from the recent tornados and now massive floods I ask your continued prayers and support for all involved. Please go to the **Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge's website www.ccdiobr.org** to donate to the cause of helping families in our diocese affected by the tornados and floods. **As many of you have learned St. Joseph's Abbey and Seminary College (aka St. Ben's), where 13 of our 20 seminarians are currently in formation was inundated with over two feet of water**. Every building on the property minus the Abbey Church (by inches) was flooded. The Abbey and seminary did not have flood insurance. The last information that I received is that they have been told FEMA will cover 75% of the damages, but the remaining 25% will have to come from private sources. I am not sure how that will actually play out, but nonetheless, the Abbey will need our support in restoring the largest college seminary in the U.S.. Enrollment has more than doubled since I (continued)

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 20, 2016

(continued) graduated in 2004. It is now over 140. **You can donate to the cause by visiting www.helptheabbey.com. Please pray for the monks, the seminarians and all involved.**

Praised be Jesus Christ that our country has finally declared the persecution of Christians and other religious minorities by ISIS in the Middle East a GENOCIDE. It is atrocious what they are doing to the oldest Christian communities in the world. Katherine Jean Lopez wrote a great editorial in the Advocate recently. Part of it documents some of the stories of what is going on there. It reads, "A Christian man from Mosul who committed suicide after he had to watch as ISIS fighters 'brutally raped his wife and daughter in front of him.' [A] woman who 'was victimized so often that she resorted to defecating on herself to make herself less desirable and had to be trained to use the bathroom again after she escaped.'" According to the [Knights of Columbus] report, **'ISIS is estimated to have taken over 1,500 Yazidi and Christian girls as sex slaves. They are bought and sold on an open slave market and are often raped in rapid succession by a number of fighters in a single night.'** And these are just some of the horrors we know." Please PRAY, PRAY, AND PRAY for them. Pray for the humble conversion of ISIS. **Petition our governmental leaders to do what is needed to stop this horrendous genocide. Go to www.stopthechristiangenocide.org to educate yourself, contact those in power, and spread the message.** It is much needed.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Fr. Andrew

SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

DATE	TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTANS
3/24/16 Holy Thursday St. Jules	7:00 PM	Tommy Joffrion Jamie Louque	Robin Landry, Chris Mattingly, Ivy Landry, Bob Landry, Marian Landry, C. J. Daigle, Sandra Landry, Janelle Simoneaux	Seth & Kyle Hughes, Lee Landry, Jacob LeBlanc, Danielle Giroir	Brenda Landry Patsy Breaux
3/25/16 Good Friday St. Elizabeth	3:00 PM	1-Chris Landry 2-Erica Charlet N-Vicky LeBlanc V-Chris Landry	Norma Blanchard Diane LeBlanc Lenis Theriot	Brendan LeBlanc, Seth & Kyle Hughes, Jacob LeBlanc, Grant Dupaty	Brenda Landry Patsy Breaux
3/26/16 Easter Vigil St. Elizabeth	8:00 PM	Annette Oswald Wheeler Oswald Brady Landry Erica Charlet Mark Dubreuil Meg Prejean	Mollie Landry, Chris Landry, Sandy George, Nick Charlet, Alice Sternfels, Stanley Sternfels, Barry Aucoin, Linda Aucoin	Lee Landry, Ian Simoneaux, Brennan Simoneaux, Grant Dupaty, Katie Jones, Trey Jones, Brendan LeBlanc, Noah Giroir	Sister Anija
3/27/16 St. Jules	8:30 AM	Alicia Falsetta Tommy Joffrion	Sandra Landry Connie Bellina	Seth & Kyle Hughes, Alex Hood	Brenda Landry Patsy Breaux
3/27/16 St. Elizabeth	10:45 AM	Norma Blanchard Donald Cire	Sister Anija Sister Navya Jerry Lou Sternfels	Louis Viallon VI, Ethan Brister, Matthew LeBlanc	Sister Navya

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

March 12-13, 2016

	St. Elizabeth	St. Jules
Offertory	\$2,322.91	\$3,271.00
Improvement	\$108.00	\$10.00
Priests' Retirement	\$20.00	0.00

SPECIAL APPEAL

The Special Appeal for the Holy Land will be on March 25, and the Special Appeal for the Retirement Fund for Diocesan Priest will be the weekend of March 26-27. Please place the special envelopes in the offertory.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Pat Fontenot, Joan Newchurch, Ella Monteverde, Al Ladner, Danny Traigle, Rita Charlet, Dolores Yoder, Annie Russo, Brent Tauzin, Alice Woods, Susan Grier, Chris Roques Matassa, Benjamin Coty, Johnny Blanchard, Vivian Giroir, Dolly Gaspard, Emmett Greene, Dalton Alleman, Nick Guedry, Michael Rivere, Brenda Blanchard, Carolyn Rice, John Yoder, Ken Reynolds, Carl Manuel, Anita Acosta, Marie Bergeron, Joe Rivet, William "Beagle" Dupré, Robbie Bourg, Carrie & Michael Patureau, , Camille "Boddie" Esneault, Harry Yoder, DeDe & Steve Fitzgerald, George Waguespack, Lester Sedotal, Michael Pizzolatto, Trudy Coupel, Reese Aubin Landry, Gaynell Airhart, Harvey Giroir, Lenora Simoneaux, Janet Landry, Vin Bruce, Louise Fremin, Luke Giroir, Lois Sanchez, Gunnar Landry, Michael Cire, Edwina Lagattuta, Jeanette Beard, Nolbert Prejean, Mary Margaret Bains, Gerry Landry, Eric Watts, Linda Green, Dianna Andras, Lynette Martinez, Kim LeBrun-Flores, Loretta Foret, Karen Breaux, Mark Giroir, Tammy Riggs, Jean Lake, Janet Merritt, Percy Falcon, Jr., Russell Rivere, Jr, Brenda Landry, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Theriot, Erick Spears, John Harris Savoie, Lucy Mae Dupre', Helman Ackman, Joyce Cavalier, Mimi Barton, Kelly Landry, Patti Campbell, Travis Quinn Norsworthy, Lorraine Giroir, Emily Landry, Kathleen Rousseau, Gary P. Landry, Jim Looney, Sue Chenvert Blanchard, Daniel Giroir, Mary Williams, Brayden Patureau, Harry Millien, Pearl Aucoin, Loyce Daigle LeJeune, Nicole Owers, Patricia Simoneaux Hotard, Baly LeBlanc, Brett & Dalee LeBlanc, Mike Thibodeaux

LIVING WAY OF THE CROSS

St. Elizabeth School invites everyone to its presentation of The Living Way of the Cross on Thursday, March 23 at 7:40am performed by the 8th Grade class.

EASTER DECORATING

Everyone is welcome to help with the Easter decorations at St. Elizabeth Church on Saturday, March 26 at 8:00am.

FAITH FORMATION/PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

First Eucharist Workshop: Saturday April 16th CCD Building 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

First Eucharist: Sunday May 1st 10:45 AM Mass St. Elizabeth

A VOCATION VIEW

Palm Sunday - March 20, 2016

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to a Church vocation, call or email Father Matt Dupré at 225-336-8778, mdupre@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations

SES 2016 CLAY SHOOT

St. Elizabeth School is excited to announce the second annual Sporting Clay Shoot sponsored by Sagona's Hardware. All proceeds from this shoot will benefit St. Elizabeth School. Event will be held at Southern Shooting Center 979 LA-3185 Thibodaux, LA 70301 on Saturday, April 30th. Registration opens at 8:00 AM and shooting time begins at 9:00 AM. Fees are \$400/team (\$100/person - 4 person teams) and includes 100 clays per shooter, lunch, awards, prizes, and t-shirt. For more information please contact Allison Viator (985) 637-4068 or Robin Baye (985) 859-5037.

KC MEETING

The Knights of Columbus is having their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 22 at 6:30PM in St. Jules Hall.

ALLONS MANGER FOOD FESTIVAL

This year's Allons Manger will be **Sunday April 10th** which is the SECOND Sunday after Easter. This year's Gun raffle will be a 5 Gun all Browning Raffle. Tickets are now available for the gun and money raffles so be on the lookout for them. Advance purchase meal tickets are now for sale. Someone will be selling tickets at all masses. Anyone wishing to donate ingredients or sweets for the sweet booth can call Mrs. Darlene Landry @ 337-552-6299 or stop by Big B's Supermarket. Your contribution to this effort is greatly appreciated.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING PRESENTATION

Has been rescheduled to **Thursday, April 14th at 6:30 PM at the St. Elizabeth Community Center** Dr. Susan Caldwell will be giving a presentation on Natural Family Planning (NFP) and Contraception. These natural methods of family planning assist couples to live more fully the abundant life that God has planned. Dr. Susan Caldwell practices at the Hope Woman's Clinic in Metairie, LA where she specializes in treating women of reproductive age. Please spread the word about this powerful presentation that is open to the public. There is no charge for this event. For more information please contact the office at St. Jules (225) 473-8569.

ADORATION

St. Elizabeth: Every Tuesday, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Sisters' Chapel

St. Jules: Every Monday, 4:45 PM (followed by 6:00 PM Mass)

THE LORD'S HOUSEKEEPERS-MARCH

St. Jules: Brenda Landry & Patsy Breaux

St. Martin: Gertrude Simoneaux

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

St. Elizabeth: (Week of March 20) - Children Come Home

St. Jules: (Month of March) - Children Come Home

FORMED.ORG

Divine Mercy - Coming Soon

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's Love and Mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. Featuring the brilliant cinematic artistry of the Augustine Institute's film studio, the vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds as a story to be experienced.

Episodes will be available for a limited time on FORMED.org as a special event beginning on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3rd! Each video will be placed sequentially on FORMED - one episode each week until the end of June. Each episode will be viewable for two weeks. If you have not already signed up for FORMED, see the instructions below.

To create your **FREE PERSONAL PROFILE:**

.Go to www.FORMED.org.

.Scroll past first image.

.Under the question "**Does your parish already have FORMED?**" type in our parish access code, **ANM34M**, and click "**SUBMIT CODE**".

Fill out your profile information and click "**SUBMIT PROFILE**".

LENTEN PROGRAMS

Divine Mercy Novena: Monday evenings through March 28th immediately following 6:00 PM Mass at St. Jules, the Divine Mercy will be sung during adoration.

CRS Rice Bowls - If you haven't already done so, please return your rice bowls. Crates are located in the back of both churches.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

There will be a special celebration of Mass at 3pm on Sunday, April 3 for the Feast of the Divine Mercy. **There will be no 8:30am Mass.**

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed on Friday March 25th and Monday March 28th in observance of the Easter holidays.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 19

4:00 PM - St. Jules - Rachel Morris, Bea & Luke Giroir, Charles Malarcher, Gloria Dupuy Landry, Bully Dupuy, Lena Landry, Alma & Paul Daigle Sr., Mr & Mrs Paul Cancienne, Sr., Albertine Giroir & Family, Mr & Mrs A. J. Dato, Pete & Petey Simoneaux, Chickie Alleman, Walton & Anita Landry, Kent Morris Sr., Thomas Guillot & Family.

Sunday, March 20

8:30 AM - St. Jules - For the People

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth - Connie & Jimmie Barrient, Eves & Mary St. Germain, Virgie & Camille "East" Esneault & Heidi Callegan, Mr. & Mrs Paul R. LeBlanc, Sam Klack, Albert & Bernice Comeaux, Ores & Brent Rivere, Butch & Catherine LeBlanc, Ella Daigle, Charles Daigle, Lucille Landry

Monday, March 21

6:00 PM - St. Jules - People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 22

6:30 AM - St. Elizabeth - Virgie Esneault

Thursday, March 24

7:00 PM - St. Jules - Renewal of the Priesthood and Renewed devotion to the Holy Eucharist

Saturday, March 26

8:00 PM - St. Elizabeth - Charles Malarcher, Alma & Paul Daigle, Sr., Virgie & Camille "East" Esneault & Heidi Callegan, Herman & Nelia Cedotal, Adam & Marie Bergeron, Albert & Lellia Richard and deceased families, Shelby, Lucita & Judy Lewis, Pete & Petey Simoneaux, Chickie Alleman, Emmet & Danny Simoneaux, Leonard & Bessie Simoneaux, Ute & Regina Sanchez

Sunday, March 27

8:30 AM - St. Jules - Lawrence E. Bergeron, Sr and Family, Anthony R. Grisaffe and Family, Elmina Landry, Bobbie Gail Breaux Guedry, Clarence & Odette Naquin, Rachel Morris, Kent Morris, Sr., Eddie & Dennis Guillot

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth - For the People

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, March 24

7:00 PM - St. Jules - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 25

3:00 PM - St. Elizabeth - Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, March 26

8:00 PM - St. Elizabeth

Easter Sunday, March 27

8:30 AM - St. Jules

10:45 AM - St. Elizabeth

WAY OF THE CROSS PRAYER WALK

You are invited to journey with other Christians in our area on Good Friday, March 25 to reflect on the passion and death of Jesus as we walk through a 4 mile stretch of our community praying each station of the cross along the way. Please be in the parking lot at St. Elizabeth Church between 7:30-8:15am as the walk begins promptly at 8:30. We will walk from the church down LA 1, across to LA 308 and eventually back to the church.