



ST. ELIZABETH

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

Sunday Mass:

8:30 am - St. Jules

10:45 am - St. Elizabeth

6:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 6:30 am - Sisters Convent

Friday, 7:40 am - St. Elizabeth

Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules

Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - Sisters Convent

CONFESSIONS:

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

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

By Appointment

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:

8:30 am to 3:00 pm, Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri

Closed Wed and 12:00-1:00 pm daily

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ST. JULES

Post Office Box 38
7165 Highway 1
Belle Rose, LA 70341



4th Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

This was definitely a busy Advent I think for all of us along with being the shortest possible one. I pray though over these last 3 weeks that you have had a chance to reflect on what the coming of the Lord meant for you personally. This season does prepare us for Christmas but it also prepares our hearts and minds for the end of times and Jesus' 2nd Coming. It is my hope that the beginning of this new liturgical year has been a good start for you spiritually and a new chapter in your spiritual journey with the Lord. Please join me in praying the following prayer as we prepare to enter into the Christmas season and that we may rejoice that our God is with us!

Prayer for Christmas

(Attributed to St. Bernard of Clairvaux)

Let your goodness, Lord, appear to us, that we, made in your image, may conform ourselves to it. In our own strength we cannot image your majesty, power and wonder; nor is it fitting for us to try. But your mercy reaches from the heavens, through the clouds, to the earth below. You have come to us as a small child, but you have brought us the greatest of all gifts, the gift of your eternal love. Caress us with your tiny hands, embrace us with your tiny arms, and pierce our hearts with your soft, sweet cries.

Through the Alliance of the Two Hearts,
Fr. Matthew

Mass Schedule for December 23rd through January 1st

Christmas Masses

Sunday December 24th

- 4:00pm at St. Elizabeth Church
- 6:00pm at St. Jules Church
- 12:00 Midnight at St. Elizabeth Church

Monday, December 25th – 8:30am at St. Jules Church

The Office will be closed - Tuesday, December 26th through Monday January 1st.

No Daily Mass on Tuesday, December 26th and Friday, December 29th.

The Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Monday, January 1st – 6:00pm at St. Jules



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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

December 16-17, 2017

	St. Elizabeth	St. Jules
Offertory	\$3,488.00	\$2,043.00
Special Collections	\$821.00	\$415.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Harvey Giroir, Sheila Scioneaux Bourque, Mary Sanchez, Sonny Rodso, Paul Daigle, Jr., Joselyn Yaeger, Marcia Saisorn, Jacob Mabile, Sandy George, Billy Faulks, Dean Sciambra, Kaycee Hebert Blanchard & Family, Alice Sanford, June LeBlanc, Brenda Sedatol, Tony Vavasseur, Erin Trent, Dee Yoder, Nancy Swindowsky

PRAYER INTENTIONS

A common feature of our weekly bulletin is our Prayer List. Please call the office or email office@sesjchurch.com with your request to add names to the list or to remove them in the future. We have begun a new policy to remove the names on the list for 2 months. Also, please let us know if you have had a prayer request answered.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If anyone is homebound and would like to have an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion bring them Communion, please call the Parish Office. We are not always aware when a parishioner has become ill and is homebound. It is very helpful when we are notified of this need.



FAITH FORMATION/PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

9th grade PSR will have their next two classes on January 29th 2018 and February 5, 2018 at St. Jules Church Hall 6:30pm to 8:30 pm

K-8th Grades PSR will have their next two classes on January 14, 2018 and January 28, 2018 at St. Jules Hall from 9:30am to 10:30am

A VOCATION VIEW

Forth Sunday of Advent- December 24, 2017

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life and she said, "Yes!" and so the Savior came into the world. Pray to know God's Will for your life so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Father Andrew Merrick at 225-336-8778, framerrick@gmail.com, or visit, www.diobr.org/vocations.

PARISH WEBSITE

Don't forget to visit our parish website at www.sesjchurch.com. Updated regularly, it's a great way to keep up with parish schedules, programs & activities, daily scripture, articles from the National Catholic Register, videos from Fr. Robert Barron, and much, much more. Add us to your favorites!

Regarding Bishop Muench's Retirement

From the Chancery of the Diocese of Baton Rouge
"We have had several media inquiries about Bishop Muench and his plans for retirement. Later this month Bishop Muench will become 75 years of age. According to Canon Law such a Bishop submits his resignation from his office to the Holy Father. Only when Bishop Muench receives a reply from Pope Francis indicating the date of acceptance of the resignation will his resignation become effective. It is impossible to predict how long this process will take ."

Entering Canaan: Day of Prayer and Healing for Those Touched by Abortion

Come begin your healing journey and experience God's love and mercy. You are not alone. There is hope. There is healing. Join us Saturday, February 17, for Entering Canaan- A day of Prayer and Healing for women and men who have been touched by abortion. For more information, confidential inquiries or to register, please contact Tara at 225-938-3858 or EnteringCanaanBR@yahoo.com. Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge- Office of Marriage & Family Life.

ST. JULES CEMETERY

There are burial plots available for purchase in the St. Jules Cemetery. If you would like to purchase a plot, please call the parish office at (225) 473-8569.



A Christmas Prayer

Lord We welcome You into our hearts and homes.

Bless us with Your peace,
fill us with Your joy,
surround us with Your love.

We celebrate You and
thank You for coming.

Amen

Notre Dame Hospice - A Catholic Healthcare Ministry - Becoming a Volunteer

Notre Dame Hospice is looking for Volunteers. Volunteers can provide companionship, caregiver relief, run errands, play music, or offer any talent that you have to share. If you are interested or would like more information please contact: Melissa Meyers, Volunteer Coordinator
504-920-8442 or Email: mmeyers@arch-no.org Volunteers are needed in your local community.

Theology For Teens - Middle School Edition Training

St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body is changing lives around the world through its positive portrayal of human sexuality as a good and essential part of love and life. The Theology of the Body for Teens brings this exciting teaching into a practical format that teens and preteens will enjoy and understand. Join us for this timely and important training where you will be introduced to the Theology of the Body as it specifically relates to teens.

When: Saturday, January 6, 2018 - 9:00am - 3:00pm check in from: 8:15am

Where: St. John Evangelist Catholic Church Activity Center, 15208 Hwy 73, Prairieville, LA 70769

Note: Activity Center is on the same campus as the parish. For directions and logistics, call Marlene Bruce at 225-205-7172

Cost: \$45 includes all materials, TOB MS leader's guide, continental breakfast and lunch

Online Registration: <https://evangcatbr.org/registration/> Please register by December 20, 2017

For more Information contact: Shannon Baldrige - Office of Evangelization & Catechesis

Phone: 225-336-8760 ext. 136 - Email: sbaldrige@diobr.org

SCHEDULED MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

DATE	TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS	USHER
12/24/17 St. Elizabeth	4:00 PM	Mark Dubreuil Brady Landry	Robin Guillot Barry Aucoin Linda Aucoin Norma Blanchard	Ashleigh LeBlanc Jacob LeBlanc Megan LeBlanc	Keith Blanchard Dre Blanchard 2 Volunteers
12/24/17 St. Jules	6:00 PM	Shelly LeBlanc Jeannie Morris	Janelle Simoneaux 1 Volunteer	Aidan LeBlanc Austin & Aiden Paine	4 Volunteers
12/25/17 St. Elizabeth	12:00 AM	Sandy George 1 Volunteer	Sister Anija Sister Sudeepa Sister Vandana	Grant Dupaty Isabella George	Bill Newchurch Ray Diagle Ethan Brister 1 Volunteer
12/25/17 St. Jules	8:30 AM	Terry Bouchereau Darlene Landry	Marian Landry Patsy Breaux	2 Volunteers	1 Volunteer

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-December

St. Jules: Mary Ann Naquin & Sandra Landry

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS DONATED IN MEMORY OF:

St. Elizabeth: (Week of December 24) Roy Martinez

St. Jules: (Week of December 24) - Thanksgiving for God's Blessings

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

NEWLY BAPTIZED!!

"People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them." Luke 18:15

If you are expecting or just recently had a child, please call the Church Office (225-473-8569) and talk to Angelle Blanchard about arranging a baptism. Parents and Godparents who have not attended a baptismal seminar in the last 3 years are required to do so. The seminar lasts approximately one hour and will be scheduled upon request.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, Church History, the Sacraments, Catholic Scripture, and many more topics? Consider taking Ministry and Theology (MAT) courses! To learn more visit the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis website at ecangcatbr.org under the Certification tab. If you have any questions, call the staff at 225.336.8760

CEMETERY FUND

Cemetery Fund donations are now being accepted for St. Elizabeth, St. Jules, and St. Martin - suggested donation is \$35.00 per family. This helps to defer the cost for maintenance and upkeep of the cemeteries.

A Sincere thank you to the many parishoners who helped to decorate St. Elizabeth and St. Jules Churches. A special thank you to all who donated live Christmas trees. God Bless You All.

Thank You

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 23 (4th Sunday of Advent)

4:00 PM - *St. Elizabeth* - Pete & Petey Simoneaux & Chickie Alleman, Charles Malarcher, M/M Albert Aucoin, M/M Louis Daigle, Rachel, Margaret & Kent Morris, Sr., Mederic, Sr. & Mildred LeBlanc, Lucy & Lloyd Giroir, Lenny LeBlanc, Julie LeBlanc, Eves & Mary St. Germain, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Dugas Family, Clay Barbier Jr., & John & Mary Viso Family, Hubert & Elzie Rivere, Gail Ann Giroir, Jessie Dugas

8:30 AM - *St. Jules* -

Sunday, December 24 (4th Sunday of Advent)

9:30 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - (This was switched it is the St. Jules 8:30 mass) B. Dupuy & F. Landry families, Elmina Landry, Thomas J. & Erna B. Richard, Joan Newchurch, Maria Russo, Annie Russo, Cleve Landry, Gary Landry, Anna Mae Charlet, Rosa Mae Cancienne, Brenda Landry

6:00PM -

Monday, December 25

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

Tuesday, December 26

6:30 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - **NO MASS**

Friday, December 29

7:40 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - **NO MASS**

Saturday, December 30 -

4:00 PM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish

Sunday, December 31 -

8:30 AM - *St. Jules* - Rose Mae Cancienne

10:45 AM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish

Christmas Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 24

4:00PM - *St. Elizabeth* - Alma & Paul Daigle, Sr., Heidi Callegan, Mr. & Mrs. Camille Esneault & Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Alex Callegan & Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Paul R. LeBlanc, Sam Klack, Albert & Bernice Comeaux, Ute & Regina Sanchez, Emmet & Danny Simoneaux, Leonard & Bessie Sanchez, Jerry, Justileon & Lena Blanchard, Thomas (Tommy) Callegan, Lucy & Lloyd Giroir, Eric "CoCo" Rousseau & M/M Roy Rousseau, Sr., Marilyn, Joe & Lyn LeBlanc, Jeanette "Molo" & Leslie Rose LeBlanc

6:00PM - *St. Jules* - Annie Russo, Rosa Mae Cancienne, "Boomy" & Phil LeBlanc, Paul Cancienne, Rachel Morris, Kent & Margaret Morris

12:00PM - *St. Elizabeth* - For the People of the Parish
Monday, December 25

8:30 - *St. Jules* - Thelma Bergeron

