

First Sunday of Lent

February 21, 2010

SCHEDULE FOR : February 21, 2010 — February 27, 2010

Tuesday	Mass	12:05 p.m.
Wednesday	Men of Mary Group Attend Mass/Recite Rosary	6:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Children's Choir Practice Ministries Building	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Adult Choir Practice Ministries Building	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Mass	12:05 p.m.
Thursday	Safe Environment Session Continuing & Initial Ministries Building	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Friday	Safe Environment Session Continuing & Initial Ministries Building	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday	Way of the Cross In Church	5:30 p.m.

Reflection for the First Sunday of Lent

You must recall how the first Adam was cast out of Paradise into the desert if you are to attend to the way in which the second Adam (1 Cor. 15:45) returns from the desert to paradise. Notice, then, how the first punishment was unloosed in just the same way as it had been knotted, and how the divine blessings were restored along the same lines as those that went before. Adam emerges out of virgin earth, Christ comes forth from a Virgin; the former was made in God's image, the latter is God's Image itself (Col 1:15); the former was set above all irrational beasts, the latter above every living creature. Foolishness came through a woman, wisdom through a Virgin; death came from a tree, life from the cross. The one, being divested of spiritual clothing, wove a garment of leaves from a tree; the other, divested of this world's clothing, no longer sought material dress (Jn 19:23). Adam was cast out into the desert; Christ comes forth from the desert, for he was fully cognizant of where he would find condemned man, whom he would lead back into paradise set free from his sins. Let us follow in his footsteps and we shall be able to return to paradise from the desert.

Saint Ambrose, Bishop of Milan and Doctor of the Church

**The Sanctuary Lamp this week burns in memory of
John Wesley Broussard**

**The Blessed Mother Devotional Candle this week burns
in memory of
Bobbie Boudreaux**

MASS INTENTIONS

for the Week of February 22nd—28th, 2010

**MONDAY: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19 The Chair of St. Peter
6:30 A.M.** Hortense Morvant

**TUESDAY: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15 St. Polycarp
6:30 A.M.** Cody Mire
12:05 P.M. Whitney & Rita Bonin

**WEDNESDAY: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
6:30 A.M.** Lenes & Gladys (Ann.) Duhon; Leah Broussard;
Those who have no one to pray for them; Those who have
passed away; M/M Fernand Montagne; Therese & Luke Langli-
nais & Fly.; Dr. & Mrs. P.O. Landry & Fly.; Peter Thong Minh
Tran; M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; Linh hon mo coi; Nhũ Y;
Joseph L. Broussard; Johnnie Broussard & Fly.; George Veazey
Fly.; M/M Rene LeBlanc, Sr. & Fly.

**THURSDAY: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
6:30 A.M.** Wills J. Lege (Ann.)
12:05 P.M. Neal G. Broussard

**FRIDAY: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
6:30 A.M.** Whitney Bonin (Ann.)

**SATURDAY: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
6:30 A.M.** Mrs. Electa Parquette

VIGIL OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

4:00 P.M. Jim Bouse; M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; Justin "Jay"
Broussard, Jr.; Justin Broussard; Phero Nguyen; Nicole LeBlanc;
E.J. Adams; M/M John Vigneaux; M/M Fernand Montagne;
Jeannette M. Motty; Eleanor Bares & Fly.; M/M John Nugier;
George Veazey Fly.; Dôminicô Giac Tran; Maria Quet Nguyen;
Michael B. Faulk; Those who have no one to pray for them;
Those who have passed away; Robie Russo; Elvina Bourque &
Fly.; Whitney & Rita Bonin; Othon & Alma Trahan; M/M Sam
Guarino & Fly.; Mrs. Enid Guarino; Josephine Guarino; Joy P.
Awwad; Roger Sellers; Peter Thong Minh Tran; Ray Frederick;
M/M Stanley Morton; Kevin Comeaux; Sadie Noel Guidry; Ned
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

7:00 A.M. Nhũ Y

9:30 A.M. Alphonse Broussard Fly.

11:00 A.M. For the Parishioners

5:30 P.M. John, Audrey & Walter Bourque

Spiritual Life and Worship

Baptisms

Connor Ashton Dailey, son of Larry Alvin Dailey and Sylvia Denise Davis

Rylan Patrick Peltier, son of Brody Patrick Peltier and Simone Adele LeBlanc

“When we were little, we kept close to our mother in a dark alley or if dogs barked at us. Now, when we feel temptations of the flesh, we should run to the side of our Mother in Heaven, by realizing how she is to us, and by means of aspirations. She will defend us and lead us to the light.”

Saint Josemaria Escriva

CHARISMATIC VIGIL MASS

All are invited to this month’s Charismatic “Sunday Vigil” Mass on **Saturday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m.** Deepen your Lenten journey and bring your families. Mass celebrant and homilist will be Fr. Chester Arceneaux at Our Lady of Peace Church in Lafayette. The Mass is sponsored by the Lafayette Diocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Call CCR office for more information at 265-3773.

GOD HAS A PLAN! LENTEN MISSION

St. Anne Church in Cow Island will be presenting a parish mission entitled “God Has A Plan!”. The mission is designed to help us grow in our relationships with Jesus, to come to know Him more personally through the Sacraments. A priest from The Fathers of Mercy will be conducting the four night event from Monday, February 22–Thursday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. On Monday and Wednesday the talk will last 45 minutes followed by Eucharistic Adoration and on Tuesday and Thursday the mission will take place during Holy Mass.

PARISH MISSION IN NEW IBERIA

A Parish Mission will be given by Deacon Cody Miller at Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church in New Iberia. The topic for the mission will be “Inheriting God’s Treasure”. It is a four night mission in the heritage of St. Louis de Montfort and will start at 7:00 p.m. **The dates for the mission will be from Monday, February 22 through Thursday, February 25.** The aim of the mission is for attendees to come to a deeper understanding of the love of the Blessed Mother as well as to help you arrive at a deeper love of her Son Jesus. All are invited. Call Brenda Romero at 365-3759 for more information.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN PARISH LENTEN EVENTS

Weekday Masses ~

Monday– Saturday at 6:30 a.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays: additional Mass at 12:05 p.m.

Note: Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 12:10 p.m. at St. Theresa

ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT ~ DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

Way of the Cross ~

Every Friday in Lent at 5:30 p.m. in Church

Confessions ~

Saturdays: 2:30– 3:30 p.m.

Sundays: 4:45– 5:15 p.m.

Before all weekday Masses or by appointment

Lenten Penance Service ~

Thursday, March 11th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary Magdalen

Several priests will be available to hear confessions

Parish Lenten Mission ~

Lenten Mission will be held on March 21, 22, 23 presented by Fr. Jim Brady.

Tenebrae ~

Palm Sunday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE 2010

“God’s Mercy Endures Forever”

Guest Speakers

Rev. Hampton Davis, Immaculee Ilibagiza, Marcus Grodi, Dr. Bryan Thatcher, Annie Karto, Rev. Michael Champagne

Saturday, April 10, 2010

Doors open at 7:00 a.m.

Cajundome Convention Center

Conference fee- \$25 per person

Contact

Mary Bergeron 337-654-8682
mbergeron@centralregiononline.org

Conference may be used for Catechist Cert. credits/Religion Hours. Call for information regarding catechist credits. In addition to the conference on Saturday there will be a Mass on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 2319 Johnston St., Lafayette.** Celebrant for the Mass will be The Most Reverend Michael Jarrell and guest Homilist will be The Most Reverend Glen Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles. All are invited to attend!

Community Life and Outreach

Parishioners open their hearts and wallets for Haiti relief

As a result of the special collections throughout the Diocese of Lafayette for relief in the Haiti earthquake, the diocese has sent to Catholic Relief Services as of February 5, 2010, a total of \$405,005.82.

A breakdown of funds received from special collections shows that on January 26, \$156,781.47 was sent to Catholic Relief Services to be used in disaster relief in Haiti. The total amount as of Feb. 1, was \$156,660.42. On Feb. 4, another check was sent for the amount of \$91,563.93, totaling \$405,005.82 donated so far by the people of the Diocese of Lafayette.

One-hundred percent of these funds are being used for aid for the people of Haiti, whatever the needs may be, and are being administered by Catholic Relief Services.

As the donations continue to come in, money will continue to be sent every week to CRS.

Report courtesy of the Diocese of Lafayette www.diolaf.org

Special Note: You may remember the collection for Haiti at St. Mary Magdalen Parish was taken the weekend of January 30 & 31, 2010. A total of \$10,459.00 was collected.

Prayer For Vocations

Dear Jesus, I know how much You need boys and girls to give their whole lives to You to work for souls—to help lead more and more people to heaven. It is not easy to give up many pleasures and follow You, but I know that You promise those who do, much greater pleasure in heaven—and it will last forever. If it is Your will that any boy or girl in this school—or this class—or perhaps, even that I myself, should follow You in a special way as a priest, or brother, or sister, please give to them or to me, the grace, strength and courage to accept Your special invitation.

Dear Lord, inspire, many of us to follow this path in life, so that soon there may be enough priests, brothers and sisters to take care of the thousands of souls in Louisiana and America and the world, who so badly need help and care to gain happiness forever with You in heaven. Amen.

100 Days Indulgence
Imprimatur:
+JULES BENJAMIN JEANMARD
Bishop of Lafayette
January 14, 1953

RETREAT FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Place: Ministries Building

Date: Saturday, February 27, 2010

Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch Provided, no cost to attend
This is provided for people with mental and physical challenges.

FRIED FISH DINNERS DURING LENT

Vermilion Catholic High School will be selling fried fish dinners on Friday evenings in Lent. The dinners will consist of fried fish, french fries, coleslaw and bread for \$8. The dinners will be available from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and can be picked up at the school during those hours. Tickets will be available for purchase at the school office during the day from 7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

ANNUAL USHERS SUPPER

The Ushers of St. Mary Magdalen will have their annual supper for ushers and their spouses on **Sunday, February 28, 2010**. The supper will be held at the KC Hall in Abbeville at 7:00 p.m.

PRE-SCHOOL and KINDERGARTEN

Applications are now being taken for the
2010-2011 School Year

405 Park Avenue

Abbeville, Louisiana 70510

Phone: 898-0859 Fax: 893-5968

Mt. Carmel does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, religion, or national origin.



Search and Rescue Outreach Program

The primary focus is to identify any un-met needs among our own parishioners and offer

materials and information to those who may have been away from Christ and his Church for sometime.

Volunteers are needed: men, women and children are welcome and can be effective in this outreach mission. Groups meet at the Ministries Building once per month. You do not have to commit to every month, but please try it once! Contact the parish office at 893-0244 for more information.

When: Saturday, March 6, 2010

Where: Conference Room

Time: 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Christian Formation

First Communion Program 2010

Next CCD Preparation Class
Saturday, March 6th 8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m.
Ministries Building

Practice for First Communion:

Saturday, April 10th, 2010 8:00 -9:00 a.m. SMM Church

Sacrament of First Communion:

Saturday, April 17th, 2010 9:00 a.m. SMM Church

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Next Confirmation Preparation Class
Sunday, March 7, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
VC Auditorium

Practice for Confirmation Ceremony

Sunday, April 18th, 2010 6:45 p.m. in St. MM Church

Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony

Sunday, April 25th, 2010 5:30 p.m. in St. MM Church

COME AND SEE RETREAT

The Office of Vocations, Diocese of Lafayette will host a Come and See Retreat March 26-28 for men high school age and up. The retreat will be held at St. Joseph Seminary College in Covington, LA. There is no cost to attend, transportation is provided, meet faculty and seminarians, great food and fun, pray about priestly vocation. To attend, contact Fr. Aaron Melancon at 337-261-5690 no later than March 15, 2010.

VOCATION SUPPER FOR YOUNG MEN

A vocations supper for young men will be held at Bishop Michael Jarrell's residence on **Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.** It is customary that the pastor or religious accompany the candidate to the Vocation Supper. **Contact the parish office if you or someone you know is interested in attending (893-0244).** Space is limited so please contact the St. Mary Magdalen parish office so that a spot can be reserved. The deadline to register will be March 15, 2010.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM 2010 – EXCITING NEWS!

As part of the ongoing mission of the safety of our children the Diocese of Lafayette has approved the use of the **VIRTUS** Protecting God's Children Online Awareness Training. This is only for those volunteers who are in need of **Continuing Education**. Initial Trainings must still be attended in a live session. The **VIRTUS** program brings with it a multitude of advantages, probably the greatest being that now Continuing Education can be done at YOUR convenience.

To access the Protecting God's Children Awareness Training simply go to www.virtus.org click on the "Registration" link highlighted in yellow and select "Begin the registration process". The training module will take approximately one hour and email notification will be sent that you have completed the session.

Please remember:

- ◆ All employees and volunteers who have contact with or provide ministry to minors will need their certification for 2010.
- ◆ Continuing Education recertification must be done every **calendar year**. You may either do the online recertification module through VIRTUS or attend a Continuing Education live session in February 2010 to maintain active status with St. Mary Magdalen Parish activity or ministry.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT INITIAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION 2010 SCHEDULE

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Contact:</u>
<u>Wednesday, Feb. 24th</u>	6PM – 7PM (Continued) 6PM – 8PM (Initial*)	At St. Theresa In Pastoral Center	Loretta 893-5631
<u>Thursday, Feb. 25th</u>	10AM – 11AM (Continued) 10AM – 12 Noon (Initial*)	At St. Mary Magdalen In Ministries Building	Amanda 893-0244
<u>Friday, Feb. 26th</u>	1PM - 2PM (Continued) 1PM - 3PM (Initial*)	At St. Mary Magdalen In Ministries Building	Amanda 893-0244

*** Please bring your Driver's License to Initial Training Sessions. Call and pre-register by 5 pm the day before the training session that you plan to attend.**

Total Stewardship and Development

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

FEBRUARY 14, 2010

Regular Collection \$ 9,872.17

Second Collection:

Capital Campaign \$ 2,994.00

Thank You.

This Weekend

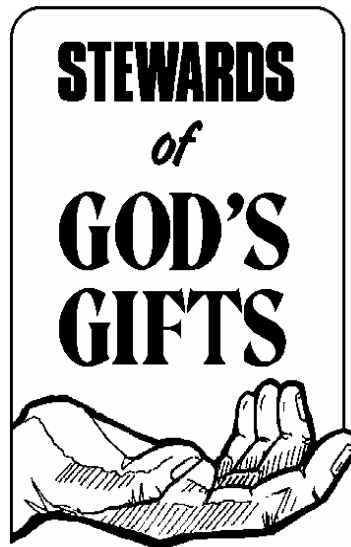
BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL

Next Weekend

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PROBLEM WITH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

It has been brought to our attention that some parishioners have not received their offertory envelopes for February/March. We have asked the envelope company to send out new sets to those who have notified us. Until you receive a set please use a plain envelope and mark your number on it or clearly mark your name.



STEWARDS
of
GOD'S
GIFTS

through the offering of one's time and talent as well as treasure.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

We would like to thank the altar servers who faithfully serve for weekday and weekend Masses, and also for funerals, weddings and other liturgical celebrations throughout the entire year.

These individuals along with so many others in our parish are visible signs of the spirituality of Christian stewardship. We continue to invite all parishioners to our parish plan of total stewardship which includes being meaningfully involved in the life of St. Mary Magdalen Parish

OPERATION RICE BOWL

JESUS' TEMPTATION

In Luke's story of the temptation of Jesus we see how we can be tempted by wealth, power, and esteem just as He was. Lent calls us to focus on our faith life by living it in deeper ways. As we begin our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us pray and sacrifice so that through our faith life we can make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in need. Please be sure to pick up a Rice Bowl packet from the Parish Office and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Visit orb.crs.org for more information.

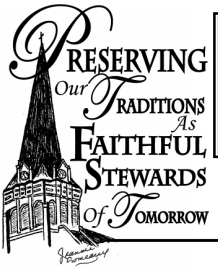
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*"When the devil had finished every temptation,
he departed from him for a time." Luke 4: 1-13*

Now there's a scary thought. Jesus, the Word made Flesh, Son of God and Son of Mary, is tempted by the devil-not just once, but again and again. How was Jesus really tempted? *Turn stones into bread.* That is a temptation to acquire material security and financial wealth. The Holy Land is full of stones. Turning stones into bread would have made Jesus very wealthy. All the kingdoms in the world...will be yours. That is a temptation to use wealth to gain power over others. Tyrants, both large and small, national and in families, use wealth to control others. Many people live in poverty and fear of a tyrant who has political and military power. Some people spend their lives catering to the whims of the person who controls a family's fortune. Throw yourself down and the angels will protect you. This is the most sinister temptation of all. To do something that will amaze people so you can gain control over their minds and hearts and souls. In various ways we constantly face these same temptations in our lives. How do we deal with them? Jesus resisted them again and again. As his disciples we must do the same.

~ Time, Talent, and Treasure ~

Management and Finance



St. Mary Magdalen Parish Capital Campaign

CAMPAIGN OPERATIONAL CHAIRS:

Pat & Vickie Patout and Charles & Mary Ellen Sonnier
 Brady Broussard, Jr. Chairperson of Stewardship and Development Commission
 Contact Peggy Ashley at the Campaign Office at 893-0244.

Capital Campaign Update

Now that we are back in the church and almost all of the restoration work has been completed, we are receiving the remaining outstanding invoices from contractors who worked on the project. At this time we can provide a more accurate picture of the financial status of the campaign.

Cost of Phase II		\$2,900,000.00
Cash collected to date	\$1,575,669.20	
	+	
Balance owed on pledges Already committed	\$ 403,500.96	
Total amount for Phase II		<u>\$1,979,170.16</u>
Balance to be raised		\$ 920,829.84

Donations and pledges to the campaign are still being accepted along with memorial gifts. The monthly Capital Campaign second collections will also be added to this total.

Obviously, the work was done all at one time and the bills are due before the entire Phase II goal has been raised. In anticipation of this scenario, a line of credit with the Diocese of Lafayette was established. The total amount of the line of credit is \$1,400,000. Invoices have been paid with money received in donations and pledges until it was necessary to draw on the line of credit.

Invoices on Phase II projects paid	\$2,702,671.33
Amount borrowed on the line of credit	\$1,059,172.44

Memorial opportunities are still available. Memorials may be pledged over a three year period. To reserve a remaining memorial please contact Peggy Ashley at the campaign office at 893-0244. Memorials are available on a first come, first serve basis.