

# December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent

**Tuesday, Dec. 19— 5:30 PM—EGAN-** (L) Jeanelle Hebert, Conrad Myer (D) Geary Hebert, Dakota Hebert, James Calvin Miller, Clarence & Helen Hanks & fly

**Wednesday, Dec. 20—8:00 AM— IOTA-** (L) Leonard Jr. & Angelle Cloud, Quillan & Tonia Bertrand, Keith Welch & fly, Pat & Terry LeJeune, Loretta & Steve Miller, Bertha Reed, Special Intentions for Tim McCarty (D) David N LeJeune, Paulette Coleman, Lyle, Curry, Jason & Darren LeJeune, Merlyn Reed, Leroy Fontenot, Mary Agnes Fabacher, Robert & Marja Nell Cart, Nelda Thibodeaux, Audrey Pousson, Alison Welch, Janet Miller, Phil LaCasse, Janis Williford, Brenda Prather, Alden & Theresa Dischler, Clarice & Bill Stewart

**Thursday, Dec. 21— 7:00 AM—IOTA-** (L) Rebecca Istre, Tiffany Istre, Geneive Miller, Martha Kebodeaux, Lula Mae Reed (D) Larry Leckelt, Souls in Purgatory, Lillie & Joe Bearb, Roger Crochet

**Friday, Dec 22— 7:00 AM—IOTA-** (L) Rev. Jude Thierry, Joan Latiolais, Todd Siffert (D) Nick & Kim Burins, Lawrence Leonards, Louise & Lawrence Heinen, Barbara & Bill Reed, Mark Latiolais

**Saturday, Dec 23- 4:00 PM- IOTA—** (L) Ethel Brown, Matthew sisters, Charles Leger, Lula R. & fly. (D) Tony Brown, Lucy & Leighton Matthews, Jimmy Reed, Charles & Ione LeJeune, Steve Bellon, Tommy Deaville, Matthews & Deaville fly., Marlene Leger, Leven, Lorraine & Steve Pousson, M/M Joseph Johnson, M/M Phillip Klumpp, M/M Frank Jabusch, Sr., George W. Hoffpauir, Hoffpauir & Leonards fly., Souls In Purgatory, Gerald LeDoux, Hebert & Leger fly., Herman Kebodeaux, Kebodeaux & Miller fly., Raleigh Miller, Edna Pousson, Elridge & Florence Pousson

**6:00PM— EGAN-(I)** For Prayers Answered (L) Claude & Lana Breaux, Elden Dupre (D) Marguerite Pousson, Irvin & Eva Pousson, Carl T. Regan, Francis Regan, James G. Regan

**Sunday, Dec. 24— 7:00 AM— IOTA-** (L) All Parishioners

**9:00AM- EGAN—** (D) John & Elaine Bellon, Kris Bellon, Sam Dommert, Vickie Bellon, M/M Tim Hollier, M/M Kenny Bellon

**11:00 AM— IOTA-** (L) Eric Dufrane, Michael LeJeune, fly., John Broussard, Tim LeJeune fly, Nancy Myers, Dustin Lavergne fly., Russell LeBlanc fly, Jake Michael LeJeune (D) Curley, Hazel & Gerald Doucet, Sr., M/M George Pousson, Sr., Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Sr., David R. Frey, Maria Istre, Larry Leckelt, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Willie & Audrey Myers, Rodney & Clarice LeJeune, Souls In Purgatory

## Sanctuary Lamps

*St. Joseph: In memory of Geary Hebert & In honor of Jeanelle Hebert*



*St. Michael: In memory of Virginia, Lester, Adell & Felix LeJeune*

## Votive Lamps

*Angel: In thanksgiving by the Pickett family*

*Angel: In memory of Marlene Leger & In honor of Charles Leger*

*St. Joseph: LeDoux-Habetz & Wheaton—Lantz family*

## Mass offerings: Thank you for your support!

<u>IOTA:</u>	\$ 4,271.00	<u>EGAN:</u>	\$ 1,474.00
Rel. Retirement:	\$ 987.00		\$ 224.00
Imm Comp	\$ 954.00		\$ 572.00

## St. Joseph - Lectors Dec. 23 & 24

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM -L- Monica M	<b>M-</b> Jennifer L
<b>Sunday</b>	7:00 AM- L- Dustin L	<b>M-</b> Kayla S
	11:00 AM—L- Heather Z	<b>M-</b> Jude L

## St. Michael— Lectors

<b>Saturday</b>	6:00 PM—L- Dale P
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 AM—L— Paul G

## Church Cleaners~ Week of Dec. 18

**St. Joseph—** Betty D & fly  
**St. Michael—** Ramona L & friends

## Communion to Homebound~ Dec. 21

Pris & Mary Lynn      Annie & Lisa      Fr. Killeen— Egan



## Please pray for the sick of our parish—

Darryl LeJeune, Velma Guidry, Tonya Z. Miller, Gerald Doucet, Jr., Pat R. LeJeune, Kristy McDaniel, Jerry Dale LeJeune, Edwina Sylvester, Leonard Cloud Jr., Quillian Bertrand, Randy Pousson, Connie LaCombe, Roylene Landry, JoAnn Regan, Claude Breaux, Frances Miller, Camron Woodson, Gracie Sanchez, Roland Soileau, Mary Odom, Christina Hebert, Daniel Lantz, Harold Ducote, Jr., Jill Wriberg, Randy G. Regan, Emily LaCombe, Evelyn Dore, Richard Breaux, Sidney Fruge, Jackson Hanks, Wilma LeJeune, Germaine Frey, Jana Francois, Quincy Lantz, Mona Cormier, Yvonne Miller, Joe Reed, Gloria Sanchez, Rene Earles, Lucy LaCasse, JoAnn Hebert, Jaxson Reed

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**CDA-** Tuesday, Jan 9 @10AM— Parish Hall  
**Come Lord Jesus—** Wednesday, Dec. 20 @ 9AM call 526-9177 for location & Thursday, Dec. 21 @ 6PM— Parish Hall  
**Rosary for the Sick—** Monday, Jan. 8 @5:30PM— St. Joseph Church  
**KC's-** Tuesday, Dec. 12 @ 7pm— Egan Church Hall  
**Bible Study—** Thursday, Dec. 21 @5PM— Parish Hall  
**St. Joseph LAS Bingo—** Sunday, Jan. 7th—Parish Hall

Dear Parish Family,

Rejoice! Today, the Church throughout the world celebrates what's known as Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means "rejoice." Though this is the Third Sunday of Advent, there is a bit of rejoicing and joy in the air. We light the rose candle of the Advent wreath! We will even see a few extra decorations in the sanctuary! When we light the rose candle, we know that we are at the halfway point of the Season, Christmas is almost here!

This Sunday tells us the nearness of the celebration of Christmas and the reason for our joy! I like to think of it as the Christmas tree is perfectly decorated, and we can see the wrapped presents under the tree. We know there are presents there for us, but we can't open them just yet! We have to wait a few more days!

Some parishioners have mentioned they received a text from me asking for various gift cards, often for people who are sick. I will never ask for gift cards via text or email or any other form of communication. These texts do not come from me. Sadly, it is common for scammers to use priests' names to trick faithful people in sending them money.

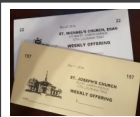
As we continue to look at the Sacrament of Confession. Let's look at something we may miss, the name of the Sacrament. This Sacrament goes by several names. Some priests call it the Sacrament of Reconciliation, while others the Sacrament of Confession. You may have also heard it be called the Sacrament of Penance or Mercy and Forgiveness. There is no one name. Rather, the name emphasizes to us a specific effect.

No matter what we call the Sacrament, we receive the fullness of mercy, forgiveness, and reconciliation from God. The name just shows us one of those different effects we receive. No matter what we call the Sacrament, make sure you spend the time this Advent season reflecting on your sins and going to Christ! He waits for you in the confessional, whether it's been weeks or years! We will have our final Light is on For You Confessions on the 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to about 8. We will also have our last Advent Mission on the same day at 5:30.

We also need altar servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and readers for our Christmas masses! Please contact the office and sign up! Come serve Christ this Christmas!

God Bless,  
Fr. Killeen

**Attention all Children!! We are looking for kids to sing at the 9AM Christmas Mass. Who's available? Please contact Mrs. Tonia Bertrand at 523-4925 if you are interested.**



#### Church Support Envelopes—

Envelope box sets for 2024 are in the foyer. If you would like to start using envelopes, please contact the office.



Christmas Flower donations are now being accepted. Please put them in an envelope marked with which church you would like your donation to go to along with your intention.

Deadline will be December 21st. There is no set amount of donation. Any amount is appreciated!



#### Adoration Chapel

We have 1 HOUR that needs to be filled in the Adoration Chapel

**2AM Monday morning**

Please call the office if you would like to take the hour.



We are handing out our annual Christmas mailing from the church parish this year. Please look through the boxes in the foyer of the church to find yours and your families. If you did not get one, that means you are not on our parishioner list. Please call or come by the office to register or update your information!

Please join us for the 2024 Festival de la Vie Pro-Life Prayer Walk Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am-1pm at Parc San Souci in downtown Lafayette. We will have an ecumenical prayer walk to pray for an increase in respect for all human life from conception to natural death. The event will also include praise & worship music, a guest speaker, games and family fun. We will also add an additional opportunity for prayer this year with mass at 8am at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in downtown Lafayette, followed by a rosary walk to the park.