

December 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, Dec. 24– 4:00 PM– IOTA– L & D S.F.S. Class of 1962 & I.H.S. Class of 1972 (L) Charles Leger, Lorette Short, In Thanksgiving (D) Mary Agnes Fabacher, Robert & Marja Nell Cart, Nelda Thibodeaux, Louise & Elson Leckelt, Sr., Johnny, Judy & Vida Floyd, Sylvester & Helen Frey, Tony Manuel, Sara Wriborg, Earl Hargroder, Bruce & Harry Dale LeJeune, Herman Kebodeaux, Kebodeaux & Miller fly., Ivan & Janelle Simar, JD & Amelia Bertrand, Mary Chapman, Nelson Stevens, Janell Miller, Kody M. Istre, Henry “Blanc” LaCasse, M/M Anatole Latiola, Jr., M/M Ernest LaCasse, M/M Albert LaCasse, Don, Rena & Jeffery LeJeune, Carolyn & James Leger, Delores “Jean” Potier, Marlene Leger, Ronnie LeJeune, Gerald LeDoux, Darrel Parsley, Leger & LeDoux fly., Tommy Deaville, April K Regan, Ronnie Chaumont, Joe & Betty Elfert, Clarence & Alice Chaumont, Fr. Gus Johnson, Michael & Nathan LaCombe, Edna Pousson, Eldridge & Florence Pousson, Remy & Annette Lantz, Joe & Hazel Stemplewski, Sister Annette Lantz, Carol & Joe Constantin, Pat & Corey Fontenot, Allen & Bessie Bergeaux, Floyd & Dorothy Bergeaux, Joyce & Jimmy Bourgeois, Thomas & Marie Miller, John Alden Miller, Thomas & Gertrude, Jack Fusilier, Laurie Miller, Kirby Miller, Leven & Lorraine Pousson, Steve Pousson, Lily Mae Pousson, Mamie Latiola, Roy Richard, Trey Thomas, Hazel & Camille Dupont, Brunn & Nookie Hebert, Thelma Smith, James “Black” & Margaret LeJeune, Donald, Vernice & Mary Vincent, Fred LeJeune, Sr., Max & Alice Simar fly, Howard & Agnes Leger fly., Simon & Louise Miller fly., Roland & Shirley Abshire, Leona M. Bellon, Mary Ellen, Debra & Donald Leger

6:00 PM– EGAN- (D) - Maureen Beard, M/M Maurice Pousson, Harvey & Judy Pousson, Leo, Lucille, Larry & John Regan, Floyd LaCombe, M/M Philibert LaCombe, M/M George Regan, Jake Trahan, Sr., Robert & Barbara Myers, Carl & Brent Hebert, Betty S. Pousson, Donna P. Hebert, Karen P. Leonards, Leroy & Mabel LeJeune, Hubert & Ella Mae Regan, Audrey & Shelby Truax, Shelby Jean Truax, Verda, Marcus & Farrel Hebert, Michael Thevis, Steven Voiter, Lynden Hebert, Ella, Oliver & Alton Stanford, Glenn & Perry Oliver, Jackie Oliver LeDoux

Monday, Dec. 25– MIDNIGHT- (I)- Special Intentions for Stanford fly., In Thanksgiving by the Gotte Fly, Special Intentions (L) Asa & Amanda Stewart fly., Jules Bruchez fly., Rev. Andrew Killeen (D) Darrel Granger, Jules & Susie Menou, Marie, Ann & Kelsey Stanford, Roger Klumpp, Bailey Miller, Allison Welch, Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Hurley & Leatrice Gautreaux, Mercer Taylor, Eva & Hubert Reed, Nicholas Hebert, Barry Simar, Ivan & Janell Simar, Donald & Sam Reed, Eva & Jerome Reed, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Robert & Delphine Richard, Jules Bruchez, Sr., Tony Thibodeaux, Shirley Menard, Bret Fickes, Faye Brasseaux, Derrick LeGros, Wilbert, Willa & Lyle LeJeune, Curry, Jason & Darrin LeJeune, Francois & Elia Hebert, James & Mavis Jamison, Janis Williford, Kaleb Myers, Paulette Coleman

9:00AM– IOTA- (L) Frances Myers, In thanksgiving by the Seilhan & Miller fly., Audrey Miller, In Thanksgiving by M/M Jack Lambert, Taylor Madere, In Thanksgiving by Jerry & Annie Pickett fly (D) Rita & Harvey Hebert, Sr., Lubert Reed, Mark Semar, Frances Short, David N. LeJeune, Belgium & Lovenia Hoffpauir, Norma Simon, Jodie H. Gautreaux, Calice & Lucia Sonnier, Oday, Viley & Francis Sonnier, Allen LeBlanc, Jr., Howard Simon, Sr., JD & Ella Mae Miller, Harry & Luna LaCasse, JD Hebert, Daniel “Buddy” & Kaleb Myers, FN & Jeanette Fabacher, Phyllis Cart, Edward & Teresa Gotreaux, Sammy & Barbara Deville, Guy Lopez, Jack & Edna T Oliver, Tommy Pinson, Lisa Miller, Cleve & Veronica Miller fly., Russell & Barbara LaCombe, JM, Dot & Joan McCrory, Francis & Mabel Cart, Diana Gotte, Gennell, Thomas & Brittany Daigle, David R. Frey, Vickie Bellon M/M Tim Hollier, M/M Kenny Bellon & fly., Phil LaCasse, Charlie & Ione LeJeune, M/M Seyman LeJeune, Gilton & Magdalene LeJeune, Barry Simar, Rachel Lacombe, Floyd LaCombe, M/M Philibert LaCombe, M/M George Regan, Jared Hannon, Hannon & Aguilard fly., Randall Ritter, Ronnie Chaumont, JD & Bertie Guillory, Henry & Norma “Mick” Latiola, Jeremy Latiola, Jerry & Roselind Sarradet, Larry & Janell Miller, Jeff Regan, Marie & Thomas Valair, Lester Jordan fly., Bea Morrow fly., Willard & Bennie Miller, John Laughlin, Rodney, Tony & Thomas Roy, Casey Ewing, Robert Walker, Thomas Dischler, Brenda Pickett, Ethel & Isaac Seilhan, Richard & Diane LeGros, Syrus Seilhan, Edna & Elroy Pousson, Otis & Tester Primeaux, Judy Armand, Dawn Gray, Kyle Leger, Dudley, Roy Sr. fly , Roman Hebert Fly, Murphy & Lucy Guillory fly, Ben Fruge, Calvin Cart, Lillie & Calvin Aucoin

Tuesday, Dec. 26– 5:30 PM–EGAN- (L) Ryan Latiola, Jana Francois, JoAnn Regan

Wednesday, Dec. 27–8:00 AM– IOTA- (L) Leonard Jr. & Angelle Cloud, Quillan & Tonia Bertrand, Keith Welch & fly, Pat & Terry LeJeune, Loretta & Steve Miller, Chet & Jessica Hannon, Hannon fly (D) David N LeJeune, Paulette Coleman, Lyle, Curry, Jason & Darren LeJeune, Mary Agnes Fabacher, Robert & Marja Nell Cart, Nelda Thibodeaux, Kylie Hebert, Jarred Hannon, Audrey LeJeune, Alison Welch, Janet Miller, Phil LaCasse, Janis Williford, Brenda Prather,

Thursday, Dec. 28– 7:00 AM–IOTA- (L) Jenna Hannon, Albert & Jael Valair, Stanford Jordan (D) Mark Semar, Larry Leckelt, Souls in Purgatory, Jared Hannon, Susan Leonards, Souls in Purgatory, Greg & Alfred Leonards, George Hoffpauir

Friday, Dec 29– 7:00 AM–IOTA- (L) John-Ryan Drodody, Loretta Short, Greg Venable, Anne Ritter (D) Robert & Marja Nell Cart, Nelda Thibodeaux

Saturday, Dec 30– 4:00 PM- IOTA– (L) Charles Leger, Lula R. & fly. Amy Miller (D) Jimmy Reed, Charles & Ione LeJeune, M/M Ray Milner, Marlene Leger, Raymond, Lelia & Lily Pousson, M/M Joseph Johnson, M/M Phillip Klumpp, M/M Frank Jabusch, Sr., George W. Hoffpauir, Hoffpauir & Leonards fly., Souls In Purgatory, Raleigh Miller, Edna Pousson, Elridge & Florence Pousson, Allison Welch, Wanda Ruth LeJeune, Ben Fruge, Calvin Cart, Lillie & Calvin Aucoin, Janis Williford, Kaleb Myers, Paulette Coleman

6:00PM– EGAN- (L) Claude & Lana Breaux, Elden Dupre (D) Maureen Beard, Betty S. Pousson, Donna Hebert, Karen P. Leonards

Sunday, Dec. 31– 7:00 AM– IOTA- (L) All Parishioners

9:00AM- EGAN– (D) John & Elaine Bellon, Kris Bellon, Sam Dommert, Vickie Bellon, James & Paul Bellon, Jack & Edna Oliver, Tommy Pinson

11:00 AM– IOTA-(I) In Honor of Holy Family, For a Blessed Healthy Happy New Year for Our Family (L) Monique Cavazos, Michael LeJeune, fly., John Broussard, Tim LeJeune fly, Nancy Myers, Dustin Lavergne fly., Russell LeBlanc fly, Jake Michael LeJeune, Kristina & Missy Sloane, Charles Leger, For All those who are in Need of Healing (D) Lorenzo Cavazos, Souls in Purgatory, Wayne Thevis, Audrey & Rigney Pousson, Sr., Ronnie Chaumont, Michael & Nathan LaCombe, Lloyd & Verna Higginbotham, Willie & Audrey Myers, Rodney & Clarice LeJeune, Souls In Purgatory, Otis & Tester Primeaux, Judy Armand, Dawn Gray, Kyle Leger, Perry & Roxie Stanford, Isaac Stanford, David N LeJeune, Sara Wriborg, Earl Hargroder, Genell, Thomas & Brittany Daigle, David R. Frey, Marlene Leger, JD & Bertie Guillory, Henry & Norma “Mick” Latiola, Jeremy Latiola

Dear Parish Family,

It is not quite Christmas yet! We celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent as we eagerly await the birth of our Savior! This Sunday we hear the intimate moment between Mary and the Archangel Gabriel. Mary receives the Good News of the Gospel and responds with love and peace. Please keep in mind that we should also attend mass for Christmas! What would be the point of waiting for these four weeks and not go to the celebration!

Here's our Christmas Mass Schedule:

Sunday Evening – December 24th:

4 p.m. at St. Joseph

6 p.m. at St. Michael

Monday Morning – December 25th:

12 a.m. (Midnight Candlelight Mass) at St. Joseph

9 a.m. at St. Joseph

I am sure many of you have seen the recent announcements from the Vatican's doctrinal office. First and foremost, it is always a safe practice to stay away from secular news outlets when it comes to news regarding the Church. They simply want a catchy headline, and as we have seen, are not afraid of spreading falsehoods. Second, the document has been released. So, it is there for anyone who would like to read it.

The document is rather lengthy. So, if that seems like a daunting task the next best thing would be look to your local ordinary for any clarification. Bishop Deshotel has released a statement and practices for his priests. In summary, the document teaches us a great deal about blessings and how they can be at the service of the Church's mission in proclaiming the Gospel. The Church's teaching on marriage and human sexuality remains the same.

When someone asks for a blessing, that person is asking God for His help. Blessings are sacramentals and as such seek to increase God's grace in the believer. Think of the ashes given at Ash Wednesday or any blessing given by a priest outside of mass. The blessing does not express an approval of the person's behaviors, but rather is the Church's prayer on behalf of the sinner seeking mercy.

I, as a priest, have blessed countless people who come to me. I did not ask the state of their soul or even if they were Christian, they asked for a blessing and I willingly gave it. That could be the only genuine encounter they have with Christ, and maybe it gets the Holy Spirit working in their life.

What's important is that we do not read a headline and react in the extreme. Slow down, read, re-read if you must, stop, and I would recommend, you pray. Pray for all involved and pray for yourself. Mary received the Good News from Gabriel, don't allow the fact that others twist Christ's message to lead you away from the dogmas of Christ's Church.

God Bless, Fr. Killeen



The St. Joseph Ladies Altar Society will have a **meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 2 at 2pm in St. Joseph Parish Hall** to discuss the upcoming **Bingo, which will be Sunday, Jan. 7**. Help will be needed throughout the day. Proceeds from the bingo will go towards the new doors on the back side of the church. Anyone wishing the help by donating cakes, sweets, drinks, etc are appreciated! Please contact Mrs. Judia @ 250-3442



Sanctuary Lamps

*St. Joseph: In memory of Roger Klumpp,
Bailey Miller & Allison Welch*



*St. Michael: In memory of Allen Blanchard,
Ruby, Richard & Randy Carr*

Votive Lamps

Angel: In memory of David N. Le Jeune

*Angel: In memory of Gilton & Magdalene Le Jeune,
Barry Simar & Rachel Lacombe*

*St. Joseph: In memory of Gerald LeDoux & Dovic
Leger fly*

Mass offerings: *Thank you for your support!*

IOTA: \$ 4,747.00 EGAN: \$ 1,297.00

Christmas– St. Joseph

4PM– L– Heather Z M– Mary G., Ann R
Midnight– L–Mary Beth M. M– Robbie L, Volunteer
9:00AM– L–Kayla S. M– Annie P, Erica D

St. Joseph - Lectors Dec. 30 & 31

Saturday 4:00 PM -L– Norma M– Millie L
Sunday 7:00 AM- L- Molly C M– Karen L
11:00 AM–L– Anita D M– Mikeal D

St. Michael– Lectors

Saturday 6:00 PM–L– Jill J
Sunday 9:00 AM–L– Denise L

Church Cleaners~ Week of Dec. 25

St. Joseph— Molly C & friends