

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 10:00 a.m.

*Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21*

Julie Bradberry, Sonny Baudry, M/M Onesime Richard

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 6:30 a.m.

*Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,
Bishops and Doctors of the Church
1 Jn 2:22-28 / Jn 1:19-28*

Julie Bradberry, Elma Braus

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 6:30 a.m.

*Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 2:29—3:6 / Jn 1:29-34*

Julie Bradberry, Norman Hymel

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 6:30 a.m.

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
1 Jn 3:7-10 / Jn 1:35-42*

Julie Bradberry

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 12:10 p.m.

*St. John Neumann, Bishop
1 Jn 3:11-21 / Jn 1:43-51*

Julie Bradberry

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

*Christmas Weekday / First Saturday
1 Jn 5:5-13 / Mk 1:7-11*

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6 / Eph 2:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

4:00 p.m. M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Lee Nini fly. (L&D), Patrick Gray, Hazel Landry Roy, Lee Landry, Mercedes & Leroy Naquin, Tommy Naquin, Bobby Naquin, Anatole & Marcelite Naquin, Beverly Comeaux fly. (L&D), Onesime Richard

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

7:00 a.m. Andy Robichaux, Emile & Ivy Adams, Stephen E. Adams

10:00 a.m. Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Edna Alcina

6:30 p.m. Patrick Gray, Fr. Richard Fabre

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Offertory (Dec. 23/24) \$3757.00  
Christmas \$3120.00

**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

A Blessed New Year to all of you.

Various media offer us the opportunity to review the events of the year now ending. In particular we are reminded of the milestones of the last twelve months.

Even as we are reminded of these events, we cannot but reflect upon the significant events in our personal lives. If we make this reflection a review of our lives, this can be an experience of prayer, a moment of grace.

The ultimate goal of life is to be united with God for all eternity.

In order to be united with God, we need to be holy because God is holy. The Christmas Season reminds us that God took unto Himself a human nature so that we could enter into the Divine Nature of God.

So we are transformed, changed, by the grace of God. It is not something that we earn or merit, but only a gift from God.

The Lord Jesus gives Himself to us in Word and Sacrament to enable our growth in holiness, to make it possible for us to be more receptive and responsive to that gift of grace.

Reading from the Bible, the written Word of God, and reflecting upon what we read should be a regular experience for us. Reading a verse or two at the beginning of the day and pondering that message throughout the day enriches us and helps us to know the Lord in ever-greater depths.

The Mass and confession are essential for growth in the life of faith. The Eucharist unites us more closely to Christ Jesus, bringing us healing and strength. A regular experience of confession helps us to be accountable and keeps us honest.

Other devotions are also of value: recitation of the Angelus three times a day, the rosary, prayers before meals, and seasonal devotions like the stations of the cross during Lent.

The Lord Jesus also reveals Himself to us in the ordinary circumstances of our lives. He tells us that he is present to us in the persons of the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick, imprisoned, and stranger.

Perhaps the perfect New Year's resolution would be to be resolved every day to begin anew in our pursuit of union with God.

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**New Year's Holiday:** Although the parish office will be closed on New Year's Day, it will be open on Tuesday, January 2, at the usual hours.

**Office Closed:** The parish office will be closed January 3 and 4. Monsignor Courville will be in the parish, but please call before coming to the office.

**First Saturday:** Saturday, January 6, is the first Saturday of the month. There will be a Mass at 8 that morning in addition to the evening Mass.

**Repeat Announcements**

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God:** Bishop Deshotel has dispensed the Catholics of the diocese from the obligation to attend Mass on the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, January 1, New Year's Day. There will nevertheless be a Mass on Monday, January 1, at 10 a.m. for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.

**Pray for the following priest each day:** Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

- January 1, Pope Francis
- January 2, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- January 3, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- January 4, Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- January 5, Rev. Charles Langlois
- January 6, Msgr. H.A. Larroque
- January 7, Rev. Bernard Lebiez, OSB

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Vanessa Clements, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Reese Grace Johnson, Brooke Rhodes, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable La-Coste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Jeana Francis, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Claudette Faulk, Archer Rogers, Mike Keith, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry, Sonny Gilmore, Laurie Hale, Theresa Henry, Connie Robichaux, Quinn Toups, Gloria Nini, Susan Cantrell, Denyse Millitello, Mike Taylor, Malisa Mayon, Linda DeHart, John Menard, Glenn Eues, J.C. Ratcliff, Matthew LeJeune

| DATE / TIME          | READERS          | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | ROSARY        |
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| January 6, 4:00 p.m. | Lisa Russo       | Alison Wilson                        | Alison Wilson |
| January 7, 7:00 a.m. | Prissy Davis     |                                      |               |
| 10:00 a.m.           | Sandra Watson    | Mary Etta Taylor                     |               |
| 6:30 p.m.            | Landon Broussard | Belinda Boudreaux                    |               |