

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 6:30 a.m.**  
*St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr*  
*Ti 1:1-9 / Lk 17:1-6*

Julie Bradberry, Monica Mancuso, Stephanie Baudry, Mary White

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 6:30 a.m.**  
*St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin*  
*Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 / Lk 17:7-10*

Julie Bradberry, Angelique LeLeux

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**  
*Weekday*  
*Ti 3:1-7 / Lk 17:11-19*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15**  
*Weekday*  
*Phlm 7-20 / Lk 17:20-25*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**  
*Weekday*  
*2 Jn 4-9 / Lk 17:26-37*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17**  
*Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*Dn 12:1-3 / Heb 10:11-14, 18 / Mk 13:24-32*

**4:00 p.m.** M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), M/M Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), M/M George Fabre, Julie Bradberry, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Gary Melancon, Cody Cousins, Gayle Arnould, Dana G. Robin, John Warren, M/M D.J. Tranchina fly. (L&D), Helen Overturf, Rand Nini, Shelia Hayes, Jane & Carlo Vaccarella fly. (L&D)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

**7:00 a.m.** Connie Robichaux, John L. Hollier

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

**6:30 p.m.** Jane & Carlo Vaccarella fly. (L&D), Theresa Henry

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 Offertory \$3157.00  
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**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

I saw Christmas decorations yesterday morning. Initially surprised, I quickly remembered that these particular Christmas decorations had to be in place by the evening of Thanksgiving Day. That day, I realized, is only two weeks away.

It is time for the Christmas decorations.

This thought turned my attention to the Season of Advent that begins on December 2 this year. Although it is uncharacteristic of me during the last several years to plan ahead, as you know so well by now, I had already been thinking of the Advent Season.

The church year, like a fiscal or academic year, does not begin on January 1. The Solemnity of Christmas by ancient custom is observed on December 25. The four Sundays immediately before that day are designated as the Sundays of Advent. This is based on the premise that the world waited for four thousand years for the promised Messiah or Savior.

So waiting and preparation are the themes of Advent. We await the return of the Savior to the world and we prepare ourselves spiritually, emotionally, and physically for the annual commemoration of the birth of the Savior, the mystery of the Incarnation, God made Man in the person of Jesus Christ.

Planning ahead, we could commit ourselves, as part of our spiritual preparation for Christmas, to reading the Bible passages, or part of them, assigned to the Sundays of Advent. These passages are printed in the bulletin the week before the Sunday. This could be done in addition to our usual commitment of prayer.

We could prepare ourselves emotionally by listening to our hearts and responding accordingly. Christmas can be stressful for a number of reasons. Some of the stress comes from strained relationships, unresolved conflicts, and neglect. These can be addressed before Christmas Day and enable us to truly experience "peace on earth."

We could prepare ourselves physically by engaging in fasting or self-denial. These disciplines help to free us from the tyranny of "the flesh" and help open us to the life of the Spirit.

The Church issues to us the invitation to enter into the Advent Season to wait and to prepare together for the Coming of Christ Jesus.

Will we respond to the invitation? It could make a difference.

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**Religion Classes and Come Lord Jesus:** The religion classes and Come Lord Jesus groups will meet on Wednesday, November 14, but not on Wednesday, November 21, because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Sessions resume on Wednesday, November 28.

**Mass Schedule:** Because Monsignor Courville will be away from the afternoon of November 13 until November 23 for vacation, there will be no weekday Masses during that time. The weekend Masses will be at the usual times however.

**Second Collection:** The second collection this weekend is for the Bishop's Services Appeal.

**Special Collection:** The second collection next weekend is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

**Repeat Announcements**

**Prayer Partners:** The purpose of the program is to provide prayer support for the candidates. The partners are asked to write notes of encouragement to the candidates. Gifts are not to be given, prayerful support only. If you wish to participate, please select a name and contact Monsignor Courville preferably by email, [monsignor@bellsouth.net](mailto:monsignor@bellsouth.net), or telephone, 385-1280. Janea Giroir has posted the names on facebook. Include your email address and telephone number when volunteering.

**Centennial Mass:** Bishop Deshotel will celebrate Mass on December 12 at 6 p.m. at the Cajundome Convention Center in Lafayette to close the Centennial Year. The doors will open at 4:30 to allow viewing of displays in conjunction with the centennial. All are invited.

| DATE / TIME                                       | READERS                                         | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | ROSARY        |
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| November 17, 4:00 p.m.                            | Christine Henry                                 | Alison Wilson                        | Alison Wilson |
| November 18, 7:00 a.m.<br>10:00 a.m.<br>6:30 p.m. | Prissy Davis<br>Sheli McGonagill<br>Laura Dozar | James Stewart<br>Briant Dozar        |               |

**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.

November 12, Rev. Arulsamy Gnanavoli, SVD  
 November 13, Rev. Msgr. Richard Greene  
 November 14, Rev. Mitchell Guidry  
 November 15, Ch. Capt. Brad Guillory, USAF  
 November 16, Rev. Joshua Guillory, JCL  
 November 17, Rev. Jude Halphen  
 November 18, Rev. Brian Harrington

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sapey, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, John Czajka, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Karen Moore, David Berg, John Keenze, Sr., Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mable LaCoste, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, MIL, David Gilmore, Jane Webster, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Wyanette Monceaux, Clay Leonard, Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, 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, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Laurie Hale, Quinn Toups, Susan Cantrell, Denyse Millitello, Mike Taylor, Linda DeHart, John Menard, Glenn Eues, Aedan Jones, Sawyer Allums, Dawn Anslem, Dana Hart, Marie Dupre, Hunter Chaisson, Gene Dreher, Cori Contreras, Cohen Callas, Debbie Zorn, Eddie Hamlett, Jahmarla Guidry, Richard Clark, Chris Rodrigue, Kristi Liner, Chad Arnaud, Mary Jack Geoffery