



FROM THE PASTOR

The first Sunday of Lent invites us to reflect on the themes of temptation, endurance, and spiritual growth. The readings remind us that even Jesus faced temptation in the wilderness. After His baptism, He spent forty days fasting and praying, a time to prepare for His ministry. This period of solitude and struggle was not just a moment of weakness but an essential part of His journey, highlighting the importance of relying on God's strength in the face of challenges. Just as Jesus turned to scripture to counter the devil's challenges, we are called to deepen our understanding of God’s Word and apply it in our daily lives. This reflection prompts us to consider what we might be tempted by during this season. Are we drawn to worldly pleasures, distractions, or negativity? How can we use this time to cultivate a closer relationship with God, perhaps through prayer, fasting, or acts of charity? As we journey through Lent may we emerge from this season more attuned to God’s voice, more compassionate towards others, and committed to our spiritual growth.

MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday, March 8, 2025 4:00 P.M. Rita Martin, Yolanda Williams, Stephan Williams by Loretta Guillory Mary Stella Minix in honor of her 1 st birthday by grandmother, Willie Mae Minix Rose Bernard in honor of her 85 th birthday by Willie Mae Minix; Ernest Minix, Sr. 23 rd Anniversary of death by Willie Mae Minix and Troy Minix Lawrence Meaux in memory of his birthday by Wilma Moore
Sunday, March 9, 2025 7:30 A.M. All Parishioners’ Intentions
Sunday, March 9, 2025 9:00 A.M. Laura Bell Thomas by Family Annie Mae Melancon Bownes in memory of her birthday by nieces, Willie Mae Minix and Rose Bernard; Jessie Mae Melancon Williams in memory of her birthday by the nieces, Willie Mae Minix and Rose Bernard; Della Rose Melancon Simon in memory of her birthday by nieces, Willie Mae Minix and Rose Bernard
Monday, March 10, 2025 7:00 A.M. No Mass
Tuesday, March 11, 2025 5:30 P.M. William Odoguje
Wed., March 12, 2025 7:00 A.M.
Thurs., March 13, 2025 7:00 A.M.
Friday, March 14, 2025 7:00 A.M. For Pope Francis

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Air Force Skl. Joseph J. Mouton Kalen Louvere Caleb Smith Tevin Barker Troy Wilridge, Jr.	Akeem Robinson Jordan Solomon Lt. Col. Luciana Augustine Maya-Alexandra Clement
Army: Scott Davy Marcus Dugar Montica P. Dugar Laquita Dugar Kim Walters <i>(Retired Captain)</i> Preston Dejean III	Schnicka Singleton <i>(Chief Warrant Officer)</i> William Simon Damien Comeaux Troy Williams James Martin Shawn Webster <i>(Germany)</i> PFC Khalil Anderson
Navy: Jan Smith <i>(Chief)</i> Avery Chester, Jr. <i>(Cmdr)</i> Leon E. Bias <i>(Master Chief)</i> Seamen Keison Minix Dylan Montgomery, Deniqua Freddie <i>(LT)</i> Colby Clement	Shevon Savoy <i>(Master Chief)</i> O'Dazio Thomas, Johnny Lambert III Zion Averett, Johnny Wilson Ryan K. Senegal <i>(E2)</i> Kenneth Hoover Jr
Marine Taurean Thibodeaux Chris Williams <i>(Staff Sgt)</i> Lyonel Cormier	Julius Nijal Clement

Sat., March 15, 2025 4:00 PM Welcome & Readings: Madeline Cain EOM: Lynn Bates Altar servers: Ma 'Lai Thomas	Sun., March 16, 2025 7:30 AM Welcome & Readings: Delores Clement EOM: Alma Sinclair Altar servers: Tim Henry Sun., March 16, 2025 9:00 AM Welcome & Reading: Dollie Monroe EOM: Sharon Wilridge Altar servers: Trae’jon, A’leilik, K’Dynn
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PRAY FOR THE SICK	
Donald Adams	Ariyana Freddie
Florence Allen	Ernie Millier
Leslie Allen	Dalton George
Dawanna Andrus	Collins George
John W. Arceneaux	Mervin George
Johnetta Arceneaux	Zelma Glodd
Shavon Ardoin	Christian Guillory
Gloria Babineaux	Loretta Guillory
Ashley Baines	Heavenly Edward
Derrick Batiste	Louis Harmon
Lionel Batiste	Lucille Harmon
Rosa Batiste	Louise Henry
Mitchell Bellard	Clifton Hollier
John (JYD) Solomon	Elizabeth Imoru
Mary (Betsy) Breaux	Gloria Jackson
Brenda Bias	Jamie Lee Brown
Ollie Bias	Mary B. Johnson
Authuria Byers	LaShonda Jones
Albertine Bernard	John Romeo
Charlesa Bernard	Sue Lewis
Stella Bernard	Gabriella (Lila) Logan
Torrie Bernard	Larry Melancon
Edmonia Beverly	Frederick Minix
Patricia Beverly	Willie Mae Minix
Harold Boutte	Jimmy Moore
Jasmine Carrier	Cleveland Morris
Mona Carrier	Joey Orebo
Monique Carrier	Beckum J. Primeaux
Aleathia Celestine	Alvin Chaffers
Kermit Chambers	Belton Narcisse
Alfred Segura	Audrey Chevis
Hilda M. Scott	Verlia Cormier
Harold Chevis	Tamekia Scott
Diane Comeaux	Rodney Cormier
Sheila Fontenot	Lilie Francis
Zaidyn Damond	Ivory Solomon
Carmen Drake	Michael Solomon
Christine Dugar	Alzena Veazie
Ulysses Demuchest	Wilbert (Derek) Wilridge
Dorothy Eaglin	Prestlyn Thomas
Angelina Freddie	Phyllis Wiltz
Mary Ann Gray	Buster Senegal
Patricia Ross	Lois Cormier
Bernard George	Wilson Stiner
Remi Castille	Eddie Scott
Cheryl Garrick	Lisa Demuchest
Verna Young	

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN MISSION

Theme: Christ Our Hope. **Guest Speaker:** Rev. Fr. Peter Emusa. **Date** March, Thursday 13- Friday 14, 2025. **Time:** 5.30pm daily.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Next week’s second collection is for Saint Vincent DePaul.
- There will be adoration this Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- There will be no Bible Studies this Thursday because of the Lenten Mission.
- Fish Fry each Friday during Lent, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Catfish or Garfish - \$8.00
- Bar-b-Que Dinner Sale – Pork or Steak with trimmings - \$12.00, March 15, 2025, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Office hours remain 12noon -4pm Mondays to Fridays. For emergencies call the pastor before coming to the office.
- Stations of the Cross, Fridays at 5:30 p.m.



BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Louis Harmon, Elizabeth Goodwill, Frederick Arceneaux, Alma Sinclair, Faye Hunter, Gladys W. Henderson, Angelia Mayfield, Gail Henry, Sharon Clement, Phyllis Tezeno, Hilda Boudreaux, Dorothy Eaglin, Gerald Thomas

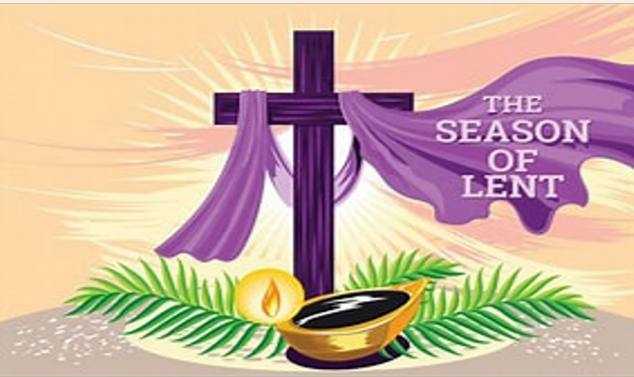
CONFESSION
Tuesday: 5:00 PM – 5:20 PM
Saturday: 3:30PM – 3:50 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM – 7:20 AM & 8:30 AM – 8:50 AM

LAST WEEK'S MASS	
ATTENDANCE	COLLECTION
March 1, 2025 4:00 PM (50)	Weekly Collection \$3,660.00
March 2, 2025 7:30 AM (51)	Second Collection \$241.00
March 2, 2025 9:00 AM (77)	Online Donation \$25.00
	Renovation Fund \$0
	Bazaar Fund \$0

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Cecelia Hunter, Leotha H. Thomas
by Felton and Madeline



Key Insights from the Readings for the 1st Sunday of Lent

First Reading (Deuteronomy 26:4-10): This passage presents an important liturgical instruction for the Israelites. As they bring the first fruits of the land to the Lord, they are reminded to acknowledge their history: their deliverance from Egypt and God's faithfulness. This act of offering serves as a call to gratitude and recognition of God's blessings in their lives.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 91:1-2, 10-15): This psalm expresses trust in God as a refuge and fortress. It assures believers that God will protect and deliver them from harm. The verses highlight God’s promises to be with those who call on Him, emphasizing the themes of safety, salvation, and divine presence.

Second Reading (Romans 10:8-13): In this passage, Paul speaks about the power of faith and the importance of confessing that Jesus is Lord. He underscores that salvation is available to all who believe, regardless of background. This reading emphasizes the simplicity and universality of the Gospel message, focusing on faith as the pathway to salvation.

Gospel (Luke 4:1-13): This Gospel recounts the account of Jesus being led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where He faces temptation for 40 days. Each temptation presented by the devil is met with responses grounded in Scripture, revealing Jesus’ reliance on God's word. This narrative not only highlights Jesus’ victory over temptation but also serves as a model for believers in facing their own challenges.

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