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Saint Mary of False River Catholic Church

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St. Francis Chapel

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MAY 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8 am - 4 pm
Closed for lunch from 12 to 1:00 pm
Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Tuesday through Friday: 12:00 Noon

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m.
(St. Francis Chapel)
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Wednesday - 11:20 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Saturday - 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick **BY**

APPOINTMENT ONLY and Communion for the Sick: CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Marriages:

Contact the Parish Office prior to making plans; at least 6 months preparation is necessary.

RCIA/Adult Confirmation

Please contact Gale Roy 225-718-1574 for inquiry about the process of full initiation into the Catholic Church.

Baptisms:

Please contact Parish Office prior to birth for details. A seminar for parents and godparents is required.

Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesday following noon mass.

Adoration Chapel Hours:

Mondays and Wednesdays
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fridays
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

OUR MISSION

As members of a devout Eucharistic Community established in 1728, we at St. Mary of False River and St. Francis Chapel, take as our mission the sharing of our gifts with one another. As followers of Jesus Christ, we strive to fulfill the needs of those within our Church Parish, but also those we are called to serve beyond. As faithful stewards of our many ministries, we will persist in our work to share our love for Christ with all people by demonstrating to our best ability, the warmth of a Christ-like love.

St. Mary Parish Office Mailing Address: 402 West Main Street, New Roads, LA 70760

A Letter From our Deacon



And just like that...10 months of being in a new place I have called “home” comes to an end. Honestly, I cannot believe the time has come and gone so fast. Like I said in my early homilies, until July 2020 I had never been to New Roads. When I first arrived here, I was instantly treated and welcomed so warmly by so many people that I would wonder would I learn anyone’s name? I still wish that everyone would wear name tags! The masks on people’s faces may have tried to hide the smile, but the eyes, your eyes, lovingly welcomed me, a transitional deacon for the Diocese of Baton Rouge, who was on a new journey waiting to see where God would lead you and I together, and for this I will always be eternally grateful.

I had spent the first half of 2020 in a far away place getting to know myself and was lovingly afforded the opportunity to grow in my relationship with God. Returning to ministry full time was an exciting opportunity to see if the People of God would indeed still confirm my calling to the Priesthood like they had done throughout my formation years at the seminary. My church family at Saint Mary of False River & Saint Francis Chapel did just that...you brought me back to life!!! I will never forget the constant affirmations and love and support you showered upon me. You made me feel like family and for all intents and purposes that is indeed what you have become to me, family, and definitely a second “home parish”!

Working with Father Mike these last five months has been an inspiration and a joy. How fortunate are we in New Roads to have a priest among us filled with JOY even in his retirement years? He has been one of my greatest supporters, a friend, mentor, role model, and an inspiration to me. The staff and faithful volunteers in the parish have always pushed me to excellence and inspired me to do my best even in the midst of all of us trying to gain some sense of normalcy in a time that everything was not normal for any of us. For this and for so much more, I sincerely thank all of you.

As of the writing of this article I still do not know where I will be assigned after I am ordained a priest. However, like I have said to many of you, it truly does not matter, because wherever it may be, so will God be. In this weekend’s Gospel Jesus tells us that if we remain in Him we will bear much fruit. This parish has given birth to much fruit throughout the years, and is still bearing fruit and will remain bearing fruit because all of you focus on Our Lord. We may not always do it perfectly, but God sees our efforts and everyday is a second chance to start over with our merciful God.

I love all of you and I will be back, God willing, at all four masses on the weekend of May 29 & 30th to celebrate masses of thanksgiving with all of you as Father Danny! I truly cannot wait! Let’s continue to pray for each other today and always!

Love,

Deacon Danny

Father Danny’s Masses of Thanksgiving

Father Danny’s Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary’s will be **May 29th at 4:00 P.M** with a reception following in the Parish Hall. He will be preaching at all masses that weekend. **There will be baskets at all doors for cards/donations for him. Checks should be made payable to Danny Roussel; NOT St. Mary’s.** Monetary gifts are greatly appreciated as any other gifts may be duplicated. Parishioners are welcome to drop off their donations at the Parish Office. St. Mary’s was so blessed to have him with us for 10 months! He will surely be missed!

“The priest is not a priest for himself - he is for you. After God, the priest is everything.”

St. Jean Vianney

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sun, May 2	5th Sunday of Easter 7:00 AM Mass - SF 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Mass - CH Building Fund - Second Collection
Mon, May 3	No Mass Adoration Chapel Open 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Tues, May 4	12:00 Noon Mass - CH Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
Wed, May 5	Reconciliation 11:20 AM - 11:50 AM - CH 12:00 Noon Mass - CH Adoration Chapel Open 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Thurs, May 6	12:00 Noon Mass - CH St. Joseph Novena
Fri, May 7	12:00 Noon Mass - CH Adoration Chapel Open 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon
Sat, May 8	2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Reconciliation - CH 4:00 PM Mass - CH CSPC Tuition Assist. - Second Collection
Sun, May 9	6th Sunday of Easter 7:00 AM Mass - SF 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Mass - CH CSPC Tuition Assist. - Second Collection

**CH - Church, PH-Parish Hall, PO - Parish Office,
SJC - St. Joseph Center, SF - St. Francis**

Bulletin Article Deadline

The Deadline for submitting bulletin articles is Friday before noon. **Articles can be faxed to 638-6346, or emailed to jdoucet@stmarysfr.org.**

Welcome New Parishioners!

We welcome new Parishioners. Parish registration forms are in the rear of church for your convenience and in the Parish Office. Please notify the Parish Office if your address or telephone number changes, or if you move out of the parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 2

James M. Bouanchaud, Kaleb Clark, M/M Leo L. Mix, Genevieve Jones, Angela & Floyd Chenevert, Charlotte Fabre, A.J. Bertrand, Ernest, Arabella, & Steven Langlois, Logan Hamilton, Myles Bueche & Grandparents, Paul S. Rockvoan, Paul W. Rockvoan, Megan Jarreau, Rita Major, Gerard "Bug" Roy, Jr., Sally Saizan, Charles Langlois, M/M O.B. Laurent, Jr., Shane Brewer, George & Martha Thomas, Callie Cifreo Hardin, Mona Guidry, Milton Bonaventure, Dr. Harry Kellerman, Pat Laurent, Lynn Schexnayder, Gertrude Schexnayder, M/M Buddy Serio, M/M Percy Aguiard, Lester Aguiard, Lindely Dodson, Tony Triola, Marcie & Eunice Picard, Karen Boudreaux, Joseph Boudreaux, M/M Joseph Boudreaux, Sr., Hilbert & Jackie Olinde, Larry Olinde

Tuesday, May 4

Megan Jarreau, Gerard "Bug" Roy, Jr.

Wednesday, May 5

Gerard "Bug" Roy, Jr. Larry Maciasz, Bob & Valley LeBoeuf, Cody Holmes, Mike Holmes, Charlotte Fabre, Rita Major, Raymond Schexnayder, Sr., Callie Cifreo Hardin, Dr. Harry Kellerman

Thursday, May 6

"Bug" Roy, Audley Smith, Jr., Don Ewing, Jr., Elenora & Dawson Pourciau, Lynn Schexnayder, Gertrude Schexnayder, Antoine & Lizzie Langlois, George & Hazel Powers, Milton Bonaventure

Friday, May 7

Nolan & Hazel Miller, Lucy & Irene Roberts, Mgn Isidore DeCeulare, Rita Major, "Bug" Roy, Shirley Ladmirault

Saturday, May 8

Andre & Veronica Fuselier, Bonnie Jewell, Violet David, Stella Latham, Eva Pourciau, Catherine Russo, Meredith & Edward Lieux, Viola Engemann, Dr. Harry Kellerman, Gerard "Bug" Roy, Jr.

Sunday, May 9

James M. Bouanchaud, Kaleb Clark, M/M Leo L. Mix, Genevieve Jones, Angela & Floyd Chenevert, Charlotte M. Fabre, A.J. Bertrand, Ernest, Arabella, & Steven Langlois, Logan Hamilton, Myles Bueche & Grandparents, Gerard "Bug" Roy, Jr., Sally Saizan, M/M O.B. Laurent, Jr., Shane Brewer, George & Martha Thomas, Callie Cifreo Hardin, Mona Guidry, Pat Laurent, Anna Mae Neff, Ann Guidroz, Ludovic, Adrienne, & Gaston David, Lionel & Mildred David, M/M Lelio Mix, Ida Lee Kent, Vivian LeJeune, Betty LeJeune, Ovide LeJeune, Evelina LeJeune, Bob & Valley LeBoeuf, Una Johnson, Romona Nickens, Wickleffe & Mildred David, Arthur & Maude Jarreau, Louis E. LeCoq, Tyler Perrault, M/M F.A. Smith, Kackie Thomas, Audley Smith, Michael McCoy, Lena & Edwin Guerin, Joane Smith, M/M A.K. Smith, Albert & Myrtle Aguiard, Adolph & Verna Jarreau, Beverly J. Guidroz, Delta Dugas, Andrea Mayeaux, Rosie Tuminello Laurent, Christy Roy, Albert & Lena Cline, Roberta & Ryan Tassin, Joseph Harold David, Shirley D. Doucet, Glynn Morgan, Harold & Corinne David, Travis Mougeot, Mary Agnes Bueche, Wilford Porche, Sr., Rita Major, Shirley Vosburg

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

For the Week of May 9 at St. Mary:

Cherie Smith, Polly Niland, Bonnie Cashio, Judy Niland, Shephanie Morgan, Colette Jewell, Cille Engemann

God's Housekeepers for May at St. Francis:

Brenda Debetaz, Gale Roy, Bettie Capps

Vocation View

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If you feel God is calling you to His priesthood or religious life, **contact Father Josh Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.**

Branching Out Isn't Always What It's Cracked Up to Be

"That's a really beautiful tree branch. Man, would you look at the bark on that thing? The others are real duds, but that low-hanging branch has really got it all together."

I've never heard anyone say this. Maybe I just need to hang out with more arborists, but I can't recall ever hearing someone admire the particular beauty of a single branch. When someone comments on a tree, it's usually the whole tree — perhaps a visual element of it, like the color of the leaves or its height. But people don't usually zero in on one branch.

Maybe that's because usually, if one branch is looking a little weak, chances are every other branch is, too.

The Bible tells us that when we bear fruit as good everyday stewards, it is for the Father's glory. We are the branch on His magnificent tree. What we have is from Him, and what we do likewise points back to Him. We also tend to reflect how well the other branches around us are incorporating the nutrients coming their way. That's all fine and good in theory. In practice, it can be an arduous exercise in humility.

When I do something virtuous or charitable or kind, there is a part of me that wants to stand out for it. I think that's true for all of us. We've given of ourselves in some way or overcome some human temptation to accomplish a little bit of good in this world, and even though we know God sees us, we'd really love for everyone else to see it, too.

It's a struggle, for sure. But we need to remember that our fruit belongs to the whole tree.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

Collections: April 12, 2021 - April 18, 2021

Stewardship	7,714.00
Online Giving	<u>2,014.00</u>
	\$9,728.00

May Special/2nd Collections

May 1-2 Building Fund - Second Collection

May 8-9 CSPC Tuition Assistance - Second Collection

May 15-16 Catholic Communication - Special Collection



CSPC Tuition Assistance 2nd Collection

We will have a second collection the weekend of **May 8 & 9** for **Catholic School of Pointe Coupee**. This collection will help those who are in need of tuition assistance. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Signing up for Online Giving is as easy as.....

1. Visit our parish's website at www.stmarysfr.org.
2. Click on the Online Giving graphic (like the one above).
3. Complete the online registration form.

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- No need for writing checks
- Financial planning allows you to align your paychecks with your parish's offertory schedule.
- Allows you to give even if you are unable to attend Mass.
- Contribution amount is easily adjusted.
- Credit card option allows you to take advantage of any benefits such as airline mileage or cash bonuses.

PRAYER LIST

If you wish to place a name on the prayer list or retain a name after the four week period, please call **JoNell Doucet at 638-9665**.

Please pray for all military persons and their families, and all those in need, especially, for the following people:



Mitch Aguillard
Cecil Armond
Miller Backus
Trevor Barnes
John Bayham
Lester Bergeron, III
Erin Bertinot
Colbi Bonaventure
Melvin Boudreaux
Warren Braud
Beverly F. Broussard
Dorothy Broussard
Gayle Brown
J.C. Bueche, III
Kynlee Bueche
Eddie Callegan
Meredith Canpanella
Richard Celestin
Peggy Champagne
Sonya Chauvin
Katie Cilano
Peggy Cline
Bryant J. David
Jason David
Anna Davis
Buddy Doming
D. Paul Doucet

Marcus Doucet
Cheryl Dubea
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Susan Thomas
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John Vosburg
Cheryl Waddell
Debbie Wall
Miranda Young

DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION POSITION OPEN

St. Mary of False River Catholic Church in New Roads, La. has an opening for a Director of Christian Formation.

The primary responsibilities of this position are:

To plan and coordinate a Parish School of Religion program for Elementary, Junior High, and High School students.

To plan and coordinate a Sacramental Preparation Program for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation students.

A letter of Interest and your resume can be sent by mail or email:

Pastor

St. Mary of False River Church
402 West Main St.
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mschatzle@diobr.org
225 638-9665

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

Sanctuary Candle Memorial

The Sanctuary Candle is burning for the month of May 2021 in loving memory of Gerard "Bug" Roy and Shirley D. Doucet.

Adoration Chapel Opening

The Adoration Chapel will open on Monday, May 3rd at 8:00 A.M.

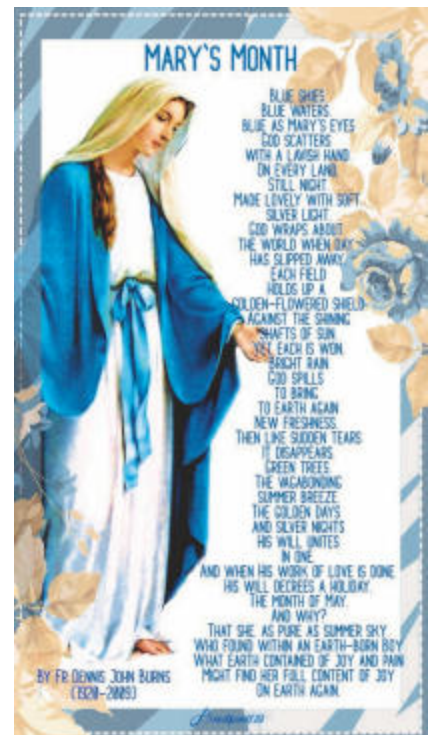
The Chapel will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Mondays and Wednesdays and 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon on Fridays.

Only four persons at a time will be allowed in the chapel to comply with Covid guidelines. For safety purposes, the access code for the chapel has been changed. If you have not received the new access code, you will need to register in the Parish Office.

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar this weekend, May 1st & 2nd are in memory of Audley Smith.

May is the Month of Mary!



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