

OLPS SCHOOL
BULLDOG BYTES

COMMUNITY COFFEE UPC label collection is the week of Dec. 11-15! Each year, OLPS students and supporters raise about \$2,000 through this program, and the money goes straight back to the school. Community Coffee labels may be turned in at the school office, the church office, or with your favorite OLPS student. Remember, it's not just coffee labels; Community Coffee also distributes sugar, creamer and tea.

ADVENT PROJECTS: As we enter Advent, our teachers have chosen projects that allow their students to help others. The following projects were selected and shared with the students, along with ways that they can earn donations to help those less fortunate:

- Pre-School and Pre-K will collect books which will be donated to the children who are served by **CASA** (Court Appointed Special Advocates).
- Kindergarten and fifth Grade have adopted families from the OLPS Parish **Christmas Cheer** program.
- First Grade will collect food to donate to **Manna House** to serve the hungry.
- Second Grade is collecting money to donate to the retired sisters of the **Congregation of Divine Providence**, the congregation that started our school over 60 years ago.
- Third Grade has chosen to donate to **Hope House** to help this area's homeless children and women.
- Fourth Grade is helping by donating to the **Special Education Center**.
- Sixth Grade is making care packages to donate to **Christus Hospice Palliative Care** patients.

It is our hope that, through their participation in these projects, our students will learn the true Reason for the Season. Please join us in praying for all those in need.

THE FLOWERS ON EACH SIDE OF THE TABERNACLE last week were given in loving memory of **THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CARBO AND WILLIAMS FAMILIES**.

THE FLOWERS BY OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR are given in loving memory of **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CLARK AND EDWARD FAMILIES**.

THE ALTAR CANDLES will burn this week in loving memory of the **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE RAY FAMILY** by Charles and Helen Vanderlick.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn this week in loving memory of the **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE RAY FAMILY** by Charles and Helen Vanderlick.

FLOCKNOTE: If you wish to receive weekly emails on Thursday about, "What is happening this week at OLPS" or wish to change your contact information or ministry and service groups, please contact Renee Aldridge at 318-445-9748, ext. 216.

OLPS YOUTH

JUNIOR HIGH: Our Junior High group (grades 7-8 from all schools) meets on Wednesday from 6:15 to 7:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, contact Rebekah Brocato at 447-7861 or 445-9748, ext. 228.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH GROUP: High school youth meets on Sunday after the 5:30 P.M. Mass in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, call Ben Lesnfsky at 445-9748, ext. 228 or email youth@olpschurch.org.

'CHILDREN OF HOPE': The next First Friday holy hour will be Friday, Feb. 2 from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in church. (The children will not meet in January when they are out of school for Christmas vacation.) The program includes Eucharistic Adoration, prayers, music, rosary and meditations for children especially in grades two through six.

OUR SEMINARIANS: Deacon Luke LaFleur, Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, OH; David Keran, Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans

OUR PERMANENT DEACON CANDIDATE: Bill Aldridge

PLEASE PRAY for all our service men and women serving at home and abroad, among them **Michael Adamson, Paul Arbour, Jesse Barth, Chad Bordelon, Luke Borrel; Bobby Bounds, Beau Bradford, John Paul Brumley; Shawn D. Bryant, Gregory Carbo II, Ray Constantino, Scott Deville, Billy Dove III, Dirk Erickson, David Fields, Chaplain Father John Gabriel, Carl Greene, Zach Jeansonne; Michael Kelley, Dustin Martin, Victor Odom; Jared Slay, Francis Jerome Vanderlick, Michael Ware, Nicholas Waters, and William Whisenant**. If you know someone serving whose name is not on our list, please contact the church office.

OLPS PARISH SUPPERS are held every Wednesday from 5:00 to 6:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Center. The Knights of Columbus Council 8029 prepares the suppers. Meals are \$5.00 per plate. Take outs are available, but you are encouraged to stay and eat in the Center and visit with other members of our church family. You may check the bulletin online at www.olpschurch.org for the updated menu. **Dec. 6 Menu: Chicken and sausage gumbo, rice, crackers, and dessert.**

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: HOSPITALITY SUNDAYS HOSTED BY THE HOSPITALITY COMMISSION: Our first Sunday socials have become "Hospitality Sundays" designed to be a gathering and welcoming place after Masses. Cindy Naus is putting together separate hospitality teams for the 9:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. Masses, to host small socials monthly and larger lively socials in February, May, August and November with a wider assortment of food offerings, videos of church events and door prizes. You will see greeters in aprons at Mass on the months we have the larger events. Various church ministries and commissions will host both sets of events. Cindy is seeking feedback from parishioners as she is tweaking the menus. If you have a gift for hospitality give Cindy a call at 613-2242 and join the team!

OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR

Mailing Address: 401 21st Street, Alexandria, La. 71301

Church Office/Rectory Telephone: 445-3693

Youth Center Telephone: 445-9748, ext. 229

Fr. Daniel P. O'Connor, Pastor

Fr. John Wiltse, Parochial Vicar

Fr. Joy Retnazihomoni, In Residence

Fr. Chris Nayak, In Residence

Mary Floyd, Parish Manager

Colleen "Dee" Gilbert, Bookkeeper/Margaret Shiver, Receptionist

Jo Tassin, Principal of OLPS School

Linda Perot, Director of Music Ministry

Josh Blakesley, Associate Director of Music Ministry

Grae McCullough, Music Minister

Ben Lesnefsky, Director of Youth Ministry

Rebekah Brocato, Coordinator of Junior High Ministry

Michelle Lemoine, Director of Religious Education

Renee Aldridge, Coordinator of Program Development

Sarah Duncan Mealer, Church Nursery Coordinator

Brandon Callahan, Maintenance Supervisor

Michael Upton, Finance Council Chair + John Lyons, Pastoral Council Chair

Maria Olagues, School Council Chair

SACRAMENTS/LITURGY/DEVOTIONS

Mass: Saturday 4 PM

Sunday 7, 9 & 10:30 AM; 5:30 PM

(Nursery Available for 9, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM for Newborns through 3 yrs.)

Weekdays: 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil - 5:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 AM; 12:05 P.M. & 5:30 PM

Children's Liturgy of the Word (For ages 4 - 8 yrs.)

Sundays at 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00 - 3:50 PM; Sundays 5:15 - 5:25 PM and Weekdays before Mass

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Class by appointment.

Register in advance by calling the Church Office (445-3693).

Baptisms are ministered by appointment.

Sacrament of Holy Eucharist: For the sick and homebound.

Contact Renee Aldridge at the church office, 445-3693.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact our Parish Priests at 445-3693.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM every Friday in the Church.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAMS

CCD - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Junior High - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

READINGS FOR DECEMBER 8:

Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 98; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38

READINGS FOR DECEMBER 10: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm

85; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

IN MEMORY: MICHAEL CAZES;

PANSY HILDEGARDE

Please pray Mr. Cazes (brother of Mr. Mark Cazes); Mrs. Hildegard (mother of Mrs. Mary Halbert); and for those of our parish who have recently died and for the consolation of their families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Father Terry Allen; Debra Baker; John 'Lad' Baker; Jeanne Bonnette; Leona Brogdon; Lois Carbo; Theresa DeBona; Vincent Drago; Marie Finley; Connie Fiorenza; Frances Floyd; Kyle Fowler; Mattie Lou Furby; Bishop Ronald Herzog; Tom Hirschak; Monsignor Ronald Hoppe; Jack Hubley; Sister Pat Kimball; Angel LaJaunie; Andrew Ryan Lemoine; Joseph Loden; Mike Lofton; Father F. J. Lyons; David W. Michiels; Richard Norem; Cindy Pinkerton; Lottie Pinkerton; Hazel Slocum; Lurline Stone; Gustavia Thibeaux; Father August Thompson; Father Baby Elliott Trahan; Anna Troia; Sister Virginia Lee Vanderlick; Sarah K. Vincent; Jacob Williamson; Lenora Yeager; Victoria Young; and all the homebound of our parish community.

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUN., DECEMBER 3:

7:00 A.M. Joseph Marien Jr.

9:00 A.M. David Ezernack; Living and deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Joe and Verna Carbo; Bob Foster and Jim Foster; Theda Hodges Cahill; Intention of Susan McNeal; Ian Thomas Maguire; Tom Stafford; Mary Taylor Bennett; Casey Morris; Willie Pugh

10:30 A.M. Our Parish Family

5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

MON., DECEMBER 4:

6:30 A.M. Peggy St. John

5:30 P.M. Ronnie Buford

TUES., DECEMBER 5:

6:30 A.M. Hat Cheong Lau

5:30 P.M. Intention of Deacon Richard and Nicole Mitchell

WED., DECEMBER 6:

6:30 A.M. Charles L. Carbo Sr.

5:30 P.M. Joe King and Fran McGinty

THURS., DECEMBER 7:

6:30 A.M. Beverly Bohrer (anniv.)

8:00 A.M. NO SCHOOL MASS

5:30 P.M. V. A. Lomonte Jr. and deceased members of the Lomonte Family

FRI., DECEMBER 8:

6:30 A.M. Lawson Keppinger

8:00 A.M. Intention of Jim Curley

12:05 P.M. Our Parish Family

5:30 P.M. Ruth Bergeron

SAT., DECEMBER 9:

8:00 A.M. Sophie Chestovich

4:00 P.M. Josephine Chestovich; Jerry and Gerry Flynn; Agnes D'Angelo; Bertha Maude 'Ruby' Hebert Broussard (anniv.); Tracy Wiltse; Intention of Rick Ferguson; Pete Lalande, Sadie Lalande and Julie Lalande Abendroth; Deceased members of the Hebert and Naus Families

SUN., DECEMBER 10:

7:00 A.M. David Schexnyder

9:00 A.M. Bob and Jim Foster; David Ezernack; Living and deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Intention of Bernadette Mansour; Al Beach and living and deceased members of the Verzwylvelt and Beach Families; Gen Boyle; Deceased members of the Moras Family

10:30 A.M. Our Parish Family

5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

GIFTS REPORT - CHURCH SUPPORT

Income needed for Nov. (four Sundays)	\$87,000.00
Gifts on previous weekends in Nov.	\$60,509.00
Gifts given last weekend	\$23,392.00
Amount UNDER for Nov.	\$3,099.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$1,506.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT and payment by credit card are available for our contributions to church support. If interested please contact Mary Floyd at the church office by calling 445-9748, ext. 201.