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January 12th and 13th, 2008 The Baptism of the Lord

*A voice came from the heavens, saying,
"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."*

Matthew 3:17



***St. Anne, Assumption,
& St. Philomena
High School Bon Fire
Sunday, January 27
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Youth House***



Pastor

Fr. Trey Nelson

Associate Pastor

Fr. Howard Adkins

Secretaries/Bookkeepers

Cheryl Arboneaux and Carol Guillot

Director of Religious Education

Kathy Landry

Music Director

Brenda Landry

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Reconciliation

St. Anne/Saturdays at 3:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday 5:30pm St. Anne

Tuesday 7:00am St. Anne

Wednesday 7:00am Assumption

Weddings

There is a required 6 month process of preparation. Wedding dates are tentative until first meeting with priest

Funerals

Please contact church office for help with arrangements

Baptisms

Contact office for the dates and times of baptism seminars and baptisms

Emergencies

Call 369-6656 and follow directions given on voice mail message

From the Tee Box...

January 12th and 13th, 2008

The Baptism of the Lord



Dear Friends:

I enjoyed a very nice time away this past week. Basically, I simply spent it with my family and helping out with some things around the house and yard at my Mom's. It was good to just relax for a while. I also went over for a visit with my good friend, Father Jerry Young, the pastor of St. Joseph Cathedral in Baton Rouge. Now that we are a couple of weeks into the new year, I thought that it might be appropriate for me to share a few perceptions with you regarding some of our possible priorities for the coming year. As I do so, please know that we have not yet had our next meetings with our Parish Councils of Ministries. When we do so, they will have a very important role in helping to discern our needs (and responses to those needs) for the first part of this year. I am very confident that the members of both of our Councils (St. Anne/Assumption and St. Philomena) will be extremely helpful in this process. So, here's a first glance at some of the areas that I will be inviting all of us to discern:

Parish Finances: over the course of my 10 years here with you, as most of us are aware, the demographics of our area have changed somewhat. We see this particularly when we look at the registration lists of our 3 church parishes. Many of our older parishioners have passed away and a small number of some of our parishioners have (over the course of time) begun to worship at other church parishes in the area because of the various Mass times that are available to them. I do not view this as a negative change, but I do view this as a dynamic that we need to reflect upon. With looking toward the future, we must be even more aware of the economic trends of our area and plan appropriately, as best we can. So, I will be asking our 3 Finance Councils, along with our Parish Councils of Ministries, to offer ideas about financial and ministerial planning for the future. This is not what I would call a "red flag" issue. It's just that there have been some changes in the faith practices of parishioners in the South-West Deanery (our area, which runs from Labadieville north to Donaldsonville, and from Pierre Part west to Vacherie and St. James), and it seems like a good point to resume the process of long-range ministerial planning that we began about 5 years ago. Your thoughts are most welcome.

Youth Ministry: the youth of our communities are awesome. The experience of serving with them and getting to know them has been nothing less than life-giving. During the past several months I have experienced this in the Confirmation class (that I have been teaching at St. Philomena), through our current

youth ministry programs and activities, and through the ministry of altar server. Mrs. Kathy Landry and Mrs. Mable Leboeuf, along with our many adult volunteers, have helped greatly in getting our new program off the ground. The time has now come for us to take the next step forward. Kathy serves as our overall coordinator, and she and I have been meeting to review plans for the coming months. Such plans will include gatherings for youth (pre-teen through high school), a new tri-parish youth ministry t-shirt, and the production of our next Teen Talk Radio program. I simply invite your support and encouragement of our efforts. This is an incredibly important aspect of parish life and we are called to continue to put our best foot forward.

Adult Education: the response to our "Catholic Flash Card Night" back in Advent was really good. If I remember correctly, almost 70 adults attended. As a follow-up to that, we will be planning other opportunities for discussion and further education during the coming months. It was also suggested that we offer an inter-generational activity of some sort. This would be an opportunity for youth and adults of our communities to come together for an opportunity for socializing and faith sharing. I am really excited about the many adult ed possibilities that are before us. **As part of adult education, I must also mention a perception that I have regarding church attendance by youth and adults.** While many of our families do in fact attend Mass on the weekends, there are many whom we never get to see. I don't know if they attend other churches—or if they're simply not able to attend at all. Either way, the issue of family worship is one that we will be addressing directly with our youth and their parents over the course of the next 2 to 3 months.

Sound System Quality: (this is a St. Anne Church issue only.) Please know that I am aware that it is extremely hard, if not impossible, to hear in certain sections of the church. We have had difficulties with our sound system since I arrived here in 1997 and long before that. I recently asked some older parishioners about this issue, and all of them told me, "Father, the sound in our church has always been a problem—long before you arrived." So, during the month of January I will be asking the company who normally works on our system to help me with redesigning it and then offering us a bid on improvement. I cannot apologize enough for the difficulty with hearing that some of you have experienced. All I can say is that I am bound and determined to "fix it", as they say.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Father Trey Nelson

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Youth Ministry Update

- January 13** **Middle School Night**
All 5th & 6th Graders
6:00pm to 8:00pm
Youth House
- January 20** **Youth Board Meeting**
4:00pm to 6:00 pm
Youth House
- Junior High Music Night**
6:00pm to 8:00pm
Youth House
- January 21** **Homebound Visits**
Time to be announced
(Please call to give your name if
you would like to help.)
- January 27** **High School Bon Fire**
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Youth House

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
- Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
- Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Bishop's Respect Life Rally January 18, 2008 2:00pm to 4:00pm Main Auditorium Catholic Life Center

Bring the whole family and come celebrate life with Bishop Muench! Fr. Frank Pavone will be the keynote speaker and the theme is "The Infant in My Womb Leaped for Joy". There will be bible crafts for children 7 years and younger during the keynote speech and Bishop Muench will lead the Living Rosary for Life with a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard. Contact Shannon Baldrige at the Marriage and Family Life Office (225) 242-0323 or sbaldrige@diobr.org for more information.

January 2008



*All deceased members of our church
community.*

Baptisms & Seminars



The next baptism seminar will be Tuesday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Landsmann Center.

Parents are to contact Mrs. Kathy Landry prior to the Baptismal Seminar at 369-2130.

Any questions regarding seminar, please call Mrs. Kathy Landry.

Please call the church office to schedule baptism. Unless otherwise noted, baptisms always take place on the *third Sunday of the month* after the 9:15am Mass at Assumption Church.

**25th & 50th, 65th or Longer
Wedding Anniversary Celebration
February 24, 2008
Sacred Heart Church
Celebrant: Bishop Robert W. Muench
Registration Deadline: February 15, 2008**

Please contact the church office (369-6656) for more information or to request a form.

St. Elizabeth School Recruitment Party & Open House Saturday, January 19, 2008 9:30am until 11:00am

Open to all 4 and 5 year olds entering Pre-K or Kindergarten in the Fall of 2008 and to any family who may be considering St. Elizabeth School for their children at any grade level for Fall 2008.

Please come by and experience the Good News of SES.

Please direct any questions to 369-7588.

Immaculate Conception Chapel to Celebrate 150 Years!



A meeting will be held Sunday, January 13th, 2:00pm at Immaculate Conception Chapel. All are welcome and please bring your ideas along!



Looking forward to seeing you at this important meeting!



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE...
burns this week in memory of:



Assumption Church
Johnny "Moochie" Landry

St. Anne Church
Jeanne Daigle



A Prayer for Our Soldiers

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.
 Protect them as they protect us in our time of
 need. Amen.

The Bayou Parishes
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays

- 4:00pm St. Anne Church
- 4:00pm St. Elizabeth Church
- 5:00pm St. Philomena Church
- 6:00pm St. Jules Church

Sundays

- 7:00am St. Anne Church
- 7:45am St. Philomena
- 8:30am St. Jules Church
- 9:15 am Assumption Church
- 10:00am St. Philomena Church
- 10:45am St. Elizabeth Church

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 29 & 30, 2007

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1

St. Anne Offertory	\$2,448.75	\$ 938.00
Assumption Offertory	\$ 893.35	\$ 579.25
Total:	\$3,342.10	\$1,527.25

January 5th & 6th, 2008

St. Anne	\$4,248.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,478.01
Assumption	\$1,700.13
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 241.00
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Thank you for your support!

SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



January 19th & 20th, 2008

OUTSIDE FLAP

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS	Saturday 4:00 PM Mass St. Anne Church	Sunday Mass 7:00am St. Anne Church	Sunday 9:15AM Assumption Church
READERS	Sarah Gravois Nellie Landry	Cindy Boudreaux	Larry Howell Laure Hebert
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Joey & Kim Comeaux Colette Gravois	Ricky Blanchard Stella Foley Irene Landry	Laure Hebert Gretchen Smith Poonie Templet
ALTAR SERVERS	Hunter Comeaux Evan Theriot	Matthew Aucoin Grace Mollere	Tate Foley Jacob Richard
USHER CAPTAINS	Achille Boudreaux	Bob Daigle	Doug Guillot
SACRISTANS	Lou Simoneaux Lindsey Fussell	Wanda Daigle	Sherry Miller Sandra Giroir
CHILDREN'S LITURGY			Julie & Regan Adolph
<u>Monday</u> <u>January 21,</u> <u>2008</u> <u>Money-Counters</u>			9:00 A.M. Loretta Carrier Joel Ann Dugas Al Hernandez Cheryl Goodwyne Pat Guillot

**Schedule of Ministries Jan. 14—18, 2008
Readers/Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan**

Jan. 14 **5:30pm** **St. Anne Church**
 Henry Adolph/Irene Landry/Henry & Elaine Adolph

January 15 **7:00am** **Assumption Church**
 Joyce Terrell/Diane Bergeron/Wanda Daigle

January 15 **5:30pm** **St. Philomena**

January 16 **7:00am** **Assumption Church**
 Shirley Boudreaux/Selma Barbier/Opal Simoneaux

January 17 **7:30am** **St. Philomena**

January 18 **7:30am** **St. Philomena**

St. Anne Flower Ministry

Charlene Daigle/Donna Booty/Mandy Borne	Jan. 19/20
Liturgical color: white	Jan. 26/27
Stella Foley/Alice Boudreaux	Feb. 2/3
Liturgical color: white	Feb. 5 Lent