Blanchard St. Denis Funeral Home

848 Keyser Avenue Home (318) 352-7936 P. O. Box 2184 Fax (318) 357-8287 Natchitoches, LA 71457-2184

www.blanchardstdenisfuneralhome.com

Email: blanchardstdenis@gmail.com

Live Crawfish Farm Pickup



Call: 318-379-0539 For Pricing & Availability



336 Second Street Natchitoches, LA 71457

318.214.0944 Fax 318.214.0567 hospiceofnatchitoches.com



Lagniappe Homecare

Natchitoches, La 71457 Office Number: 318-357-1990 Fax Number: <u>318-357-8941</u>



Phone (318)238-7700 305 Church Street Natchitoches, LA 71457

W. Dustin Cross-Certified Financial Planner William H. Cross-Financial Advisor Tracy W. Maxey-Reg. Financial Associate



a face you know, a bank you can trust

A TO

⊕ FDI€



356-5500

5841 Hwy 1 Bypass **AND 116 Reba Street**



24 HOUR TOWING

105 Daniel Street Natchitoches, LA 71457

> Office: (318) 354-4141 **Archie's by Request**

> Don Metoyer, Owner

Thanks to my great, great, great, great grandmother, Marie Therese Coin Coin and all her descendants for their faith, strength, courage and endless efforts to make the world a better place for all.



Tony Bennett



Book Today! (318) 581–6226



Brian Jones

office 318-581-3960

fax 318-379-0457

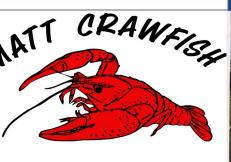
cell 318-581-1269

Excavation • Site Pads • Tree & Stump Removal

Natchitoches LA 71457 email Brian@skyplextrucking.com

License and Bonded

adtelectricllc@gmail.com (318)332-0330 Fully licensed & Insured



318-332-3326



Cane River Waterslides LLC

Call or Text Tina Monette (318) 471-1548 Follow us on Facebook



Bayou Healthcare Consulting. LLC. Tina Monette Holley Irvin

318-471-1548 or 318-308-0925

bayouhealthcareconsulting@yahoo.com



2262 HWY 484, Natchez, LA 71456

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord **April 20, 2025**

Pastor: Rev. William 'Bill' Gearheard

Office Email: staugustine1803@gmail.com Office Phone Number: 318.379.2521

Father's Email: frwgearheard@diocesealex.org

Website: staugustinecaneriver.com Office Hours: Wed-Fri 8:00 am-1 pm Parish Manager: Elizabeth Metoyer

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

..Saturday, 5:00 pm St. Augustine.... ...Sundav. 10:30 am

Mission: St. Anne:..... ...Sunday, 8:15 am 3659 Old River Road, Natchitoches, LA 71457

*Holy Day's of Obligations & All Special Celebrations

will be at 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses: 1st Saturday 9:00 am Tuesday and Wednesday 6:00 pm Thursday and Friday 8:00 am

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass—Saturday 4 pm

1st Friday, Holy Hour after Mass For an Emergency Call: 318.581.1612

Alleluia! He is risen! Jesus Christ, having made the ultimate sacrifice for the sake of our sins. has been raised from the dead. He has atoned for our sins and conquered death. Neither death nor sin have the final say any longer. We are a people redeemed, pilgrims of hope on a journey to new life. We gather today in joy in this holy place to



hear the testimony of his earliest disciples, to renew our baptismal promises, and to partake in the Eucharist feast and receive the risen Lord. Truly this is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad!

On Easter Sunday, we hear some of Jesus' earliest disciples testify to the unprecedented event they had witnessed. Saint Peter addresses an assembly of Gentiles, teaching them about Jesus and how God raised him from the dead. Saint Paul preaches about the effect Christ's resurrection has had on his life. In the Gospel, Saint Mary Magdalene, the first to see the empty tomb, frantically announces the news to two of Jesus' closest disciples. None of his disciples whom Jesus loved believed at once. Let us consider how we ourselves testify to the Resurrection.

Mass Schedule

Apr 19 Saturday 5:00 pm +Meredith Smith, +Yvonne Jones, +Lizzie Mae Metoyer, +Nazy LaCour,

+Lue & +Irene Metoyer, Bowsher Family, +Louise Llorens, +Audrey Ravard,

+Curtis Bordenave, Delphin/Morgan Family, & +Rod Nelson

Apr 20 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families, +Andrew Balthazar & +Theresa Bayonne

Apr 20 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Apr 21 Monday No Mass

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

Apr 22 Tuesday 6:00 pm +Todd Roque

Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Apr 23 Wednesday 6:00 pm + Chad Jones and +Rod Nelson

Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Apr 24 Thursday 8:00 am +Linda Jones Davis **Readings:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2a, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

Apr 25 Friday 8:00 am +Andrew Balthazar

Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Apr 26 Saturday 5:00 pm +Ruby M. LaCour, +Lena & +Floyd Rachal & +Ronald Prudhomme

Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15b, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

Apr 27 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families, +Andrew Balthazar & +Theresa Bayonne

Apr 27 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Week's Offerin	ig:	April 13, 2025 St. Augustine		St. Anne		
Weekly		\$ 4,844.00	\$	474.00		
Flowers		\$ 540.00	\$	0.00		
Holy Land			\$	10.00		
Online 4/7-4/13 \$680.75 St. Anne \$125.00 Building \$15.00						
Thank you for your generosity!						

Parish	i Service	Sched	ule:
--------	-----------	-------	------

U———	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Minis- ters of the Eucharist
Sat Apr 19 5:00 pm	1st Rdg—Dianne Riley 3rd Rdg—Deloris Jones 5th Rdg—Catherine Rachal Epistle-Minnie Metoyer	Jerry Campo Patrick Jones	Lireda Balthazar Dcn Chad Thibodeaux Mary Wilmore
Sun Apr 20	Peggy Braxton	Ricky LaCour Darrell Roque	Tiffany Roque Jackie Delphin
Sat Apr 26 5:00 pm Bridget Metoyer		Donald Balthazar David McGraw	Anita Evans
Sun Apr 27 John Scott		Barry Antee Patrick Jones II	Rebecca Jones Tiffany Roque

On-Line Giving

To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page on our website https://giving.parishsoft.com/

app/giving/staugustinecaneriver You can also give through text message by sending "Give" to 318-217-8833 or just scan the QR code. Please register with the Parish by calling 318.379.2521 during office hours.



The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith

Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our

hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawak-

en in us the blessed hope for the

May your grace transform us

seeds transform from within both

humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation of a new

heaven and a new earth, when,

with the powers of Evil van-

eternally.

ever. Amen.

quished, your glory will shine

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,

a yearning for the treasures of

heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our

Redeemer throughout the earth.

blessed, be glory and praise for

To you our God, eternally

into tireless cultivators of the seed of the Gospel. May those

coming of your Kingdom.

you have given us in your son,

Men's Prayer Group meets every Sunday @ 9:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10:30 am Mass

Christian Mothers will meet April 24, 2025 at 6 p.m. in the hall.

First Communion will be held on Sunday, April 27 @ 10:30 am Mass.

PARISH CARE MINISTRY - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Carroll Poche, Henry Llorence, Jr., Cynthia LaCour, Lizzie Metoyer, Sister Stephanie Langston, Fr. William Gearheard, Theresa Roque, Hillery Peter Narcisse, Anna Marie Christophe, Maxie Christophe, Marty Vienne, Janet Jones, Samuel Christophe, Sr., Leland & Gussie LaCaze, Mona Beaudion and Joyce Conant.

High School Seniors interested in applying for the **St. Joseph Scholarship** must have their applications in by May 10th 2025. The \$1,000.00 scholarship is open to students attending four year institutions. Contact Chris Sylvia at 318.554.9237 or csylvie@att.net

Your donation to the **Infirm Priests Fund** this **Easter Sunday** will help to replenish the fund, which provides assistance for our sick priests when illness exceeds the extent of our group health coverage limits. This is a wonderful expression of gratitude to the priests who have served you so well over the years. And please also remember them in your prayers, recalling their generosity to you. **All monies to the Infirm Priest Fund stays with the parish. Please be generous!**

April 27 Next week we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

April 30 Faithful Citizenship Day at the Louisiana State Capitol

Please join Catholics from around the State at our Fourth Annual Catholic Faithful Citizenship Day on Wednesday, April 30 at the **Louisiana State Capitol in Baton Rouge**. The Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops are sponsoring this event for the education and formation of our Catholic faithful. For more information and registration please visit faithfulcitizenship2025

The Easter Season You won't find Easter candy or decorations for sale at the supermarket much past Easter Sunday. While the secular world moves on from bunnies and chocolate, the Church continues to celebrate Easter long after the final ham leftovers are eaten. The Easter season is the second-longest liturgical season. Only ordinary time is longer. The Church celebrates the Easter season (also known as "Eastertide") for 50 days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost, where Scripture (Acts 2:1–31) tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles. (Divine Mercy Sunday and the Ascension, a holy day of obligation, take place during the Easter season.)

Easter Prayer: "Today, as pilgrims in search of hope, we cling to you, Risen Jesus. We turn our backs on death and open our hearts to you, for you are Life itself." *Pope Francis*, 2020

Annual Diocesan Appeal

Jesus didn't do it alone. He called disciples to assist him in his mission. Jesus challenged and supported his disciples—at times gently chiding them, or reaching out a hand to help, and at times demanding a lot from them. Our Lord walks with us but he also challenges us to be good disciples by supporting the universal Church. Do we ask ourselves we are imitators of Christ by giving freely of ourselves—our time, talent and financial resources? Are our gifts to our parish acceptable? Are our gifts to the local Church through the Annual Diocesan Appeal acceptable?