

# St. Michael Chapel 20th Anniversary



Twenty years ago the parish was planning a celebration for the November 25, 1995 dedication of our new Chapel by Bishop William B. Friend.

The chapel was designed by Andrea Nagode, an architect from Houston, with the assistance of Shreveport architects, contractor and construction crews. Andrea also designed the altar and dedication plaques. The antique crucifix in the Chapel was a gift to the parish from the Haddad family in the 1920's and hung

in the Church below the choir loft until it was moved to serve as a focal point for the Chapel. The Sanctuary Lamp is identical to the Cathedral lamp and was originally commissioned by Mr. and Mrs. Camille Richardson, Sr. for the chapel at St. Vincent's Academy. When the chapel was demolished, Bishop Friend gave it to Rev. Albert Richardson who had hung it in his living room. He had been looking for a "home" for the lamp and generously donated it to the Chapel. Other items of note: the St. Michael window was created based on an image from the Honorable Thomas E. Stagg; the side stained glass windows were by the same studio, Lyn Hovey, and depict eight angels mentioned in the Bible; the two antique wooden panels forming the reredos were salvaged from an old church; the hand-carved medallion of the Holy Family, imported from Ortisei, Italy, was carved from one single piece of linden wood.

Plaque on outside wall of Chapel:

When you come into this chapel, remember that Our Lord Jesus Christ is here.

He is present and to be adored under the form of

His Blessed Sacrament reserved for Holy Communion.

Kneel down and worship Him.

Give thanks for your blessings.

Bring Him your needs.

Remember all in distress, sorrow and pain.

Pray that the dead may rest in peace,

and do not forget those who minister and worship here.

[from plaque outside of a church in Bermuda]

Please join us for the anniversary celebration,  
Wed, November 25, 2015, 12:05pm Mass.

20th Anniversary – Wed, Nov 25, 2015  
12:05 Mass + Reception following

As you enter the Chapel, you will see a dedication plaques reminding us of the family who so generously funded its construction.

The Chapel was erected in loving memory of, by the children and grandchildren of:  
Mr. & Mrs. James Charles O'Brien, Sr.  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Francis O'Brien, Sr.  
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond John O'Brien, Sr.  
Mr. & Mrs. William Joseph O'Brien, Sr.  
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Augustus O'Brien, Sr.  
Sister Margaret Mary O'Brien, OP