



Library Lagniappe

St. Mary Parish Library Newsletter

November-December

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LIBRARY HOURS

BAYOU VISTA • FRANKLIN • PATTERSON • WEST END

Monday	8:30-5:30
Tuesday	8:30-5:30
Wednesday	8:30-5:30
Thursday	8:30-5:30
Friday	8:30-5:30
Saturday	9:00-1:00
Sunday	Closed

• AMELIA •

Monday-Friday	9:30-5:30
Saturday	Closed

• BERWICK •

Monday-Friday	8:30-5:30
Saturday	Closed

• CENTERVILLE •

Tuesday & Thursday	9:30-5:30
Saturday	Closed



from St. Mary Parish Library

Holiday Closure Notice *

The St. Mary Parish Library wishes to inform the public of its branch closures for the holidays.

Thanksgiving

Closed Thursday, November 24-Saturday, November 26.
Re-opening for business on Monday, November 28.

Christmas

Closed Friday, December 23-Monday, December 26.
Re-opening for business on Tuesday, December 27.

New Year's Eve

Closed Friday, December 30-Monday, January 2
Re-opening for business on Tuesday, January 3.

 Our warmest wishes this holiday season!

Library Update



BERWICK BRANCH

The newly renovated 8,000-square-foot Berwick Branch will offer updated features such as study rooms, a multi-purpose room to encompass a small computer lab in the future, and more.

- ✓ Quiet study room
- ✓ Small group study room
- ✓ Multi-purpose room
- ✓ Family restroom
- ✓ Expanded parking

COMING *soon*

3512 Fifth St. Berwick, LA 70342

Library Card Agreement

St. Mary Parish Library

Amelia • Bayou Vista • Berwick • Centerville •
Franklin • Patterson • West End



LIBRARY CARD AGREEMENT

Library Card Eligibility

St. Mary Parish Library cards are free to applicants of any age with provision of current physical address and proof of identity. They must meet any of the following criteria:

- Anyone living in or owning property in the library taxing district of St. Mary Parish.
- Residents of library districts that have reciprocal borrowing agreements with St. Mary Parish Library (Acadia Parish Library, Iberia Parish Library, Lafayette Public Library, Opelousas-Eunice Public, St. Martin Parish Library, and Vermilion Parish Library).

Non-Residents are required to purchase a library card. The non-resident fee is **\$35** per year for an individual or **\$50** per year per family household.

- If you choose to purchase the household option, each household member receives their own library card.
- Residents not living or owning property in the library taxing district of St. Mary Parish and not covered by a reciprocal agreement are required to purchase a Non-Resident card.
- Cash or check payments only.

To get a library card, bring a photo ID & proof of current address to any library branch. (Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.)

Reciprocal Borrowing

Reciprocal borrowing between library systems allows residents of one library district to use the services of another library district. Requirements include proof of residence and a valid library card from your home parish.

- Acadia Parish Library
- Iberia Parish Library
- Lafayette Public Library
- Opelousas-Eunice Public
- St. Martin Parish Library
- Vermilion Parish Library

Card Types

Card Type	Cost
Resident	\$0 for the first card, \$1 replacement
Reciprocal Borrower	\$0 for the first card, \$1 replacement
Non-Resident Borrower	\$35/year individual \$50/year household

Children's Programs

Amelia Branch

985-631-2262

All Ages

Thursday, November 17-

Slime Lab: Clear Sparkle Slime 3:30 PM

Calling all slime enthusiasts! The November slime lab will demonstrate how to make clear slime with a few simple ingredients. All ages.

Thursday, December 15-

Slime Lab: Clear Candy Slime 3:30 PM

Slime lovers, this easy crunchy slime recipe creates the coolest candy slime for any age to enjoy! All ages.

Wednesday, December 28-

Candy Cane and Cocoa Word Bingo 3:00 PM

Enjoy quality family time playing a fun, easy bingo game this holiday season! All ages.

Bayou Vista Branch

985-399-9866

1st-3rd Grade

Thursday, November 3-

Beaded Pumpkins 3:30 PM

Learn how easy it is to make these festive beaded pumpkins, a great addition to jazz up the fall table for Thanksgiving. 1st-3rd Grade.

Wednesday, December 14-

Gingerbread House Ornaments 3:30 PM

Gift a sweet ornament to hang on a loved ones tree for years to come. 1st-3rd Grade.

4th Grade & Up

Thursday, November 17-

Autumn Leaf Mason Jar Luminaries 3:30 PM

Bring a warm glow into your room for the fall season with leaf luminary mason jars. 4th Grade & up.

Thursday, December 15-

Clothespin Snowflake Ornaments 3:30 PM

Make a special custom ornament for your tree this holiday season using clothespins, paint and glitter. 4th Grade & up.

All Ages

Monday, November 21-

Thanksgiving Bingo 3:30 PM

Spend a fun filled November afternoon playing family bingo! All ages.

Monday, December 12-

Festive Holiday Bingo 3:30 PM

Catch a sleigh ride to the library for a holiday themed bingo! All ages.

Friday, December 16-

Holiday Classics & Santa Visit 8:30-5:15 PM

Visit during opening hours to watch Christmas classics and make reindeer food. Don't miss a visit from Santa from 2:30 pm-5:15 pm! All ages.



Children's Programs

Centerville Branch  337-836-1717

All Ages

Thursday, November 10-

Pinecone Turkeys 3:30 PM

Take nature's best craft supply and turn it into a Thanksgiving craft with this fun and easy pinecone turkey. All ages.

Thursday, December 8-

Holiday Initial Ornaments 3:30 PM

Adorn your tree with these adorable DIY ornaments. All ages.

Thursday, December 15-

Jolly Holly Bingo 3:30 PM

Enjoy the holidays and special time with your family while playing this super fun bingo game! All ages.

Franklin Library  337-828-5364

All Ages

Wednesday, November 9-

Scarecrow Jars 4:15 PM

Boost the festive mood of autumn with a unique hand painted scarecrow mason jar, perfect for crafters of any skill level. All ages.

Wednesday, November 23-

Gobble Gobble Bingo 3:30 PM

Gather together in celebration of Thanksgiving with a feastful family bingo. All ages.

Wednesday, December 7-

DIY Ornaments 4:15 PM

Turn adorable clay pots into the sweetest ornaments! Children will love making this simple craft to hang on the tree or give as a special gift. All ages.

Wednesday, December 14-

Holiday Game Extravaganza 4:15 PM

Add some fun to your holiday season with festive games, including Rudolph racing, candy cane fishing, and a poke a tree game that the whole family will enjoy! Don't forget to take a picture at the photo booth station! All ages.

Thursday, December 22-

Movie Showing: The Grinch 3:30 PM

Welcome Christmas. Bring your cheer. Cheer to all Who's, far and near. Gather the family and a cozy blanket for Movies in the Library, featuring 'The Grinch' rated PG. All ages.



JINGLE ALL THE WAY TO THE LIBRARY

Reading makes us **BRIGHT**

The poster features a grid of children's books: 'Mercy' by Matt DeBellis, 'Sounding Joy' by Eric Scute, 'Green is for Christmas' by Eric Scute, 'The Christmas Princess' by Mariah Carey, 'This Book is Going to Be a Present' by Matt DeBellis, 'How to Catch a Reindeer' by Brad Thorn, 'The Christmas Tree' by Brad Thorn, and 'It's a Hanukkah Yeh!' by Brad Thorn. The background is light yellow with red and green stars and a decorative border of colorful triangles at the bottom.

Merry  Grinchmas

Children's Programs

Patterson Branch

985-395-2777

1st-3rd Grade

Wednesday, November 9-

Coffee Filter Turkeys 4:00 PM

Find out how coffee filters can be turned into the cutest Thanksgiving turkeys with this easy craft. 1st-3rd Grade.

Wednesday, December 7-

Holiday Ornament 4:00 PM

Decorate wooden cutouts into dazzling holiday tree ornaments. 1st-3rd Grade.

4th Grade & Up

Thursday, November 17-

Fall Wreath 4:00 PM

Create this beautiful and easy-to-make fall leaf wreath using paper leaves. 4th Grade & up.

Thursday, December 15-

Snow Globe 4:00 PM

Make your own personalized snow globe with just a few simple materials, perfect for gifting this holiday season. 4th Grade & up.

West End Branch

337-923-6205

All Ages

Tuesday, November 8-

Autumn Handprint Wreaths & Paper Owls 4:00 PM

Get hands-on with this leaf handprint wreath for beginners! Learn everything you need to know with step-by-step instructions and create something awesome! All ages.

Tuesday, November 22-

Turkey Day 4:00 PM

Celebrate Thanksgiving creating various turkeys, including placemats, hats and gratitude paper bag puppets. All ages.

Tuesday, December 6-

Grinch Slime 4:00 PM

Merry Grinchmas! Make icky green, sparkly Grinch slime. All ages.

Tuesday, December 13-

Holiday Karaoke & Visit from Santa 4:00 PM

Turn up the holiday tunes and grab a mic for karaoke night! Join the fun and have your picture taken with Santa! All ages.

Tuesday, December 20-

Frosted Ice Cream Cone Trees 4:00 PM

What's better than a craft? Why, a craft you can eat, of course! Check out these adorable ice cream cone trees for a fun and easy snack this holiday season! All ages.

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BONJOUR
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GUTEN TAG
SALVE

PRONUNCIATOR

Pronunciator is a fun and free way to learn any of 164 languages with self-directed lessons, live teachers, movies, music, and more. Track your progress and learn your chosen language in your preferred learning style.

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Children's Story Times

BAYOU VISTA BRANCH

TODDLER TIME
TUESDAYS 10:00 AM



November 1- Way Up High in the Apple Tree

Story: *Peppa Goes Apple Picking*

Activity: Crinkle paper apple



November 8- Scarecrow Friends

Story: *Shoo, Crow! Shoo!*

Activity: Popsicle stick scarecrow puppet

November 15- Owls

Story: *Little Owl's Day*

Activity: Popsicle stick owl on a branch



November 22-Happy Thanksgiving

Story: *Cold Turkey*

Activity: Paper plate & tissue paper turkey

November 29- Down on the Farm

Story: *Stuck in the Mud*

Activity: Doily sheep

December 6- Let's Go Sledding!

Story: *Ten on the Sled*

Activity: Paper cup sled



December 13- Merry Christmas!

Story: *Penguin's Christmas Wish*

Activity: Santa's magic key

December 20- Cozy Quilt

Story: *Grandpa's Quilt*

Activity: Paper plate quilt



FRANKLIN LIBRARY

TODDLER TIME
FRIDAYS 10:30 AM



November 4- Friends on the Farm

Story: *The Color Farm*

Activity: Farmer puppet



November 11- Gathering Up Good Books

Story: *Turkey Trouble*

Activity: Turkey hats

November 18- Turkey Time

Story: *10 Fat Turkeys*

Activity: Silly turkey



December 2- Jolly Good Time

Story: *10 Trim-the-Tree'ers*

Activity: Ornament keepsake

December 9- Jingle All the Way

Story: *I Got the Christmas Spirit*

Activity: Snowy surprise



December 16- Hooray for the Holidays

Story: *Jingle bells*

Activity: Holiday craft



Toddler Time

The St. Mary Parish Library offers story time every week for infants-age 4 and their caregivers at several locations. Story time encourages social and early literacy skills development by incorporating singing, dancing, and engaging storytelling. Toddlers participate in rhymes, open-ended art, and fingerplays in a fun, interactive setting.



Adult Programs

Amelia Branch

985-631-2262

Tuesday, November 8-

Crochet: Ripple Stitch 10:30 AM

Learn how to crochet the ripple stitch with this step-by-step tutorial. Even if you've only ever crocheted the most basic of crochet stitches, the ripple stitch is pretty easy to learn, and only takes a tiny bit of practice. Adults.

Tuesday, December 6-

Paint Brush Tree Ornaments 10:30 AM

Recycle ordinary paint brushes into new holiday décor! Adults.

Bayou Vista Branch

985-399-9866

Saturday, November 12-

Cup Sleeve 10:00 AM

Make your morning mug a little cozier with a warm fox cup sleeve. Adults.

Saturday, December 3-

Tacky Holiday Aprons 10:00 AM

No more sweaters in this weather! Keep cool and show your holiday spirit with a DIY tacky apron. Adults.

Centerville Branch

337-836-1717

Thursday, November 17-

Yarn Pumpkins 10:30 AM

Make these super easy, adorable yarn wrapped pumpkins for cozy fall decor! Adults.

Tuesday, December 13-

DIY Ornaments 10:30 AM

Learn how to make a unique ornament using recycled corks. Adults.

Franklin Library

337-828-5364

Monday, November 21-

Hoop Bouquet Wreath 4:15 PM

Spruce up your fall space with this easy DIY embroidery hoop wreath, perfect to hang on your front door or as wall decor! Adults.

Monday, December 12-

Holiday Cork Trees 4:15 PM

These beautiful cork trees are the perfect addition to your home's holiday decor! Adults.

Patterson Branch

985-395-2777

Thursday, November 10-

Decorative Wall Art 10:00 AM

Make DIY home decor with this easy yarn hanging! Customize the design to your colors and decor preferences. Adults.

Thursday, December 8-

DIY Plant Holder 10:00 AM

Brighten your window sills by making your own colorful plant pots out of plastic recycling! Soil and plastic bottle will be provided. Adults.

West End Branch

337-923-6205

Thursday, November 10-

Painted Ceramic Mugs 10:00 AM

DIY painted mugs are a fun and simple DIY craft, perfect to make for gifts. Make mugs to enjoy coffee and tea, or be decorative and fill with candy! Adults.

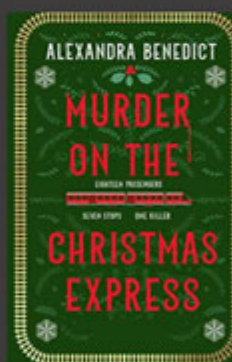
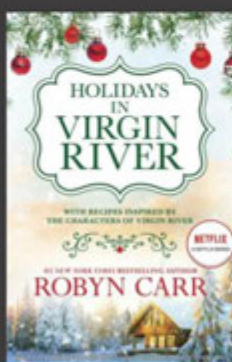
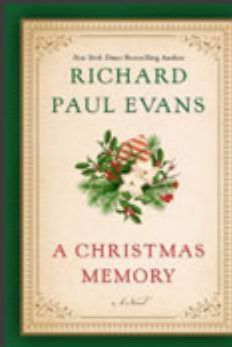
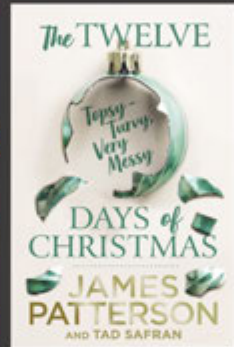
Thursday, December 8-

Cork Ornaments 10:00 AM

Make a fun and festive cork ornament to spruce up your tree this holiday season. Adults.

Holiday Reads

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IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR!
WHAT BETTER WAY TO GET IN THE SPIRIT THAN A
FESTIVE BOOK?! IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO MAXIMIZE
YOUR READING TIME THIS SEASON, THESE ARE THE
BEST HOLIDAY AND CHRISTMAS BOOKS FOR ADULTS.

Book Clubs

ST. MARY PARISH LIBRARY

Book Club

Welcome back book club members! The library is happy for you to connect with others who also share a passion for reading! The benefits of attending a book club are not limited to finding new titles, but it also provides a stimulating forum for readers to discuss their reading experiences. If you are interested in joining a book club, please contact your local library to check availability.

Centerville Branch

Meets 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m.

November 15—Autumn Skies by Denise Hunter

December 20—The Santa Suit by Mary Kay Andrews

Franklin Library

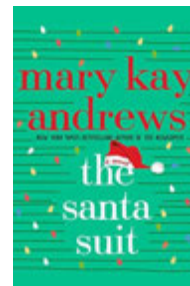
Meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 4:15 p.m.

November 10 –The Winter Lodge by Susan Wiggs

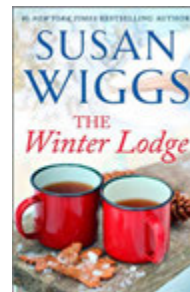
December 8—The Christmas Promise by Richard Paul Evans



When a mysterious man turns up at Grace's family-run inn, there's instant attraction, but will Wyatt's secrets bring Grace's world crashing down? Or will those secrets end up healing them both?



Ivy's quest brings her into the community, at a time when all she wanted to do was be left alone and nurse her wounds. But the magic of Christmas makes miracles happen, and Ivy just might find more than she ever thought possible: a welcoming town, a family reunited, a mystery solved, and a second chance at love.



On the longest night of the year, Jenny Majesky loses everything in a devastating house fire. But among the ashes she finds an unusual treasure hidden amid her grandfather's belongings, one that starts her on a search for the truth, and on a path toward a life that she never imagined.



This holiday season, the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of The Noel Collection returns with another heartwarming story of secrets, heartbreak, forgiveness, and the true meaning of Christmas.

Every chapter
is a new adventure.

Memorials

•Herschel "Glenn" Blood

A Sportsman's Journey by Donald C. Jackson

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter

•Alfaretta Ledet Broussard

The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Faith, History, Saints, Popes, Catholicism by Charles Phillips

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter

•Edward E. Chase, Jr.

Ducking Days: Narratives of Duck Hunting, Studies of Wildfowl Life, and Reminiscences of Famous Marksmen on the Marshes and at the Traps

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter

•Murray "Jimmy" Clements

The Complete Guide to Yorkshire Terriers: Learn Everything about How to Find, Train, Raise, Feed, Groom and Love Your New Yorkie Puppy by Joanna de Klerk

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter

•Rickey Lee Curry

The Joy of Basketball: An Encyclopedia of the Modern Game by Ben Detrick & Andrew Kuo

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter



•Annie Lee Fountain Jaques

Bedside Companion for Book Lovers: An Anthology of Literary Delights for Every Night of the Year

Donor: Dr. Roland Degeyter

•Nancy Martin

Louisiana Books

Donor: Jim E. Barton

Children's Books

Donor: Robert & Libby Peltier Montgomery, Dustin & Jessica Van Peppen, Martinus Van Peppen, and Noralee Van Peppen

Blowback by James Patterson

Donor: Irma Nell R. Bourque

MEMORIALS

The Library's Memorial program is a special way to remember loved ones and friends who have passed away. Patrons may donate funds to purchase library books in someone's memory while making general suggestions regarding the subject or genre. Materials are selected and bought by the acquisitions department. A memorial plaque is placed in the book and after processing, the donor and the honoree's family are notified. Direct donation of actual materials is discouraged as these are often not in compliance with the collection selection policy. For more information, please contact your local library.

DONATIONS

Softcover Book

Murder on the Teche: A True Story of Money and a Flawed Investigation by Tom Aswell





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 206 Iberia Street
 Franklin, LA 70538

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 Zip Code 70538



Upcoming Library Closures



Thanksgiving	November 24-26
Christmas	December 23-26
New Year's Eve	December 30-31

Happy Holidays from St. Mary Parish Library!



Main Library—Alex P. Allain

206 Iberia Street , Franklin
 Phone 337-828-5364
 Fax 337-413-0415
 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30
 Sat 9:00-1:00

Library Headquarters

206 Iberia Street , Franklin
 Phone 337-828-1624
 Fax 337-828-2329
 Mon-Fri 8:00-5:00
 Sat Closed

Amelia Branch

625 Lake Palourde Road, Amelia
 Phone 985-631-2262
 Fax 985-631-2632
 Mon-Fri 9:30-5:30
 Sat Closed

Bayou Vista Branch

1325 Belleview Drive, Bayou Vista
 Phone 985-399-9866
 Fax 985-399-4232
 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30
 Sat 9:00-1:00

Berwick Branch

300 Canton St., Berwick
 (Temporary Location)
 Phone 985-385-2943
 Fax 985-385-6474
 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30
 Sat Closed

Centerville Branch

9340 Highway 182, Centerville
 Phone 337-836-1717
 Fax 337-836-1718
 Tues & Thurs 9:30-5:30
 Sat Closed

Patterson Branch

521 Catherine Street, Patterson
 Phone 985-395-2777
 Fax 985-399-4469
 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30
 Sat 9:00-1:00

West End Branch

100 Charenton Road, Baldwin
 Phone 337-923-6205
 Fax 337-923-4507
 Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30
 Sat 9:00-1:00



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