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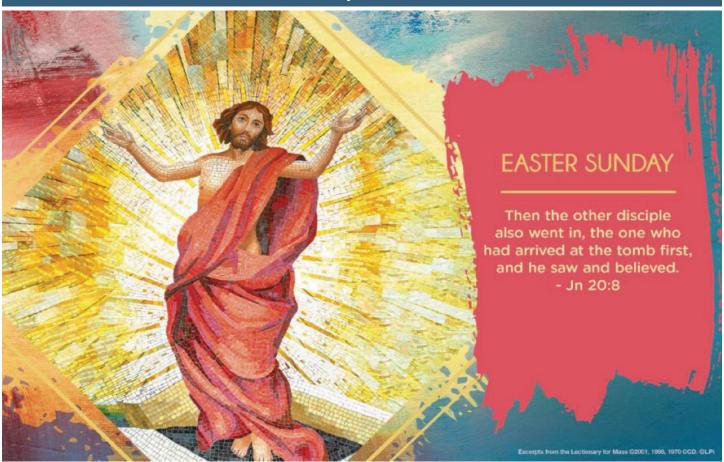
March 24, 2024



Number 38



**Palm Sunday** 





Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:30 a.m. Tuesday: No Mass 1st Friday Devotion: 9 a.m.

#### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday: 4 p.m. Sunday: 8 & 10 a.m.

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Fr. Baby "Philip" Kuruvilla, Pastor
Deacon Gary Lapeyrouse
Tracie Defelice, Bookkeeper
Melanie Soudelier, Secretary
Sharon Picou, Youth Formation/Adult Education
Monique Robert, Adult Education Assistant
Al Lyons, Maintenance

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

- Seminars are held on the first Thursday of the Month at 6:30 p.m.
- Baptisms are held after 4 p.m. Mass on Saturdays and/or 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays.
- Call the Church office to Schedule

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Please call the Church office to make arrangements for receiving this Sacrament.

#### **Home Bound Ministry/Communion**

If you know of a parishioner who is Home-bound and would like to receive communion, please call the church office at 594-5859.

#### A note from the pastor:

On this occasion of Easter, I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter and pray that the Spirit of the Risen Lord fill us with the new life that Jesus promised to us. All those who took the Lenten discipline seriously will surely experience the peace and joy that the feast of Easter offers. May we continue to renew our lives in this season of Easter.

We had a great holy week especially with the seder meal, the Eucharistic adoration on Holy Thursday and the Good Friday walking way of the cross. I would like to thank all those who arranged the seder meal, the garden of gethsemane and those who acted and helped at the walking way of the cross. God bless you all! I would like to thank also all those who came forward to decorate the church for easter, they have really done a good job. God bless you all!

Next week we have our first communion. Please keep all our first communicants in your prayers.

I wish you all a very happy Easter!

#### EASTER MESSAGE

Easter is one of the most important holidays in the Christian calendar. It commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe was sent to Earth to offer salvation from sin. The Easter story, as recounted in all four Gospels of the New Testament, begins with the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, His burial, and culminates in His resurrection from the dead. In Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, Jesus is crucified by the Roman authorities at the instigation of religious leaders. He is then buried in a tomb belonging to Joseph of Arimathea On the third day after His death, women visit the tomb and find it empty, with angels announcing Jesus' resurrection. They encounter Jesus alive, who then appears to His disciples providing them with evidence of His resurrection before ascending into heaven. This miraculous event confirms Jesus' identity as the Son of God and the fulfillment of prophecies regarding the Messiah

Christianity has no point if the Resurrection didn't happen. Christians would've been martyred for nothing and placed their faith in false hope. Thankfully, the Resurrection did occur, and for those reasons, we have immense hope and assurance. It is through the Resurrection that we find assurance of our redemption and the promise of new life in Christ Furthermore, the Resurrection validates Jesus' identity as the Son of God and confirms His authority to grant forgiveness of sins and reconcile humanity with God. Therefore, Easter is not merely a celebration of an event in history, but a proclamation of the foundational truth that shapes our entire faith journey and offers hope for the future.

The message of the resurrection is the message of life. Because of the resurrection of Christ, we have the privilege of sharing in his resurrection. Jesus has saved us from the power of death and opened the way to eternal life. It's important to note that Easter is not a time to dwell on death and sorrow, but rather the fact that Jesus did rise just as the Holy Bible prophesized it. This miracle of renewed life has given Christians hope, faith and love since they know Jesus died willingly in order to save the human race. For many, Easter is also a time to reflect on the meaning of life and the power of love and forgiveness Through the symbolism of Easter, Christians are reminded that no matter how dark things may seem, there is always hope in the power of resurrection and new beginnings. The good news of the Easter message is that Jesus can open your eyes to spiritual reality. He can forgive your sinful rebellion, dissipate your fear of what happens after you die, and he can give you the fullness of life. All you need to do is turn to him as Savior and Lord. The resurrection endorsed, proclaimed and demonstrated the victory that Jesus won at the cross. He died as our Savior, but he now lives as our Lord.

What better way to celebrate Easter by accepting the new life Jesus offers us today? Trust him as your Savior, surrender your will to him as Lord. Then you will know the thrill, the joy, and the security of the resurrected Christ Jesus living inside of you.

#### YOUTH FORMATION

- ⇒ **Holy Thursday Mass & Adoration**—March 28th beginning at 7 p.m.
- $\Rightarrow$  Live Stations of the Cross—March 29th at 2:15 p.m.
- ⇒ Easter Mass—Saturday, March 30th at 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 31st at 8 and 10 a.m.
- ⇒ **Youth Formation Class** will be held on Tuesday, April 9th, at 6:15 p.m.
- ⇒ **Youth Formation Mass** will be held on Sunday, April 14th, at the 10 a.m. Mass.



#### **BOOK CLUB**

St. Joseph is sponsoring a Book Club on Wednesday Mornings from 10—11 a.m. in the cafeteria beginning on April 3rd. For more information or to register call Susie Boudreaux at 852-1326. The first book will be Matthew Perry's Beautiful Hope.

#### ST JOSEPH ALTAR

A Big Thank You! This year was a Beautiful St. Joseph Altar. We had so many complements on its Breathtaking View. It takes us all to get it done. Thanks for all the Talent, Support, Prayers and Love for St. Joseph and our Church Parish. Many Blessings to all of you!

From: Ladies Altar Society

#### MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Diocesan Office of Worship is pleased to offer liturgical training for those wishing to exercise the role of Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) according to the liturgical norms set forth by the Church. We ask that those who are interested in this ministry kindly register at <a href="https://httdiocese.org/extraordinary-ministers-of-holy-communion">https://httdiocese.org/extraordinary-ministers-of-holy-communion</a> to attend one of the in-person workshops on, Tuesday, April 9, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 6-8 p.m. or Tuesday, May 7, 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Pastoral Center in Schiever.

If you would like to become a Minister of Holy Communion or you are a Minister and would like a refresher, register at the above link.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 30th, Holy Saturday, (Easter Vigil), (Gen 1:1—2:2; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ep: Rom 6:3-11); Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret, Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis & Janise Blanchard; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Ural Neal; Ivan Authement, Sr.; Ora, Nolan & Darryl Portier; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Allie, Trasimond & Donald Portier; Wilma & Andrew "Boy" LeBoeuf; Abraham & Brent Griffin; Milton "Pete" Pitre; Lauren, Mildred & Newell Dumond; Nikki Zeringue Hebert; Edward & Edna Fanguy; Claude & Della Fanguy; Mr. & Mrs. Willard Fanguy; Courteaux family; R. J. "Buddie" & Mae LeCompte; Raynold, "T-Noon", Janet, Kelly, Truitt & Matthew Pellegrin; Caprise LeBlanc; Horace & Emeline Cunningham; Godfrey Plaisance; Mildred & Andrew Chauvin; Angelo & Jeanette Babin; Emos & Judy Lirette; Milton Babin; Clark Dugas, Sr.; Cheryl Domangue; Wallace & Thelma Lafont; Wiley & Bernice Lirette; Eddie & Claudia Dupre; Telemac & Glorance Pellegrin; Raymond, Nora & Westley Domangue and Chris, Jules & James; Junius, "Bud" & Julius Hebert; Mr. & Mrs. T-Mon Dupre; Andy, Edna & Debbie Blanchard & Jim; Mr. & Mrs. Henry L. Hebert, Sr. & family; Gregory Lopez; Anna Lee, Harry & Luby Dumont; Floyd & Corey LeBoeuf; Sidney, Lillie & Johnny Lopez; Janise Blanchard; Lester & Fannie Clause; Clarence & Thelma Adams; Armand & Lula Lirette; Kenneth LeCompte and the Griffin & LeCompte families; Jamie & Gary Louviere; Nolan, Ora & Darryl Portier; Roberta & John Freeman; Delvin Henry; Norma Authement`

Sunday, March 31st, Easter Sunday, (Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Mary Beth D. Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Bryan LeBoeuf; Linda C., Ira and Ouida Pete; Kenneth LeCompte and the LeCompte & Griffin families; Paul Lyons; Ida & Roland Picou, Sr. & Jr.; Luby "Richard" Neal; Houston "Sou" & Helen Lirette; Durle Carlos; Gladys Pellegrin; Luby Pellegrin; Mary Louise Authement; Ivan Authement, Sr.; Oris & Alice Guidry; Abraham & Brent Griffin & family; Mark & Jerry Lirette & family; Nicholas "Nick" Luke; Ruby "Richard" Neal; Errol & Jim Picou; Wilton & Louella Lirette & family; Paola & Ezilda Lyons & family; Usey & Roberta Hebert; Nolan & Viona Lapeyrouse; Delvin Henry; Norma Authement; 10 a.m. St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Philip Chauvin; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Mr. & Mrs. Octave Lapeyrouse; Philip Chauvin; Nathan Guilfou; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families; Caprise & Hugh LeBlanc; Darrell Thompson; Joseph Thompson; Laura Thompson; Otto Thompson; Sylvia Trahan's deceased family members; Evelyn Lirette; Justilia Dupre; Jody Price; Angelo Roberts, Jr.; Roy & Leola Thibodeaux & family; Veralyn Price; Jeannie Louviere; Henry Davis; Warren Thomas Fanguy; Ruth C. Authement (anniv.); Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse; Wilbert Thibodeaux; Mr. & Mrs. Julius Neil; Donald John Tivet, Jr.; Brent Sevin & Becky and family; Philip Duplantis & family; Eulah, Dewey & Larry Cadiere; Jerry, Rezona, Brenda & Mike Tivet; Lawrence, Hilda & Lovelace, Sr. & Jr. Foret; Larry Babin; Wickliff & Cecile Foret; Michel & Roseline Domangue; Brook Pope; Jesse & Newana Vires; Rita, Lenis, Sr. & Evelyn Authement

April 1st, Monday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15) 8:30 a.m. Mathias Schmidt

April 2nd, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18) No Mass April 3rd, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35) *All Souls List* 8:30 a.m.

April 4th, Thursday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48) 8:30 a.m. April 5th, Friday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14) 8:30 a.m. Angelo Roberts, Jr.; Earl Pellegrin, Sr. & Jr. & family; Dorina & Lucius Thibodeaux; Betty Jane Domangue; Theresa Portier; R.J. Domangue

Saturday, April 6th, Saturday within the Octave of Easter, (Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15); Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret, Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" & Janise Blanchard; Julius "NuNu" & Julius, Jr. Robichaux; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Ural Neal; Evelyn Lirette; Wilbur, Ruth & Kelly Lyons; Alex & Lydia Punch; Courteaux family; Frank Folse; Raymond & Nora Domangue; Edward & Edna Fanguy; Claude Lirette

Sunday, April 6th, Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy, (Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Mary Beth D. Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Bryan LeBoeuf; Linda C., Ira and Ouida Pete; Kenneth LeCompte and the LeCompte & Griffin families; Paul Lyons; Houston "Sou" & Helen Lirette; E.J., Doicy & Ed "Nootsie" Blanchard; Ruth C. Authement; Charles & Learine Boudreaux, Sr.; Janise Blanchard; Luby "Richard" Neal; 10 a.m. St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Philip Chauvin; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Mr. & Mrs. Octave Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Russell Soulet; Lapeyrouse & Poincon families; Caprise & Hugh LeBlanc; Gregory Lopez; Hyman & Annabelle Henry; Godfrey Plaisance; Mildred & Andrew Chauvin; Rosalita Cunningham (anniv.); Darrell Thompson; Sylvia Trahan's deceased family members

#### In Our Parish This Week

#### Monday, April 1st:

- ♦ No Mass
- ♦ Office Closed

#### Tuesday, April 2nd:

- ♦ No Mass
- ♦ Cleaning Angels—2 p.m./Phylis's Group **Wednesday**, **April 3rd**:
- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Book Club—10-11 a.m./cafeteria
- ♦ Night of Renewal—6:45 p.m./OLOPS Chapel **Thursday, April 4th:**
- ♦ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ♦ Grief Sharing—2 p.m./Cafeteria

#### Friday, April 5th:

- ♦ Mass —8:30 a.m.
- ♦ 1st Friday—9 a.m.

#### Saturday, April 6th:

- 1st Confession & 1st Communion Practice—9 a.m/Church
- ♦ Mass—4 p.m.
- ♦ Second Collection: Maintenance

#### Sunday, April 7th:

- ♦ Mass—8 & 10 a.m.
- ♦ 1st Communion—10 a.m.
- ♦ Second Collection: Maintenance
- ♦ Divine Mercy—2 p.m./Church

#### March 16 & 17, 2024 1st Collection

Envelopes: \$3,469.00 Loose: 709.50 Total: \$4,178.50

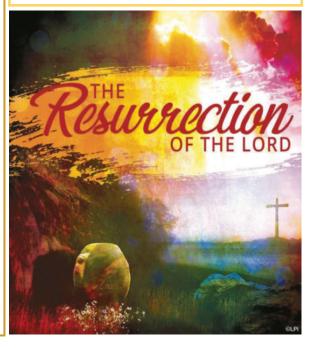
#### 2nd Collection

Envelopes: \$ 825.00 Loose: 132.00 Total: \$ 957.00

### Mass Attendance

**4 p.m.** 114 **8 a.m.** 50 **10 a.m.** 104

Collection Counters Apr. 2nd: Paige McGeHee Apr. 8th: Evelyn Pellegrin Apr.15th: Sheila Pitre Apr.22nd: Mary Griffin





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