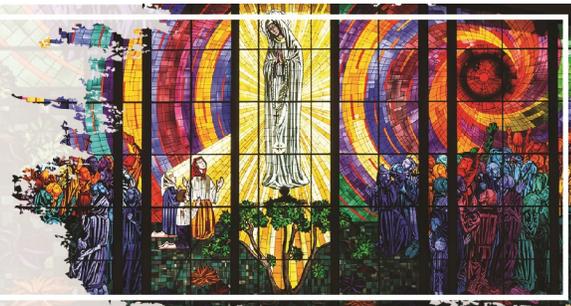


OUR LADY OF FATIMA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



SUNDAY, APRIL 18TH - THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:45-46

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Anticipated 4 p.m. (organ & cantor)

Sunday—9:00 a.m. (organ, cantor & choir);

11:00 a.m. (organ & cantor); 5:00 p.m. (organ & cantor)

Monday - 6:15 a.m.; **Tuesday through Friday** - 5:30 p.m.

with confession starting at 4:30 p.m.

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

First Saturday: 8:00 a.m. followed by recitation of the Rosary

Fatima Votive Mass: 13th of the Month, May - October at 5:30 p.m.

Monthly Peace Mass: First Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

This Mass heeds Our Lady's call to pray for world peace and conversion of hearts.

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THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday

3:00 to 3:55 p.m.;

Sunday

30 minutes prior to Mass;

First Saturday

7:30 to 7:55 a.m.

Monday

5:45 to 6:10 a.m.

Tuesday through Thursday

4:30 to 5:25 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the parish office before the baby is born for required classes. Sponsors are to be confirmed and practicing Catholics who attend Sunday Mass.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Due to a new "couple mentoring" marriage preparation program,

arrangements are to be made with the Church office, if at all possible, at least ONE YEAR in advance. To avoid schedule conflicts, all wedding dates held at Our Lady of Fatima must be confirmed with the Parish Administrator, who should be the first contact of the couple. Please visit our Parish Website to review wedding and music guidelines, and details of paperwork and preparation requirements.

THE MESSAGE OF LOURDES



A new series of articles begins today. Our Lady of Lourdes will be the theme of this cycle, which is planned for eight successive bulletins beginning Sunday, April 18 and concluding on Sunday, June 6. The series depends heavily on Father René Laurentin's book, *Bernadette of Lourdes: A Life Based on Authenticated Documents*. Afterwards, a sequence of bulletin articles on the Miraculous Medal and Saint Catherine Labouré will commence. I hope that these meditations will be interesting and prove spiritually fruitful.

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The lives of the saints are not limited to their earthly biographies but also include their being and working in God after death. In saints one thing becomes clear: those who draw near to God do not withdraw from men [and women], but rather become truly close to them. In no one do we see this more clearly than in Mary.*

Pope Benedict XVI wrote these words in 2005 at the end of his first encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est, God Is Love*. Since her Assumption into heaven, the Virgin Mary has become closer to all men and women in every generation (Luke 2:48), in fulfillment of the words of her crucified Son, who said to John the apostle "and through him to all disciples of Jesus, 'Behold, your mother.' [John 19:27]" ** Mary's motherly love is clearly evident in her apparitions through the centuries.

In the year 1854, Pope Pius IX defined the official teaching or dogma of the Immaculate Conception, which means that the Virgin Mary was preserved at conception from the stain of original sin and throughout her earthly life from any sin whatsoever. Four years later, the Immaculate Virgin appeared to young Bernadette in Lourdes, France, and identified herself with the words, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

To speak about Our Lady of Lourdes will necessarily include, therefore, the life of Saint Bernadette Soubirous. Her full name is Marie-Bernarde Soubirous and thus is she listed in the Church's official calendar. Bernadette is her nickname. Bernadette was born on January 7, 1844, not far from Lourdes. She was the eldest of nine children of François and Louise Soubirous. Lourdes is located in southern France, in the foothills of the Pyrenees, near the border with Spain.

Over the course of six months in the year 1858, Bernadette experienced at the grotto of Massabielle near Lourdes eighteen apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "Massabielle" is patois for the French "masse vielle" or, in English, "old mass [of rock]." It is a cliff, a grotto, a "rocky recess, which was difficult of access and had a bad reputation, and which served as a grazing ground for the township's herd of swine." † Not a nice place to hang around! Yet, that is where the Virgin Mary chose to appear to Bernadette.

In the eight years following the apparitions, 1858 to 1866, Bernadette continued her education, worked to help provide sustenance for her family, and received innumerable visitors who came to Lourdes. She made her First Holy Communion on June 3, 1858. In that same summer of 1858, Bishop Laurence of the Diocese of Tarbes-et-Lourdes established a commission to examine the veracity of the apparitions. Based on the testimony of Bernadette and others and on the spiritual fruits among the faithful, the Bishop affirmed officially in 1862 "that the Immaculate Mother of God truly appeared to Bernadette." ††

Next Week: The Apparitions in Lourdes

* Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est* (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana/San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2006), §42.

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† René Laurentin, *Bernadette of Lourdes: A Life Based on Authenticated Documents*, John Drury, trans. (Minneapolis: Winston Press, 1979), pp. 22-23.

†† *Bernadette of Lourdes*, p. 107.



17 Sat. 4:00 p.m. Anticipated: Elden Butcher, The Nugier Family, Edwina Smith Hernandez, Gerald & Alberta Gossen, Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, James Judice, Faye Marie Gesser, Dallas Fleming, Elroy Perrien, Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, Anna Maria, Douglas Mistich, Peter Tu Pham, Ernest Bouvier, Jr., Julien Marius Stokes, Rita Duhon Dougherty, Edward Miller, IV, Jerry Harrell, Peggy Perret, Charles Blanchard, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau; **Living & Deceased Members of:** Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Bouvier & Boudreaux Families, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Quebedeau Family, The Hebert Family, The Caillouet, Henry, Randazzo, Costanza, & Campos Families, The Judice, Kallam, Langlinais, & Hamilton Families, The Catholic Daughters of America; **Living:** Sofia & Benjamin Cruz, Elizabeth Pham, Sue Rodriguez

18 Sun. 9:00 a.m.: Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo
11:00 a.m.: Rachel Stevens
5:00 p.m.: *Eva Fontenot, Anna Maria, Pam B. Rodrigue & Elden Butcher, Peggy Perret;* **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families; **Living:** Marie Rieu Tran, Blake Dinh

19 Mon. 6:15 a.m.: **Living:** Sue Rodriguez
20 Tue. 5:30 p.m.: Connor Noah Foreman
21 Wed. 5:30 p.m.: Eva Fontenot
22 Thu. 5:30 p.m.: **Living:** Sue Rodriguez
23 Fri. 5:30 p.m.: Living & Deceased Members of the Ison & Eva Fontenot Families

24 Sat. 8:00 a.m.: Mr. & Mrs. Frem F. Boustany, Sr.

4:00 p.m. Anticipated: Elden Butcher, The Nugier Family, Edwina Smith Hernandez, Eva Fontenot, Douglas Mistich, Mr. & Mrs. James E. Tabor, Gerald & Alberta Gossen, Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, James Judice, Faye Marie Gesser, Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, Ernest Bouvier, Jr., Rita Duhon Dougherty, Peggy Perret, Charles Blanchard, Lillian Manuel, Chester Gosnell, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau ; **Living & Deceased Members of:** Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Rader Family, The Judice, Kallam, Langlinais, & Hamilton Families; **Living:** Kobi Becker, Sue Rodriguez, Lan Tran, Ella Dinh

25 Sun 9:00 a.m.: Dallas Fleming, Ella Mae Meaux, Babette Bienvenu Dugas, Karol Domingue Meynard, Donald Breaux, Anna Maria, Julien Marius Stokes, Pam B. Rodrigue & Elden Butcher, Peggy Perret; **Living & Deceased Members of:** V.V. Kerne & Family, The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Caillouet, Henry Randazzo, Costanza, & Campos Families

11:00 a.m. Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo
5:00 p.m.: Eva Fontenot

*Remember the souls of our beloved deceased.
 We loved them in life, let's not forget them in death.*



An underlying lesson from all three readings this weekend is that the Risen Christ has wiped away our

sins, not only for individuals, but throughout the world and its history. The terrible power of sin has now been reversed and our coming to perfection through the love of God is part of the Easter experience. As stewards of God's love we are called to participate in Christ's redemptive activity. The steward questions for us are many: How do we resist injustice at home or in the workplace? How do we confront violence in our language and attitudes? How do we bring Christ to others?

Weekend of April 10th and 11th

Weekly Offertory Budget..... \$15,384.62
Total Offertory Received.....\$11,987.80
Weekly Budget +Over, -Under -\$3,396.82
Total Mercy Works..... \$533.00
Building & Maintenance.....\$1,326.00

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR APRIL

Oh Blessed Lord! Oh Risen Lord!

We look through the crosses we have carried this past year and give you thanks for the awe-inspiring hope that Easter brings.

We give you thanks for calling us your friends and allowing us to share in the sacrifice of your body and blood, which is poured out for many.

Oh merciful Lord, redeemer and teacher, by the power of the Holy Spirit give us the patience and insight to listen to you during this time of continued uncertainty.

Give us the wisdom to find creative ways to put the Eucharist into action; and give us the courage to bring your Easter message of hope to a world that desperately needs your love.

To you be glory and honor forever and ever. Amen.

WHY PRAY THE ROSARY

Many great popes, saints, and Christian leaders have exhorted us to pray the rosary. It's a powerful prayer, they say, one that can change your life, strengthen the family, bring peace to the world, convert entire nations, and win the salvation of souls. But does the average person experience the rosary this way?



Many Catholics, unfortunately, have the impression that the rosary is not relevant for them. It might be a sacred prayer for very religious people - priests, religious sisters, and exceptional Catholics - but not for "an ordinary lay person like me." Even some devout Catholics admit that they are a bit intimidated by this prayer. They have tremendous respect for the rosary, know it's important, but feel bad that they don't love it more. Many view it as the marathon of Catholic devotions. "I know it's an important prayer, but it takes fifteen to twenty minutes. I'm too busy. I don't have time for that." "It's too hard to stay focused for that much time. I prefer shorter prayers."

Some have questions about the rosary: Does all this attention to Mary distract us from a relationship with God? Why do we repeat the same prayers over and over? Are we supposed to concentrate on the prayers, the mysteries, or both? Still others think the rosary is just plain boring - a monotonous, dry, mechanical way of talking to God, not as personal and meaningful as other forms of prayer. "It's like taking the garbage out for your wife. You know you should do it, but date night is more exciting." "Sure, the rosary might be good for you - like flossing your teeth - but it's not as interesting and meaningful to me as spiritual reading or adoration."

Others wonder if all the repetition has any meaning. "I know the rosary is important, but it just seems like rote prayer," one young adult said. "It's like saying magical words and something good is supposed to happen. What's the point? Is simply saying these words actually doing anything for me spiritually?"

But what if I were to show you that there is a lot more going on in the rosary than simply saying these words and counting them with beads? What if I were to tell you that the rosary is not beyond you - that you, wherever you may be in your relationship with God, can actually experience a profound, intimate, personal encounter with Jesus through this devotion? And what if you were to discover that there are many different ways to pray the rosary - indeed, some that can easily fit within your schedule and help you with whatever challenges you face right now in your life.

Think of the rosary as being like the ocean: There's something in it for everyone, whether you consider yourself a veteran mystic longing to go deeper in prayer with our Lord, a novice struggling to learn how to pray, or someone seeking the Lord's help, right now, with something going on in your life. The deep-sea explorer and the child making sand castles on the beach can fully enjoy the same ocean while playing at different levels. And this is true with the rosary.

To be continued in next weeks' bulletin

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - CHAPEL OF THE LITTLE SHEPHERDS



The Adoration Chapel of the Little Shepherds in Knight Hall is open
Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The following days and hours are those with only one adorer:

**Monday at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Tuesday at 11:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday at 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Thursday at 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.**

*Please consider committing to an hour listed above.
Contact the office during regular business hours at 232-8945 or email [DD at office@fatimalafayette.org](mailto:DD@fatimalafayette.org)*

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE AND PRO-LIFE UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL MOTHERS' DAY OF REFLECTION



The Annual Mothers' Day of Reflection will be held on **Wednesday, May 5, 2021** at the Immaculata Center (1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette 70501). Join us as Laura Huval, founder of Joyful Noise Ministries, discusses "Scripture & Song" and "Overwhelmed" How to Let Go". The day will begin promptly at 9:00

a.m. and end at 2:00 p.m. The cost for the day is \$25, which includes your lunch and materials for the day. Visit www.diolaf.org/marriage to register. **Pre-registration is required no later than April 30th.**

Laura Berard Huval is the founder of Joyful Noise Ministries. She is a wife and mother, a Catholic School music educator, a recording artist, a member of the music group, Sweet Cecilia, and founder of the Al Berard Memorial Music Fund. Huval is a native of the culturally rich community of Cecilia, Louisiana where she is a parishioner of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Due to COVID restriction, masks are required in the building and we will be social distancing. Also, we will be emailing you a COVID questionnaire that will be required upon entry.

REMEMBER ME NOT

Support group for caregivers, family, and friends of individuals with dementia / Alzheimer's. Meetings are held three times a month; two in person and one teleconference. COVID safety protocols are followed for the in person sessions. Masks and social distancing are mandatory. 2nd Tuesday of each month are in person - 10:00 a.m. at Hospice of Acadiana (337-232-1234 for more information) and 6:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Church (235-1483 for more information). The 3rd Monday of each month will be a teleconference at 6:30 p.m. Dial Toll free: 617-675-4444, Pin #113 330 623 0504#. Simply hang up when you are finished.



SIGN UP FOR THE BLUE ARMY

During the Penitential Season of Lent, we are reminded of our three-fold responsibility of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. What better prayer is there than the Holy Rosary of our Heavenly Mother, Mary? Prayerfully consider joining the Blue Army.



Dear Queen and Mother, who promised at Fatima to convert Russia and bring peace to all mankind, in reparation for my sins and the sins of the whole world, I solemnly promise to Your Immaculate Heart:

- ◆ To offer up everyday the sacrifices demanded by my daily duty.
- ◆ To pray at least five decades of the Rosary daily while meditating on the Mysteries.
- ◆ To wear the Scapular of Mount Carmel as profession of this promise and as an act of consecration to you.
- ◆ To accomplish the devotion of the Five First Saturdays of the month, including the fifteen-minute meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary.
- ◆ I will renew this promise often, especially in moments of temptation.

Note: This pledge is not a vow and does not bind under sin. Nevertheless it is a promise - your word to your Heavenly Mother.

BENEFITS

- ◆ You know you are fulfilling Our Lady's conditions to obtain the conversion and the peace of Christ for the world.
- ◆ You obtain numerous indulgences through the Rosary and the Scapular.
- ◆ You become eligible for the spiritual graces of Our Lady of Mount Carmel - graces in this life, at the hour of death and after death.
- ◆ Your name is sent to Fatima and deposited at the site of the apparitions.
- ◆ You share in the prayers of millions of members.
- ◆ You become a spiritual child of Saint Pio.
- ◆ You participate in the New Evangelization taught by Pope Saint John Paul II.

The World Apostolate of Fatima (Blue Army) is made up of individual members that live around the world and follow the principles of the apostolate. Here's how to join:

INTERNET

- ◆ Go to www.bluearmy.com
- ◆ Left Click on the Apostolate Tab (top left)
- ◆ Click on "Join the Apostolate".

The World Apostolate of Fatima does not share member contact information outside of the Apostolate.

Join Us

CLOSING MASS

and celebration!

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH | MILTON, LA

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

JOIN US FOR MASS FOLLOWED BY A
FAMILY-FRIENDLY PICNIC AS WE CELEBRATE
THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH
IN THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE.



10:00 AM
INDOOR MASS WITH
BISHOP DESHOTEL

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
FOOD TRUCKS, MUSIC,
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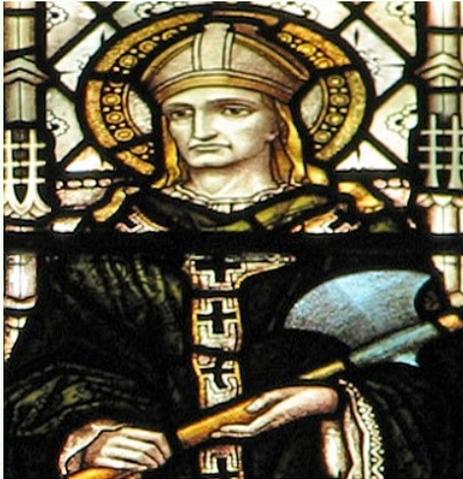
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THE SAINTS - OUR EXTENDED FAMILY IN HEAVEN

MONDAY, APRIL 19
Saint Alphege of Winchester

Born to the nobility but gave it up to become a young monk at Deerhurst Abbey in Gloucestershire, England. Monk, anchorite, and then abbot at Bath Abbey; known for his personal piety and austerity. Bishop of Winchester, England in 984. Built several churches, installed a cathedral organ so large that it could be heard a mile away, and his charity was so great that there were reported to be no beggars in his diocese. May have helped negotiate a peace treaty in 994 which ended some Viking raids.



Archbishop of Canterbury, England in 1006. Encouraged devotion to Saint Dunstan of Canterbury. Transferred the relics of Saint Swithun to Canterbury. In 1011 Danes began raiding again, laid siege to Canterbury, sacked the town, and captured Alphege along with several other Church officials, all of whom were held for ransom. Reported to have healed many of sick Danes by praying over them and feeding them blessed bread. Alphege refused to approve the payment of ransom for himself, and after several months was murdered by angry drunken Vikings, the first archbishop of Canterbury to die violently. Saint Thomas Becket was praying for Saint Alphege's intercession just before he was murdered.

Born: 954 in Weson, Somerset, England

Died: beaten with stones and ox bones, then struck on the head with the blunt edge of an axe on April 19, 1012 in Greenwich, Kent (part of modern London), England

Canonized: 1078 by Pope Saint Gregory VII

TUESDAY, APRIL 20
Saint Agnes of Montepulciano

Born wealthy. A pious child, at age six she began nagging her parents to join a convent. She was admitted to the convent at Montepulciano, Italy at age nine. When her spiritual director was appointed abbess at Procena, she took Agnes with her. Agnes's reputation

for holiness attracted other sisters. Abbess at age fifteen after receiving special permission from Pope Nicholas IV. Agnes insisted on greater austerities in the abbey; she lived off bread and water, slept on the ground, used a stone for a pillow. In 1298 she returned to Montepulciano to work in a new Dominican convent. Prioress of the house the last seventeen years of her life. Pilgrim to Rome, Italy.



Many stories grew up around Agnes, including

- ◆ Her birth was announced by flying lights surrounding her family's house.
- ◆ As a child, while walking through a field, she was attacked by a large number of crows; she announced that they were devils, trying to keep her away from the land; years later, it was the site of her convent.
- ◆ She was known to levitate up to two feet in the air while praying.
- ◆ She received Communion from an angel, and had visions of the Virgin Mary.
- ◆ She held the infant Jesus in one of these visions; when she woke from her trance she found she was holding the small gold crucifix the Christ child had worn.
- ◆ On the day she was chosen abbess as a teenager, small white crosses showered softly onto her and the congregation.
- ◆ She could feed the convent with a handful of bread, once she'd prayed over it.
- ◆ Where she knelt to pray, violets, lilies and roses would suddenly bloom.
- ◆ While being treated for her terminal illness, she brought a drowned child back from the dead.
- ◆ At the site of her treatment, a spring welled up that did not help her health, but healed many other people.

Born: 1268 at Gracchiano-Vecchio, Tuscany, Italy

Died: April 20, 1317 at the convent of Montepulciano, Italy of natural causes following a lengthy illness

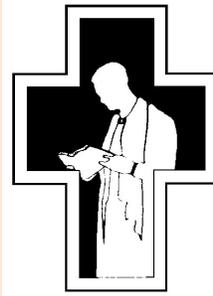
Canonized: 1726 by Pope Benedict XIII

VOCATIONS PRAYER CROSS MISSION

The Lord commanded us to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers for the harvest." (Mt. 9:38)

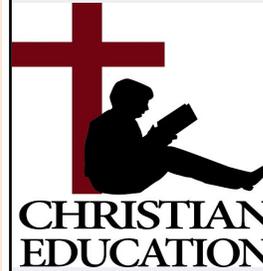
We are asking each family to call our office to sign-up to take the Vocations Prayer Cross home for ten days. The Prayer Cross is contained inside a case that you will pick up from our office. Your family will have the privilege during that time to set up the cross in your home, pray together for our priests, and pray for an increase to vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The case and cross will be properly disinfected between each families' use by the parish staff. You will be provided with your own personal copies of the Vocation's Prayer booklets that you may keep in order to continue praying for our priests and for vocations. The prayer booklet given to you with the kit is self-explanatory. It includes a family prayer, prayer for priests, Litany of the Saints and a prayer to Our Lady of Prompt Succor.

Please call the parish receptionist at 337-232-8945 to sign up TODAY!



THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

Taken from the "Encyclopedia of Catholic Doctrine"



Other texts speak of the Resurrection as taking place through Christ's own power (the active voice of the verb *aneste*: "He rose"). This active dimension is found in Christ's predictions. Thus John 10:17-18: "I lay down my life, that I may take it up again . . . I have the power to lay it down and I have the power to take it up again"; 1 Thesalonians 4:14: "We believe that Jesus died and rose again"; Acts 17:3: ". . . it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead."

The Resurrection Is the High Point of Revelation: The Resurrection was first of all the confirmation of all that Jesus had done and taught. It was the divine seal stamped on his words and life. He had indicated to his disciples and adversaries this definitive sign of truth. If this word and promise of his are revealed as true, then all his other words and promises possess the power of truth that does not pass away. No stronger, more decisive, and more authoritative proof could have been imagined or asked for.

The truth of Christ's divinity is confirmed by the Resurrection. "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he" (Jn 8:28). This reverses the condemnation by the Sanhedrin of the great blasphemy, the charge for the death sentence: that he proclaimed himself the Son of God. The Resurrection confirms the truth of his divine identity and justifies the self-attribution of the "name" of God, which he made before the pasch: "Before Abraham was, I am" (Jn 8:58).

In the Upper Room, Jesus had asked the Father to reveal that the Christ-Son was his eternal Son: "Father, the hour has come, glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you. . . . Glorify me in your presence with the glory that I had with you before the world was made" (Jn 17:1, 5).

Paul assimilates the ideas of the glory of Christ's Resurrection and his eternal Divine Sonship, fully revealed in the victorious conclusion of his Messianic mission. For Paul, in the opening verses of Romans, from the very moment of his conception and birth Jesus was the eternal Son of God become Son of Man. In the Resurrection, this Divine Sonship was shown forth in all its fullness through the power of God, who restored Jesus to life by the work of the Holy Spirit (cf. Rom 8:11) and constituted him in the glorious state of *Kyrios* so that Jesus merits under a new Messianic title the recognition, worship and glory of the eternal Son of God. Paul spells this out in his preaching (e.g. Acts 13:32-34; cf. Ps 2:7). For Paul, the Resurrection completes the manifestation of the content of the Incarnation: it is the fullness of Revelation.

To be continued in next weekend's bulletin.

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Study: Symbolon Knowing the Faith Session 3: The Bible

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Read: New Testament Catholic Study Bible

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Listen: The Case for Jesus

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SCHOOL NEWS

April 19-22 Dial R Testing PreK4
 April 19-21 Standardized Testing 5-8
 April 19 Broadcasting Announcements
 April 19 Parents' Club Meeting
 April 23 School Mass



OLF has the best Parents' Club around! Every month they treat the faculty and staff to a special breakfast or lunch! This month they are putting on the \$10,000 Raffle and On-line Auction to raise funds for the school. A BIG thank you to all of our parents for their continued support of the school.

Sacred Heart Enthronements



Call the Parish Office to schedule your Sacred Heart Home Enthronement. Promoters go into the home to conduct the Enthronement, which follows a 9 day period of prayer by the family.

Prayer for Cancer Patients



A statue of St. Peregrine, patron of cancer patients, is made available to go into the homes of those diagnosed with cancer. This statue of St. Peregrine was acquired from a convent in the city of Lille, northern France. The statue was hand-painted by nuns in the mid 1900s. Call the parish

office to get on the roster.

Prayer Calendar for Priests

Monday, April 19

Rev. Thomas Vu

Tuesday, April 20

Rev. Augustine Wall, SVD

Wednesday, April 21

Rev. Derrick Weingartner, SJ

Thursday, April 22

Rev. Kyle White

Friday, April 23

Rev. Ryszard Zawadzki, SVD

Saturday, April 24

Rev. Travis Abadie

Sunday, April 25

Rev. Lawrence Abara

Send the names of those who have left the church to St. Monica Sodality, c/o St. John Cantins Parish, 825 N. Carpenter Street, Chicago, IL 60622-5499. The Sodality will include your loved ones in their prayers and sacrifices. When all other efforts fail, the only thing left to do is pray and sacrifice. Consider joining the St. Monica Sodality. Writing to the above address will give you information on how to do so and the requirements for membership.

The Blessing of the Unborn Child follows the Sunday 9 & 11:00 a.m. Masses the 1st weekend of the month.



ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

IN MEMORY OF:

Nathan, Loretta & Robert Schiller,
 Loretta Debailon

COME, LORD JESUS

Mondays 6:30pm (WOMEN) - DD McElligott, 319.8866

Tuesdays 6:30pm (WOMEN)

Email: Stef.Buchholz1@gmail.com

Thursdays 6:00 am (MEN) - Joe Wolf, 349.2645

6:00 am (MEN) - Deacon Tim Maragos, 235.1521

Fridays 1:00 pm - Jennifer Connolly, 288.4386

Saturdays 8:00am - Anne Pesacreta, 739.5903

First Saturday - 9:00 a.m. after Mass & Rosary

Parish Representatives

Jill Jordan or DD McElligott - 337-319-8866

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND INFORMATION

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS ARE SUSPENDED OR MEETING VIRTUALLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

Women's Group "WOMEN OF GRACE"

(Contact Stephanie at the Parish Office for upcoming events!)

Mommy Meals

- Outreach to new moms

Mercy Meal Team

- Outreach to the sick

St. Gemma Food Bank

- Outreach to the needy

Mary's Mothers

Formation for mothers of school age children

Catholic Daughters

- 3rd Thursday, 6 pm

Knights of Columbus

- 1st Thursday, 7 pm

Sts. Joachim & Anne Society

- 2nd Tuesday - Rosary/Social

Fatima Mercy Works

- Monthly outreach to needy

Men's Group - CAST

CAST stands for Catholic, Apostolic, Sacramental, Theology, and is the focus of a Fall and Spring Fishing Retreat in Grand Isle. The CAST men then meet regularly on a monthly basis for fellowship and study. CAST Masses are every Monday morning at 6:15 a.m. and Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. If interested in making the CAST retreat, contact the Parish Office.

6th through 8th grade YOUTH FORMATION

(Contact Stephanie Supple for more information)

Young Women of Grace and Young Warriors

THE CHURCH - SEXUALITY

Engaged Couples

Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together. For more information contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at 337.254.8947 or 337.898.9257 or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

Natural Family Planning

Natural Family Planning Courses are held in conjunction with marital prep. FMI, Contact the Parish Office.

Reclaim

Sexual Health Catholic Recovery Program: reclaimsexualhealth.com (online help 24/7)

Porn Addiction Support Group for Men:

Weekly meetings are held for one hour and fifteen minutes. Strict confidentiality is observed. A confidentiality statement is signed by each prospective member of the group. Call and leave a confidential message at 337.945.3995 for more information.

Healing Hearts

Weekly meetings for women whose lives have been affected by porn or sexual addiction of a loved one.

Must sign confidentiality statement.

Call 337.404.6113.

Unplanned Pregnancy

Call 1.800.256.7222 for free confidential counseling regarding keeping or placing your baby.

PRO-LIFE APOSTOLATE

Project Rachel

A post abortion healing and reconciliation program for those suffering the negative effects of an abortion experience. Individual sessions are offered where one can receive the healing grace of God through a 9-10 step healing program. Take the first step and call 337.261.5598.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat is an opportunity for any man, woman, couple, grandparent, sibling, or anyone who struggles with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. Retreats begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. For more information please call 337.261.5598.

Project Joseph

(for men suffering after an abortion)

In honor of the year of St. Joseph, the Office of Pro-Life Apostolate has begun planning the Diocese of Lafayette's first Project Joseph Retreat exclusively for men. This ministry offers men the opportunity to heal after an abortion. Studies have shown that women are not the only ones who suffer from the detrimental effects of abortion. Men are deeply affected as well, although many remain in denial and want to bury the feelings. Some may have initially felt relief after their partner's abortion but now experience regret and remorse. If you or someone you know would like to attend a Project Joseph Retreat, please call 337.261.5598. We are happy to speak with you and prepare you for the first retreat which will be held June 12, 2021.

SESSIONS OF "COME, LORD JESUS!" ARE EITHER MEETING IN PERSON, VIA ZOOM, OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH. SEE PAGE 9 FOR A SCHEDULE.