

MASS TIMES SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:15 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am &
6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

PAROCHIAL VICAR: Rev. Fr. Matthew Hebert

DEACON: Deacon Gary Gaudin

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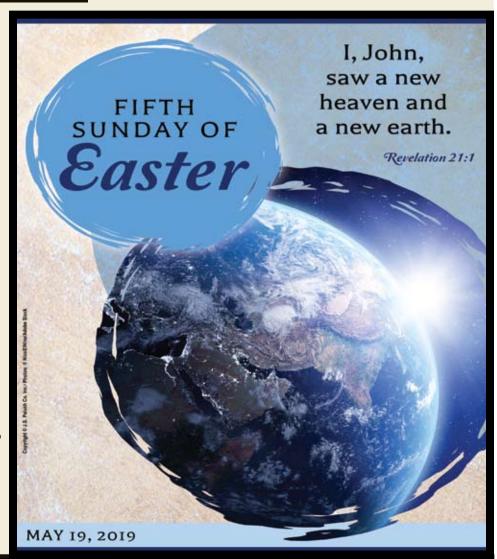
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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH, & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

St. Edmund's Spring Fair, 2019 What an enjoyable event of reunions [I met people from Oklahoma and New Mexico]. We had great conversations, family fun, and care. So many people helped out and made the Spring Fair an experience

of seeing the face of God in each person attending the Fair. There was an abundance of food with the crawfish being outstanding. We thank the crawfish farmers and all the many people who helped with the Spring Fair. Even with threatening weather, God blessed us with great weather and wonderful people. It was an outstanding 54th Spring Fair. Thank you God! May God bless one and all!

St. Anthony of Padua Pastoral Council

We had four parishioners nominated for three positions. Then one of the members, resigned. So the four nominated become the number we need. These are for a three-year term: Joel Mire, Wayne Richard, Brett Smith. To complete the term of Sarah Oliver, Joey Thibodeaux will serve one year (and may seek re-election.)

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Question: I've heard of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. What are they, and what's the difference?

Answer: As God has shown us mercy, so too are we called to show mercy to those we encounter. We see mercy throughout the Gospels, but the parable in Matthew 25 forms the foundation for the first set of Works of Mercy. This parable of the last judgment shows each person being asked how well they cared for those around them, and being reminded that this care for those in need is care for God Himself. Each person is asked if they have fed the hungry, given drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, sheltered the stranger, cared for the sick, and visited the imprisoned. These - along with burying the dead - are the Corporal Works of Mercy, as they primarily concern the physical life of a person.

The list of the Spiritual Works of Mercy developed later. These actions of love primarily concern the inner life of a person. They are instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, admonishing sinners, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses, comforting the afflicted, and praying for both the living and the dead. All of these actions are concrete ways of bringing the love of God into the world.

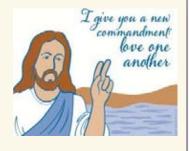
GOSPEL FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C – JOHN 13:31-33a, 34-35

"I give you a new commandment: love one another." With these words, Jesus sums up the law and the prophets in one concise phrase. Love one another. After 2,000 years, you'd think we'd have it figured out by now! But all too often we fail in this commandment. Perhaps we mistake "love" for mere "common decency." Perhaps we've been betrayed, or our own visions of love have been tarnished or misrepresented in our lives. Blessedly, Jesus doesn't leave us without a guide.

"As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jesus himself modeled what this love should look like. So what are some of the characteristics of the love of Christ? Humility, for one. St. Paul writes that Jesus "emptied Himself." In becoming man, Jesus puts aside the full splendor of the Godhead. Not only does he become human, but he takes on many of the mundane privations of human life. He spent most of his life in relative poverty - especially by our standards - as a common laborer. When he began gaining popularity as a preacher, he still traveled on foot and spent nights in other people's homes or outdoors.

Jesus' love is generous. He was always available to the crowds and to being interrupted by people in need. He invested time in his disciples and patiently taught them about the kingdom of God. The love of Jesus is also courageous. He encountered many people deemed less worthy of human respect, due to being public sinners or having a physical or mental disability. Jesus was brave in breaking these social boundaries to show care and concern

to the outcast. These traits are possible for us to imitate! Indeed, we are hardly identifiable as Christians without them. "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading – Acts 14:21-27 - As their first missionary journey came to an end, Luke tells us that Paul and Barnabas "opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." Who in your life most needs an invitation to the faith?

Second Reading Revelations 21:1-5a - Today's reading is the beginning of John's final vision of the end times. God's full presence, and all human suffering ends unite Heaven and earth. How does one hold fast to this beautiful vision?

Gospel Reading – John 13:31-33a, 34-35 - During his farewell discourse with the disciples, Jesus issues "a new commandment: love one another." Why is this divine

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19, 2019

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STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

May 12, 2019

Sunday's Offertory	\$8,037.00
Mailed-In Offertory	1,281.00
Online Giving	815.00
Total Offertory for the week	<u>\$10,133.00</u>
Fund for Churches Damaged by Arson	\$1,437.00
Weekly Average 2019	\$9,959.47
Children's Contribution	\$6.25
* Extra prayers	Matthew
* Loving Granny	Braden
* Praying for family unity	Shawna, Reese,
Aria	ına & MacKenzie
Number Registered Parish Families	1508
Number of Envelopes Used	156
Number of Children's Envelopes Used	3

Thank you for your generosity.

Please remember St. Anthony Church & St. Edmund School in your will.

Msgr.'s Article Continued...

command so difficult to fulfill for many believers?

CATHOLIC QUOTES - "May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be." - *St. Therese of Lisieux*

SEASONAL REFLECTION

7 Things Every High School Graduate Should Hear

- I. Live with intention. College will be full of new opportunities. Think carefully about your priorities for your new start.
- 2. Make the right friends. There will be plenty of new people! Concentrate on the ones who motivate you to be a better person.
- 3. It's a big world! Look for new perspectives, new opportunities, and new ideas that push you to grow.
- 4. Find a mentor. Building relationships with people who have "been there, done that" can be a great help.
- 5. Give yourself away. You may not need to volunteer anymore, but you'll surprised what you learn, how you grow, and who you meet when you serve.
- 6. Before you go, learn how to do your laundry, address an envelope, schedule a doctor's appointment, use public transportation, and cook basic meals.
- 7. Remember that God is in control. And that's a good thing!

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 20

6:15 a.m.: Bart Courville; Joey Ortego; Ricarda Villalba

Tuesday, May 21

12:00 p.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Madeleine Montelaro; Lulu Brown; Katherine Frey (*Liv*)

Wednesday, May 22

6:15 a.m.: Rafael & Keilah Beauchamp; Dolores Lombas

Thursday, May 23

12:00 p.m.: Donald & Helen Tanner; Doris McCoy; Kermen D. Beauchamp Sr.; Madeleine Montelaro

Friday, May 24

6:15 a.m.: Gracie Marie Zaunbrecher; Jo Moncla (Liv.-Birthday)

Saturday, May 25

4:00 p.m.: Merita Guillory; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Harry

Dale Begnaud family (Liv. / Dec.); Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Ed Dietz; Carl Comeaux; Pat McGee; M/M B.H. McMullen; Donald & Helen Tanner

Sunday, May 26

Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Chase Ryan Manuel; Lurline Fuselier; Robert H. 'Bobby' Miller & Norma Jean McManus Miller; M/M Christopher McAndrew (*Liv.- Anniv.*)

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Ross Andrus; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Conner & Katie Tujague (*Liv.- Anniv.*); James Raven Dupre (*Birthday*); Gracie Zaunbrecher; Raymond & Esther Daigle fly.; Hubert & Delores McGee

11:00 a.m.: Billie Duhon (Anniversary)

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle McManus; Ronald S. McManus; Hubert & Dolores McGee

PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019					
4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Kayla Fontenot, Cliff Miller Ken Richard, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Nikki Sonnier	Clay Miller, Kate Miller Mary-Helen Miller, Millie Miller	
Sunday, May 26, 2019					
7:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Michael Lombas, Brad Miller, Denise LeBouef	Jacque Pucheu	Lexie Aguillard, Andrew Daigle John Patrick Fruge, Vincent Thibodeaux	
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Michael Ward, Rachel Andrus, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Ben Bollich	Juliana Arnaud, Ariana Manuel, MacKenzie Manuel, Emile Soileau	
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Donnie Darbonne, Samantha Bertrand, Verdie Ardoin Glenn Brown, Barbara Thibodeaux	John Fruge	Anna Chapman, Bailey Conde, John-Michael Fruge MC: Needed Thurifer: Needed	
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Rickey Aguillard, Kim Miller, <i>Minister Needed</i>	Candy Atteberry	Evan Aucoin, Caroline Heinen Joshua Landry, Jack Parks	

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Jennifer LaFleur Manuel, Simone Vige, Bradley Bertrand, Linda Gaudin, Clifford & Faye Campbell, Ashley Bordelon, Claude DeVillier, Ann Duran, Craig Durbin, Lucien Montelaro, Philip

Montelaro, Colleen Landreneau, Joan Burson, Earline Prather, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Hazlyn Brown, Dale Zaunbrecher, Cade Kaiser, Elsie Stelly, John LeJeune, Debra Shilow, Kamie Thorton, Belinda Ashford, Jackie Courville Deshotel, Emily Miller Johnson, Eugene Thibodeaux, Larry Dale Thibodeaux, Christina Thibodeaux, Pearl Thibodeaux, Trish Elkins, Anna Lee Thibodeaux, Tyler Bertrand, Joyce Williamson, Jane Ellen McGee Ulery, Loretta Miller, Belinda Francois, Melissa Guillory Sikes, Norma Diaville, Lorena Gaspard Goodman, Evelyn Stringer, Keylon Thibodeaux, Belinda Fontenot.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:

www.parishesonline.com

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, May 20

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Rectory & SE School Calendar Planning Day -- 9:00 a.m. S.E.H. Ring Ceremony -- 2:00 p.m. in Church.

Tuesday, May 21

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 22

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

St. Edmund Elementary Field Day & early dismissal.

Thursday, May 23

St. Edmund Record Day

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Friday, May 24

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

St. Edmund last day of school.

St. Edmund Middle School Program - 8:15 a.m.

St. Edmund Elementary School Program - 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 25

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.

Anticipated Sunday Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Baby Bottle Collection this weekend --

for Crisis Pregnancy Center in Mamou.

Sunday, May 26

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.

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NEW LIFE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

A Baby Bottle drive for the New Life Pregnancy Center will begin at Masses May 18 & 19 with dispersal of empty baby bottles to be returned at Masses May 25 & 26 with monetary donations to support the newest Pregnancy Center in our area.

New Life Pregnancy Center is a nonprofit support center for mothers in crisis pregnancies or unexpected pregnancies. The center will operate in Mamou offering confirmation of pregnancies as well as helping to meet the mothers' material needs for pregnancy and child care. In addition to offering emotional support and encouragement to continue pregnancy as well as guide expecting mothers to medical care. It is the hope of this communityformed center to aid these mothers in choosing life rather than choosing abortion when they are overwhelmed in facing an unintended pregnancy.

Please take a bottle from the bottle container on your way out of church and return it next week into the bottle container with your monetary donation. If unable to return bottle at mass, you may contact St Anthony Rectory or drop at rectory. Thank you for your time and we appreciate your contribution.



C.L.J. Anniversary Mass

On Tuesday, May 28th, 5:30 p.m. the Come Lord Jesus! Anniversary mass will be held @ St. Augustine Church in Basile, La., followed by covered dish reception at the Speyer Hall in Basile. All groups are invited to attend.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Northside Veterinary

Tim Deshotel D.V.M. Ph. 337-457-9999 "24 Hrs. Availability"

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This Sunday...



St. Anthony **Parish Family Picnic**

May 19, 2019

11:00 a.m. Mass in Church Followed by Picnic / Lunch at St. Edmund School Cafeteria

Parish will provide drinks, chips, hamburgers and hot dogs.

WALKING TOGETHER

CALLING ALL NEWLYWEDS! Mark calendars: on June 9, 2019 from 2-4 pm in the Holy Cross Mission Hall (415 Robley Dr). Catholic Engaged Encounter of Lafayette is hosting a fun and enriching gathering, "Walking Together", for couples married five years or less. Couples need not have attended a CEE weekend. A light lunch will be served, Safe Environment Certified Childcare will be provided, and a date night prize will be awarded, all for FREE. Please prayerfully consider joining us for a fun, fellowship, and enrichment! To register and for more information go to http://www.ceelafayette.org/ walking-together or call 337-237-2597 or 337-349-1607.

-Clayton & Felice Hanks & Fr. Brian Harrington, Lafayette CEE Coordinating Team

Perpetual Adoration

Adorers thank Jesus for the following favors:

- 1) Daughter able to walk again.
- 2) Good test results.

Adorers needed for the following hours starting at: Sun. 11 am; Tues. 6 am; Wed 8 am; Fri. 12 noon; Sat. 10 am, 2 pm.



Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am; Wed 8 am; Fri 7 am; Sat. 7 an, 3 pm

To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.



Igniting the Light of Christ within You!

Easter Concert by Paul Koleske

St. Anthony Catholic Church Eunice Tuesday May 28 - 6:00 pm

Let the Holy Spirit minister to you during this moving event with Paul Koleske - Catholic Parish Mission Speaker - Singer — Songwriter and Recording Artist.



Paul's music and message offers an exceptional listening experience that speaks to the mind, touches the heart, and enlivens the spirit! Paul gave our Parish Mission this Lent.

This is no ordinary event ... you will feel as though you are on a retreat.

Doors open at 5:30 pm Enjoy some quiet time in church before this Easter Season Concert! Feel free to bring Family & Friends.