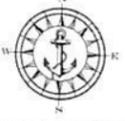


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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday (anticipatory) – 4 pm

Sunday – 7 am, 10 am & 6:30 pm

**Weekday Masses** Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri – 12:10 pm

**Confessions** Saturday: 3 pm – 3:50 pm,

And half an hour before all other Masses

## FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

### A BEAUTIFUL ST. JOSEPH ALTAR SUNDAY

Last Sunday's St. Joseph Altar could not have been more of a blessing for our parish! It was a perfect day. I'm grateful to everyone who lent a hand to make this altar possible — especially to our group leaders and to Suzanne Bergeron, Christine Henry, Mary Etta Taylor, and Toni Fangué (our altar leadership). I'm also grateful to the many businesses and individuals who donated towards the St. Joseph Altar. *Thank you for your generosity!*

### LENTEN MISSION THIS WEDNESDAY

Join us for our Lenten Mission this Wednesday at 6 pm, with Fr. Mathew Dunn. He is a classmate of mine and the pastor of the Catholic Student Center on LSU's campus. The evening will include exposition, benediction, and a talk. It will last under one hour.

### DAILY MASS DEVOTION

Thank you to the many parishioners who have taken on the commitment to attend Daily Mass just one or two days a week. What a grace-filled way to spend time with the Lord in the middle of your day! If you've never attended Daily Mass, consider joining us just one or two days a week. — *Fr. Istre*

## "TAKING A LEMON..."

### Honoring Italian Catholic Traditions

A group of lemons, a symbol of fidelity to the Catholic faith, are usually placed on St. Joseph Altars. There is an old Sicilian tradition that if a woman steals a lemon from the Altar, she will find a husband by the next year's St. Joseph Altar. This beautiful tradition is alive and well in our



community! At the end of the Altar Viewing, only a few lemons remained! *What a beautiful and trusting way to honor St. Joseph, the Foster Father of Christ.*

ST. JOSEPH – PRAY FOR US!

## THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Monday 24 March	<b>12:10 pm — Monday of Lent Week III</b> In Thanksgiving to St. Therese of Lisieux
Tuesday 25 March	<b>12:10 pm — The Annunciation of the Lord</b> MLD
Wednesday 26 March	<b>12:10 pm — Wednesday of Lent Week III</b> Susan Kruck Aucoin
Friday 28 March	<b>12:10 pm — Friday of Lent Week III</b> The Poor Holy Souls in Purgatory, Marcel, Himel & Falgout families
Saturday 29 March	<b>4 pm Anticipatory Mass.</b> Wyanette Monceaux, Wade Landry, Dr. Peter Abel, Louis Boudreaux, Miles Liner Fly. (L&D), Shirley Savoie, John Tholen, E.J. & Gerry Lemoine Fly. (L&D), Kathy Hebert Brunson
Sunday 30 March	<b>7 am Mass.</b> Deanna Sampey, Kenneth Garber, Sr., Calvin Leleux Fly (L&D) <b>10 am Solemn Mass.</b> Laura Magee Larive Fly. (L&D), Don Lasseigne Fly. (L&D), The Poor Holy Souls in Purgatory, Billee Curry <b>6:30 pm Mass.</b> William (Bill) Gottung, Chester J. Henry, Craig Nini

### EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

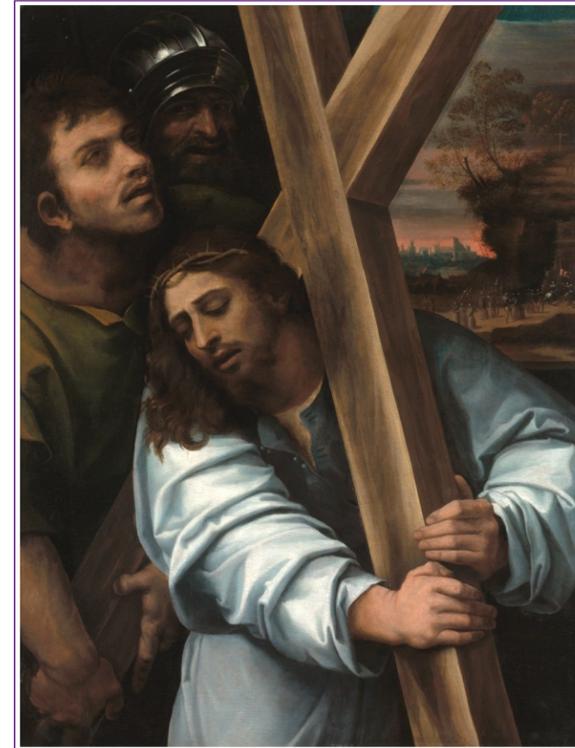
If you would like to donate toward Easter Flowers in memory of a loved one, contact Lisa at the parish office or you may use the "Easter Flower" envelope that is included in the offertory mailing. These mailed envelopes may be placed in the offertory basket at Mass, as usual.

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory	\$ 11,293.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 45.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$ 541.00
<b>Total Weekly Giving</b>	<b>\$ 11,875.00</b>

### ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE

Online giving is a safe, easy way to support your parish. Go to [ststephenberwick.org](http://ststephenberwick.org) and click on the "give" tab. Or scan the code, at right.



## LENT at St. Stephen's

### DAILY MASS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday — 12:10 pm

### FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

*\*Every Friday in Lent\**

Following 12:10 pm Mass until 5:20 pm

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays in Lent — 5:30 pm

### LENTEN LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, April 2 — 6:30 to 8 pm

Spy Wednesday, April 16 — 6:30 to 8 pm

### LENTEN MISSION NIGHT

With Fr. Mathew Dunn, Pastor of LSU

Wednesday, March 26 — 6 pm

## RECTORY PROJECT

### KEEPING YOU INFORMED: Meeting with Architect (2nd Notice)

I recently received a letter from Bishop Deshotel giving his formal approval to proceed with the plan to demolish the current rectory building and start over with a simplified, one-story structure (office and priest's residence). This is a major milestone in any diocesan building project. Last week, I traveled to Baton Rouge to meet with our architect and his team to see the preliminary drawings they have prepared. We are still in the "planning phase," but I will be coming to you in the next few weeks with more information about the project and a tentative timeline. — *Fr. Istre*

### NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

*Beginning March 17, the Church Office will be open:*  
Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday: 9am—noon; 1pm—3 pm  
*Closed Thursdays. Friday:* 9am—noon.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### LENTEN MISSION NIGHT *This Wednesday, March 26, 6 pm* *With Fr. Mathew Dunn*

Fr. Dunn is Pastor of Christ the King Student Center on the Campus of LSU

### LENTEN FRIDAY ADORATION — March 28

After 12:10 pm Mass: Adoration Begins

5:20 pm: Benediction

5:30 pm: Stations of the Cross

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

*Fridays after 12:10 pm Daily Mass in Lent*

### LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU CONFESSIONS

*Wednesday, April 2 — 6:30 to 8 pm*

### FIRST SATURDAY MASS OF BLESSED VIRGIN

*Saturday, April 5 — 8 am*

### Beginning of Holy Week — Sun, April 13

## LIVING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH:

Fasting and Abstinence in Lent

Catholics (aged 18-59 years) are required to fast on two days of the year: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All Catholics (aged 14 and up) are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is an ancient practice, and it is part of living our Catholic Faith.