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April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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MASS SCHEDULE:

MASS OF ANTICIPATION (VIGIL)

Sanctuary & Convent Lights

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM

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AT REST IN CHRIST
STEWARDSHIP

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SUNDAY:

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 5:00 PM MONDAY, WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY:

8:15 AM

TUESDAY: 6:00 PM

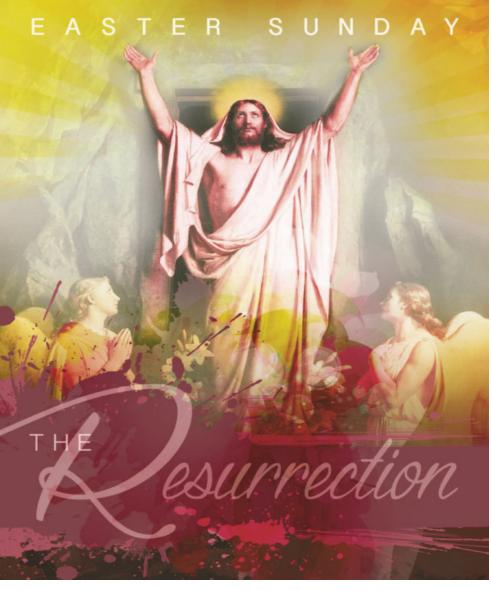
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THIS BULLETIN IS FOR DANIEL GUIDRY



PARISH CALENDAR

PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH

- Easter Sunday
- Divine Mercy Novena 3 pm in Church

MONDAY, APRIL 10TH

- Office Closed
- Divine Mercy Novena 7 pm in Church

TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH

- Men's Prayer Group at 6 AM in the FLC meeting room
- Adoration from 3 PM—5:30 PM in the church
- Adult Confirmation 6:30 PM in Classroom
- KC Bingo at 7:00 PM at 346 Fir Street

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12TH

- Confessions at 8:45 AM in the church
- Legion of Mary at 4:30 PM in the St. Joseph room
- Acts Women 6:30 PM in FLC
- Divine Mercy 7 PM in church

THURSDAY, APRIL 13TH

- Golden Oaks 1 pm in FLC
- Divine Mercy Novena 7 pm in Church
- Women's Holy Hour 7 pm at AOL

FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH

Divine Mercy Chaplet 7 pm in Church

SATURDAY APRIL 15TH

Diving Mercy Novena 5:30 PM in Church



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Good Friday, April 7 —following Solemn Service Holy Saturday, April 8 & Easter Sunday, April 9—3 PM April 10, 12, 13, & 14 - 7 PM April 11—following 6 PM Mass April 15—following 4:30 PM Mass

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 16

Exposition-2:30 PM Chaplet -3:00 PM Benediction -3:30 PM

Our Paschal Candle was donated in loving memory of Van FI. Gilmore, Jr





Easter Flower Memorials

Special thanks to all of our parishioners who generously contributed to this year's Easter flowers in memory of loved ones.

A list of the Easter Flower
Memorials may be found on the pew tables in the back of the church.



SOME OF THE HARD WORKERS THAT HELPED US HAVE A SUCCESSFUL FAIR THANK YOU!!











This Easter, St. Joan of Arc is pleased to welcome into the church through the Sacrament of Initiation Matthew Mazzeno, Brandon Sanchez, Darwin Taylor, Liam Williams, Delilah Burdette, Christian Hargrove, River Moya, Rey Ocana, Germond Williams, and Kevin Edwards. We also congratulate Robbie Wale on her profession of faith and our Catholics receiving Sacraments - Charles Wale, III, Mariah Anderson, Hayden Stoute, and Mecca Cook.

To request Mass intentions or the lighting of the Sanctuary, Convent, or Chapel Lights, please go to sjachurch.com or call the church office.

Mass intention forms are also available on the main doors of the church.



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SACRAMENTS

CONFESSIONS: Before the Vigil Mass & all Sunday Masses and at 8:45 AM on Wednesdays and First Saturdays. **BAPTISMS:** First Sunday of the month following the 10 AM Mass. To begin the preparation process, call the Parish Office.

WEDDINGS: Arrangements must be made at least 8 months prior to the wedding. Call the Parish Office to schedule a meeting with a priest and to book the church.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office or 504-584-6079 (evenings).

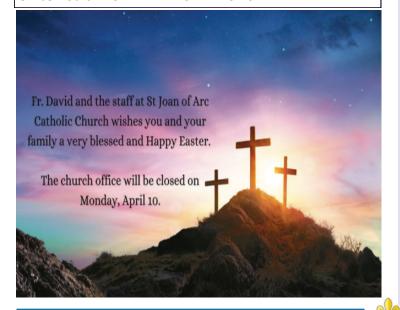
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WE ARE ALL STEWARDS OF OUR TIME, TALENTS, & TREASURE

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT FOR

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate.

On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world.

Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Thank You

Thank you to all who helped with Holy Week preparations and church decorating. Thank you also to those who volunteered to help with the Altar of Repose and those who volunteered to serve for the Easter Triduum. Our church is grateful for the gifts of your time and service.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TREASURE

"...God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Cor. 9:7

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Mark Your Calendar!

April 6—Living Stations of the Cross April 7—14 Easter Holidays



CALLED TO PRAYER

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gerald Bercegeay, Bryan Bourgeois, Elizabeth Bourgeois, Marlene Bourgeois, Brynleigh Bowers, Jamie Brady, Mary Breaud, Melanie Deslatte Brown, Zachary Brown, Hayden Cashio, Felix Cerami, Mary Cooper, Stephen Cupit, Edward Demley, Lorraine & Kernis Dugas, Mavis Dumas, Tommy Dupuy, Kenny Jo Edmonds, Jr., Austin Falgout, Brantley & Oakley Falgout, Lisa Falgout, Ryan Falgout, Lakin Felder, Caleb Gary, Reyna Gary, Linda & Warren Gaudin, Joan George, Rowena Guillot, Eddie Harris, Sandy Haydel, Larry Hebert, Mary Hebert, Lorraine Hebert, Elexia Henderson, Dustin Hopkins, F.J. Keller, Brother Benedict Kelley, Jonathan L., Geraldine Labat, Acadia LaBranche, Randy Lambert, Carson Landry, Megan Landry, Meredith Landry, Shirley Lawrence, Sue LeBlanc, Wanda Lee, Rebecca Vicknair Lewis, Bryan Madere, Luce Marks (the barber), Dale McClain, Faith McNeely, Godfrey McNeely, Casey McKee, Lawrence Michele, Jill Montz, Steven Montz, Millicent A. Mullen, Deanna Normand, Brenda Ola, James Oubre, Janice Parquette, Lee Perilloux, Charlee Grace Petit, Dillan Pope, Bill Provence, Mary Punch, Jennifer Redlin, Joel Rivera, Carmen Rivere, Clyde & Mable Rixner, Michael & Brenda Romain, Nick Rose, Ceothile Roy, Michael Scallan, Althea Schaefer, Special intention, Stephanie Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Smith & family, Andrea Tamplain, Frankie Tarullo, Leslie Terry, Connie Thorn, Ty Triche, Ron Troxler, Brayden Turner, Marie Turner, Steven Turner, Kathy Tuson, Dawn Wactor, Glenda Wactor, Darlene Wempren, Hayden White, David Snyder

To add someone to the prayer list, contact the church office at 985-652-9100

APRIL PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER.

For a culture of peace and non-violence We pray for the spread of peace and nonviolence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS:

April 10— Rev. Edward Owusu-Ansah April 11— Rev. Bryce Sibley April 12— Rev. William Scott Daniels, O.P. April 13— Rev. Kesiena Dennis Oblienu April 14— Rev. Mark Lomax April 15— Rev. Brian Orlando Gonzalez April 16— Rev. Lich Nguyen



ST. JOAN OF ARC PATRON OF SOLDIERS, PRAY FOR US

May God keep special watch over these men and women in the United States Military.

Wesley Triche

Monica Bourg
2nd Lt. Gregory Boyle
Casey Williams Deen
Raymond Gendron, III
Cpt. Thomas Gray
LCpl Jonathan Grenier
PFC Michael Hanley
Cpt. Alex Hernandez
Cpt. Ashley Hernandez
Heidi Mayeux Hymel
SPC Chase Ingram

LCpl Matthew Johnson

Edwin Preston Johnston
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Vanessa Poulin
Cadet Christopher Purnell
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1st Lt. Matthew Suarez
Cpt. Nick Sutton



PARISH INFORMATION



Join us this summer for Vacation Bible School

1 pm—5 pm in the Family Life Center K—6th Grade for 2023-24 School Year Register @

www.sjachurch.com/vacation-bible-school

Kids' Corner

PUZZLE Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:
The Scriptures said Jesus would rise to life.
Bake Resurrection Cookies with your family tonight. You can find the recipe online at https://www.catholicicing.com/how-to-make-easter-

story-cookies-with-a-printable-recipe/.

ST. JOAN OF ARC PARISH WWW.SJACHURCH.COM



MON, APRIL 10, 2023

8:15 AM: Norris "Butch" Millet

TUE, APRIL 11, 2023

6:00 PM: Sue Stienert

WED, APRIL 12, 2023

8:15 AM: Norris "Butch" Millet

THURS, APRIL 13, 2023

8:15 AM: Courtney Wagner

FRI, APRIL 14, 2023

8:15 AM: Courtney Wagner

SAT, APRIL 15, 2023

8:15 PM: Shelby Orv

SAT, APRIL 15, 2023—ANTICIPATORY, 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVING MERCY SUNDAY)

4:30 PM: Jim Riley; Living & Deceased Members of the Cupit & Rayne Families; Rosemary Morrison; Linda Musson; Chris Deano; Dana Guidry & Family; Kevin Dufrene; Deceased Members of the Rollo & Dottolo Families; David Dill, III; Mark Chapman; Jean Fuselier; Dowie & Annabelle Gendron; Glenda Gendron Fitch; Joseph S. & Muriel Millet; Kevin & Shawn Keller; Jennie & Octave Mabile; All Living & Deceased Members of the F. J. Keller Family; All Living & Deceased Members of the Mabile Family; Ryan Falgout; Austin Falgout; Stephen Hotard; Eddie Jouty, Jr.; Jimmy Daigre; Harry Hoover; Angietta & Dan Keen; Roy Vicknair; Kim Capdeboscq; Michael Brouwer; Earl Mannina; Ann Ardoin; Guy Clement; Angie Roussel; Glen McDonald; Jules A. Andry; Lloyd Simoneaux; David Faucheux; Foster & Therese` Cambre; Malcolm Cambre; Joseph Berthelot; The Deceased Members of the Rene & Sedalize Faucheux Family; The Douglas Cambre Family; Logan Jacob; Judy Noveh; Brock Waguespack; Cathy Haydel: Roland Clement: Patricia Kleive: Beanvides Escobar; Catillo Escobar; Alliegro Beanvides; Therese` & Foster Cambre; Melanie Deslatte Brown; Herman, Jr. & Karen Deslatte; Herman, Sr. & Marie Deslatte; Pete Brown; Sarah Brown

SUN, APRIL 16, 2022—2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

8:00 AM: Natalie Sutton; All Members of the Feucht Family; Deceased Members of the Oubre & Vilemont Families; Sandra Oubre; Marie Ory Dupont; Eddie & Marie Jouty; Eddie Jouty, Jr. Kathleen Rodrigue; Norman Zeringue; Kirk Zeringue; Mark Chapman: Tom Daley: Therese` & Foster Cambre: Melanie Deslatte Brown; Herman, Jr. & Karen Deslatte; Herman, Sr. & Marie Deslatte; Pete Brown; Sarah Brown; Richard Holmes; Michael Brouwer; Connie Gay; Daniel Guidry; All Priests in the New Orleans Archdiocese; Archbishop Gregory Aymond; Jimmy Daigre; Mark Trosclair; Ollie & Cheryl French; Shelby Ory;

Roland Clement; Brock Waguespack; Earl Mannina; Arnold Labat; Terry Lebat; Rebecca Labat Tassara; Joseph & Mary Labat; George & Arthemise Bleakley; Sylvia Bleakley; Larry Bleakley; Donnie Bleakley; Paul Morris; Steven Treadway; Susan Satterlee

10:00 AM: Westley & Vivian St. Pierre

5:00 PM: Ferrol "CoCo" Keating; Mass for the People

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BE LIT 4/10—4/16 For:

Daniel Guidry

CONVENT LIGHT WILL BE LIT 4/10—4/16 FOR:

Military & Their Families

Sacred Heart Chapel Light will be Lit 4/10—4/16 for:

St. Joan of Arc Fair Workers



GOSPEL REFLECTION

"When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons." (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, "out of whom he had driven seven demons."

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did.

— Father John Muir



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