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MASS SCHEDULE:

MASS OF ANTICIPATION (VIGIL)

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM

SUNDAY:

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 5:00 PM

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY:

8:15 AM

TUESDAY: 6:00 PM

OUR CLERGY:

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is to bestow Christ's love through worship, education, outreach and stewardship that will provide an avenue for salvation to our parishioners.



THIS BULLETIN IS FOR EDDIE JOUTY, JR.



PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH MONDAY, MAY 8TH

PSR 6:00 PM at AOL

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH

- Men's Prayer Group at 6:00 AM in the FLC
- Adoration from 3:00 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, MAY 10TH

- Confessions at 8:45 AM in the church
- Acts Women 6:30 PM in FLC

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH

- Legion of Mary at 9:15 AM in the St. Joseph room
- Golden Oaks at 1:00 PM in FLC
- Choir 6:30 PM in Church
- Women's Holy Hour 7:00 PM at AOL Chapel

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH

May Crowning

SATURDAY MAY 13TH

- Men's Basketball 8:00 AM in gym
- Blood Drive 10:00 AM-4:00 PM in the FLC





Join us for exercise and praying the Rosary SoulCORE May 11 at 6:30 pm in **Family Life Center**



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 @ sjachurch.com/vacation-bible-school Volunteers needed—please contact the office



Save the dates for our next **ACTS Women's Retreat**

June 1–4, 2023

Register online at www.sjachurch.com





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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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SJA Religion Service Learning Project 2022-2023 (4th Grade)

Please send in your eyeglass donations by Friday, May 19th. Thank you in advance for your help for those in need within our local community.

All eyeglasses will be collected & given to the local Laplace Lions Club Organization for further distribution to those who are in

The 4th Grade wishes to be of service to others and we are in need of eyeglasses of every kind that are either used or new. Please consider donating a pair(s) of eyeglasses to those less fortunate. May they be able to have their "Eyes on God" too! Amen.

All SJA Church parishioners can bring in their donated eyeglasses & drop them in the collection bins that will be provided in the front area of the church for these donations. The 4th Grade thanks you so much for your generosity.





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

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Everyday Stewardship:

What do you think is the value of your stewardship? Do you believe that through your actions both great and small that God can touch people, heal them, and change their lives? Too often we can mistakenly assume that what we do, say, or offer can have little effect in the grand scheme of life. We are simply poor sinners in need of salvation so what could we do anyway? Jesus speaks very powerfully to what can be done by those who believe in him and follow him. He says in John's Gospel, "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." Greater ones than these? Think about all the miracles of Jesus recorded in sacred Scripture. You and I can do works greater than those?

St. Teresa of Avila said, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours." We are Christ to a world that needs him. It is the Christ in you that responds to the Christ in me. If it were only you alone going about doing good works and deeds, then your stewardship would amount to little. But if you bear the name Christian, and you approach your discipleship seriously, you can truly do greater things. If you understand your stewardship as a way that Jesus works in our world, then this way of life, cultivating and sharing your gifts at every turn, becomes more valuable than all the gold in the world.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Bishop Tran will celebrate 4 pm Mass at Mary Queen of Peace in Mandeville on Saturday, May 13, 2023.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TREASURE

"...God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Cor. 9:7

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

4/19—4/26		Online	ı	Mass/Mail-in		
Regular Contributions:	\$ 2,623.00		\$ 5	5,772.50		
Holy Land:	\$	0.00	\$	15.00		
Easter	\$	0.00	\$	20.00		

Second Collection is for the Diocesan Priest Retirement

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AT REST IN CHRIST

† Constance Connie Thorn**‡**

We ask for your prayers for the repose of her soul. Pray also that her family and friends are strengthened by their faith and consoled by their hope in eternal life.

Please join us in welcoming Seminarian James Vu to our church family.

To the St. Joan of Arc Family,

Thank you for everything during my time at SJA. You quickly welcomed me in and made St. Joan of Arc into my home away from home. You have helped me to grow into the person I am today and for this I am truly grateful. From being part of the choir, to spending time with the Youth Group, to participating in all sorts of traditions, I have truly enjoyed my time here while living at the rectory and teaching at St. Charles Catholic.

I want to also thank Fr. David Ducote. Thank you for allowing me to stay with you and supporting me in my discernment. You have been a good source of advice, a great mentor and most importantly an even greater friend. Through your priestly example, I have grown a better understanding of what a good priest looks like and how to minister to the people of God. You have also given me ideas and goals that I want to implement when I become pastor one day.

As you all are reading this letter, I am happy to say that I am now a seminarian for the Archdiocese of New Orleans and have chosen St. Joan of Arc to be my home parish. It was a difficult journey, but through prayer and discernment, I have felt that the Lord has called me to serve the people of God here in the Archdiocese. I ask that you keep me in your prayers as I return to Notre Dame Seminary in the fall and also pray for me and my fellow seminarians as we continue to discern the priesthood. I pray that God will continue to bless this great and wonderful parish.

Yours in Christ.

James Vu

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Our Vikings have been BUSY!!



D.A.R.E. Graduation



SJA Jazz Fest







Mark Your Calendar!

May 12— May Crowning
May 12—Last Day of School for 7th Grade
May 17—7th Grade Graduation
May 22—24 Middle School Exams



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, Ty Triche, Ron Troxler, Brayden Turner, Marie Turner, Steven Turner, Kathy Tuson, Dawn Wactor, Glenda Wactor, Darlene Wempren, Hayden White , David

MAY PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER.

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS:

May 8— Rev. Charles Andrus S.S.J.
May 9— Rev. Francis J. Carabello
May 10— Rev. Douglas Busch
May 11— Rev. Dominic Bao Tran, C.Ss.R.
May 12— Rev. Edward V. Vacek, S.J.
May 13—Rev. Richard Boever, C.Ss.R.
May 14—Rev. Bernard Francis



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.

Monica Bourg
2nd Lt. Gregory Boyle
Casey Williams Deen
Raymond Gendron, III
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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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Lt. Cdr. Mark Zachary Roussel
1st Lt. Matthew Suarez
Cpt. Nick Sutton

Wesley Triche

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PARISH INFORMATION

Ladies Altar Society Pot Luck Luncheon May 16, 2023 12:00 PM at the KC Hall

Kids' Corner

Sharing the Gospel

Prayer: Lord, if I begin to worry, remind me that you are there to help.

Mission for the Week

I will bury my worry rocks because God has everything under his control.



HEARTS

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

BELIEVE

PLACE

TRUST PREPARE			GOING FATHER			LIVING MIRACLES				
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Jesus is getting ready for you. Make sure you are getting ready for Jesus. Ask God to help you grow closer to him every day.

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MON, MAY 8, 2023

8:15 AM: Kevin & Shawn Keller

TUE, MAY 9, 2023

6:00 PM: Eddie Jouty, Jr.

WED, MAY 10, 2023—St. John of Avila, Priest &

DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:15 AM

THURS, MAY 11, 2023

Eddie Jouty, Sr. 8:15 AM:

FRI, MAY 12, 2023—STS. NEREUS & ACHILLES,

MARTYRS; ST. PANCTRAS, MARTYR

Sarah Rollo

8:15 AM: Jimmy Daigre

SAT, MAY 13, 2023—OUR LADY OF FATIMA

8:15 AM: **Roland Clement**

SAT, MAY 13, 2023—ANTICIPATORY, 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (MOTHER'S DAY)

4:30 PM: Jim Riley; Rosemary Morrison; Carmen Cupit; Josepha Rayne; Living & Deceased Members of the Cupit & Rayne Families; Deceased Members of the Rollo & Dottolo Families; Jean Fuselier; Marie Jouty; Eddie Jouty, Sr.; Eddie Jouty, Jr.; Raymond Templet, Sr.; Chuck, Nadge & Rose Druin; Rita & Clement Madere; Mark Chapman; Joseph S. & Muriel Millet; Stephen Hotard; 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; Guy Clement; Sue Arceneaux; Lloyd Simoneaux; Roy Vicknair; Kim Capdeboseg; Judy Noveh; Olga & John Porteous; Shelby Ory; Roland Clement; Patricia Kleive; Earl Mannina; Ann Ardoin; Jodie Dupuy; Charlotte Vatter; Brandon Pollet; Jean & Lester Pollet; Michael & Polly Remondet; Michael LaRosa; Wayne Anthony Brady; Brock Waguespack; Roland Faucheux; Dolly Ocmond

SUN, MAY 14, 2023—6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (MOTHER'S DAY)

8:00 AM: Mass for the People

10:00 AM: Deceased Members of the Oubre & Vilemont Families; Sandra Oubre; Darrel Wild; Mark Chapman; Westley & Vivian St. Pierre; Sylvia & Milton Brady; Frances & Sam Accardo; Alma & Frank Guillot; Mervin Guillot; Preston Weber; Janey Guillot; Joyce Ann Steib; Olga & John Porteous; Rosie Monica; Marie Ory Dupont; Therese` & Robert Cazenave; Bonnie Comeaux; David Dill, III; Norman & Kirk Zeringue; Patrick Cupit; Jeffrey Cupit; Leah G. Weber; Annabelle Gendron; P. J.; Georgette & Carl Broussard; Harold Dutreix, Sr.; Carrie Dutreix; Roy Dutreix; David Labruyere; Etienne & Emma Feucht; Audrey Feucht Boe; Edward & Feucht Boe; Edward & Marie Sutton; Natalie Sutton; Bishop Fernand Cheri; Henry, Alice Mae & Gil Maurin; Daniel Guidry; Eugene & Ann Fortino; Jane Roussel; Eddie Jouty, Jr.; Bishop John Tran; All Priests in the New Orleans Archdiocese; Archbishop Gregory Aymond; Jimmy Daigre;

Sue Arceneaux; Harry Hoover; Juanita & Lester Louque; Angie Roussel; Therese` & Foster Cambre; Melanie Deslatte Brown; Herman, Jr. & Karen Deslatte; Herman, Sr. & Marie Deslatte; Pete Brown; Sarah Brown; Thomas Rivers, Jr.; Charlotte Vatter; Wanda L. Schiff; Mildred Amedee; Barbara Gautreaux; Helen Lasseigne; Joyce Macaluso; Ollie & Cheryl French; Farrel Weber, Jr.; Farrel Weber, Sr. Anna Weber; David Faucheux; Malcolm Cambre; Joseph Berthelot; The Deceased Members of the Rene & Sedalize Faucheux Family; The Douglas Cambre Family; Roland Clement; Michael Brouwer; Jourdan Growl; Gertrude Fisse; Ronald Faucheux; Charmain Faucheux

5:00 PM: Ferrol "CoCo" Keating

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BE LIT 5/8 — 5/14 FOR:

Daniel Guidry

CONVENT LIGHT WILL BE LIT 5/8—5/14 FOR:

St. Joan of Arc Families

Sacred Heart Chapel Light will be Lit 5/8—5/14 FOR:

John & Olga Porteous



GOSPEL REFLECTION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE: If you had to summarize the essential core of the Christian life, what would it be? Mercy, truth, or love, perhaps? The readings today suggest another word which may surprise you. That word is priesthood. St. Peter says to us, "You are a 'chosen race, a royal priesthood...'" To be part of a priesthood is to offer a particular sacrifice in order for the community to survive and thrive. Jesus is the great high priest because he offers the one perfect sacrifice which heals and perfects the entire human race. Peter the Apostle wants us to know that all the baptized share in this priestly ministry. The whole of our lives, including every detail, is meant to become our acceptable offering to God. The baptized exercise this priesthood in many ways, I'll mention three. At Sunday Mass, in private prayer, and in daily work. At Mass, we offer the sacrifice of our lives with that of the priest, who symbolizes Christ the Priest. In our prayer, a "morning offering" prayer is a great way to offer up all the joys and sufferings of the day to come. In our daily work, we sacrifice our time, comfort, money, and energy to do good for others. All this gives the deepest possible meaning to our lives: we share in the priesthood which saves the world. That's at the core of our faith. — Father John Muir

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