



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

APRIL 18, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Mo, Tu, Th, Fri..... 8:30am
Wednesday..... 6:00pm

Daily Mass and the 10:30am Sunday Mass are live-streamed and can be viewed on our parish Facebook page or the Parish Website.

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - Open 24 hours daily.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 19

8:30 am Eugene & Daniel Buckley

Tuesday, April 20

8:30 am Mabel Fryoux

Wednesday, April 21 • St. Anselm

6:00 pm Jonathan Lanza

Thursday, April 22

8:30 am Jeffrey & Patrick Cupit

Friday, April 23 • St. George • St. Adelbert

8:30 am John Rauch, Jr.

Saturday, April 24 • St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

4:00 pm Anthony J. Valure, John Paul Loupe, Ronald G. Perilloux, Ronald N. Perilloux, Huey Waguespack, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Irving & Norma Vial, Melancon & Fisher Families, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Glen Keating, Carol Mae Clause, All Souls, Melvin & Nellie Powell, Eric & Joseph Dangerfield, Joseph, Felicie, & Vincent Favorite, Georgette Scofield, George Goodyear, Nolan Blaise Landeche, Jr., Healing of America & return to God, Special Intentions

Sunday, April 25 • 4th Sunday of Easter • World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:30 am Frank & Merlene St. Pierre, Gwen Booth, Maria Espinal, Emma Ziguena, Mike Spruell, Eric & Joseph Dangerfield, Joseph, Felicie, & Vincent Favorite, All Souls, Special Intention for healing, John Snyder, Sr., Shirley Soletto, Wayne J. Couch, Sr., Ligia R. Figuero, Amador Miguel Amor, Betsy Arcuri, Special Intention
10:30 am Kim Cox, Digna Calopez Frialde
3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners
7:00 pm Kirk Zeringue



VIGIL LIGHT APRIL

In memory of Huey Waguespack

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN FOR

Birthday Blessings for Bonnie Thigpen
Prayers for the healing of Mary Catherine Falgoust



Willwoods Married Couples Retreat

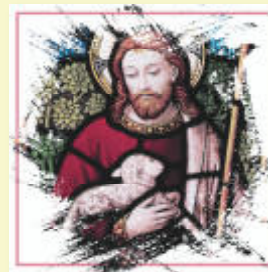
May 1st - 2nd at St. Joseph Abbey's Retreat Center
Deepen and renew your love for God and each other!
Register at www.FaithandMarriage.org or call 504-830-3716.

Special Collection - April 25th

Archdiocesan Priest Retirement Collection

The Archdiocese is truly blessed by the service of many holy and dedicated priests, especially our retired priests, who have served our Archdiocese so faithfully. We currently have over fifty retired priests, many who continue to serve in our Archdiocese in many ways.

The annual retirement collection is used to support the medical and retirement expenses of these priests. Your participation in this collection is a way to say "thank you" to our retired Archdiocesan priests for their many years of service to us, the Church of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Your support will benefit the priests for many years to come.



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Welcome Fr. Cyril!

Ascension of Our Lord would like to welcome Fr. Cyril who will be succeeding Fr. Walter as our pastor following his retirement in July. Fr. Cyril comes to us from St. Maria Goretti parish in New Orleans where he is currently serving as the Parochial Vicar.

Fr. Cyril Buyeera was born in 1968 in Uganda, the fourth child in to a family of ten, seven boys and three girls. His father was a teacher and his mother a nurse. After completing his primary and secondary education, he was admitted to Katigondo National Major Seminary where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Makerere University, Uganda. He then joined Ggaba National Major Seminary where he pursued his theological studies obtaining a Bachelor of Arts in Theology from Makerere University. Upon completing his Seminary formation, he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Tororo on August 28, 1999.

He served as a Parochial Vicar in two parishes from 1999 to 2001. He then served as Pastor of St. Stephen Church, Kamuge Olinga (2001-2005) and Mater Dei Church, Tunyi (2005-2012). From 2001 to 2012 he also served as a diocesan Director of Pontifical Mission Societies.

In 2012 the Archbishop of Tororo loaned Fr. Cyril to the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Since 2012, he has served as Parochial Vicar at St. Maria Goretti Church in New Orleans East, where he has served as its administrator. While at St. Maria Goretti, he enrolled and completed a Master of Arts degree in Moral Theology at Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology.

We look forward to you joining our parish family, Fr. Cyril!

WELCOME!



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

First Communion Class Retreat - April 19th

5:30-7:30pm at AOL School

First Reconciliation - April 28th

6:30pm at AOL Church

First Communion Mass - May 1st

10:00am at AOL Church

Eucharist Lecture Series

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"The Real Presence of the Eucharist"

by Dr. David Liberto

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 5:30pm

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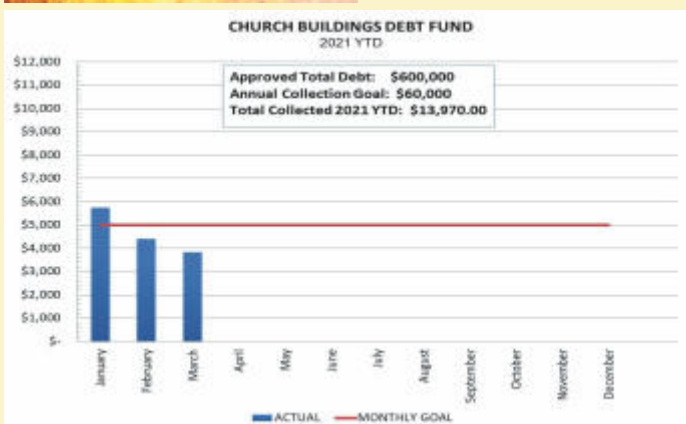
Register online at www.nds.edu/ELS

In-person or virtual attendance options available.

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MOTHER'S DAY MASS INTENTIONS



The Mother's Day Mass Remembrance offering envelopes are included in this week's bulletin. Please **print** the names of your living and deceased mothers to be remembered, and return them in the collection basket or to the Parish Office by **May 3rd**.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, April 19

5:30-7:30 pm First Communion Retreat - Old school library
6:00 pm Parish School of Religion
6:00 pm KC 4th Degree Meeting - PPH

Tuesday, April 20

6:30 pm Fr. Walter's Anniversary/Retirement Celebration
Planning Meeting - PPH

Wednesday, April 21

11:30 am Silver Crusaders Luncheon - WJ's
6:00 pm KC General Meeting - Old school library
6:00 pm RCIA - Parish Office

Thursday, April 22

12:30 pm Hearty Meal - DBH
7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study - Piovan Parish Hall

Friday, April 23

6:30 pm Serra Club Social - PPH

Saturday, April 24 • Team 4

Sunday, April 25 • Team 4



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Adorers Needed:

Sundays: 10am, 1pm, 4pm

Mondays: 2am

Thursdays: 8am

Fridays: 2pm, 3pm

Saturdays: 12am, 8am

Come back and pray!

"Ask Him to remind you that in order to really know someone, you must spend time with them....God is no different."

Jane Trufant Harvey - "Ask Him"

Kids Corner



When Jesus came to his friends after Easter, they could hardly believe he was real. Jesus told his friends it was okay to touch him. Jesus had bones. He had muscles. He had scars from the cross. Jesus even ate a piece of fish to show that his stomach worked okay. Yes, they had all seen Jesus die, but God raised him to life. Moses and King David and the prophets had all written about the Savior. The Scriptures all came true through Jesus. He really is alive. If you believe in Jesus, don't keep it a secret. Tell your friends that Jesus is their savior, too.

PRAYER

God, give me the words I need. I want everyone I know to follow you.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Send a letter to the missionaries your church supports. Ask them how your family can help them spread God's love with other people.



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANointing OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office or 985-630-2837 (evenings).

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.



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"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name."

Lk 24:46-47

There once lived a great king whose generosity was known and felt by one and all. Everyone in the kingdom had experienced his kindness first hand.

Now the king would invite all his subjects to a great banquet. Many of the people saw this as an opportunity to thank him.

The entire community would be invited since all recognized their need to show their gratitude. Unfortunately when the day of the banquet arrived many would fail to show up. Some gave good reasons such as an illness or they would be away. Others lied to hide the fact that they were too lazy to come.

Many guests arrived in their finest clothes befitting the respect in which they held the king. Others came as they were.

Once inside the banquet hall, troubadours recounted story after story of the great king's history of charity and kindness. No one failed to see that the great king's charity and kindness extended to each one personally.

The people gathered around the banquet table where a magnificent feast lay waiting. As they ate many people in their own words each gave thanks to the king for the times he helped them in their hour of need. Others became engrossed in their own thoughts or caught up in eating the feast to remember their own debt to him.

As the meal progressed a few people arrived late, they would hurriedly find an empty seat and quickly gobble down the food before them. Once finished they quickly got up to leave for home.

As for the king, he knew the people loved him. Those who did not come to the banquet saddened him. He was disappointed in the manners of others. He was embarrassed that a few chose to come late, eat and then leave without even an acknowledgment. Yet he loved them all.

For those who remained, they soon left for their homes with a sense of joy and satisfaction. While they could give back little in return for what the king did for them, their presence became a reflection of their love for him. The same love he had for them.

Fr. Walter Austin

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

How to Fail Your Way to Heaven

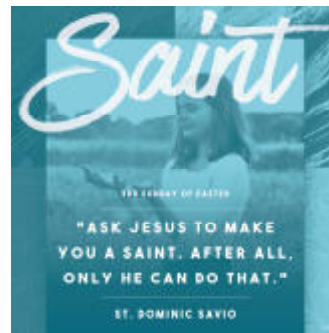
You know what are some of my favorite moments in Scripture? The little "Easter eggs" of Jesus' humanity, things like Jesus falling asleep, Jesus drawing in the sand, Jesus playing with kids. And how about Jesus rising from the dead, appearing to his disciples and saying, "So, have you got anything to eat?"

It's right for us to always keep in mind that Jesus is God. But we also have to remember that he was man. He got hungry. He cried when he felt sad and laughed when he felt happy. He got tired. He got bored.

Because he was God, none of those feelings ever led him into sin, like they do us. He never spent a car ride trying to pass the hours by seeing how annoyed he could make his older sister. He never smacked Peter over the head for saying something really stupid. But he did unleash some Biblically righteous anger on those traders in the temple, didn't he? And he wasn't shy about calling Peter "a Satan" when his friend tempted him to take the easy way out.

It's the tightrope walk we all try to balance every day, honoring our human emotions while still answering God's call to be better. Being perfect isn't the domain of the Christian — that's the domain of Christ only. Trying and failing, then trying again (and failing again) and again and again? That's the domain of the Christian.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

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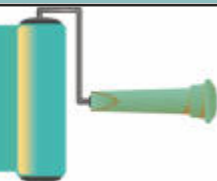
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