



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 23, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses are currently being held
in the St. Dominic Savio Center
to the right of the school.

MASS TIMES

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

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently open every day
9:00am - 9:00pm.

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

And it happened that, while [Jesus] was with them at table, he took
bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. - Lk 24:30-31

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It wasn't until Christ spoke the words of blessing over the bread
that the eyes of the disciples were opened, and they saw him for
who he was — God in flesh and blood before them. The Eucharist
makes real what we otherwise would fail to see. ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 24 • St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:30 am Jimmy Daigre

Tuesday, April 25 • St. Mark

8:30 am Rev. Cyprien Bouchard, m.afr

Wednesday, April 26

8:30 am Special Intention

Thursday, April 27

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 28 • St. Peter Chanel • St. Louis Grignion de Montfort

8:30 am Our Parishioners

Saturday, April 29 • St. Catherine of Siena

4:00 pm Melancon & Fisher Families, Joseph, Felicie, & Vincent
Favorite, Marilyn Torres, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. &
Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, All Souls, Norma Pierre,
Jourdan Growl

Sunday, April 30 • Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Jimmy Daigre, Kimberly Clement, Karen Angelo, Babies'
Souls, Marilyn Torres, Douglas C. Black, Betty Leon, Souls in
Purgatory, Shelbi Ory, Julio Zalzman
10:30 am Terry Collins
3:00 pm (en espanol) John F. Ebanks, Jr.
7:00 pm Sharon S. Triche



VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

In Memory of Auxiliary Bishop Fernand Cheri, III

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

Birthday Blessings for Michael Layton, Jr.
In memory of Kaitlyn Fitch



Pope Francis' April Prayer Intention

For a culture of peace and non-violence

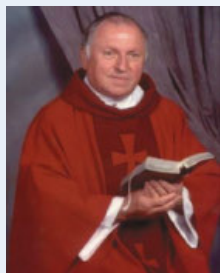
We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by
decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Special Collection - April 30th Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. What is a "Home Mission" Diocese? Home mission dioceses are those dioceses in the United States, its territories, and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and laypeople. Right now, nearly 40% of dioceses in United States and its territories are considered home missions. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER BENJAMIN PIOVAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship applications are now available at the school and church offices and on the parish website. Applications are due back no later than **Friday, May 5th at 4:00pm.**

All 7th grade students from Ascension of Our Lord Church Parish (Catholic or public school student) who will be attending St. Charles Catholic High School for the 8th grade in the Fall of 2023 are eligible to apply. Contact Grand Knight Mike Abbate at 985-652-5041 with any questions.



Parish School of Religion

Upcoming Important Dates

First Communion Class Retreat - April 29th

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (ending with 4:00 pm Mass)
at AOL School & Savio Center

First Communion Mass - May 13th

10:00 am at AOL Savio Center



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Blood Drive

Sunday, April 30th

8:30am - 12:30pm

Don Bosco Hall

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FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP DAY AT THE LOUISIANA STATE CAPITOL MAY 3, 2023

On May 3, we invite you to *Faithful Citizenship Day* at the *Louisiana State Capitol*. The goal is to continue to educate and engage Catholics on Catholic Social Teaching and legislation, LCCB positions, and to develop relationships with each other and legislators.



8:45 Meet at St. Joseph Cathedral Parish Hall; Opening Prayer; Coffee; Orientation to Catholic Social Teaching and Current Legislation

9:45 Attend Committee Hearings; Meet Legislators

11:45 Return for Mass

12:30 Light lunch and conversation with Catholic Legislators

2:00 Return to House and Senate Chambers for bill debates

3:30 Return to Cathedral; Evaluate and Closing Prayer; Depart

Meeting Location

St. Joseph Cathedral Parish Hall
412 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Register online at conta.cc/3Y6BBu3.

Please contact swolf@laccb.org for more information.



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 on the envelope or include a list, and return them to the Parish Office or in the collection basket no later than May, 7th.

Deacon Julius
April 26th



ONLINE GIVING

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, April 24

6:00pm Parish School of Religion - School building #2

Friday, April 28

8:30am School Mass - Savio Center

Saturday, April 29 • Team 1

9:00am Women's Gospel Reflection - Savio Center

1:00pm First Communion Retreat - School & Savio Center

Sunday, April 30 • Team 1

8:30am-12:30pm Blood Drive - Don Bosco Hall



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

**Adoration has resumed in
the Chapel every day from
9:00am to 9:00pm.**

**“So you could not
keep watch with me
for one hour?”**

3RD SUNDAY IN EASTER



Kids Corner

Prayer

Jesus, when I am sad or confused, help me to remember that you are alive and with me always.

Mission for the Week

Pack a bag with some snacks and your Bible, and take a long walk with your family. When you stop to eat your snacks, read your favorite story about Jesus.

Sharing the Gospel

Even though he had risen from the dead, two of Jesus' friends had not seen him yet. These men were still sad and confused. Imagine their surprise when Jesus walked with them, explained the Scriptures about the Savior, and then broke bread for a meal. They saw him alive!

**Now color
the picture!**



Unscramble the words from today's Gospel:

Emmaus	Christ	village
talking	Moses	bread
Cleopas	Prophets	Simon

Emuams	<u>E m m a u s</u>
Pohprets	_____
vliagel	_____
taklign	_____
Crihts	_____
berda	_____
Clapoes	_____
Mesos	_____
Sonim	_____



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 at 985-652-2615.

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.



SAINT OF THE WEEK EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

Ven. Maria Consuelo Sanjurjo Santos

Venerable Maria Consuelo Soledad Sanjurjo Santos was born in Puerto Rico on November 15, 1892. By the

time she was nine years old both of her parents had passed away. Extended family then placed her and her sister Antonia in a boarding school run by the Servants of Mary, Ministers to the Sick. It was there that she grew up and spent her adolescence, befriending and learning from the Sisters about their way of life. Maria was so attracted to the religious life that she entered the Servants of Mary, Ministers to the Sick as a postulant as soon as she turned 16. Even as a child she was known to have deep devotion to Jesus.

Since the Servants of Mary didn't have any houses for formation in Puerto Rico, Maria had to begin her postulancy in Madrid. After four years she was transferred to Cuba where under her new name, Maria Soledad, she took her perpetual vows on April 30, 1921. She remained in Havana and in 1929 she became the Secretary and Conciliar of the Congregation of the Servants of Mary. After 10 years in that position, she became Mother Superior of a couple different houses following which she was appointed the Provincial Superior of the Antilles which included Haiti, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Dominican Republic.

Now, leading the Servants of Mary in the Caribbean, Mother Maria Soledad set her heart on scaling up the apostolic work they were doing in that area of the world. She founded communities for the Sisters all over the islands. She especially hoped to begin a novitiate program in her home island, Puerto Rico, so when young women wanted to enter into the congregation they wouldn't have to travel, like she did, to Madrid first. This hope was realized in 1954 upon the opening of a novitiate in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

After 40 years of serving at her congregation's headquarters in Cuba, Mother Maria Soledad moved the Provincial House of the Servants of Mary to Puerto Rico in 1962. Cuba had become unstable, and she concluded that it would be safer for the Sisters to continue their work with education and with the sick from a Provincial capital in Puerto Rico instead. Following a heart attack, she completed her time as Provincial Superior in 1966 and went on to embrace a simple life of love of God and service to her congregation. She spent her time focusing on sewing clothes for her sisters, daily prayer, and assisting the sick.

After 62 years of consecrated life, Mother Maria Soledad died on April 23, 1973, in San Juan and was recognized for her heroic virtue by Pope Francis on January 15, 2019, and named Venerable. She is now one step away from beatification. ©LPI

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

"I Am Not Afraid — I Was Born to Do This."

Have you ever felt like you weren't doing the work you should be doing?

We have all had jobs that leave us feeling unfulfilled. Bored. Dreading the next day. We may even experience a sensation of unfamiliarity, of being unable to recognize ourselves.

Most of us have also been lucky enough to have a job that we love — a vocation, a calling that makes us look in the mirror and think, *This. This is who I'm supposed to be. I recognize this person.*

For me, that work is the work of marriage and motherhood. The hours are terrible, the pay is even worse, and my coworkers are frequently disappointed in me — but it doesn't matter. When I look in the mirror every morning and see my tired, wrinkled face gazing back, choruses of "I said I don't want the BLUE SHIRT, MOMMY, ugh!" and "Honey, I've got an early meeting, I'm so sorry but I have to run," ringing in the background, I think to myself: *I recognize this girl. She was born to do this.*

Christ's own disciples did not recognize him on the road to Emmaus. It wasn't until he took the bread and broke it that their eyes were opened, and they realized they had known it all along — "Were not our hearts burning within us?"

In that moment, Christ was doing the very work he was born to do, making the sacrifice.

I don't know what kind of vocation you are called to. I don't know what kind of work reveals your true self. But I hope that whatever work you are doing, you can look in the mirror and feel your heart burning within you.

"He was made known to them in the breaking of bread." — Luke 24:35

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/ 1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/ Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/ 1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

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