

The Road to Emmaus



Welcome to
**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
April 19, 2026

The Pastor Jots It Down!

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Mary Help of Christians Parish,



Fr. Steve Schenck and I were classmates in the junior seminary, the college seminary and throughout theology. He was an accomplished musician and composer.

One of his songs still resounds in my heart. The refrain goes like this: **“I can find God in many ways, in my neighbor, in myself, and in the Sacrament of Love.”** How true!!!

Reflecting on that refrain, we can ask ourselves how often do we fail to see the good in my neighbor and just let our thoughts focus on what we perceive as their faults and sins. How many times do we tear down others rather than building them up.

With regards to ourselves, do we focus on our faults and failings especially our misdeeds of the past. Can we admit that we are on a spiritual journey, and that God is not finished with us yet? Do we fail to see how we have changed for the better and have grown in our love for God over the years?

During our examination of conscience at night, let us not only ask the Lord for forgiveness for our misdeeds and sins but also name the good we accomplished during the day and thank the Lord for the good accomplished.

The Sacrament of Love. All the sacraments are Sacraments of Love. The sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation are the prime conduits of God’s love for us. How frequently do we approach these sacraments?

Weekly Eucharist and monthly Confession sustain a good spiritual life. One who is struggling with serious sin should approach confession more frequently.

The Lord is kind and compassionate. In confession, we not only receive forgiveness for the sins we have confessed, but also special sacramental graces to help us avoid sin in the future.

Sincere thanks for your Stewardship.

Yes, many and sincere thanks to all those who have increased their stewardship to our parish. **Stewardship** includes the giving of **time**, **treasure**, and **talent**. All three areas have increased in our parish. Thanks be to God!

Weekly offerings and monthly maintenance collections have been growing and puts us in a better position to pay off our debt to the archdiocese.

More parishioners volunteering and giving of their time and talent help us to take care of what needs to be done for our parish to move ahead, making material improvements, showing our neighbors that our parish is alive and well.

I earnestly implore each and every individual and family who worships here at MHC to increase your parish stewardship in whatever way possible. Yes, it may cost sacrifice. But that sacrifice will tremendously benefit you and our parish if undertaken with the right spirit of building up God’s Kingdom in Harvey and Marrero.

God bless you!

F. Mail



***Our parish and
our apostolic zeal
is to grow like a spiral!***

Additional Easter Flowers

Living & Deceased

Donald Comeaux

Lauze Bergeron

Althea Bergeron

Edward Comeaux

Susie Comeaux

Wayne LeBlanc

Lester Boudreaux

Lois T. Boudreaux

Ethel Boudreaux

Ester LeBlanc

Mr. & Mrs. Freddie Carmadelle

Mr. & Mrs. Amadee Planche

Bonnie Rochefort

Howard & Audrey Soileau

Tellis & Sarah Rochefort

David Spellman

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In Honor of

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April 12th was a very sepecial Sunday. Not only did our parish celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, it was also a special day for the four children pictured above as they received the Body of Christ at their First Holy Communion. Shown left to right, front row: Joseph Martinez, Emily Banks, Canaan Humphries and Alayna Parks. Back row: Fr. Steve Ryan, SDB and Fr. Mark Hyde, SDB.

HOLY WEEK COLLECTIONS

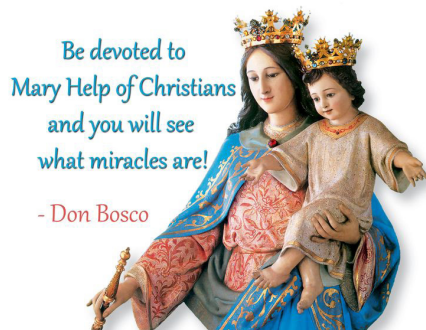
Masses	Vigil	7:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	Total
Palm Sunday	\$ 492.00	\$ 546.00	\$ 490.00	\$ 632.00	\$ 2,160.00
Holy Thursday	\$1,156.00				1,156.00
Good Friday	\$ 413.00				413.00
Easter Sunday	Vigil	7:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	No 8:00 p.m.	
Regular Envelopes	\$ 638.00	\$ 554.00	\$ 657.00		1,849.00
Easter Envelopes	\$1,994.00	922.00	2,674.00		5,590.00
				Easter Totals	\$ 7,439.00
Total for Holy Week					\$11,688.00
				Easter Flowers - donations	\$ 1,591.00
				cost	975.06
					\$ 615.94

*The figures above are for envelope and loose collections only.
They do not include miscellaneous items such as Maintenance, Candles, Masses, etc.*

Mary Help of Christians

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

8:00am Emily Gegenheimer
 4:00pm Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez
 Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora
 Josephine & Bert LeBlanc, Sr.
 Claude & Verine Zeringue
 Ethel & Henry Kraus
 Rosalie Gaspar
 John Paul 'J.P.' Guillot (DOD)
 Joseph Quang, Trong Nguyen &
 Maria Tu Thi Hoang
 Peter Tam Van Nguyen &
 Martha Can Thi Nguyen
 Beverly & Alexis Vicari
 Michael Brehm
 Roland J. Bourgeois, Sr.
 Terry Thompson
 Lisa Gaudin
 Victoria LeBlanc
 Donald Comeaux
 Frances Bruce
 Dorothy & Dominick Saladino
 Hilton & Geraldine Landry
 Hilton Landry II
 Arnold Lassere
 Keith Matherne, Sr.
 Ryan Welch
 Arthur Bourgeois (MOB)
 John Bercegeay



SUNDAY, APRIL 19

7:30am Charles. Jr.; Charles, Genevieve,
 & Mark Darsey
 Rotolo/Territo/Martin/Gibson Families
 10:30am William DeBlanc
 Alma & Frank Savona
 Voorhies/DeJean Family (Ann.)
 Martha Martinez
 Buddy Masters
 George Boudreaux
 George Haydel
 Eunice & Tony Rotolo
 Agnes & Sidney Rotolo
 Jenny & Chris Michel
 Peter & Rose Vicari / Art Landry, Jr.
 Alicia Claros
 Jewel Albarado
 Billy, Jr. & Derek DiMarco
 Byron S. LeJeune
 John Carpenter
 Kevin Fitzhenry
 Christie Poussard
 Chimene Pitre
 Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
 Shannon Morvant Olivero
 Artney J. Morvant
 Marlene Benoit
 Morvant/Benoit/Broussard Families
 8:00pm Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 20

7:00am Paula Ramos
 Jason Meynard

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

7:00am Fr. Bazil Burns, OSB (D of Ord.)
 Rachel Fryou (DOB)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

7:00am Deleros Ramos

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

7:00am Richard J. Tullier, Sr. (DOD)
 Ethan & Aaron Tullier (DOB) & (DOD)
 Martin Mulvaney (D of Bap)

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

7:00am Juan Jose Monreal

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

8:00am Rosalie Stoner (D of Bap)
 4:00pm Jimmy Richoux (DOD)
 Virginia Caffey (DOD)
 Cindy Robichaux
 Malcolm 'Buck' Cortez
 Estanislao Gongora (DOB)
 Joseph Quang, Trong Nguyen &
 Maria Tu Thi Hoang
 Peter Tam Van Nguyen &
 Martha Can Thi Nguyen
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SPECIAL MASSES:

In Thanksgiving for favors Granted (CP)
 In Remembrance of George & Opal
 Boudreaux's Anniversary

MASSES FOR HEALING:

Alexa Schexnaildre, Kathleen Orgeron,
 Jackie Bush, Troy Bush, Ricky Savoy
 Malena Llamas, Hazel Johansen,
 Heidi LeBlanc, Rami Champagne,
 Lenora Martinez, Andrew Aceves,
 B. Amerson, Yves Bourgeois II
 George Von Wolff, Timothy De La Cerda
 Tyler Gallo, Dean Walton, Gail Cheramie
 Angelle Baye Wagnon, Joel Monaco

In Our Parish

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

is given in memory of
John Carpenter

SANCTUARY LAMP

will burn in memory of
Richard Tullier, Sr.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

will burn in memory of
Doris & Walter Treadaway

SACRED HEART'S LAMP

will burn in memory of
Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois

ST. ROSALIE'S LAMP

will burn in memory of
Shannon Olivero & Artney Morvant

BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP

will burn in memory of
Ethan & Aaron Tullier

ST. JOHN BOSCO'S LAMP

will burn for
All Parishioners

DIVINE MERCY LAMPS

Lamp 1 will burn for healing of
Yves Bourgeois II

Lamp 2 will burn for healing of
George Von Wolff



"Let us strive to fare
 well in this life and in
 the next."

St. John Bosco

Mary Help of Christians

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Sanctuary Committee

The Sanctuary Committee for the weekend of April 25, 2026 is Team 3, which consists of Judy Baldassaro, Melissa Dugas, Krissy Orgeron and Marsha Danos.

Rosary Devotions

Weekdays before and after the
7:00 a.m. morning Mass.
Saturdays 3:30 p.m.
before Vigil Mass

The Rosary Guild

Thursdays 10:00 a.m.
in the Church.



Last Saturday of the Month
The Fatima Rosary
at Noon in the Church

Vocation Crucifix

Anyone who is interested in receiving the Vocations Cross (and has not yet received it) please fill in one of the forms located at the entrance to church. Drop it in the collection basket or the mail box on the Parish Office gate. You will be contacted and scheduled for a specific date. Thanks to all those who are praying daily for vocations to priesthood and religious life!

Sacramental Records

All Sacramental Records from St. John Bosco and St. Rosalie can be obtained by calling the Archives of the Archdiocese of New Orleans at (504) 861-6241.

CHA-MOTION

Exercise Class

Breath, Balance and Motion
From Your Chair

Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. - \$5/class
Open to Men & Women

Classes at Mary Help of Christians'
Hawks Haven - 616 2nd Ave. Harvey

Taught by Suzanne Ward
For information Call Pat - (504) 217-1174

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick takes place on the First Thursday of the month after 7 a.m. Mass.

When hospitalized, please have a family member or friend call the parish office to arrange for the Sacrament.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Every 1st & 3rd Sunday
at the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Music Ministry

Mass Choirs (Adult & Children) and Musicians - Traditional, Folk, Praise and Worship.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Share your musical gifts and talents with the worshipping community. See Gail Adams after Mass.

Marriage Preparation

Before setting any dates or booking any halls/restaurants, etc., please check in with a parish priest to review the requirements and begin the preparation process.

Minimum prep time is 6 months. The earlier you begin the process the better.

Baptisms Infant and Child

Parents should call the office to make an appointment with a parish priest to begin preparations.

Mary Help of Christians Registration

If you would like to be a parishioner of Mary Help of Christians Parish please fill out a Blue Card which can be found in the back of church. By providing your cell phone number and email address, you will receive notices of events and *Flocknotes*, keeping you up to date with current happenings in the parish. Your information is kept here in the parish, and will never be sold or given out.

Adoration



Weekly Adoration

at

Mary Help of Christians Church

600 2nd Ave., Harvey

Every Wednesday

Scheduled Adorers
please commit to one hour
from

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

followed by the regular

Adoration

&

Confession

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in signing up
please contact

CLAUDIA PRICE

at

504-453-7684

Mary Help of Christians

Orders are now being accepted for the
The KC Ladies' Auxiliary's

Mother's Day Cookies & Sweet Treats Box Sale

Boxes consist of Italian Fig cookies, Seed Cookies,
Fudge & Pralines

\$40 Box

Fig Cookies **\$14** doz. Seed Cookies **\$8** doz.

Fudge & Pralines **\$2** bag

Deadline for placing your order is May 1st!

Orders must be picked up at the Parish Center May 9th - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

To order call

Jackie Gerstner (504) 940-8165 or Marion Cortez (504) 270-4723



Fatima Rosary

APRIL 25, 2026

12:00 Noon in Church

Rosary Rally Captain

Gina McCain (504) 909-9013

Mary Help of Christians Church

Fr. Mark Hyde, SDB – Pastor
Fr. George Hanna, SDB,
Parochial Vicar

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 pm
Sunday – 7:30 and 10:30 am

Youth & Young Adult Mass
Sunday – 8:00 pm

Weekdays – 7:00 am
Saturday – 8:00 am

Confessions:
Saturday 3:15-3:45 pm
Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

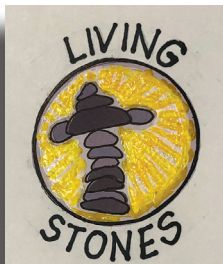
Adoration
Wednesday 7:30 am - 8:00 pm

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
600 Second Avenue – Harvey, LA
504-340-1962

Office Hours:
Monday & Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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business@maryhelpofchristiansla.org
bulletin@maryhelpofchristiansla.org
jbourgeois@strosalieparish.com

Website:
www.maryhelpofchristiansla.org



Young Adult & Youth Mass

**The Latest Mass
on the Westbank!**

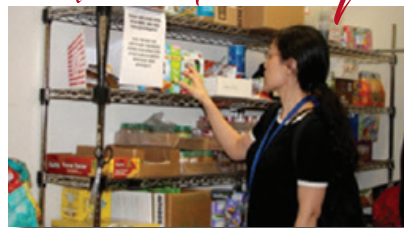
Sunday – 8:00 p.m.

**Mary Help of Christians
Catholic Church**
600 2nd Ave. Harvey, LA

Mary Help of Christians

(formerly St. Rosalie & St. John Bosco)

Food Pantry



It's a Shop-Thru

You pick what you need,
leave what you don't!

Open 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
1st and 3rd Tuesdays
of Each Month

*For Individuals and
Families in Need of Food*
Located near the MHC HALL
formerly the Cafetorium
Handicapped Accessible

**620 First Avenue
Harvey**

For membership in the MHC Sanctuary Committee

MHC Sanctuary Committee

(open to women and men)

**Committee Members take tender loving care
of the MHC Sanctuary and of our beautiful church.**

For weekly maintenance committee members work in teams

Cleaning and replacing Holy Water in Holy Water Fonts
Polishing Sacred Vessels
Removing dead or dying flowers from Sanctuary
Seeing to the orderliness of the hymn books in the pews
Seeing to the cleanliness of the Sanctuary and church linens
Dusting: Baptistry, Church, Confessional, Cry Rooms, Sacred Heart Shrine,
Saints Chapel and Sacristy
Windex Double Glass Doors and doors to Saints Chapel

For solemn church occasions the group works together with others who volunteer to assist

Decorating the Church
For Christmas and Easter, check that the flowers have been ordered way in advance
Changing altar cloths for the various Church Seasons & Solemnities
Setting up for the Celebrations of Christmas, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter
Vigil/Easter Sunday, Divine Mercy Sunday, Pentecost, and Patronal Feasts

Requirements:

1. Zeal for the sacredness of our beautiful MHC Church
2. Ability to collaborate and work as a team in accomplishing tasks of the committee
3. Openness to new ideas

TO SIGN UP

Please complete, place in the collection basket
or drop off at the Parish Center

Print Name First Last

Cell Phone Area Code Number

Email

D.M.A.C.T.

Da Mihi Animas Caetera Tolle -- Give Me Souls and Take Away the Rest