

# PALM SUNDAY

## MARCH 24, 2024



**St. Mary Mother of the Church**  
**419 Doucet Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503**  
**[www.stmarych.com](http://www.stmarych.com)**

<b>Pastor</b>	Reverend Cedric Sonnier		
<b>Deacons</b>	Deacon Michael Crain & Deacon Michael Thompson		
<b>Phone</b>	337-981-3379		
<b>Office Hours</b>	Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00-4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM		
<b>Masses</b>	Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM in Church & Livestreamed 1 <sup>st</sup> Fri & 1 <sup>st</sup> Sat Masses with devotions: 7:00 AM Saturday: 4:30 PM in Church & Livestreamed Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM in Church		
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM Sunday: 9:45 — 10:15 AM, 4:30 — 4:50 PM Monday - Friday: 6:35 - 6:55 AM		
<b>Baptism</b>	Expectant parents should register for Baptism Class four to six months before the child's birth. Baptismal classes are held once every month. The deacon celebrates baptisms once per month on Saturday at 10:00 AM.		
<b>Marriages</b>	Anyone interested in getting married at St. Mary Church should contact the church 6-12 months prior to any marriage planning. For further information, see our Website Video.		
<b>Funerals</b>	To arrange a funeral at St. Mary Church, please call the Parish Office.		

## THIS WEEK

**Morning Prayers Monday thru Friday 6:25 – 6:45 AM**  
**Reconciliation Monday thru Friday 6:35 – 6:55 AM**

Sun	Mar 24	Palm Sunday (Blessing of Palms) 9:00 AM RCIA (Boumans Hall) 10:30 AM Children Ringing at Mass (Church)
Wed	Mar 27	6:00 PM Youth Night (Boumans Hall 6) 6:15 PM Men's Prayer Group (BH 3)
Thu	Mar 28	7:00 PM Holy Thursday Mass (Collection for St. Mary Charities) No 7:00 AM Mass today Parish Office Closed
Fri	Mar 29	3:00 PM Good Friday Service (Collection for the Holy Land) No 7:00 AM Mass today Parish Office Closed
Sat	Mar 30	No 3:00 PM Confessions No 4:30 PM Mass 8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass (2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for St. Mary Charities)
Sun	Mar 31	Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM Masses No 5:00 PM Mass today (2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for St. Mary Charities)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Mon Mar 25 7:00 AM**

Barbara "Nina" Sonnier; J. David Duplantis; Tim Rushing;  
Genevieve Meaux (living)

### **Tue Mar 26 7:00 AM**

Barbara "Nina" Sonnier; Elizabeth LeDoux (living); James Crain;  
J. David Duplantis; Judy Johnson (living); Don Johnson;  
Michael LeDoux (living)

### **Wed Mar 27 7:00 AM**

Fr. Cedric Sonnier (living); Barbara "Nina" Sonnier;  
J. David Duplantis; James Crain

### **Thu Mar 28 No 7:00 AM Mass**

### **Thu Mar 28 7:00 PM**

Barbara "Nina" Sonnier; J. David Duplantis; Tim Rushing;  
James Crain; All Souls

### **Fri Mar 29 No 7:00 AM MASS**

### **Sat Mar 30 No 4:30 PM MASS**

### **Sat Mar 30 8:00 PM**

Barbara "Nina" Sonnier; J. David Duplantis; Thomas Foard;  
Reeves Gauthreaux; Toni Stonecipher (living); Claire Bohn;  
Eddie & Johanne Moody; Shirley Guilbeau; Ron Gauthier;  
Bill Stonecipher; Andre Holloway; Nancy Cech;  
George Latiolais; James "Mickey" Marceaux;  
St. Mary Parishioners

### **Sun Mar 31 8:00 AM**

George H. Cole; Joe "Bud" Ardoin; Rena & Andrew Broussard;  
Diana Gesser; Dr. Dean Keeley; Dr. Oran Toce; Toby Cortez;  
Margaret Rucks; Patricia Renfro; James Crain; Chris Cashen;  
Lauren Paige Johnson; Ruby & Pershing Cashen;  
Barbara "Nina" Sonnier

### **Sun Mar 31 10:30 AM**

Ray Bergeron; Tim McCoy Family (living); Maggie McKethan;  
J. David Duplantis; Marie A. Garrett; Arthur J. LeBreton Sr.;  
Sally Ann Locus; Sandy Aguilard; M/M Herman Gesser Sr.;  
Tim Rushing; Fr. Mark Beard; Belinda Russo; Ron Gauthier;  
Greg Long; Sara Johanna Herpin; Margaret Rucks;

### **Sun Mar 31 No 5:00 PM MASS**



## OFFERTORY

<b>OFFERTORY FEBRUARY</b>	\$ 103,800.87
Capital Improvement	\$ 12,938.00
Catholic Charities of Acadiana	\$ 4,386.00
BSA	\$ 874.00
<b>TOTAL FEBRUARY</b>	<b>\$ 121,998.87</b>

## MARCH 25 - 31 HAPPY BIRTHDAY ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

### **Mon March 25**

David Homan  
Susan James  
Donna LaCombe  
John Picard  
Terry Reddick  
Anna Thibodeaux

### **Tue March 26**

Heather Augustin  
Jack Bishop  
Dr. Stuart Clark, IV  
Michelle Daigle  
Gertrude LeBlanc  
John Mansfield  
Vickie Reddick  
Gerald Trahan

### **Wed March 27**

Charles Angelle  
Katie Colvin  
Ashton Dupuis  
Byron Dutel

### Charles Fontenot

Judy Johnson  
Jaimie Lacombe  
Dr. Daniel Murphy  
Laura Owens  
Ansley Robinson  
Sophia Sabbo  
Elizabeth Tuminello

### **Thu March 28**

Jeremiah Carriere  
Amy Francois  
Elizabeth Green  
Jacqueline Hargroder

### Fred Hoyt

Austin LeBlanc  
Susan Meaux  
Harold Melancon  
Louvie Owens  
Andrew Zito

### **Fri March 29**

Bryan Doucet  
Nicholas Foreman

### Mary Gretchen Guillot

Davis Lerille  
Monica Melancon

### **Sat March 30**

Kay Benoit  
Lillian Chandler  
Dee Daigle  
Brandt Etier

### Clinton Leach

Joel Prellop  
Mary Robertson  
Doris Rowan  
Emma Shamburger

### **Sun March 31**

Chip Castille  
Patrick Killeen, Sr.  
Angela Moliere  
Ja'kevan Mouton  
Catherine Nichols  
Morgan Thibodeaux

## SICK IN THE PARISH

**Please pray for:** Thad Doucet; Jeannine Sibille; Cile Martin;  
Larry Diaz; Mel Caldwell; Glenda Huval; Douglas Cochrane;  
Gertrude LeBlanc; Carolyn & Keath Perron; Kasey Belgium;  
Mary Pat Keeley; Audrey Thibodeaux; Pat Sibille;  
Judy Johnson; Krieg Sibille; Yvonne Bienvenu; Susan Schwing;  
Nathaniel Gabish; Jessica Farrington; Craig & Susan Andrew;  
Eleanor Hebert; Arlene Koffskey; Michael Viator; Phil Mayers;  
Emily Duhon; Mary Margaret Camalo; Anne Bourgeois;  
Ashley Blanchard; Brooks Citron; Emile Concienne.

## DIED IN CHRIST

**Louise Short**, wife of Karl Short  
**Phyllis Perron**, sister of Keath Perron

## GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Purificator for March: Carol Duplechin  
 March 28-29 Janeane deClouet & Wanda Romero  
 April 5 Gerry Horaist & Becky Latiolais

## HOLY WEEK

### **Palm Sunday Weekend, March 23-24**

Blessing of Palms at all Masses

#### **Holy Thursday, March 28**

*Incense will be used*

Mass begins at 7:00 PM

Adoration after Mass till 10:00 PM

(Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There is **NO 7:00 AM Mass** today.

#### **Good Friday, March 29**

Service begins at 3:00 PM

(Collection for the Holy Land)

There is **NO 7:00 AM Mass** today.

#### **Easter Vigil, March 30**

*Incense will be used*

Mass begins at 8:00 PM

(2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There are **NO Confessions** today.

There is **NO 4:30 PM Mass** today.

#### **Easter Sunday, March 31**

Masses are: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

(2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for St. Mary Charities)

There is **NO 5:00 PM Mass** today

## **GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic has hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.mygranciscan.org](http://www.mygranciscan.org) or [www.custodia.org](http://www.custodia.org).

## **LITURGY**

### **EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS**

Please call the Church Office, 981-3379, during regular business hours in order to make your donation towards Easter flowers in memory of a deceased loved one.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT**

First Communion Retreat is scheduled for students and their parents on Saturday, **April 20**, in Founders Hall beginning at 9:00 AM.

### **FIRST COMMUNION**

The sacrament of First Communion will be Saturday, **April 27**, 10:00 AM. Please pray for our First Communicants.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our St. Joseph's Altar. Your contributions were donated to local families in need. May God continue to bless your generosity for this worthy cause.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

KC's invite St. Mary children ages 4-12, to an Easter Egg Hunt, this Sunday, **March 24**, at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Rena Drive. The hunt is from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Please arrive at 12:30 PM. Bring only your Easter basket for gathering Easter treats.

### **ADORATION**

#### **MINI PILGRIMAGES**

The seventh pilgrimage will be **Thursday, April 11**. We will be going to St. Peter – Washington, Our Lady Queen of Angels – Opelousas, St. Ann – Mallet, St. Charles Barron – Grand Coteau.

Depart St. Mary Church after the 7:00 AM Mass. A lunch stop will be planned. No reservations required, however, we would like to know how many will be participating. Please email [stmaryparishoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryparishoutreach@gmail.com) or call the church office at 337-981-3379.

## **MEN'S PRAYER GROUP**

All men of the parish are welcome to join our Men's Prayer group held on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 PM in the Early Learning Center Assembly Room. The group will begin meeting again **March 13**. For more information, contact the church office.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

St. Joseph's Diner in Lafayette is in need of volunteers. Servers are needed at noon. If you are interested in being a part of this group to help out a couple of times during the week or month, please call the church office for further information.

## **ST MARY**

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)**

July 8-12



This year's theme is **Scuba**. Take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about!

Online registration begins Monday, April 8.

VBS is open to children entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **VERITAS (Mission of Truth)**

Christian advocate, acclaimed actor, inspiring speaker, iconic portrayal of Jesus, and philanthropic leader – Jim Caviezel will be at the Cajundome Convention Center, **April 13**. Limited tickets are available. For more information on being a sponsor, or to purchase tickets, contact Morgan Garcia-Prieto at 337-889-5345 or email: [mgarciaprieto@jpgacademy.org](mailto:mgarciaprieto@jpgacademy.org). This event is being organized by John Paul the Great Academy.

## **ST. MARY ELC**

### **2024-2025 REGISTRATION**

Registration for 2024-2025 is **open**. We accept students between the ages of 12 months and four years old. For more info, contact Ms. Dina Castille, Principal, at 337-984-3750 or visit: [stmaryelc.org](http://stmaryelc.org).