

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord: "Can you imagine that moment? Can you imagine the stomach drop with dizzying realization: "It's all true. All of it is true! The past three years weren't a dream that ended horribly wrong." Can you imagine all the doubts and despair of the past days chased away like smoke on the wind by a rolled up burial cloth? By an empty tomb? It didn't start that way, of course. "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." This frantic news from Mary Magdalene would have been another unexpected blow. After all that happened, now his body has been stolen? The love and devotion in Peter and John is apparent. They don't wait to collect more information or stop by the tomb when they have a chance. They run to the site. When is the last time you ran for something? This isn't a run for exercise, but a huffing and puffing bolt fueled by desperation. Can you imagine that moment? The fear pounding in their temples, matching their accelerated heart rate. Can you imagine the impatient affection of John, who outruns Peter but refuses to enter the tomb alone? And then, upon entry, "He saw and believed." This is the drama of our great feast! The promise that seemed lost has been found. The dead are raised. Long before the Easter eggs and ham, we are invited to meditate on this divine reality. We are invited to feel the desperation and joy of that first Easter Sunday deep in our bones. Because it is not just Mary's story. It's not Peter and John's story. It's our story. From the greatest defeat can come the most awe-inspiring victory, and this is true not just for our God, but for each one of us. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr. & Ethel Mae Decuir, M/M Lillian & Walter Lewis Sr, Mary Ann Johnson, Marie Flugence, the Lewis family, Gilbert Matthews Sr, M/M Elmo Johnson and Irene Campbell. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 8:00 a.m.: Alton Jean Batiste, Ronald Jean Batiste, Lorena Mitchell, Mrs. Willa Mae Zacharie, Landry Lee, Amelia E. Lee and the deceased members of the Lee & Etienne families. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson, Gregg Haynes, the deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, M/M Aaron & Mary Ann Kimble, Mrs. Cora Mae Demangeaux, Mrs. Lillie Norbert, the deceased family members of M/M Gilbert Williams, Mrs. Mildred Davis, Clifton H. Daigre, Jr, deceased members of the Daigre & Cormier families, Landry Lee, Amelia Lee, deceased members of the Lee & Etienne families, deceased members of the Rogers & Joseph families, Eula Mae Francis (17th Anniversary), deceased members of the Martinez family and the deceased members of the Landry & Landor families. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group D** that cleaned the church on April 20th, 2019. The next group is **Group A:** Marie Francis, Gaynell Kimble and Jennifer Harris – April 27th, 2019.

St. Anthony – May, 2019: (Group B) Theresa Cormier, Laura Chretien, Jaleesa Richard, Lilly Faye Jones, Diana Darby and Beverly Rixner.

~ Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated! ~

Readings for the Week of April 21st, 2019

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/ Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

PSR (Parish School of Religion) Corner:

Classes are on Saturdays from 9am – 12 Noon

1st – 5th Grade



6th – 11th Grade

April 27, 2019

1st Communion Retreat	8am—Noon	Apr 27, 2019
1st Communion Confession	9am—10am	May 4, 2019
1st Communion Practices		Apr 27th & May 4th, 2019
Confirmation		Friday, May 3rd, 2019
Notre Dame Catholic Church, St. Martinville, LA		

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2019

HOSPICE RAFFLE TICKET SALE: The weekend of April 27 & 28 after each mass. Coffee & Donuts after the 10am mass on Sunday the 28th.

BROUSSARD FIRE DEPT along with volunteers from St. Joseph & St. Anthony Ushers & Hospitality committees will be installing fire alarms in District 4 on May 11th.

USHERS MEETING: Monday, April 22 at 6:30 in the BPLC

OFFICE CLOSED: Wednesday, April 17th - Tuesday, April 23rd.



Prayers for the Sick: Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend Emelda Harris, Morris St. Julien Sr., Jaiden Gardner, Sylvania Cormier, David Bernard Sr., Mary Jane Jacquet, Shavawna Flugence, Gustavia Thibeaux, Reginald Brown, Florena Landry, John Albert Ledet, Andre' Serio, Roy Brown, Lisa Trahan, Charles Lee, Mayola Williams, Lorena & Lester Mouton, Mrs. Louvenia L Gibson, Barbara Leon, Hazel Allen, Wilfred Thompson, Edward Lawrence,

Audrey Armelin and those in the following nursing homes:

Maison de Lafayette: Dorothy Lavan

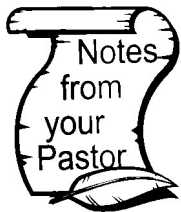


Monday, May 6th, 2019.

The next Baptismal class will be held on **Monday, May 6th** at 7pm in the Bishop Perry Learning Center. The actual baptism will take place following the 5pm vigil mass on **Saturday, May 11th**. Parents are required to bring a copy of the baby's birth certificate and a \$25 registration fee to the church office by noon on

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY April 27, 2019 5:00pm	Carolyn Chretien Alma Thibeaux	Barbara Thomas Linda Alfred Terry Flugence Michael Rabon	Jayde Spurlock Jordan Spurlock	Gertrude Batiste Harold Johnson Harold Anderson Russell Flugence
SUNDAY April 28, 2019 8:00am	George Hebert Tonya Hebert	Alton Celestine Laura Fontenette Rose Mary Lee Anne Tate	Jarvis Berard	Loucinda George
SUNDAY April 28, 2019 10:00am	Claudette Nickerson Victoria Decuir	Edward Decuir Brenda Washington Gaynell Kimble Paul Kimble	Kaitlyn Washington Kiera Washington	Anthony Wiltz Anthony Broussard Damon Harrison Danny Flugence, Jr.

Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!



PASTORS CORNER

This Lenten Season is over with the institution of the Priesthood and the Eucharist on Holy Thursday, the Crucifixion of the Lord on Good Friday, the Vigil on Holy Saturday and the Resurrection of the Lord today! In appearing to the women, the Risen Savior gave them this message for the Apostles; "tell the brethren to meet me in Galilee"

They were a little fearful but joyful that the message was delivered. Today as we celebrate the joy of Easter, let us *Rise up* and meet our Risen Savior and loved ones. For all of us on this Easter Sunday:

- Let Easter be a time of joy. The joy of the Risen Savior. The joy that fills our hearts.
- Let Easter be a time of Peace. Let the Peace of the Risen Savior be in our hearts!
- Let our Easter Love include the Neighbor that we may have left out or excluded.
- Let Easter be a time of renewed faith. Like the Apostles, sometimes shattered, but today, renewed and strengthened.
- Let Easter be a time of renewed Hope! Remembering that hope does not discourage.
- Let Easter be for us a time that we feel the Good Shepherd.
- Let Easter be a time when the Risen Lord restores our full trust in Him!
- Let Easter be a time when we walk with Him to Emmaus as the two disciples did with burning hearts.
- Let Easter be that miraculous moment when we recognize the Risen Savior in the breaking of the bread.
- Let Easter be that miraculous moment when the Risen Savior light up our world again like the Apostles.

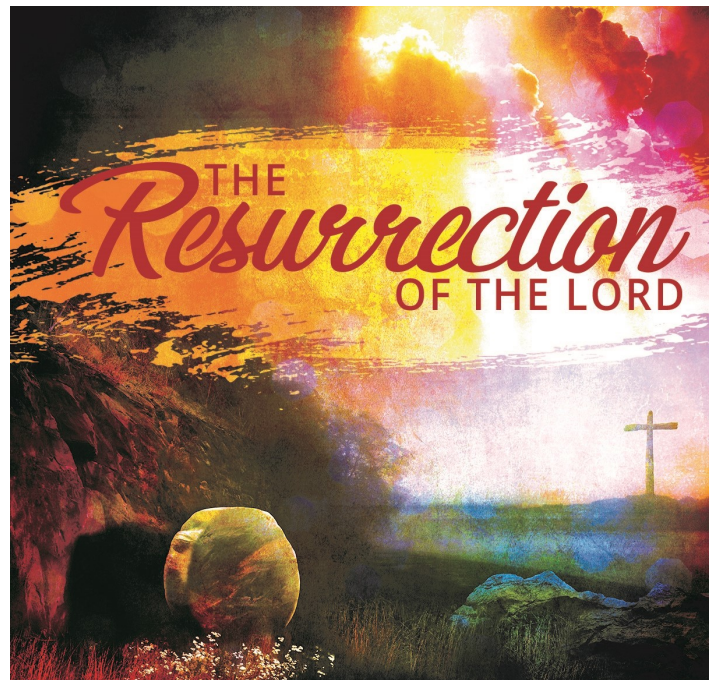
IN CELEBRATING EASTER, LET US BE GRATEFUL AND GRACIOUS FOR ALL THAT THE RISEN SAVIOUR HAS DONE FOR US. TODAY AND EVERY DAY.

Have a Happy & Joyful Easter



~ Rev Thomas James ~

Inspirations for Your Week



The Web Site for St. Joseph/St. Anthony is: stjostant.org

Our Giving

April 13th & 14th, 2019

St. Joseph: (67 Envelopes out of 213) **2,038.00**

St. Anthony: (34 Envelopes out of 84) **659.00**

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"No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord your God has bestowed upon you."