

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Jn 8:1-11*

Julie Bradberry

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30*

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42*

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families, Jamie Guidry

**THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 6:30 a.m.**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59*

Julie Bradberry, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

**FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 5:30 p.m.**

*(Way of the Cross followed by Mass)*

*Lenten Weekday*

*Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42*

Julie Bradberry, Fr. Richard Fabre, Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8**

*Lenten Weekday*

*Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56*

**7:00 a.m.** Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

*Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Mt 26:14 - 27:66*

**4:00 p.m.** M/M Ivan Carline fly. (L&D), Joseph P. Russo fly. (L&D), Gerald Ohmer fly. (L&D), Julie Bradberry, Jamie & Britanni Head, Miles Liner fly. (L&D), Lee Nini, Sr. fly. (L&D), Cody Cousins, Gary Melancon, Norman Hymel, Patrick Gray, Betty Jacquet, Kent Patureau, Dean Carrington, Thelma Hartman

**SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

**7:00 a.m.** Emile & Ivy Adams, Stephen E. Adams, Andy Robichaux, Kent Patureau

**10:00 a.m.** Julie Bradberry, M/M E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Donovan LeBlanc, LJL, Nila Nini, Matthew, Todd & Ellis Braus, Jr. & families

**6:30 p.m.** Reparation for the sins of abortion, blasphemy & pornography

Offertory \$3689.00  
Catholic Relief Services \$986.00

**Quelques paroles de Monsieur le Cure**

This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. By this time, the various practices that we enthusiastically embraced on Ash Wednesday have become either burdensome or non-existent.

Penance and other acts of self-denial are hard. There is an old Cajun expression that translated means that something "is hard, but it is just."

Even though our spirits may be flagging, continuing with our Lenten resolutions is not only right, but appropriate, if not also God's due.

Human as we are, we can also be quite complicated. Deluded by our desires, passions, compulsions, and other emotions, we do not always understand, or even want to understand, our motivation for what we say or do.

A lifetime of living under these delusions creates a dysfunctional person, sometimes seriously pathologically so.

Every human being has another option.

By prayerful, self-reflection and with the grace of God, we have the ability to see ourselves in truth. The same means enable us to understand our motivation for what we say and do.

Why do we get angry in certain situations? Why do we get belligerent when we do not get our way? Why do we feel entitled? Why are we jealous, resentful, bitter?

How do we really see ourselves? What about self-image and self-confidence? How do we determine our self-worth or value?

How do we relate to others, especially those who are marginal in our community?

These are difficult areas of self-knowledge. Left to our own devices, we could never hope to live such an authentic life. Penance and acts of self-denial- such as fasting and abstinence, engaging in approved and effective devotions, reading the Bible and classical works about the interior life, an attentive and devout participation at daily Mass, and other activities- enable us to explore who we truly are by opening us to the grace of God that we need.

As a people of faith who believe that God works through the ordinary circumstances of life, we also know that sometimes the professional assistance of a qualified therapist is a source of God's grace.

So, we have an opportunity this weekend to return to our initial Lenten observances, to decide today to begin some, or to persevere in our undertakings.

(Msgr.) Courville

**New Announcements**

**Special Collection:** The second collection next weekend is for the financial support of the Church in Eastern Europe and Africa.

**Saturday Mass:** The Mass on Saturday morning, April 8, will begin on hour earlier.

**Triduum Schedule:** The Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 6 p.m. The Solemn Services of Good Friday begin at 3 p.m. The Easter Vigil begins at 8 p.m. on Holy Saturday.

**Confessions During the Triduum:** Confessions will be heard from 4:30 to 5 on Holy Thursday afternoon and after the Mass. Confessions will be heard from noon to 1 p.m. on Good Friday and after the Services. Confessions will be heard from 4 to 5 p.m. on Holy Saturday afternoon. Appointments can be arranged for other times.

**Way of the Cross:** The Way of the Cross begins at 5:30 on Good Friday afternoon.

**Servers Needed:** Servers are needed for the Triduum. Please sign up if you are available. Kindly note the practices for each ceremony.

**Washing of the Feet:** Twelve volunteers are needed for the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday. Please sign up if you are interested.

**Adoration:** As in the past, volunteers are needed from Holy Thursday evening until Good Friday afternoon if we are to keep the church open during that entire time. Please see the sign up sheet.

**Easter Sunday:** The Masses on Easter Sunday are at the usual times, including the evening Mass: 7 a.m., 10 a.m., and 6:30 p.m. Confessions will be heard as usual before each Mass.

**Newly Baptized**

Kennedy Marie Thomas was baptized on March 26, 2017.

**Rest In Peace**

Dana Grant Robin died on March 20, 2017.

**Repeat Announcements**

**Retreat Opportunities:** The Jesuit Spirituality Center, Grand Coteau, will have silent, individually directed retreats of three, five, or eight day duration beginning on Monday, April 3, or Thursday, April 6. For more information or to register, visit jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or telephone 337 662-5251.

**Pray for the following priest each day:** Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

- April 3, Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
- April 4, Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
- April 5, Msgr. Russell Harrington
- April 6, Rev. David Hebert
- April 7, Rev. T.J. Hebert
- April 8, Rev. Matthew Higginbotham
- April 9, Rev. Joseph Hund, OFM

**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** Diane Bergeron, Reggie Sampey, Gayle Arnould, Floyd & Linda Robicheaux, Roxanne Colbert, Michael Keller, Wendell Chauvin, Anthony Rhodes, Sr., Paul Bower, Deborah Hernandez, Ken Macey, Vanessa Clements, Onesime Richard, Johnny Thomas, Braxton Burch, Kim Beaver, Reese Grace Johnson, Roland Lege, Jr., Brooke Rhodes, Edna Alcina, Brevon & Brinlee Colbert, Shawn McClelland, John Czajka, Jennifer Landry, Harold Adams, Jr., Jeff Brown, Beatrice Talbot, Karen Moore, David Berg, Bren Guillory, John Keenze, Sr., Frank Cavalier, Thomas LeBlanc, IJL, Diane Bates, Travis Blanco, A. Doiron, Marcelle Campbell, Verdie Laws, Kristi Liner, Ana Rogers, BHL, Mary Geoffroy, Mable LaCoste, Jerry Guillory, Gwen Tillman, Engelle Borden, Kevin Theriot, Bridget Thibodeaux, Donna Duplantis, Susan Price, David Gilmore, MIL, Jane Webster, Cheryl Williams, Ian Davis, Boyd Landry, Bobby Monceaux, Adeline Maddix, Clay Leonard, Gretchen & Lee Nini, Jr., Mary Grace Rentrop, Marlene Cole, Brenda Dooley, Marilyn Simmons, Wayne Crappell, CJL, Michelle Billiot Landry, Ginger Berryhill, Daniel Fromenthal, Jeana Francis, Julie Barrilleaux, Jake Billiot, Steve Thorguson, Teresa Allbriton, Shirley Gilfour, BGL, Oliver Alfred, Angie Melancon, Archer Rogers, Jean Mitchell, Bart Thibodeaux, Katherine (Kit) Guidroz, Patsy Henry

DATE / TIME	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF COMMUNION	ROSARY
April 8, 4:00 p.m.	Lisa Russo	Alison Wilson	Alison Wilson
April 9, 7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Blake Orgeron Martha Boudreaux Monique Ratcliff	James Stewart Anne Theriot	