

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH**

- 1st wk. * Choir & Ushers
 2nd wk. * Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies of Auxiliary
 3rd wk. * Extra-Ordinary Ministry of Communion & Lectors
 4th wk. * Youth
 5th wk. * ALL Parishioners

WEEKLY MASS

Sunday, Mar. 3, 2019 9:00 am Mass
Jacobs and Monroe Families
 requested by **Mary J. J. Monroe**

Mon. Mar. 4 NO MASS

Tues. Mar. 5 8:00 am

Ash Wednesday, Mar. 6, 2019
 8:00 am & 6:00 p.m.

Thurs. Mar. 7 8:00 am

Fri. Mar. 8 8:00 am
 Exposition & Adoration of
 the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday, Mar. 9,
 3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation
 4:00 p.m. Mass

(N.B. You can request Mass to be offered for you/your love ones, or any deceased person. Speak with the Pastor or call the office to schedule your mass intention).

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

Meeting for ALL COORDINATORS will be held every 4th Thursday of each month

Activities - Brushelle Scott

Bishop Faith Appeal - Shirley Ray

Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory*
 Donuts and coffee in the Education Building 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Environmental - Ina Chavis

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Dorothy Broussard

Finance - Janice Semien *
 finance meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Fund Raiser - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Horace Broussard

Lectors - Peggy Green

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenot

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - George Alexander *
 choir rehearsal are every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

Pastoral Council - Richard Scott
 meetings held every 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Religious Education - Sonja Popillion

Socials - Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary * Parish Luncheon,
 the second Sunday of each month.

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship- Gary Mims

Attendance
 Saturday: 32 Sunday: 55

Weekend Collection

Mail In \$ 20.00
 Loose \$ 50.00
 Saturday \$ 405.00
 Sunday \$ 1,927.00

Total Deposit \$ 2,402.00

**March Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:**

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| Clinton Giron | 1 |
| Calvin Johnson | 3 |
| Yvette Spearman | 5 |
| Blake Thompson | 5 |
| Adam Jacobs | 8 |
| Michael Jackson | 13 |
| Emma Nelson | 17 |
| Tara Thompson-Ware | 18 |
| Enrique Warnell | 20 |
| Hazel Johnson | 21 |
| Dominique Guillory | 24 |
| Orion Guillory | 24 |
| Felicia Richard | 24 |
| Florence Craig | 24 |
| Lisa Jackson | 26 |

Happy Anniversary

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| Gerald & Virginia Richard | 22nd |
| Walter & Rose Davis | 29th |

**MINISTERS FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Veronica Bradford & Peggy Green

Sun: **KPC Bro's** J. Fontenot & E. Taylor

KPCLA R. Bottley & C Ambers

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Sat: **1st Rdr.:** Mona Richard
2nd Rdr.: Richellee Roberts

Sun: **1st Rdr.:** **KPC Bro.** Sparrow
2nd Rdr.: **KPCLA** P. Green

1st reader = responsorial & prayer of faithful
2nd reader = greetings & announcements

ALTAR SERVER:

Saturday: **Needed**
 Sunday: **Needed**

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Sat: Freda Guillory & Russell Bottley
 Sun: **KPCLA** Shirley Ray & Gloria Richard

Expenses:

Spectrum Busi <\$ 208.46>
Spectrum Admin <\$ 134.37>
Entergy <\$ 1,094.77>
City of Orange <\$186.33>
Administrative Supplies

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 Deacon Julian Richard (409) 221-2743
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Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



The Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 03, 2019

“Every tree is known by its own fruit.”

Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation
 Saturdays: 3:20 p.m. 3:55 p.m.

**Exposition & Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament**
 Every Friday: 6 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction
 1st Friday each month 5p.m.-6p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the pastor two
 (2) months in advance

Marriage:

Please call Rectory six (6) months
 prior to proposed date

SECRETARY

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
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Andre' Robertson	882-0012
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. Mar. 03 - Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Phil 2:15d, 16a Lk 6:39-45

Mon. Mar. 04 - Sir 17:20-24 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 2 Cor 8:9 Mk 10:17-27

Tues. Mar. 05 - Sir 35:1-12 See Mt 11:25 Mk 10:28-31

Ash Wednesday Mar. 06 - Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 See Ps 95:8 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs. Mar. 07 - Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Mt 4:17 Lk 9:22-25

Fri. Mar. 08 - Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 See Am 5:14 Mt 9:14-15

Sat. Mar. 09 - Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Ez 33:11 Lk 5:27-32 Lk 5:27-32

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Appearances

One of the earliest quotes I can remember from first-year Latin class is *Vestis virum facit* (“Clothes make the man”), a maxim no doubt coined by some ancient patrician haberdasher. The adage speaks to our penchant for judging a person by outside appearances. Over the ages this tendency has led many people to equate worth or truth with image. In our day, it has spawned a whole new cadre of professionals: marketers, advertisers, image-makers, and “spin doctors.” Today’s Liturgy of the Word invites us to look beyond appearances to actions.

FIRST READING: *Sirach 27:4–7* **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Psalm 92:2–3, 13–14, 15–16*
SECOND READING: *1 Corinthians 15:54–58* **GOSPEL:** *Luke 6:39–45*

Comment

Ben Sira (Sirach) was a teacher. In today’s first reading, we find him practicing his profession. He tells his students that the criteria for judging a person are the words he or she speaks. Someone may appear “cool,” “with it,” or worth emulating, but wait. Wait till they open their mouth, for their true worth will be displayed in their words. So, says Sirach, watch what you say. Your speech will show the “bent of [your] mind,” whether it be straight or twisted.

The Gospel—again part of the Sermon on the Plain—also addresses the disparity that often exists between appearance and reality. Jesus tells us that what we truly believe, what really drives us, will be manifest in our words and actions. Just as we can judge the worth of a tree by the fruit it produces, so can we judge the worth of a person by the way he or she acts. Jesus seems to be calling us to be prudent in our judgment of others. At the same time, he tells us that our own character will exhibit itself in the way we act toward others.

In the second reading, Paul calls us to “walk our talk”—to be “firm [and] steadfast” in our compassionate service of others. Even though doing so may be difficult and apparently unrewarding, Paul assures us that such action is transforming, paschal in nature, and leads to the fullness of life.

Reflection

I have a confession to make. Whenever I browse the racks in the library or bookstore, I often find myself attracted to a book by its cover. I don’t always borrow or purchase the book with the flashy cover, but I do give it the once-over. I’ve learned from experience that a book may have a great cover—lots of sizzle—but its contents are far from satisfying—no steak. Still, the cover attracts me.

It’s only natural that appearances attract us, and in the hurry-up world we live in we often tend to make snap judgments based on those appearances and stereotypes. A stereotype is a fixed way of thinking that allows little room for individuality. But it’s important to remember that stereotypes are often wrong. Relying on them to determine how we assess someone or something means relying mainly on appearances and turning snap judgments into final judgments.

My father used to caution against this. “Remember,” he warned, “they are not all saints who use holy water, and neither are they all sinners who use scotch and water.” I have long thought that Jesus was saying pretty much the same thing in today’s Gospel passage.

Attention

St. Mary’s Church, Orange, is again hosting their annual St. Joseph Altar on Sunday, March 17th beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All are invited to attending this event honoring St. Joseph Patron of the Universal Church. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

Ash Wednesday

The Lenten season is upon us, everyone is asked to bring their palms from last year to the parish office or the Church as soon as. The palms will be burned for Ash Wednesday.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Mary Brown
David Jayce Carey
Courtney Chavis
Florence Craig
Therese Ferguson
Hollis Fain
Joe B. Forward
Ella Mae Garrett
Anna Garrick
Mary Gray
Beatrice Guillory
Mark Mitchell Jr.
James Mims
Westley Popillion
John Richard, Sr.
Mormon Richard
Alma C Thibodeaux



PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Arceneaux
George Davis
Mable Durio
Alberta Fontenot
Frances Freeman
Debra Glaude
Margaret Green
Peggy Green
Myrtle Guillory
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Rose Lee Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
Leothus Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pillette
Herman Richard
Claudine Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mark Thibodeaux
Mary Ware
Joe Ware

Thank You All

Thank You All! To the Mardi Gras Committee and its team members, to our King and Queen, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ware, for accepting the invitation. Our gratitude is deepened for making this 1st Mardi Gras Gala a success. The entire evening was truly enjoyable. Visitors and family expressed how Mardi Gras Gala an evening to remember. It wouldn’t be possible without the assistance of countless people who take time out of their busy schedules to plan, organize, oversee and help prepare ahead of time, work during the event itself, and clean up afterwards. It truly is a community event from the committee planning it to the people working it. Thank you for helping to make the Gala possible!

Fr. Donatus Mgbajuo MSP

Bishop Faith Appeal

Goal : \$20,097

As we deepen our commitment to the Gospel message, we come to understand that stewardship is a way of life when we act with love and justice. In Micah 6:8 we read: You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the Lord requires of you: Only to do justice and to love with goodness, and to walk humbly with your God.. Thank you for your contribution to BFA and your commitment to serving God’s people. We look forward to the continued growth of our parish. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Shirley Ray or Fr. Donatus.

Fish Dinners

Fried or Grilled Fish

Red Rice Potato Salad
Green Beans Sliced Cake & Bread

The cost of the dinners will be \$9.00 beginning Friday, March 8, 2019 - from 10 am to 2:30 pm in the parish life center. To place orders or for more information please call (409) 883-3783 Thank you in advance for your support.

To all our sick and homebound THANK YOU so much for your unwavering commitment and contributions to our parish. To better serve everyone Fr. Donatus is available to visit ALL parishioners at the appointed time. However, Fr. Donatus has reserved the Forth Friday of the month for the homebound.

Attention Everyone



Everyone is welcome to join us at St. Therese every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. for devotional prayers through our Parton Saint Therese.

Job Seekers

Monsignor Kelly Catholic High School Beaumont, is seeking substitute teachers for occasional daily work during the spring semester. High School diploma is required. Some college is preferred. To obtain more information and/or obtain an application please email principal@mkchs.com or call Kelly HS's Principal's Office 866-2351 #101

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. THERESE—THE LITTLE FLOWER

St. Therese, beloved friend, you promised to spend your time in heaven doing good upon the earth. WE come before you in our need. We believe that you listen to us and approach God for and with us. You are love in the heart of the God. Please accept these petitions, hopes, needs and dreams that I have (pause for your petitions).

Please present them to our loving Father so that God may do what is best for us, for our loved ones, and for the fulfillment of God’s Kingdom. Continue your shower of roses in our lives. We ask you, dear friend with the bold confidence and loving care. We make this prayerful petition in the name of Jesus and through the power of his Spirit. **AMEN.**