

**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, May 5, 2019 9:00 am Mass
Jacobs and Monroe Families
requested by Mary J. J. Monroe**

Mon. May 6, 8:00 a.m.

Tues. May 7, 8:00 am
prayer through Patron St. Therese

Wed. May 8, 8:00 am

Thurs. May 9, 8:00 am

Fri. May 10, 8 am
Exposition & Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, May 11,
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 Fontenet

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: 28 Sunday: 56

Weekend Collection

2nd collection for Catholic Missions

Mail In	\$ 105.00
2-collection	\$ 114.00
Loose	\$ 107.06
Saturday	\$ 595.00
Sunday	\$ 6,345.00

Total Deposit \$ 7,266.06

**May Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:**

Cecilia Davis	3
William Davis	10
John King	12
Ronald Warnell	21
Mary Alexander	22
Dorothy Broussard	22
Ashley Anderson	30
Marva Hebert	31
Herman Richard	31

Happy Anniversary

Fred & Peggy Green 8th

**MINISTERS FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: Shirley Allison & Richard Scott

Sun: **KPC Bro. KPC LA**
Fred Green Lady P. Green
H. Broussard Lady V. Bradford

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:** Leo Jackson
2nd Rdr.: Cecilia Davis

Sun: **1st Rdr.:** KPC Bro W. Sparrow
2nd Rdr.: KPC LA Lady P. Green

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

ALTAR SERVER:

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

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Russell Bottley & Freda Guillory

Sunday: **KPC LA** Shirley Ray & **KPC LA** Gloria Richard

Expenses for the Week:

Administration <\$ 2,139.03>
Liturgy <\$ 90.03>
Entergy <\$ 370.74>
Spectrum Admin <\$ 136.71>



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Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



**The 3rd Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2019**

“He said to them, ‘Cast the net over the right side of the boat.’ ”

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

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PARISH COUNCIL

Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. May 5 - Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 Rev 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 or Jn 21:1-14

Mon. May 6 - Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Mt 4:4b Jn 6:22-29

Tues. May 7 - Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:35ab Jn 6:30-35

Wed. May 8 - Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a See Jn 6:40 Jn 6:35-40

Thurs. May 9 - Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:51 Jn 6:44-51

Fri. May 10 - Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:56 Jn 6:52-59

Sat. May 11 - Acts 9:31-42 ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 See Jn 6:63c, 68c Jn 6:60-69

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

A Different Kind of Authority

Today's readings celebrate a unique brand of authority, one that presumes some suffering and demands much service.

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27–32, 40b–41 **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12, 13
SECOND READING: Revelation 5:11–14 **GOSPEL:** John 21:1–19

Comment

The biblical concept of authority held that all authority comes from God. Only God ruled over Israel; human kings held sway only as God's surrogate—though too many of them forgot that, much to Israel's lament. Throughout his earthly ministry, Jesus displayed a unique power and authority in all he said and did. In Matthew's account of Jesus' farewell scene, the risen Lord prefaces his instructions to his followers to "make disciples of all nations" by stating, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18).

The readings chosen for today's liturgy are rich in references to authority, divine and human, good and not so good. The first reading demonstrates that, as can happen to any authoritative body, the Sanhedrin tended to be pragmatic and pretentious, somewhat self-serving and self-contradictory. Had the reading retained verses 33–39, we would meet a moderating influence in the person of Gamaliel, the highly regarded Pharisee and teacher of the law under whom Saul (later the apostle Paul) would study. Gamaliel's wise advice prompted the other council members to curb their authority and abandon their thoughts of killing the apostles, but it did not spare Peter and the others a severe whipping.

Today's passage from Acts gives us an idea of the apostles' own exercise of authority and the responsibility that comes with that authority. The apostles are witnesses to the death and resurrection of Jesus. They can't help but proclaim these saving events: "We must obey God rather than men!"

The reading from Revelation exalts divine authority and all its attributes: "power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." In the vision, the Lamb—the risen and glorified Lord—shares divine authority with the Holy One, and together they are praised by every creature "in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea."

Today's Gospel is a kaleidoscope of shifting scenes and changing colors, all manifesting the power and authority of the risen Lord, all touched with tenderness. Yet within this marvelous display of Christ's power and affection for his friends is the Lord's own concept of authority. In his repeated questioning of Peter, Jesus is doing more than forgiving Peter his previous triple denial. The Lord is conferring authority on Peter. At the risk of hurting his friend and apostle's feelings, Jesus is giving Peter the opportunity to choose whether or not he can—or wants to—exercise authority in the style of the Good Shepherd in guiding, guarding, feeding, and caring for the sheep that belong to God. The risen Christ is saying that genuine authority is based on love and service. No other kind will do in tending the flock of the Lord.

Reflection

There are two kinds of authority in the world today, functional and personal. Functional authority is authority that's built into particular jobs or "functions." Teachers, for example, have authority. They get to give quizzes and homework and grades. They have functional authority just because they're teachers. If we happen to be a parent, a class president, a CEO, or the like, then we have functional authority, too. Functional authority works from the outside. It influences what other people do. It also depends on having other people to have authority "over."

Many people act as if functional authority were the only kind of authority. They spend a lot of time trying to get it, or fighting and complaining against people who have it. But there is another kind of authority. It's called personal authority, and it's different from functional authority. Personal authority is something that we all can have, even if others have functional authority over us.

Personal authority is the power to choose and be responsible for our own feelings, behavior, needs, and dreams. Personal authority works from the inside. It shapes who we are and how we relate to others. Personal authority doesn't depend on having someone to have authority "over." It just depends on us. This is just the sort of authority Jesus had and just the sort of authority he urges on us.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Mary Brown
David Jayce Carey
Courtney Chavis
Florence Craig
Therese Ferguson
Hollis Fain
Joe B. Forward
Ella Mae Garrett
Mary Gray
Beatrice Guillory
Mark Mitchell Jr.
James Mims
Westley Popillion
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
Junior Henderson
Calvin Johnson
Stacy Johnson
Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
Leothus Jones
John King
Ruby Milton
Bettye Odom
Clayona Pilette
Herman Richard
John Richard, Sr.
Claudine Riggs
Doris Robertson
Robert Simmons
Mark Thibodeaux
Mary Ware
Joe Ware

The Easter Lily Offering

Veronica Rhodes-Bradford in memory of
T. G. & Rosa Lee Warren
Jake & Celestine Broussard, Celestine W. Johnson
Alchrist & Betty Broussard, Myrtle Y Warren
Anthony Wiley & Gabriel A Platt

Ina Chavis in memory of
Earnest & Enice Vital

Cindy Hampton in memory of
E'Remious Daniel Gus
Mary Blackwell Griffith
Sidney A. Gus
Sidney Gus
Albert & Della Thomas - GP
Richard Guillory
Hazel T Babar

Hazel Johnson in memory of
Mathilda Taylor
Alice Taylor

Eva Platt in memory of
Mary Crossley

Rose Bottley & Shirley Ray in memory of
Maude Cayette
Elsie Jackson
Virginia Stieb

Mona Richard in memory of
Donald & Bessie Henry

Joe & Mary Ware in memory of
Albert & Lucille Ware
Edward & Ernestine Broussard

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' people, as we look forward to the continued growth of our parish. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Shirley Ray or Fr. Donatus.

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.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

A Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be held 7-9 PM, Friday, May 10th at St. Mary Catholic Hall, 912 W. Cherry Orange, TX. Lay Evangelist, Kerry Bueche from Houma Louisiana will give teachings and guidance on "Growth in the Spirit". Refreshments and fellowship will follow. All are invited, so please bring family and friends.

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.**