

**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, June 2, 2019 9:00 am Mass
Jacobs and Monroe Families
 requested by *Mary Julia J Monroe*

Mon. June 3, 8:00 a.m.

Tues. June 4, 8:00 am & 5:30 p.m.
Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 6:00 p.m prayer through
Patron St. Therese

Wed. June 5, 8:00 am

Thurs. June 6, 8:00 am

Fri. June 7, 8 am

Saturday, June 8,

Thomas "Butch" Warren
 requested by *Mrs. Rose Davis*

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).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. June 2 - Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Mt 28:19a, 20b Lk 24:46-53

Mon. June 3 - Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab Col 3:1 Jn 16:29-33

Tues. June 4 - Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 Jn 14:16 Jn 17:1-11a

Wed. June 5 - Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab See Jn 17:17b, 17a Jn 17:11b-19

Thurs. June 6 - Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Jn 17:21 Jn 17:20-26

Fri. June 7 - Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab Jn 14:26 Jn 21:15-19

Sat. June 8 - Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 Jn 16:7, 13 Jn 21:20-25

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

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

Activities - Brushelle Scott

BINGO - Evangeline Platt

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

Attendance
 Saturday: 37 Sunday: 42

Weekend Collection

Mail In	\$ 50.00
Mass stipend	\$ 10.00
Loose	\$ 70.50
Saturday	\$ 590.00
Sunday	\$ 1,350.00

Total Deposit \$ 2,070.50

**June Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:**

John Semien	1
Josh Riggs	6
Fr. Donatus Mgbeajuo, MSP	7
Anessia Jacobs-Chambers	9
Therese Ferguson	12
Shirley Ray	15
Melena Hampton	16
Devin Hebert	24
Hollis Fain	28
Emmanuel Taylor	29

Happy Anniversary

Reginald & Tina Kindle 5th

**MINISTERS FOR THE
WEEKEND HOSPITALITY**

Sat: S. Allison & R. Scott

Sun: **KPC BRO. KPC LA**
Fred Green & V. Bradford
H. Broussard

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:** Leo Jackson
2nd Rdr.: TBA

Sunday: **1st Rdr.:** KPC BRO.
 Horace Broussard
2nd Rdr.: KPC LA Peggy Green

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

ALTAR SERVER:

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

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday: Freda Guillory & Russell Bottley
 Sunday: **KPC LA** Shirley Ray & Gloria Richard

Expenses of the Week:

Entergy <\$ 743.53>
Spectrum Admin <\$ 136.72>
Liturgy supplies <\$ 828.76>
Administration <\$ 1,481.15>

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



The Ascension Of The Lord

June 2, 2019

“And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you”

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

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Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Missionaries—Then and Now

French missionaries came to the North American continent in the 16th and 17th centuries. They came to teach the people of this land about Jesus and the salvation he won for them. Many of the Hurons and Algonquins embraced the Good News and were baptized, but many did not. The North American Martyrs are the missionaries we honor who died for the sake of their call to continue the apostolic mission of the Church. That mission's roots can be traced to the ascension of Jesus Christ.

FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:17-23 or Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13] GOSPEL: Mark 16:15-20

Comment

Each year, the first reading of the Ascension remains the same. Acts introduces the founding days of the new Church. Luke carefully weaves the story of Jesus' ministry and Easter into the introduction of Acts. Because the Easter story overlaps both books, we clearly understand that they are not two separate accounts, but rather a tightly meshed story. Luke refers to certain events in Acts as symbolically significant. The fact that Jesus' ascension takes place forty days after the Easter event, parallels the forty days Jesus spent in the desert. Jesus was taken up in a cloud. The cloud, as in the earlier transfiguration reading, represents the presence and intervention of the divine. Two men appeared among the disciples as they watched Jesus going up. The men may have represented the two disciples on the way to Emmaus, or they may have referred again to Moses and Elijah at the transfiguration. For certain, they were two angels who leave the disciples (and us) with hope for the new Church that was being established. Jesus will come back for us.

Until the Holy Spirit descended on them, however, the disciples still didn't fully understand their mission. They asked Jesus when he would restore the kingdom. Jesus did not criticize them because they had again gotten the importance of events out of order. It really shouldn't have mattered to them what God's plan and timing were. The important thing Jesus wanted them to know was that the Spirit would come to them and they would be especially prepared to continue Jesus' work and tell the story.

The letter to the Ephesians continues the description of the new Church established in Christ and carried on by the apostles spreading the good news of Jesus. Christ is the head of the Church, initiated by God. There is a connection between faith and love. God calls for a faithfulness from the apostles to continue their commitment to Christ. By Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension into heaven to be at the right hand of God, we know the magnitude of God's love. The love of God is within each person and all of Jesus' disciples show that love to others as we tell the story of Jesus throughout the world.

It is not clear if Mark actually authored these closing verses of the Gospel, but it ends with the necessary means for salvation. In order to receive salvation, we must first be baptized and believe. Jesus commissioned the twelve to go out into the world to be sure that all people have the chance for this salvation. The disciples were given special gifts to accomplish this, the gift of the Holy Spirit, but they were also warned that even though many will hear their message, not all will believe and be saved. This event marked the beginning of the new Church and the mission of the disciples to take the message of salvation into the world.

Reflection

Not just the twelve apostles who inherited the Church that Jesus initiated, but each one of us through baptism is called to carry the good news into all the world. Our world might only be one block long, or it might reach to a place where we go to school, work or play. We carry the good news in a variety of ways. We carry it in our words—what and how we say things to other people. We carry it in our actions—what we do for others, and what we don't do. Our faith must penetrate every segment of our lives and must permeate the world in which we live. Our faith needs to be present in our words and tone of voice, in our actions and willingness to serve others. The love that God shows for each one of us should shine through our every action and through all that we say. Our commitment to our faith does not depend on how we feel about it when we wake up in the morning, or how our friends think we should feel. Our faith and how we live it must be demonstrated as though our very lives depend on it, for indeed, our lives and all that God holds for us do just that.

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
 John Warren

It's a Mass Celebration

There will be Mass June 25, 2019 at 6:00 pm. Fr. Donatus has been Ordained 22 years to the Holy Priesthood and also his Birthday. Everyone is ask to join us in thanking God for Fr's many years of Serving God and the people whom he has been entrusted to.

Church Pictorial Directory

We live in an age where there are so many ways of communication such as e-mail, text messages, etc., but many of us still prefer the "old fashioned" way of the printed word that we can hold in our hands. Having a directory is one way to help you feel connected. It can help map your way to information, and names of people that are in our parish. Re:Member is a company that is prepared to provide us this service. Please let the leaders know your thoughts.

Novena

To celebrate Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church, we have started prayer to the Holy Spirit Novena! Meant to help us open ourselves up to the third person of the Holy Trinity. We pray this novena as a preparation for the feast of Pentecost Sunday, June 9th.

There are still copies of the Novena prayer at the rear of the church. The Church Celebrates Pentecost in **Red colors**.

Mandatory

There will be a Ladies Auxiliary meeting on June 2, after the 9 am Mass. All Ladies are encouraged to be in attendance.

Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : \$20,097 Paid: \$5,520.

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.

Attention Everyone



Everyone is welcome to join us at St. Therese every Tuesday

- 5:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:00 pm Devotional prayers through our Parton Saint Therese.
- 6:20 pm Benediction

Men's Choir

All men of the parish are invited to join us in starting up a male chorus. The first rehearsal will be Tuesday, June 11, 2019. If you would like to participate, please contact Gary Mims or the Parrish office.

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 June 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.**