

MASS INTENTIONS

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020 9:00 am
Conference - Call - Cum - Mass
Jacobs and Monroe Families
requested by Mary J. J. Monroe

Monday April 06th

Tues. April 07th 5:30 p.m.
Meditation and prayer
through our patron St. Therese
from our homes No Assembly

Wed. 8,

Holy Thursday April 9th,
Washing of the Feet, which recalls
Christ's own washing of the feet of
His disciples (John 13:1-11).

Good Friday April 10th No Assembly

Saturday, April 11, 2020
Reconciliation by appointment
4 - 5 p.m. Church will be opened
for individual prayer

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

MINISTERS SERVING NEXT WEEKEND / HOSPITALITY

Sat:

Sun:

LECTORS:

Saturday: **1st Rdr.:**
2nd Rdr.:

Sunday: **1st Rdr.:**
2nd Rdr.:

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

ALTAR SERVER:

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

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday
 Sunday:

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 - Adam Jacobs / Dorothy Jacobs

Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory

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

Maintenance - Joseph Ware Sr.

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - Leo Jackson
 choir rehearsals are held every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

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

Religious Education - Sonja Popillion

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship - Gary Mims

Conference - Call - Cum - Mass
29 calls - 45 members

Last Weekend Collection

Mail In \$ 1,389.00
 E-giving \$ 150.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,539.00

Expenses:

Entergy <\$ 761.13>

April Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::

- Joe Fontenot 2
- Taffy A Richard 2
- Ella Garrett 3
- Tremond Warnell 4
- Aliyah Gus 11
- Clifton Richard 23
- Tracy Richard 23
- Ryan Edwards 24
- Donovan Richard 25
- Diane Johnson 20

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. April 05 - Mt 21:1-11 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24. Phil 2:6-11 Phil 2:8-9 Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Mon. April 06 - Is 42:1-7 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 Jn 12:1-11

Tues. April 07 - Is 49:1-6 PS 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed. April 08 - Is 50:4-9a PS 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 Mt 26:14-25

Thurs. April 09 - Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18. 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:34 Jn 13:1-15

Fri. April 10 - Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Phil 2:8-9 Jn 18:1-19:42

Sat. April 11 - Gn 1:1-2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22 Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 Ex 14:15-15:1 Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 Is 54:5-14 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 Is 55:1-11 PS Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Mt 28:1-10

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Office Hours
 Tuesday thru Friday
 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
 Lunch 12-1:00 pm



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year A
April 5, 2020

“Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy”

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 Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Tuesday each month 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.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

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

The Great Week

Passion Sunday introduces us to the Great Week—Holy Week. It takes all the devotion and attention we can muster and all the time we have to gather ourselves and to gather with others to share in the suffering of the cross and the sure triumph of the Resurrection. This Sunday of the Passion is where we begin.

GOSPEL AT THE PROCESSION: Matthew 21:1-11

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11 GOSPEL: Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

Comment

The solemn procession of this Sunday recalls Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. He enters humbly upon a donkey. He comes as a man of peace, a man of the people—fickle though they prove to be. At the beginning of Mass on this solemn Sunday, we gather for the blessing of the palms and joyously proclaim Jesus as our king. This procession has been part of this day since about the fourth century. It is a concrete and engaging act. This moment of triumph opens the door to Holy Week. The procession and the readings of the Liturgy of the Word give us a preview of the paradox of the happy fault that merits so great a redeemer, as the words of the Exsultet at the Easter Vigil will remind us. But the Easter Vigil is far off. And we, the faithful, are at the brink of the Great Week that ends in the joy of Easter.

On this Palm Sunday, the echoes of our song of glory and laud and honor fade as we ponder the long narration of Jesus' passion, death, and burial. The readings from Isaiah and the letter to the Philippians help us retain some balance as we consider death and its relationship to life; the Crucifixion and its relationship to the Resurrection. These first two readings are the same every year. Only the Gospels change. Each year, we read the passion narratives from Matthew, Mark, or Luke. The passion narrative according to John is reserved for Good Friday's celebration of the Lord's Passion.

This year's narration is from the Gospel according to Matthew. We hear the story of that singularly long day from the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening to his burial before sunset on the following Friday. Matthew's account is consistent with his whole Gospel. He addresses the Church; he teaches. He recalls the Hebrew Scriptures once in the narration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and five times in the narration of the Passion.

The first reading for the day is the third of five suffering servant songs found in the book of Isaiah. This reading prepares us for the proclamation of the Passion. It's a good thing, too, for it sets before us the portrait of a just and dignified person who honorably bears the humiliation that he does not deserve.

We move to the second reading, which is a liturgical hymn that sketches the full circle from the Word's union with the Father in heaven, to the Incarnation, to his glorification. For our sakes, he who was one with God did not cling to that exalted unity of being. For us, he took on the whole—the whole!—of human existence from birth to suffering to death. This was the source of his exaltation. He is Christ and Lord.

Reflection

According to Matthew's Gospel narration of the passion and death of Jesus, his only words from the cross are those of deep anguish. His sense of abandonment is all we need to remind us that he knew the loss of all that his life stood for. He did not know how he would be released from this dark night of the soul and deep pain of the body.

We, however, stand on the resurrection side of the story. We are in possession of the whole story. We are able to understand the Passion and Crucifixion in the bright light of the Resurrection. We have courage enough to hear the passion story, because it ends in life. It reverses the expectation that life ends in death. As people of the Resurrection, our faith tells us that death opens to life.

Today the events that will be celebrated day by day during Triduum are narrated whole. Triduum begins with the celebration of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and ends on Easter evening. During these most solemn days of the Church year, we will gather to reflect on the Paschal Mystery rendered present in our lives.

24 Hour Video Surveillance Protection

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

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



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jalen A. Chambers	John T. Nelson	Mable Durio
Clayona Pillette	Margaret Green	Andre Platt
Ronald Hebert	Gerald Richard	Claudine Riggs
Lucy N. Mitchell	Ruby Milton	Sammie Ware
Tiffany Winpfrey	John Richard, Sr.	

Monday -

Holy Week Prayer

Matthew 21:10-17;

John 12:1-8

Tuesday -

Holy Week Prayer

Matthew 26:36-46;

Hebrews 5:7-9

Wednesday -

Holy Week Prayer

Matthew 26:27-56;

1 Corinthians 1:18

Thursday (Holy Thursday) -

Holy Week Prayer

John 13:1-17; John 13:34-35

Friday (Good Friday) -

Holy Week Prayer

John 18:1-40, John 19:1-42;

Isaiah 52:13-15; Isaiah 53:1-

12; Hebrews 10:16-25;

Psa 22

Saturday (Holy Saturday) -

Holy Week Prayer

Matthew 17:1-6;

Lamentations 3:1-9,

Lamentations 3:19-24

St. Therese Catholic Church Conference - Call - Cum - Mass

Dial-in number (712) 770-5384

Access Code: 750678#

Join Fr. Donatus at 9:00 am Sunday morning for Mass/prayer by **Conference Call**. Dial-in number and when prompted, enter the access code. Please begin calling about 8:45, 15 minutes before beginning to get as many participants as we can. We will have conference call on Sunday's only.

Everyone, please mute your phone after you have stated your name. If you can't mute your phone please go into a quite room to listen and pray in silence.

The Church will be open Saturday 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 am to 10:00 am for individual prayer only.

Thank you for you assistance and understanding.

Live Broadcasting

Bishop will be live streaming from his private liturgies from the Cathedral on the following days/times:

Palm Sunday – 10am - Live Stream

Chrism Mass – 7pm – Live Stream - Tuesday of Holy Week

Holy Thursday -7pm – Live Stream

Good Friday- 3pm – Live Stream

Easter Sunday 11:30 am – Live Stream and Broadcast on KFDM

St Therese Online-Giving

As we all know our assembly for Masses has been suspended until further notice. My prayers are with you and your families, as we continue to prayer and ask God for his guidance, our duty is to continue to support God's Church. For your convenience you can pay your tithe on-line. Simply go to our website at stthereseorangetx.org click create profile, choose the option that is convenient for you, as always thank you for your support!

Bishop Faith Appeal Goal : 18,745.

As we deepen our commitment to the Gospel message, we come to understand that stewardship is a way of life. In John 2:5 we read; "Do whatever He tells you." Thank you for your contribution to BFA and your commitment to serving God's people, as we look forward to the continued growth of our parish. If you have any questions or concerns about the BFA, please contact chairpersons Adam or Dorothy Jacobs or Fr. Donatus.

Attention Everyone



Join St. Therese Tuesday's at 5:30 in the privacy of your home.

Meditation and prayer through our patron St. Therese

We pray that the Lord be near us in this time of uncertainty, weakness and pain; that he sustains us by his grace, that our strength and courage may not fail; heal us oh Lord according to your will; and help us always to believe that what happens to us here is of little account if you hold us in eternal life, our Lord and our God. Amen.

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 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 petitions in the name of Jesus and through the power of his Spirit. **AMEN.**