

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

Sunday, April 26, 2020 9:00 am
 Marry S. Crossley
 requested by Cecilia Davis
Conference Call - Cum - Mass
Facebook LIVE!

Monday April 27th NO MASS

Tues. April 28th 5:30 p.m.
 Meditation and prayer
 through our patron St. Therese
 from our homes No Assembly

Wed. 29th, Thurs. 30th, & Fri. May 1st

Saturday, May 2, 2020
 Reconciliation by appointment
 4 - 5 p.m. Church will be opened
 for individual prayer
 no more than 10 people at one time

(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).

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

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



Conference - Call - Cum - Mass
 Calls: 20 Members: 34

Join us on Facebook LIVE!
 Members join in: 22

Last Weekend Collection

Mail In	\$ 965.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 5.00
Donations	\$ 260.00
E-giving	\$ 180.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,410.00

Expenses:

Center Point Energy	<\$ 142.90>
City of Orange/bingo	<\$ 3.75>
Orange County/bingo	<\$ 3.75>
Diocesan Accountants	<\$ 500.>
Spectrum Business	<\$ 159.97>
City of Orange	<\$ 203.82>

MINISTERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

LECTORS:

1st Rdr.:
 1st reader = *responsorial*

2nd Rdr.:
 2nd reader = *prayer of faithful*

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. April 26 - Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:32 Lk 24:13-35

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

Tues. April 28 - 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. April 29 - Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn 6:40 Jn 6:35-40

Thurs. April 30 - Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:51 Jn 6:44-51

Fri. May 01 - Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:56 Jn 6:52-59

Sat. May 02 - Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Jn 6:63c, 68c Jn 6:60-69

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Established in 1924; Served by The Missionary Society of St. Paul from Nigeria since 2000

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



The 3rd Sunday of Easter - Year A
April 26, 2020

“Their eyes were opened and they recognized him.”

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

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

Richard Scott, Chairman	779-7587
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

On the Journey

In our mobile, disposable world, it's hard to teach our children the value of things that last. (Never mind the next generation; we're having trouble ourselves!) Young people go away to college. They settle in areas far way from where they were raised. When they get there, they eat instant dinners on plates they throw away. Skilled artisans are fewer than in generations before us. There's no one left to repair things—if there is anything left worth repairing. We buy cheap and then rather than fix it, we discard it to buy a new one. We don't really mind doing this because we get tired of the old one anyway. When it breaks, we're glad to get something fresh, new, and different.

The readings today focus on things that last. Silver and gold are pretty durable, but even they don't last like the blood of Jesus Christ.

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14, 22–33 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 16:1–2, 5, 7–8, 9–10, 11
SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17–21 GOSPEL: Luke 24:13–35

Comment

Peter reminds his listeners in Acts that Jesus was crucified, died, and was buried. He rose from the dead and is indeed the Messiah. Peter uses the Old Testament to remind the people of God's promise that one of David's descendants would be the Messiah. In his psalm, David shows us hope in things that are lasting. We will be saved from the corruption of our sinfulness. We will have everlasting joy in the presence of God.

This reward was purchased for us, not with silver or gold, but with the blood of Jesus. In order to share this glory, we must put our faith and hope in the risen Christ.

On the way to Emmaus, the disciples did not recognize Jesus at first. He reminded them, even before they recognized him, that the prophets said the Christ needed to suffer many things before he entered into his glory. At the end of the journey, in the breaking of the bread at the evening meal, the disciples recognized their fellow traveler to be Jesus and began to understand the worth of his gift.

Reflection

Luke continues one of the themes John presents in the Easter Gospel: Things are not always as they seem. The two disciples did not recognize Jesus. They thought he was just another traveler, and a fairly uninformed one at that. Some scholars think the sun was in their eyes as they headed west to Emmaus in the evening. When Jesus approached them the light of the setting sun may have obscured their view of him. Even though the disciples did not recognize Jesus at first, they struck up a friendly enough relationship with the stranger to ask him to stay for dinner. They must have had some "gut-level" feeling about this person's character.

As they walked, they wondered with their traveling companion how God could have abandoned their friend, Jesus. They recalled those who jeered, "If he cannot save himself, how can he save others?" The disciples were beginning to ask the same question, since all hope now seemed lost.

Finally, when they shared the meal with their "new" friend, they began to see the truth—the everlasting truth about what had taken place. They began to understand that in order to share in the promised glory, they had to put their faith and hope in the risen Christ, whom at last they recognized.

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
Lucy N. Mitchell	Claudine Riggs
Ruby Milton	Tiffany Winpfrey
John Richard, Sr.	Sammie Ware

St Therese Online-Giving

All Mass gatherings 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. However, our duty is to continue to support God's Church. For your convenience you may stop by the office or pay your tithe on-line. Simply go to our website at stthereseorangetx.org click create profile, choose the option that is right or convenient for you, follow steps if you need assistance please contact the parish office. As always, thank you for your continued support!

Attention Everyone



Everyone is welcome to join us from your homes every Tuesday

5:30 pm **Meditation and Devotional prayers through our Parton Saint 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.

Southeast Texas Hotline

There is a hotline in Southeast Texas that has been activated for anyone who has questions about the coronavirus. If you are experiencing fever, cough, and shortness of breath, or if you think you have been exposed to COVID-19, you can call this hotline. You will speak to a nurse (usually from your county), and the nurse will ask you several questions about your symptoms. After this initial screening, and if you meet the testing criteria, you will be routed to a location for further screening and testing.

HOTLINE: 409/550-2536

St. Therese Catholic Church Conference Call - Cum - Mass

Dial-in number (712) 770-5384

Access Code: 750678#

Or

Join us on Facebook Live!

Join Fr. Donatus on Sunday's 9 am Conference Call. Dial-in number and when prompted, enter the access code or Facebook LIVE! Please begin calling about 8:45, 15 minutes before beginning to get as many participants as we can.

Remember, mute your phone and move to a quite room to listen and pray.

We have been working to connect with everyone, but if we missed you, pleased, connect with us, we want you to be part of experiencing the gospel of Jesus Christ in this Holy Season.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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.

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.