

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, May 3, 2020 9:00 am
Jacobs & Monroe Families
requested by Mary J. J. Monroe
Conference Call - Cum - Mass &
Facebook LIVE!*

Monday May 4th NO MASS

*Tues. May 5th 5:30 p.m.
Meditation and Prayer
through our patron St. Therese
from our homes No Assembly*

*Wed. 6th, Thurs. 7th & Fri. 8th
No Assembly*

*Saturday, May 09, 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).

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
Calls: 13 Members: 27

Join us on Facebook LIVE!
Views: 38

Last Weekend Collection

Mail In \$ 995.00
DOB online \$ 50.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,045.00

Expenses:

Administration <\$ 250.32>
Admin Internet <\$ 75.02>
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May Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:

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

Happy Anniversary

Fred & Peggy Green 8th

St. Therese Catholic Church

Conference Call - Cum - Mass

Dial-in number
(712) 770-5384

Access Code: 750678#

&

Join us on Facebook Live!
Sunday Mass @ 9 am

Fr. Donatus is encouraging everyone to join him by conference-call at 7pm every evening praying the Rosary during the month of May.



MINISTERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

LECTORS:

1st Rdr.:
1st reader = responsorial

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

St. Therese Catholic Church

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 4th Sunday of Easter - Year A
May 03, 2020**

“The sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice.”

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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- Tina Kindle 238-4447
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READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. May 03 - Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:14 Jn 10:1-10

Mon. May 04 - Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 Jn 10:14 Jn 10:11-18

Tues. May 05 - Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 10:27 Jn 10:22-30

Wed. May 06 - Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 Jn 8:12 Jn 12:44-50

Thurs. May 07 - Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 Rv 1:5ab Jn 13:16-20

Fri. May 08 - Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab Jn 14:6 Jn 14:1-6

Sat. May 09 - Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 8:31b-32 Jn 14:7-14

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

A Change of Mind

If you've ever been around two or more children at a time, you know the chances are good that someone will do something to make one or the other angry. It might be an action, a word, an expression. Adults spend a lot of time trying to get youngsters to tell each other they're sorry. Sometimes they really are. Sometimes you can cut the chard with a butter knife. Children need direction on how to say they're sorry and truly repent. Sometimes adults need help, too. We offer children guidance by teaching them not only to say they're sorry, but take active steps in preventing the same hurt again. It's similar to following the voice of a shepherd ... someone who shows us the way to love and peace.

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:20b-25 GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

Comment

Peter told the people gathered that they had crucified Jesus, the one that God had made both Lord and Christ. Although the accusation was certainly general, its impact was sincerely felt by Peter's audience. They were sorry and wanted to know what they needed to do. "Repent," was the word Peter used. They accepted Peter's invitation and came to the waters of baptism.

Notice that Peter's audience didn't come back with, "Who? Us? We didn't do anything wrong!" No, indeed. Of course, Jesus did not die directly at their hands, but they went right past the accusation. They were "cut to the heart," and wanted to know what to do to make things right. The amazing things missing from their response were guilt, denial, and blame. The people gathered were open to forgiveness. That's why they were so eager to be baptized.

In Peter's letter, he affirms that we should bear what we suffer for our good deeds patiently. After all, Jesus did no less. He didn't do anything wrong. He was without sin. He didn't ridicule or berate others. Even when his enemies accused him of preposterous things, aren't we amazed at the patience Jesus always exhibited in his response? Haven't you ever thought, "I wonder if I could have thought that quickly," when we read some of his responses to his enemies? Peter confirms that Jesus is our model. Even if we stray and falter in following his example, he is the Shepherd and will continue to call us back.

Reflection

In order to call us back, the Shepherd is always like an open door. We have encountered many types of doors in our lives. There are swinging doors, locked doors, revolving doors, trap doors, fun-house doors, open doors, and sliding doors, to name just a few. For the most part we go through doors every day without much thought. We go in and out of our homes, work places, schools, and stores almost like involuntary reflexes. But there are some doors that really get our attention as we're about to pass through them. Have you ever had to walk through a hospital door on the way to see someone seriously ill? Have you ever been called to the principal's or boss's office? Have you ever gone through the doors to a counselor or support group for yourself or someone you love? It's likely that you paused and took a deep breath before going through some of these doors, clearing your mind to gather the thoughts and form the words that you knew were necessary for the meeting.

Jesus creates the door of peace for us. We don't have those foreboding feelings of apprehension. It's not like the fun house—there's no distortion in what Jesus promises us. Jesus is not a revolving door—he always opens a straight path for us. We will find a safe pasture in the life the Shepherd has won for us.

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

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



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.

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.**

Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis to the Faithful for the Month of May 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 25 April 2020
Feast of Saint Mark the Evangelist