

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mass at 50% capacity

Sunday's Facebook LIVE!

Sunday, April 18, 2020 9:00 am Mass
E'Retrious and E'Remious Gus
requested by Cindy Hampton

Monday April 19th NO MASS

Tuesday April 20th 9:00 am
Deacon Melvin Payne
Communion Service

Wednesday, April 21st, 9:00 a.m.
Deacon Melvin Payne
Communion Service

Thursday, April 22nd, 9:00 a.m.
Deacon Melvin Payne
Communion Service

Friday, April 23th, 9:00 a.m.
Deacon Melvin Payne
Communion Service

Saturday, April 24th, 4 p.m.
Reconciliation by appointment

(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).

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. April 18 - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Cf. Lk 24:32 Lk 24:35-48

Mon. April 19 - Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Mt 4:4b Jn 6:22-29

Tues. April 20 - Acts 7:51-8:1a
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab Jn 6:35ab Jn 6:30-35

Wed. April 21 - Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn 6:40 Jn 6:35-40

Thurs. April 22 - Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:51 Jn 6:44-51

Fri. April 23 - Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:56 Jn 6:52-59

Sat. April 24 - Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Jn 6:63c, 68c Jn 6:60-69

April Birthday List
Happy Birthday to::

Joe Fontenot 2
Taffy Arceneaux 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

LECTORS SERVING IN APRIL

Saturday's/ one reader

April 17 - Felicia Richard
April 24 - Freda Guillory

Sunday's/ one reader

April 18 - Cindy Hampton
April 25 - Tina Kindle

ATTENTION "Job Seekers"

St. Therese is seeking a Parish Director of Youth Ministry, must be a practicing Catholic with Theology, Religious Education, or related educational field and or certificate in ministry or theology or one to three years related experience in education of youth. Under the direct supervision of the Pastor and in accordance with established policies and procedures, is responsible for the development, coordination, supervision, and execution of parish programs designed to engage and educate the youth of the parish. Will act as an advocate and link for youth and their families to the pastoral team, the parish family, and the surrounding community. Please send your resume to St. Therese Catholic Church 1409 N. 6th Street, Orange, TX77630 or email at sttherese1350@yahoo.com. For more information please call the Parish Office 409-883-3783.

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last week's
Income & Expenses

Attendance Sat: 10 Sun: 24

Collection

Donations \$ 200.00
Saturday \$ 95.00
Sunday \$ 1,553.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,848.00

Expenses paid out

Equip contract <\$ 50.60>
Catholic relief <\$ 166.00>
DOB Central Adm. <\$ 5,497.00>
Admin. <\$ 944.31>
Admin. Phone <\$94.22>

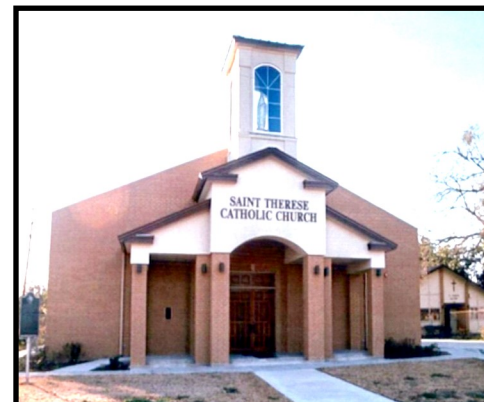
St. Therese Catholic Church

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Office Hours
Tuesday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Lunch 12-1:00 pm
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



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The 3rd Sunday of Easter
Year B
April 18, 2021

"It is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead"

Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday
9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays
3:20 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

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

Exposition & Adoration Of the Blessed Sacrament

every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the Pastor two months prior to desired date of baptism

Marriage:

Please call the Rectory six (6) months prior to proposed date



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mission and Reconciliation

The readings of this Sunday's liturgy celebrate the mission entrusted to us by the risen Lord and describe that mission in terms of reconciliation. Easter is the great celebration of reconciliation. All things are made new—are reconciled to God—in Christ the risen Lord. As Christ's mission was one of reconciliation, so is it the mission of all who die and rise with Christ and who seek to witness to his resurrection in their lives.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

SECOND READING: 1 John 2:1-5a GOSPEL: Luke 24:35-48

Comment

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles focuses us on the preaching of Peter. This bold orator is the same man who thrice denied Jesus, the same man who was too afraid to stand by his Master's cross, the same man who experienced a dramatic conversion at the Resurrection, and the same man who is now taking to heart and to action the mission of reconciliation imparted to him by the risen Lord. For Peter and the other apostles, the Resurrection was an experience of unparalleled forgiveness and reconciliation. Their abandoning of Jesus was forgiven, and that same forgiveness is now the subject of Peter's preaching: "Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away." Peter knew what he was talking about. He had experienced it himself.

In the second reading, John reminds us that although Christ brings forgiveness and reconciles us to God, the day-to-day difficulties of life remain. John assures us that Christ intercedes for us, but John also calls on us to live the reconciled life by adhering to God's commandments. Conversion, John says, is not simply an exercise of the mind. It is a much more total activity, one that must be evidenced in all that we do. Only by living the reconciled life do we really "know" Christ.

Like the other accounts of the appearances of the risen Lord, today's Gospel passage begins with an experience of reconciliation: "Peace to you." The Gospel then goes on to show how the mission of reconciliation and peace is to be shared: by beginning with the Scriptures. In other words, the good—and reconciling—news is spread first by proclaiming and explaining the meaning of the Scriptures. That is why, in today's first reading, Peter begins his proclamation by explaining that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophets and of the promise (covenant) made by God to Abraham. Proclaiming this reconciling good news is the mission given the apostles by Jesus. As the apostles begin to fulfill this mission, the Church is formed.

Reflection

First there is mission, then the Church. The mission of reconciliation the risen Christ gave us comes *before* the Church. Indeed, the Church exists only because of the mission and only to fulfill the mission. When the Church ceases to carry out its mission, there is no church. It seems mighty important that we understand this primacy, to put first things first. As Church, therefore, we must be concerned, first of all, with reaching out, not in. We must extend to people, in concrete situations—in the flesh—the message and meaning of Christ's reconciling love. Happily, when we do that, the Church grows and flourishes. Attending to the mission puts first things first and only then begets the Church.

Bishop Faith Appeal

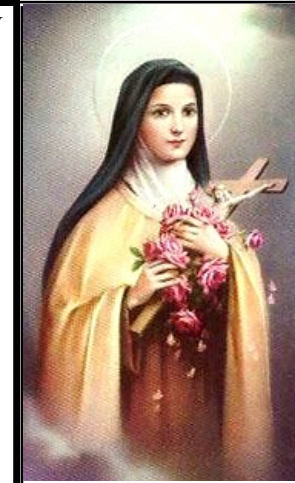
Goal : 17,049.

While we are facing challenging times, keeping safe and preventing the spread of the coronavirus. God challenges us to share what we have with others, to make a commitment to serving His people. Romans 8:28 say's "For those who love God, all things work together for the good." Making your pledge to the BFA is one of the ways we are all called together, one parish, supporting others with what we have. Thank you for your support.

Chairpersons, Adam & Dorothy Jacobs and Fr. Donatus.

PRAY FOR THE SHUT-IN

Mary Alexander
Mary Brown
Courtney Chavis
David J. Carey
Hollis Fain
Beatrice Guillory
Ella Mae Garrett
Mary Gray
Mark Mitchell Jr.
Westley Papillion
Gloria Richard
Mormon Richard
Alma C Thibodeaux



"My mission - to make God loved - will begin after my death," she said. "I will spend my heaven doing good on earth. I will let fall a shower of roses." Roses have been described and experienced as Saint Therese's signature. Countless millions have been touched by her intercession and imitate her "little way." She has been acclaimed "the greatest saint of modern times." In 1997, Pope John Paul II declared St. Therese a Doctor of the Church - the only Doctor of his pontificate - in tribute to the powerful way her spirituality has influenced people all over the world.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jalen A. Chambers
Carroll Durio
Mable Durio
Margaret Green
Mrs. Doris Hayes
Roy Hayes
Ruby Milton
Clayona Pillette
John Richard Sr.
Claudine Riggs
Sammie Ware
Tiffany Winphrey
Roger Dell White

CATHOLIC BELIEF

- I. To gain the happiness of heaven we must know, love, and serve God in this world. Man must know, love and serve God in a supernatural manner in order to gain happiness of heaven. Man is raised to the supernatural order only by grace, a free gift of God.
 - II. We learn to know, love, and serve God from Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who teaches us through the Catholic Church.
 - III. In order to be saved, all persons who have attained the use of reason must believe explicitly that God exist and that he rewards the good and punishes the wicked; in practice they must also believe in the mysteries of the Blessed Trinity and the Incarnation.
 - IV. By the Blessed Trinity we mean one and the same God in three divine persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
 - V. By the Incarnation is meant that the Son of God, retaining His divine nature, took to Himself a human nature, that is, a body and soul like ours.
 - VI. The Church is the congregation of all baptized persons united in the same true faith, the same sacrifice, and the same sacraments, under the authority of the Sovereign Pontiff and the bishops in communion with him.
- We find the chief truths taught by Jesus Christ through the Catholic Church in the Apostles' Creed.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Besides believing what God has revealed, we must keep His law.

THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS THAT CONTAIN THE WHOLE LAW OF GOD ARE:

You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, and with your whole soul, and with your whole mind, and with your whole strength; you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

To love God, our neighbor, and ourselves, we must keep the commandments of God and of the Church, and perform the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

THE CHIEF COMMANDMENTS OR LAWS, OF THE CHURCH

- I. To assist at Mass on all Sundays and holy days of obligation.
- II. To fast and abstain on the days appointed.
- III. To confess our sins at least once a year.
- IV. To receive Holy Communion during the Easter time.
- V. To contribute to the support of the Church.
- VI. To observe the laws of the Church concerning marriage.