

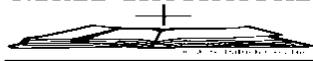
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 19, 2019

“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race.”
 — *Revelation 21:3*

MISSIONARIES OF MERCY

Paul’s back! After last week’s “violent abuse,” opponents organized a lynch mob that beat Paul nearly to death. But call Paul the “energizing evangelist,” transforming deadly cruelty into life-giving zeal. Paul’s past courage should inspire our commitment; Revelation’s future “new heaven, new earth” should inspire our optimism. But Revelation’s present assurance, “Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race,” should challenge us to become “missionaries of mercy.” Because Pope Francis declared that the Church’s credibility is completely dependent on our showing unconditional mercy. Mercy, said Francis, makes the Church, the world, and everyone young again, reawakened to life’s noblest virtues. Fittingly, in today’s Gospel Jesus reinforces that theme: “This is how all will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Mass Intentions



Sat., May 18, 4:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Thomas Pitre, Nick Sita, Huval Family, Hotard Family, Karge Family, Louis Perschall, Sr., Murphy LaPoint, Gloria Guyton, Barrilleaux Family, Sherman Bradley, Stanley Bradley, Kay McGartlin, Dot Montgomery, Alphonse and Olivia Istre

Sun., May 19, 7:30 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., May 19, 9:15 a.m. Mary Jane Mehaffey, Dolores Reiser, Maggie Zimmer (L), Mary LeBlanc (L), Andrew Danenhower (L), Dr. Normi Miller, Craig Schiro (L)

Sun., May 19, 11:00 a.m. Parish

Mon., May 20, 8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule’

Tues., May 21 NO MASS

Wed., May 22, 8:00 a.m. Sr. Josephine Cusimano D.C.

Thurs., May 23, 8:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon

Fri., May 24, 8:00 a.m. David Tucker

Sat., May 25, 4:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Thomas Pitre, Nick Sita, Huval Family, Hotard Family, Bradley Family, Karge Family, Louis Perschall Sr., Gloria Guyton, Stanley Bradley, Donna Bedo (L), Elaine Lamb, Buddy Perreand

Sun., May 26, 7:30 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., May 26, 9:15 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., May 26, 11:00 a.m. Raymond Cuccio, Jr., Ed Sicard (L), Bruno Touchard, Barbara Castelluccio (L), Lorraine A. Campbell, Hospitality Committee (L), Craig Schiro (L), In Thanksgiving, Phyllis Legnon

PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur	James Michael Cole
Ruth Christie	Louise Cashmere
Edie Stump	Ethel Istre
Carolyn Pierre	Rhonda Taylor
Pappy Pelloat	Rolland Golden
Pam Addotto	Ruthi Olson
Freddie Addotto	John Gavin
Tuck Tucker	Scott St. Romaine
Michael Estrada	Earline Mauthe
Jessica Landry	Fred Kopfler

Please remember these parishioners and friends in your prayers. May they be touched by the healing hand of the Lord and restored soon to the full active life of our community and their families.

Weekly Collections

Envelopes	\$ 2,850.00
Loose	\$ 1,420.72
Bldg. and Preservation Fund	\$ 335.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement	\$1,222.11

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

<i>Sanctuary</i>	Bob Kerry
<i>Blessed Mother</i>	Dolores Reiser
<i>St. Joseph</i>	Tyler Stahel (L)
<i>St. Ann</i>	Gary Treuil

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the Altar are for
Fr. Odilo

Would like to give someone special a thoughtful gift or remember a loved one in a special way? Consider a seven day devotional candle or sanctuary flowers. They both begin in church on a Friday for 7 days. We will be happy to send a special card to the person with personalized message that you would like it to say with the date and the candle or flowers for them. For more information please call the office.

GARDENING

Kind hearts are the garden,
 Kind thoughts are the root,
 Kind words are the blossoms,
 Kind deeds are the fruit.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Frequent fliers today have many ways to accrue air miles, so one doesn't always have to endure long hours in cramped seats to earn free hours in cramped seats. In St. Paul's day, there were no such perks, nor would there have been any legal system for him to protest the shipwrecks he endured. He had other rewards in mind. The churches that he established in the catalogue of cities from today's first reading must have been very different from one another. Language, culture, customs, religious history, obstacles to community, social challenges, the places where they met, their clothing, their bread and wine, all distinct, particular to the area.

There were social customs as well: in a Christian household, the only place where a slave would be able to stand legally as an equal with the master would be at the table of the Lord, because at that table a new world of reconciliation was imaged. While Paul revered local customs, he was relentless about challenging the ways that people lived their Christian lives and how their worship reflected them. It is much the same today, as a global Catholic Church seeks to respect local customs and culture, allowing for differences in many things, yet always giving expression to the underlying presence of Christ, who binds us all together into his body.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Vacation Bible School 2019

Light It Up!

Set the World on Fire with the Light of Christ

When: **June 24-28, 2019 from 9:00-12:30**

Register online at: <https://stjohnbaptistfolsom.org/vbs>

or pick up a form in the back of Church.

Learn about dynamic Catholic Saints, the beauty of the Mass, & how to share the Light of Christ through games, crafts, music, food & fellowship!

We are happy to report that the Church Insulation Project has been completed. Thanks to everyone who consulted and helped organize removal of old insulation. On behalf of all parishioners we thank you. Our hope is that the new spray foam insulation will help with the energy bills saving.

Confirmation Class begins this Sunday at noon in Odilo Hall. A volunteer teacher is needed to assist Amanda Fraise and the confirmation class for 5 classes, retreat, rehearsal and confirmation. If you enjoy working with teenagers and sharing your faith, please consider volunteering to teach or to assist in the program. Call Theresa Wilfert at 778-4755 for more info.

PIVOTAL PLAYER

G. K. CHESTERTON - *The Evangelist*
BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

How does one engage a culture that is befuddled by Christ and suspicious of the Church? The life and witness of this 19th century literary convert shows that the fundamental disposition of effective evangelism is joy, and life in Christ is a day to day encounter with an abundant and surprising offer of grace.

The next Pivotal Player DVD is May 29th at 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall Library. In this episode of the series "Catholicism", Bishop Barron and his team travel to Oxford, London, Beaconsfield, and all of the locations that played a significant role in the formation and vocation of G.K. Chesterton, which in turn formed the life of the Church.

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019, in observance of Memorial Day. The offices will re-open at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 28th.

50TH GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

There will be an Archdiocesan "Golden Wedding Anniversary" celebration, Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. We would like to congratulate Max and Margaret Jones and Michael and Liz Karge on the 50 years of their sacramental union. We thank them for the witness they have given us in their fidelity and love of each other which speaks to us of God's fidelity and love of His Church.

To all those of our Parish who might be remembering this milestone of life we pray for God's blessing and our hope for health, happiness and good humor.

ANNUAL TERESIAN SISTERS ROCK "N" BOWLARAMA

WHY: To raise money to support the Society of St. Teresa of Jesus retired and elderly Sisters, as well as their ministries.

WHEN: June 2, 2019, 6:00 thru 9:00 p.m.

WHERE: 3000 S. Carrollton Ave., N.O. LA 70118

TICKETS: Donations: \$30 per ticket or \$35 (at the door)

Entertainment is included: Dancing/live band Cypress, bowling, food, prizes, fun and surprises. Come and pass a good time and support the Teresian Sisters.

REMINDERS!

Knights of Columbus meetings are the second Thursday of month at 7:30 p.m. in Odilo Hall

First Saturday mass at 8:00 a.m. every month

Catch Fire Youth Group meets the first and third Sunday of every month from 6 – 7:30 p.m. in Odilo Hall.

Monday night bible study, Revelation, 7:30 p.m. in library

Every Thursday men's group meets at 7:30 p.m. in Library