

Welcome to the third Sunday of Easter. Our Scripture lessons for today have one common, encouraging theme: No matter what happens in our lives, the Risen Jesus is always with us. God is always near to those who seek Him and who want to live in His presence doing His will.

Let us look at our own lives: 1) Jesus meets us on our Emmaus Road. The Risen Lord meets us on the road to our Emmaus in the ordinary experiences of our lives and in the places to which we retreat when life is too much for us. We, too, have hopes and dreams about better health, healing, financial security and better family relationships. These often get shattered. The story promises us, however, that the Risen Lord will come to us in unfamiliar guises to support and strengthen us when we least expect him. Emmaus moments come to us when we meet the Risen Christ on our life's journey through rough times.

2) We meet Jesus on a daily basis in our life's journey. The Church instructs us to hear Jesus on a daily basis through the faithful reading of, and meditation on, the Bible and to experience him through our participation in the Eucharistic celebration where he gives himself to us, through our personal and family prayers and through our family meals. When we meet Him through the Word of God, we commune with him. We renew our relationship with him through prayer. These two meetings will enable us to meet the Risen Jesus living in all the people we meet and to do them humble, loving and selfless service.

3) Do our hearts burn when we listen to the Risen Lord in the Bible? Christ comes to us most clearly in the Word. Vatican II (*Dei Verbum* 21) tells us that Jesus is to be equally venerated in the Eucharist and in the Bible. Therefore, we need to study the Bible, learn the Bible, memorize the Bible, meditate on the word of God with burning zeal and practice what the Bible teaches.

# Welcome to

April 25 & 26, 2020

## St. Joseph Catholic Church- Zwolle

## St. Ann Chapel- Noble

**Father Joseph C. Ampatt,**  
Pastoral Administrator

**Parish Staff**

Sandy Lovelady  
645-6845/ 315-5092 for after hours & weekends ONLY  
Secretary

Luci Jo Parrie  
Religious Education Coordinator

Diamond R. Adair  
Bulletin Editor

Thelma Small  
Matrimonial Tribunal Lay Advocate

Gary Sepulvado  
Maintenance

**Parish Volunteers**

Anna Garcie  
Lee McCann  
Parish Trustees- Finance Council

Cindy Ezernack  
Pastoral Council Chairperson

Gatha Martinez  
Ione Durr  
St. Vincent de Paul Society

Colleen Britt  
Council of Catholic Women

Andie Sepulvado  
Candace Wilson  
Altar Server Directors

Kelli Boydston  
Liturgy Coordinator

**MASSES are suspended until further notice.**

Anticipated Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM (St. Joseph)  
Sunday: 8:30 AM (St. Joseph)  
11:00 AM (St. Joseph)  
5:00 PM (St. Ann)  
Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 AM (St. Joseph)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday: 10:00 AM at Toledo Nursing Center

**Baptism:** Children should be baptized within the first few months after birth. Baptism should take place in one's proper parish. Registered parishioners should contact the Office for information about scheduling a baptism class, regarding the selection of Godparents, any required preparations, and the date and time of Baptism.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are normally heard on Saturdays before the mass from 3:15-3:40 PM. Other opportunities are possible by appointment by calling Father Ampatt.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Spend a refreshing hour before the Lord in prayer in our daily chapel, from the conclusion of morning Mass until 3:00 PM on Thursdays.

**Marriages:** Either the bride or the groom must be a registered parishioner of St. Joseph/ St. Ann Parish. At least six months of preparation time is required in our Diocese. Weddings are never booked by phone or by third-parties; a personal interview is required. Call the office for an appointment.

**Funerals:** Contact the office to make necessary arrangements for the funeral liturgy.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome! To register, fill out one of the blue forms located at the church office or in the church foyer and return it to the church office or drop it in the weekly collection basket. Change of address or phone number? Please provide your updated information to the church office as soon as possible.

**Parish Office Information**  
Hours: Monday 1:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday-Friday 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM,  
Lunch 12:00-1:00 PM

**P.O. Box 8/ 307 Hammond St. (Physical)  
Zwolle, Louisiana 71486**

**Phone: 318-645-6155**

**Fax: 318-645-9852**

**Rectory: 318-645-9198**

**st\_joseph\_zwolle@bellsouth.net**

**Website: www.StJosephZwolle.org**

**Diocesan Web Site: www.dioshpt.org**

### May Minister Schedule at St. Joseph

| Saturday 4:00 PM  | Sunday 8:30 AM  | Sunday 11:00 AM  |
|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Sacristan</b><br/>Tiny Parrie</li> <li><b>Lectors</b><br/>Staci Anderson<br/>Connie Martinez</li> <li><b>Eucharistic Ministers</b><br/>Barbara Remedies<br/>Ethel Diener<br/>Shirley Angus<br/>Ashley Martinez<br/>Martha Henderson</li> <li><b>Greeters</b><br/>Volunteers needed</li> <li><b>Ushers</b><br/>Thomas Z. Rivers<br/>Danny Sepulvado<br/>Chris Martinez<br/>Joshua Z. Rivers</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Sacristan</b><br/>Mary Rachel Ertel</li> <li><b>Lectors</b><br/>Valarie Remedies<br/>Kelli Boydston</li> <li><b>Eucharistic Ministers</b><br/>Tatiana Brandon<br/>Vanessa Leone<br/>Jennifer Martinez<br/>Becky Anderson<br/>Priscilla Craig</li> <li><b>Greeters</b><br/>Joe &amp; Kelli Boydston</li> <li><b>Ushers</b><br/>Rodney Rivers<br/>James Faircloth<br/>Glen Ezernack<br/>Joe Boydston</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Sacristan</b><br/>Paula Rivers</li> <li><b>Lectors</b><br/>Autumn Sepulvado<br/>Mckenzie Collins</li> <li><b>Eucharistic Ministers</b><br/>Beverly Rivers<br/>Kristi Steele<br/>Hilary P. Remedies<br/>Toby Remedies<br/><b>Volunteer Needed</b></li> <li><b>Greeters</b><br/>Sam A. &amp; Carolyn F. Rivers</li> <li><b>Ushers</b><br/>Sam A. Rivers<br/>Henry Rivers<br/>Clark Rivers<br/>Mike Rivers</li> </ul> |

May Ministers  
incase we are  
able to resume  
masses this  
month.

# April 25 & 26, 2020

**\*\*During the mandatory suspension of masses, Fr. Ampatt is continuing to say the mass intentions.**

## Mass Intentions:

### April 25, Saturday

St. Joseph  
For the Parishioners

### April 26, Sunday

St. Joseph  
President Trump and family

St. Joseph  
Fr. Danny Walsh †

St. Ann  
Sam and Pollie Procell family

### April 27, Monday

### April 28, Tuesday

Maria Lanh †

### April 29, Wednesday

Fr. Cal Cuccia †  
Bell and Bowien families  
Barbara Verret †  
Helen Nimmo †

### April 30, Thursday

Matt Murray †

### May 1, Friday

Dorothy Ezernack †

### May 2, Saturday

St. Joseph  
For our Nation

### May 3, Sunday

St. Joseph  
Benny R. Rivers †

St. Ann  
For our Parishioners

## Readings for this week:

- † **Monday:** Easter Weekday  
Acts 6:8-15/ Jn 6:22-29
- † **Tuesday:** Easter Weekday  
Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Jn 6:30-35
- † **Wednesday:** Easter Weekday  
Acts 8:1b-8/ Jn 6:35-40
- † **Thursday:** Easter Weekday  
Acts 8:26-40/ Jn 6:44-51
- † **Friday:** Easter Weekday  
Acts 9:1-20/ Jn 6:52-59
- † **Saturday:** St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Acts 9:31-42/ Jn 6:60-69
- † **Sunday:** Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 2:14a, 36-41/ 1 Pt :20b-25/ Jn 10:1-10



Please take a moment each day to read and reflect on these passages from Sacred Scripture. It is a wonderful way to join our personal prayer to the public prayer of the church.

## We pray for:



Jackie Craig; K.C. Sepulvado; Lula Mae Sepulvado; Thomas "Tin Man" Foster; Maurice Martinez; Annie Rivers; Amanda David; Raymond L. Ebarb; Juanita Manshack; Delma Rivers; Linda Sepulvado; Paul L. Rivers; Martin Crooks; Greg Crooks; Kathy Ebarb; Boyd Miles; Priscilla Walraven; JoAnna Presseau; Carolyn Cuthright; Helen Laroux; Staci Anderson; Catherine Hammon; Marilyn Laroux; Mary Martinez; Benny Remedies; Frances Sepulvado; Gary Bozzell; John D. Ebarb; Elaine Henderson; Pedro Ebarb; Abra Lachaussee; Van Martinez; Elaine Henderson; Wanda J. Rivers; David Louis Moore; Joe Garcia; Doyle Hagieh; Linda Meshell; Draven T. Ebarb; Sue Ellen Remedies; Gerald L. Sepulvado, Jr.; Monica E. McManus; Pedro Ebarb; Derrick Jordan; Allen Ray Garcia; Fr. Williams; Jeanette Garcia; Dagel Ebarb; Mattie B. Sepulvado; Kenneth McCormick; Billy Wayne Procell; Sammy Procell; Elsie Ezernack; Robbie Meshell; Tina L. Sepulvado; Phillip & Laura Jones; Vernon & Doris Ebarb; Cheryl Ebarb; Chandler Ebarb; Ann Rivers; Rose Meshell; Yvonne Maskai; Anne Bryant; Laurie & Reinardo Montero; Jimmy Brown; Ace Bowling; Richard Doggett; Ashlie & Eli Nolan; David Nichols; Kevin Leone; Norman & Jeannie Arbuckle; Celena Rivers; Rosella Sepulvado; Michael Dewayne Ebarb; Felicia Whitlow; Jackie Rivers; John Douglas Malmay; Felicia Whitlow; Maggie Manshack; Ronnie Brummerloh; Debbie Rutherford; Judy Ebarb; Tommy Leone; David Meshell; Robert Hersberger; Ricky Cryer; Jacob Wooley; Lucy Burns; Judy Ebarb; Joseph C. Sepulvado; Mark Austin; Benny Ray Sepulvado; Edward Pastureau; Howard Rivers; John LeRoy Meshell; Hosea Meshell; Eddie Remedies; Chris Adair; Lula Mae Sepulvado

(The names on the prayer list go through a cycle. Once they make it to the top they are removed as new names are added, to keep the prayer list current. Contact the office to add, re-add, or remove names from the list. Thank you.)

# Third Sunday of Easter

- In the near future there will be ad space on the back of the bulletin. If you are interested in advertising your business please leave a name and contact number with the office. Ray from the company has been making calls to some of the local businesses and leaving messages to those he was not able to speak to.

- We will post information as we receive it on our Facebook page and website.
- Although we can not have an actual mass we are leaving the church open from 7 AM until 5 PM at St. Joseph for those to have private Adoration and prayer.
- Thank you to those who have continued to respond with contribution envelopes.
- Anyone in need of spiritual help during this time, Fr. Ampatt can be reached at 318-426-0142.**

## Week of: April 19

### Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of  
Ruth Loupe

### St. Joseph Candle

Health of  
Fr. Ampatt

### Blessed Mother Candle

In Memory of  
Erma Lea "Loupe"  
Melancon

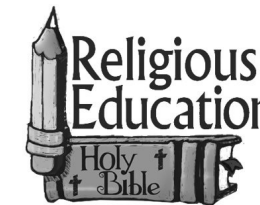
### St. Ann's Candle

In Memory of  
Sam and Pollie Procell

| Diocesan Stewardship Appeal 2020 (4/23/2020) | Fam. | Donors | % Fam. Pledged | Goal     | Pledged  | % Goal Pledged | Pledge Paid | % Pledge Paid |
|--|------|--------|----------------|----------|----------|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| St. Joseph, Zwolle                           | 750  | 140    | 19%            | \$62,500 | \$49,590 | 79.34%         | \$28,526    | 57.52%        |
| St. Ann, Ebarb                               | 125  | 36     | 29%            | \$17,000 | \$11,195 | 65.85%         | \$5,255     | 46.94%        |

**Prayer in Time of Sickness.** Jesus, You suffered and died for us; You understand suffering; Teach me to understand my suffering as You do; To bear it in union with You; To offer it with You to atone for my sins And to bring Your grace to souls in need. Calm my fears; increase my trust. May I gladly accept Your holy will and become more like You in trial. If it be Your will, restore me to health so that I may work for Your honor and glory and the salvation of all men. Amen.

All classes are suspended until further notice.



**Baptism class** for parents and Godparents will be **rescheduled for a later date**. Please call 508-0203 to have your name added to the list and you will be informed at a later time of the date and time. Baptism class must be completed before you can schedule your child's baptism date. Any questions please call or text 508-0203.

## Collections:

St. Joseph Church Collections: \$ 7,540.00  
St. Ann Collections: \$ 1,470.00

Please remember as you pray...

The families of:  
**Elsie Ezernack & Kenny McCormick**