

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 19 - 25, 2021

- Monday** - HEBREWS Acts 6:8-15, Jn 6:22-29
St. Benedict
- Tuesday** - HEBREWS Acts 7:51—8:1a, Jn 6:30-35
St. Bruno
- Wednesday** - HEBREWS Acts 8:1b-8, Jn 6:35-40,
St. Charles Borromeo
- Thursday** - HEBREWS Acts 8:26-40, Jn 6:44-51
St. Pelagia
- Friday** - MATTHEW Acts 9:1-20, Jn 6:52-59
St. Agatha
- Saturday** - IGNATIUS Acts 9:31-42, Jn 6:60-69
St. Paul
- Sunday** - MATTHEW Acts 4:8-12, 1 Jn 3:1-2, Jn 10:11-18,
St. John XXIII

AFTERTHOUGHTS

**Do you proclaim the Risen Jesus?
Bear witness to him?
Tell your world
what you have experienced?**

PRAY FOR: Christina Sparks, Barbara Toups., Sherman Brown, Airman Wesley Speyrer, Nancy Rivere, Judy Porche, Patty LeJune, Margaret Gaudet, Robert Cazayoux, Linda Musson, Rosabelle Prosperie, Kayla Dudek Breaux, Percy Lee, Sadie Talbot, (open heart surgery), Wayne Duplantis, Joy Blanchard, Marie Williams, Roy Reeves, Brenner Winston Babin (cancer), Christian Olden, Melanie Ougel, Monica Guidroz, Lisa Collins Melancon, Linda Lee, JA Foret, Jason Chaisson, Alana Smith Breaux, Karen Breaux, Kellie Corte, Selma Ferjani, Olivia Niette, Lee Ann D. Leray, Carolyn Thibodeaux, Gerry Fanguy, Michelle Haydel Capello, Don Chauvin, Eric Lapeyre, Phillip Chauvin Jr., Aimee Bourgeois, Nathan Bourgeois, Lorraine Robichaux Kleinpeter, Denna Sanders, Stan Ward and for all prayer shawl recipients. We also pray for all those who have recently died especially Lee Ann Duplantis LeRay

Daily Prayers for Priests:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of the priesthood. We particularly thank you for the priests here in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. We ask that you draw them ever closer to the Sacred Heart of Your Son Jesus. May they experience the depth of communion with you that you long for. Grant them stillness Lord, that they might perceive your presence. Heighten their spiritual senses that they might see and hear you ever more clearly and feel you ever more deeply. Remind them of their call. Remind them of all that you have promised them and they promised you on the sacred day of their ordination. We ask for miracles of renewal in their priestly vocation, Lord. Renew them in your love and strengthen their resolve to love and serve you. Strengthen their priestly fraternity, Lord, and strengthen the bond between the priests and the Laity, that together Lord, weall might be ONE as you are One. In Jesus Name we pray, **Amen.**

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday – April 12, 2021

Envelopes (142).....	\$ 7,776.00
Checks (33).....	\$ 2,133.91.00
Loose.....	\$ 2,301.30
Total.....	\$ 12,211.21

PARISH NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY CORSAGES

The local chapter of Right to Life will be offering Mother's Day corsages after all the Masses on May 8th – 9th. A donation is welcomed and with all proceeds supporting the local Right to Life Chapter in their efforts to stop abortion.

THE TIE-IN – ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus explains that the meaning of the scriptures. Like the disciples, when we offer and receive forgiveness our hearts burn because we encounter the risen Christ within us.

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call 985-872-2520. After the beep, clearly state your name, phone number, address, and nature of the request. One of our volunteers will call you back to arrange an appointment interview (caller id will not display the number).

Did you know that you can give online?

St. Francis de sales - ParishSOFT On-Line Giving

Look for this button on our church website.

<http://www.stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/on-line-giving.html>



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Take some time this month to learn how protective factors and adverse childhood experiences impact families and communities.

Visit:

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth>

EASTER DECOR

DONATED BY:

- Carla Exnicious
- Jody Waggenspack
- Milton & Norma Louviere
- Daria & Scott Hebert
- Theresa Oubre
- Burton Whitfield & Family
- M/M Davis Trahan
- Mark Voisin
- Manuel & Donna Lasala
- Lawrence Robinson
- Desire' Heatherly
- Cindy Hitt
- Louis Miranda
- Jim & Mary Anne' Goodwin
- John Dagate & Janice Dagate
- Ken & Linda Smart
- Catherine Hebert
- Ursula Breaux
- Patrick & Elizabeth Cooper
- Donna Lapeyre
- Colleen & Dixon Lewis
- Mrs. Shirley Walsh
- Dr & Mrs Robert Cazayoux

MEMORY OF:

- Mr/Mrs. Donald Exnicious, Dolly E. Porche, Mr & Mrs Abel Exnicious, Marion & Whitney Exnicious, Mr/Mrs Levy Charpentier
- Guy Waggenspack
- Louviere & Trahan Family
- Leslie VanOsedale
- Howard "Buck" Oubre, Kerragen Ledet, & Deceased members of Oubre & Smith Families
- Ruby Whitfield
- Brett & Marshall Trahan
- Jessie & Elaine Voisin
- Johnson & Lasala Families
- Jerome Robinson
- Andrew Verdin Sr.
- Megan Hitt
- Louis & Rita Miranda - Darlene Rigaud
- Goodwin, Simoneaud, Segier & Duplantis Families
- Hazlip & Dagate Families
- Howard & Ruby Duplantis
- Mrs. Joe Pontiff (Margaret)
- Ricky Breaux
- Caroline Aimee Cooper
- Pierre Andre Lapeyre
- William P. Walsh - Mr/Mrs F. Dixon Lewis Jr.
- Dr. William P. Walsh- Mr/Mrs Sam J. Scurto - Mr/Mrs William V. Walsh
- Mr/Mrs James M. Cazayoux - Mr/Mrs Lloyd E. Lind



MINISTERS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND OF APRIL 24 - 25, 2021

Commentators

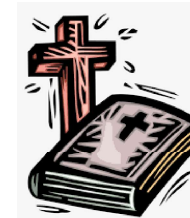
- 4:00 PM Carlisle Jukes
- 7:00 AM Denise Dover
- 9:00 AM Rebecca Boudloche
- 11:00 AM James Watkins
- 5:30 PM Louis Watkins

Lectors

- 4:00 PM Thomas Chauvin
- 7:00 AM Jerry Dover
- 9:00 AM Scott Hebert
- 11:00 AM Madeline Picou
- 5:30 PM Carla Peeler

Ministers of the Eucharist

- 4:00 PM Donna Lapeyre, Lawrence Robinson, Carl Soudelier
- 7:00 AM Carla Exnicious, Paul Labat, William Blanchard
- 9:00 AM Cathy Duet, Jody Duet, Richard Guidry
- 11:00 AM Holly Champagne, Gail Guillot, Kelli Cazayoux
- 5:30 PM Jane Lirette, Michelle Hoychick, Gia Holecamp



SAINTS

- 18 Apr — St. Apollonius
- 19 Apr — St. Leo IX
- 20 Apr — St. Agnes of Montepulciano
- 21 Apr — St. Anselm
- 22 Apr — St. Caius, Martyr
- 23 Apr — St. George, Martyr
- 24 Apr — St. Euphrasia



DIOCESAN OUTREACH LINE

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse.

In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, to call our outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line telephone numbers are (985) 873-0026.

STAY INFORMED

Please visit the Church website for posts, updates, and news. <https://stfrancisdesaleshouma.org/>
Please visit the Church Facebook page for posts, news, and videos. <https://www.facebook.com/Cathedral-of-St-Francis-DeSales-Church-Houma-121704657888318/>
Please visit the Diocese website for the latest news, stories from Bayou Catholic, prayers, videos, etc. <https://htdiocese.org/coronavirus>

A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by his blood on the cross.



Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

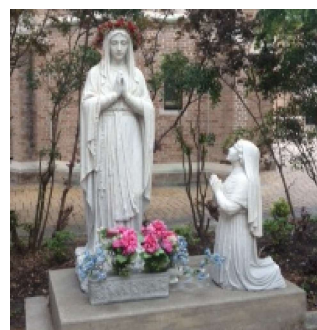


Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters
who have been gravely harmed,
and the cries of those who love them.
Soothe their restless hearts with hope,
steady their shaken spirits with faith.
Grant them justice for their cause,
enlightened by your truth.



Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom,
humility and grace, to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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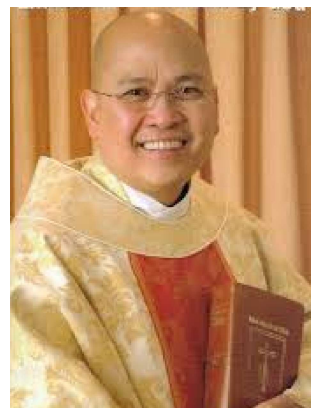
MAY CROWNING AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CATHEDRAL Saturday, May 1, 2021 Houma, Louisiana

8:00 am: Rosary inside the cathedral
8:30 am: Holy Mass
9:00 am: May Crowning in the
Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer Garden.

After the May Crowning the regular Rosary will be prayed in the Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer Garden.

Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer Garden at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral

HEALING MASS WITH FR MANNY



A healing mass with Fr. Manny Fernandez will be held Sunday April 25th at 3:00pm at St. Eloi Church, Theriot. Fr. Manny is a well known and Holy Priest who has been blessed with the gift of healing, physical, emotional and spiritual. Fr. Manny is a native of the Philippines. Many years ago he was pronounced dead and put into the hospital morgue. **HE CAME BACK TO LIFE!** Since that time he has been given the gift of healing which he so graciously shares with everyone.

Confessions will begin at 2:00pm. All are encouraged to go to confession before being blessed. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a healing sacrament and will place you in a state of grace in order for healing to take place.

BAPTISM SEMINAR – MAY 4, 2021

The next Baptism Seminar will be held May 4th at 6:30pm in the convent. These seminars are held on a monthly basis. First time parents and godparents are required to attend this seminar, which emphasizes the symbols of Baptism, the rite of Baptism, and the importance of faith in the life of both parents and godparents. Contact the rectory office at 876-6904 to sign up for the seminar or schedule a baptism.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Adoration Chapel remains open for adorers. We are still practicing safety measures, so please wear a mask in the Adoration Chapel.



St. Francis' Adoration Chapel current hours are 7am-6pm daily (Key fobs allow 24 hours access). All are welcome to come by and spend a few minutes with our Lord.

Sunday – Donna Lapeyre – Home: 225-937-1861 - donnalapeyre@yahoo.com
Monday – Candy Archila – Home: 985-868-1792 – jarchila@bellsouth.net
Tuesday – Therese Oubre - Mobile: 225-329-6757 – tsoubre@att.net
Wednesday – Melanie Babin: 985-709-3754 - mbabin1@comcast.net
Thursday – Melva Fournier – Home: 985-873-7593 – Mobile: 985-226-7800 - melfour816@gmail.com
Friday – Ana Vice – Mobile: 985-852-8110 – abvice1@gmail.com
Saturday – Sue LeBlanc – Home: 985-879-2866 – Mobile: 985-688-9044 - leblancsss@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities can assist those with rent and/or utilities if the family was affected by COVID shutdowns, loss of hours at work, or suffered some sort of injury or other illness that has prevented them from going to their places of employment and has set them back financially. If you or someone you know needs assistance, you can access the online application here:

<https://www.htdiocese.org/individual-and-family-assistance>

Mass INTENTIONS

APRIL 2021

Jimmy Cox	April 2, 2021	Fri	12:05
The Triumph of Immaculate			
Heart of Mary	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Barry Songy	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Jimmy Cox	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Jason Adam Dupont	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Virgie C Bergeron	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Norman Bergeron	April 4, 2021	Sun	9am
Jimmy Cox	April 11, 2021	Sun	9am
Amy Kaye Landry	April 11, 2021	Sun	11am
Catherine Mahler	April 11, 2021	Sun	11am
Wilbur Koster	April 11, 2021	Sun	9am
Earl Eschete Class of 63	April 11, 2021	Sun	7am
Jason Adam Dupont	April 11, 2021	Sun	9am
Katherine Bourgeois	April 13, 2021	Daily	530pm
Nat (Sonny) Maestri	April 14, 2021	Daily	530pm
Barry Songy	April 19, 2021	Daily	530pm
CG Keplinger	April 18, 2021	Sun	9am
Sylvia Chauvin (Honor of)	April 18, 2021	Sun	9am
Raymond Saadi	April 18, 2021	Sun	11am
John Ourso	April 18, 2021	Sun	11am
Deanne Vice Lampton	April 18, 2021	Sun	11am
Earl Eschete Class of 63	April 18, 2021	Sun	7am
Jimmy Cox	April 18, 2021	Sun	9am
Nat (Sonny) Maestri	April 20, 2021	Daily	530pm
Barry Songy	April 25, 2021	Sun	9am
Dixon Lewis	April 25, 2021	Sun	9am
Catherine Mahler	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Roy F. Touchard	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Aaron J. Robicheaux	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Mr/Mrs Orion Robicheaux	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Mr/ Mrs Milton Boudreaux	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
A.J. Geisler	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Donnie LaGrange	April 25, 2021	Sun	11am
Oron (Buck) Stutzman	April 26, 2021	Daily	530pm
Patsy Bonvillain	April 30, 2021	Fri	12:05

CATHOLIC KORNER

Life in Christ:
Explanations of
Catholic Practice and Devotions:

This week
we will learn about
Liturgy of The Rosary:
A How-To



Most people are familiar with the Rosary, maybe only as a necklace or something to hang from the rear view mirror. But how do you actually pray the Rosary? Here is a quick lesson.

You start "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," then recite the Apostles' Creed. On the first bead after the Cross or Crucifix is the Our Father, followed by three Hail Mary's and a Glory Be. This, and each Glory Be of the Rosary, is followed by "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the

fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy." This is known as the Fatima prayer.

You then announce the Mystery on which you will meditate before praying an Our Father. After each Our Father, you then pray ten Hail Mary's, known as a "decade" of the Rosary. While praying each decade, you meditate on the appropriate Mystery. At the end of each decade, you pray a Glory Be and the Fatima prayer.

After praying the five decades and meditating on each of the Mysteries, you pray the Hail, Holy Queen prayer (see below). The final prayer of the Rosary (see below) is a prayer that we may imitate Our Lord and His Mother and receive the reward of eternal life. Finally, just as the Rosary began, we end with "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Here are the prayers at the end of the Rosary:

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy; our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy

toward us. And after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary; pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

O, God, whose only begotten Son by his life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech Thee, that by meditating on these mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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