



MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY - April 19 - Second Sunday of Easter/Sunday of Divine Mercy

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Charlie Tater †

MONDAY - April 20

8:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

TUESDAY - April 21

8:00 am - Jackie Post †

WEDNESDAY - April 22

8:00 am - Max Mayer †

THURSDAY - April 23

8:00 am - Harrison Raska †

FRIDAY - April 24

12:15 am - Elaine Wheat †

SATURDAY - April 25

8:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar †
4:00 pm - John Anthony Perez †

SUNDAY - April 26 - Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Bud Hofer, Francine Murray, Louis & Rosie Nevlud †



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Questions of the Week

Can I identify with Doubting Thomas, at times unsure of my faith? In what ways has Jesus given me peace to overcome the anxieties in my life?

Be healthy.

Be safe.

Be blessed.



Eternal God, in whom **mercy** is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your **mercy** in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and **Mercy** itself.

WE WALK BY FAITH

But what of us? The early Christian community could only trust the words of these same apostles, the ones Thomas couldn't believe, when they preached Jesus Christ risen from the dead. Who could believe what they said? The Holy Spirit, breathed upon the disciples in that first encounter, emanated so powerfully from them that they were able to convene seemingly utopian communities of faith. Filled with "divine mercy," their lives became an evangelization to the world.

And this is how we too are sent out, like the disciples, filled with the Holy Spirit and bearing the Lord's peace and mercy to a troubled, suffering world. The wounds of Jesus are very real today in the needy and broken. May we always work to bind up those wounds wherever we find them.

FIRE

Be who God meant you to be
and you will set the world on fire.

—St. Catherine of Siena



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Piper Eloisa Lara, Winston Wilson, Mae Jean Willem, Cheryl Flood, Johnnie Bomersbach, Hailey Vasquez, Patricia Pooley, Samuel William Bek, Barbara Yanta, Matt Brown, Marvin Kucera, Milton Greeson, Raymond Spann, Steve Serrill, Michael Johnson, Michael Krenek, John Correll, Rena Richter, Cheryl Barker, Tom Goslin, Kathleen Edwards, Helen Schoener, Eunice Dove, Darren Mikulik, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Ramona Perez, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Dolores Kilgore, Carly Walker, Gerald Yankey, Ann Hagel

We continue to live stream all the weekend and daily Masses, as well as other devotionals. In order to authentically participate in these liturgies, please view them live, while they are happening. Watching them at later times can be helpful for further reflection or if your situation makes it impossible to view live. All Masses and services can be watched live by going to www.lourdesvictoria.org. Please visit the church website for instructions and updates.

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER EVENTS NOW OPEN !!

Please save these dates: Camp David: June 14-19; Quo Vadis? Vocation Camp: July 5-8; Rocky Mountain High: July 11-19; Altar Server Olympics (NEW EVENT): July 29

Go to the website: <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry> to find the retreats and click under "documents" for registration forms.

Howdy and Happy Easter!

We want to extend the invitation to CONNECT 2020, a welcome retreat at St. Mary's Catholic Center in College Station, Texas for incoming freshmen and transfer students coming to Texas A&M and Blinn. It is an opportunity to connect with new friends and be welcomed into the community at St. Mary's. In the past, over 500 students have attended these retreats. We want your incoming freshmen and transfer students to come to this retreat to experience their new home away from home here at St. Mary's.

Come and experience what it means to be an Aggie Catholic with other freshmen and transfer students at Connect 2020! It is a two-day conference for incoming students to help them meet new friends, become familiar with St. Mary's, and be a part of St. Mary's faith community.

There are 2 Connect Retreats.

Connect 2020 will be held on **August 19-20** the Wednesday and Thursday of Howdy week which is the week following freshman move-in before classes start.

Early Arrivals* Connect 2020 will be during **August 1-2**.

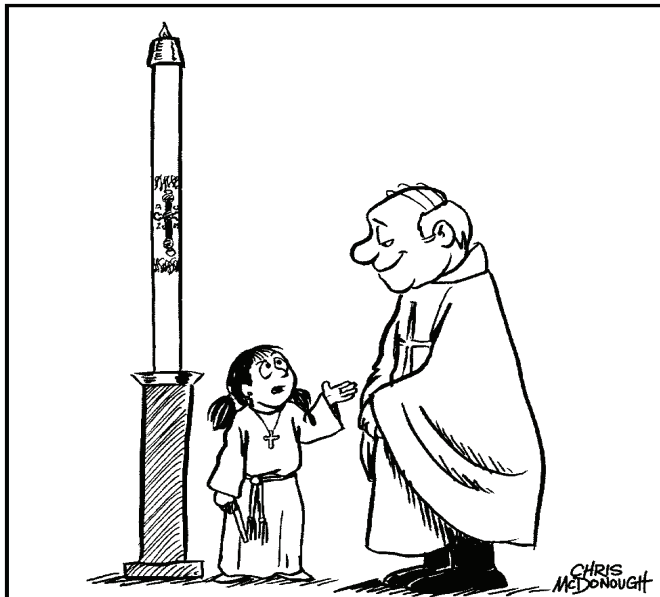
This retreat is for corps and sorority/fraternity students since they cannot attend the larger Connect Retreat during Howdy week.

Registration for both of these retreats will open April 20, 2020!

For more information, go to the connect retreat's website:

www.stmarysconnect.com

Pastor Al™



"If I didn't have to wait 'til heaven for my wings, I know I could light this paschal candle, Pastor Al!"

For sacramental needs (especially confession, anointing of the sick and viaticum), please contact St. Mary's parish office at 361-573-4328 to speak with a priest.


Society of St Vincent de Paul - REPORT February 2020

UTILITIES	\$ 0.00
RENT	\$ 170.00
FOOD	\$ 100.00
MEDICAL/prescriptions	\$ 228.00
GABRIEL PROJECT	\$ 0.00
TRANSPORTATION	\$ 0.00
CELL PHONE	\$ 52.02
VCAM	\$ 100.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 550.38
BLACK BAG COLLECTION	\$ 398.00
TOTAL PEOPLE HELPED	13

If anyone comes to you for assistance, please give them this number: 361-648-1867.

New Online Giving System

 We have a new online giving system through our website. Click the Online Giving link and you will be taken to a secure site for payment. For you who have been giving online, you will notice a different look. For you who haven't yet given online, now might be a good opportunity to start. As we livestream Masses and keep you all in prayer, please remember that the expenses and charity requests to our parish continue. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

On-line contributions can be made through our website:
www.lourdesvictoria.org
or by mail to
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"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
— John 20:29b

**We miss you! We are here for you! We are all in
this and going through this crisis together.
"God's peace and good health be with you!"**

Parish Staff

Rev. Kristopher Fuchs, Parochial Administrator
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