

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

BAPTISMS: To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

FUNERAL: Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

VISITING THE SICK: If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call the parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

MARRIAGES: Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. Please make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION: Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

RCIA: Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

TUITION ASSISTANCE: Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the Financial Advisory

To Whom Do We Go

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....	778-1977
Altar Servers: Bradley DeRouen	218-8292 / 284-5970
Child Protection Coord:.....	Andrea Toles
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....	229-6076
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....	936-4051
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder	428-5981
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....	775-7067
Lectors: Yvonne Jackson.....	362-0897
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
Ministry to the Sick: Gene Decuir.....	229-6076
Pantry/Food and Vouchers:	774-3661
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr.	362-0907
Traditional Choir: Theresa Carmen.....	921-7315
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....	775-7332

This Week's Prayer

Today, O God, I celebrate the rolling away of stones. Remind me, Lord of unexpected appearances, that in this season of spring, rebirth is not so surprising. Amen



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
 Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.

THANK YOU FOR A BEAUTIFUL EASTER

Thank You! We want to express our gratitude to all those who worked so hard to make our celebrations of Holy Week and Easter so beautiful and inspiring. We thank the Beautification Committee, the Gospel, Traditional and Knights' Choirs and musicians, our cantor, soloists and directors, youth musicians and dancers, altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, parish staff, and all who contributed in any way. May God bless us all with a joyous Easter season and a renewed heart to serve him faithfully each and every day! May the Risen Lord increase the gift of hope in our hearts!

REACH OUT TO YOUR PRAYER COMPANION

As soon as possible during this Easter week, reach out to your Lenten Prayer Companion and let them know that you have been praying for them through Lent. If you do not have contact information, you may leave a card or note on the designated bulletin board in the Activity Center. May this experience lead to increased friendships and deeper relationships within our church community.

CONGRATULATIONS WALKING WARRIORS

Congratulations to the Walking Warriors who have been stepping out during the Lenten season. We plan to continue it going forward into the summer. As the days grow warmer we will probably walk at an earlier hour. Walking Warriors: Pat LeDuff and CADAV is sponsoring a 1K walk in Scotlandville Park at their Juneteenth celebration on Saturday, June 8, 2019. Let's walk with them to support their community efforts and to keep on walking!

PRAYING FOR ALL OUR SOUTHERN STUDENTS AND ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS DURING FINAL EXAMS

We are praying for all our Southern University students and all our college students who are taking final exams in the days ahead. Next Sunday, we will have a special blessing prayer for all college students, especially graduating seniors. Some of our Southern students will participate in the Mass as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and other ministries.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION



Please pray for our candidates for Confirmation: Chandler Bias, Lia Broussard, Elton DeRouen, London Drummond, Kalli Gregory, Landon Hunt, Faith Patin, Aliyah Wilcox, and Alexander Wilson. They will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Duca and the candidates of Saint Francis Xavier and Saint Paul the Apostle on Tuesday, April 23 at 7:00 PM at Saint Paul the Apostle Church.

FATHER CLARK ON RETREAT



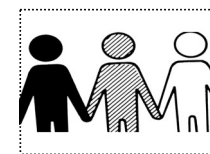
Father Clark will be making his annual eight day silent retreat from April 30-May 7. During that time Father Mark McKenzie will be with us to celebrate all Masses and be available for any pastoral emergencies or needs.

THE SU GOSPEL CHOIR SPRING CONCERT



The Southern University Gospel Choir will present their Spring Concert on Sunday, April 28 at 6:00 PM at New Hope Baptist Church, 5856 Greenwell Springs Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70806. The choir invites everyone to come out and praise God with them as they feature choir music from the 70's until now. Evangelist La'Tanya Sanders Tanios will serve as the MC. Guest psalmist will be Minister Elijah Bell from Macon, Georgia. There will be a Choir Processional beginning sharply at 5:55 PM.

DIALOGUE ON RACE LOUISIANA ORIGINAL SERIES OFFERINGS



Dialogue on Race Louisiana presents several opportunities to participate in a six week, facilitated dialogue on race. From April 24 to May 29 (Wednesdays from 1:00 PM-3:00 PM) at Broadmoor Methodist Church, 10230 Mollylea Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70815. From May 9-June 13 (Thursdays from 6:00PM-8:00 PM) at Unitarian Church, 8470 Goodwood Blvd, Baton Rouge. Participants are required to attend the first session which includes orientation. The cost for the entire series is \$30.00. For more information and to register contact: Maxine Crump [in-fo@dialogueonracelouisiana.org](mailto:info@dialogueonracelouisiana.org) or 225-274-6902. This is a unique experience that will leave you with hope in the power of change and transformation.

Happy Birthday

HENRY	CARMEN	4/21
DARRYL	HONORE, II	4/21
ANTHONY	BRADFORD	4/22
KAYLAN	LISTACH	4/22
JOHN	THIBODEAUX	4/22
ANGELA	BALTAZAR	4/23
CONSTANCE	DRUMMOND	4/23
ALFRED	LEDOUX, JR.	4/23
KERRY	MALTER	4/24
DAVID	PERKINS	4/24
MICHAEL	THOMAS	4/25
THELMA	BROWN	4/26
STEVEN	KNIGHT	4/26
ROBIN	RODDY	4/26
DAREN	BOURGEOIS	4/27
ROSAYA	CARMEN	4/27

CHURCH RENOVATION



In the next few weeks, you will start seeing progress on our church renovation as, having received the Diocesan approval for the project, the contractor is able to proceed in earnest. Firmin Construction projects that they will finish the renovation in the beginning of November. That will give us several weeks to test out the church and make any adjustments needed. We hope to have a blessing of the renovated church on December 8 or 15. These dates coincide with the celebration of our patronal feasts of the Immaculate Conception and the original dedication of the church on December 13. Please keep the success of the renovation and the safety of the workers in your prayers.

EASTER BLESSING

May the celebration of resurrected life bring new hope to your being.
 May the victory over earthly death turn your eyes to the promises of heaven.
 May the empty tomb help you to leave your sorrows at the foot of the cross.
 So that God's hope, promises and forgiveness reign in your life forever.
Amen.



Mass Readings
April 21st - April 28th
Easter Sunday
 Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118; Col 3:1-4
 Gospel: John 20:1-9
Monday
 Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalm 16
 Gospel: Matt 28:8-15
Tuesday
 Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33
 Gospel: John 20:11-18
Wednesday
 Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105
 Gospel: Luke 24:13-35
Thursday
 Acts 3:11-26; Psalm 8
 Gospel: Luke 24:35-48
Friday
 Acts 4:1-12; Psalm 118
 Gospel: John 21:1-14
Saturday
 Acts 4:13-21; Psalm 118
 Gospel: Mark 16:9-15
Sunday
 Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 118; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19
 Gospel: John 20:19-31

Forms for new parishioners or changes are located in the vestibule of the church.

