

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## 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 Committee.

## 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
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
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

Heavenly Father, it takes great courage to heal, great energy to reach out from this darkness to touch the hem of your garment and ask for healing. Bless the brave voices telling nightmare tales of dreadful wounds to the gifted healers of this world. Together, sufferers and healers are binding up damaged parts and laying down burdens carried so long. Amen.





Father Thomas F. Clark, S. J.

# Lent



**LENT 2021**

**FAST AND ABSTINENCE:** We fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (less at each meal and nothing between meals); we abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Fridays at 6:00 PM in the church and via live stream

**RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):** Wednesdays, March 17 and 24: 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM and Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 PM

**BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays at 7:00 PM via Zoom

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Holy Thursday:** *Mass of the Lord's Supper:* 7:00 PM

**Good Friday:** *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death:* 3:00 PM

**Holy Saturday:** *Easter Vigil:* 8:00 PM

**Easter Sunday:** *Mass of the Resurrection:* 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM



**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on Wednesdays, March 17 and 24 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The two dates and extended hours are to accommodate social distancing. On March 17, Fr. Tat from Saint Gerard Church will hear confessions with Fr. Clark from 4:00-5:30 PM and on March 24; Fr. Arockiam from Saint Paul will hear confessions with him for the same time.



Please consider going to confessions before Easter. It is the best way to bring peace to your soul and spirit. A lot has happened in this past year. Now is the time to lay your burden down and get a fresh new start!

**RACIAL HEALING AND TRANSFORMATION SERIES:  
A COURAGEOUS CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE**

On Saturday, March 20 at 9:00 AM -11:00 AM, Maxine Crump, the President and CEO of Dialogue on Race Louisiana will present a webinar on A Courageous Conversation on Race: The Importance of Historical Honesty. You may register for this webinar at [sulc.edu/courageous](http://sulc.edu/courageous)



**COLLECTION OF SUPPLIES FOR  
SACRED HEART CHURCH, LAKE CHARLES**

We are collecting supplies for the people of Sacred Heart Church in Lake Charles as they continue to recover from the hurricanes of last summer. Their needs include: Gift Cards, large Heavy Duty Trash Bags, Lysol Spray and Wipes (large and personal), Bins-all sizes, Mean Green Cleaner, Medical masks (Sam's \$8.00 for 50), Odorban spray, Detergent (dishes and laundry), Fabric softeners and sprays, Water (gallon and personal bottles), Toiletries, All Paper Goods, Warm Blankets, Canned goods, Bay diapers and formula. We will be collecting until March 18. We will make a trip to Lake Charles on Friday, March 19.



**FATHER CLARK'S EMAIL**

Father Clark asks that you use [clarktf2002@yahoo.com](mailto:clarktf2002@yahoo.com) as his email address. He has discontinued the use of other emails.



**Happy Birthday**

	JEHUA	BURRELL	3/14
	KEISHA	LACOUR	3/14
	KRISTEN	SAM	3/14
	BRAYLON	SAMUEL	3/14
	TYLER	SAMUEL	3/14
	KENDRIK	SCOTT	3/14
	LOUIS	SMITH	3/14
	BRANDON	CUNNINGHAM	3/15
	GEORGIA	JENKINS	3/15
	CODY	MARTIN	3/15
	LINDSAY	SAMUEL	3/15
	CARL	THIERRY, JR.	3/15
	TRACYE	BRUMFIELD	3/16
	LONDON	DRUMMOND	3/17
	PERCY	VAUGHN	3/17
	FAITH	DARBY	3/18
	BARBARA	ALLEN	3/19
	MAURICE	BAUDY	3/19
	CASSANDRA	DAVIS	3/20
	DWIGHT	THOMAS	3/20
	ERIC	TUGGLE	3/20

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**COVID PRECAUTIONS WILL CONTINUE**

**COVID-19** Bishop Duca has decided that the Diocese of Baton Rouge will continue to observe the protocols in place for Covid 19 safety. Although the Governor eased the restriction on attendance capacity at houses of worship, social distancing is still required. Therefore, we will continue to limit Mass attendance to 50, wear masks, and use hand sanitizer. We ask that you still call to reserve a place at Mass. Please know that there is always room at Mass. The sign up helps us to plan.

**FAMILY AND YOUTH ZOOM MASS  
ON SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 5 PM**

Our monthly Family and Youth Mass will be on Sunday, March 21 at 5:00 PM via Zoom. Everyone participates from home. If any youth would like to read a reading from Scripture, a petition of the Universal prayer or offer a prayer of thanksgiving after Communion, please contact Father Clark by email, text or phone call. A Zoom invitation will be sent out as the date approaches.



**Mass Reading**

March 14th - March 21st

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

2 Ch 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 137; Eph 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3:14-21

**Monday**

Is 65:17-21; Psalm 30

Gospel: John 4:43-54

**Tuesday**

Ez 47:1-9,12; Psalm 46

Gospel: John 5:1-16

**Wednesday**

Is 49:8-15; Psalm 145

Gospel: John 5:17-30

**Thursday**

Ex 32:7-14; Psalm 106

Gospel: John 5:31-47

**Friday**

**Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Husband of  
The Blessed Virgin Mary**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Psalm 89; Rom 4:13, 16-18,22

Gospel: Matt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

**Saturday**

Jer 11:18-20; Psalm 7

Gospel: John 7:40-53

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Jer 31:31-34; Psalm 51; Heb 5:7-9

Gospel: John 12:20-33

**SPRING FORWARD! DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
BEGINS THIS WEEKEND!**

Daylight Savings Time begins this weekend, March 13-14. We SPRING FORWARD at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 14. Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday evening.

**MR. LEROY POYDRAS THANKS EVERYONE  
FOR THEIR BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**

Mr. Leroy Poydras wishes to thank everyone for their greetings to him on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. He thanks those who were in the parade, sent a card, made a call, or said a prayer. Mr. Poydras feels very blessed by your expressions of love!

