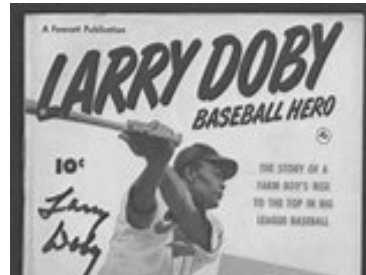
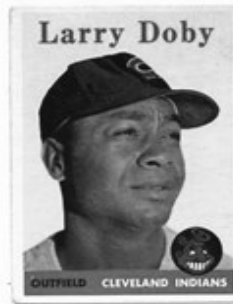


## THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

### Larry Doby



Larry Doby may be best known for being the second Black player in major league baseball, and the first to integrate the American League, but he achieved far more. The Camden, S.C. native was born December 13<sup>th</sup> 1923.

Doby, a multi-sport high school athlete in Paterson, N.J., began his pro baseball career with the Negro National League's Newark Eagles. In July 1947, months after Robinson's history-making debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Doby made his debut for the Cleveland Indians.

In the American League, Doby endured the same violent racism and prejudice that Robinson did, handling it with as much dignity as he could. His trials, however, enjoyed less fanfare than Robinson despite their many similarities. While Doby may have been shortchanged in media coverage and notoriety in comparison to Robinson, the pair were friends. Doby admired his Dodgers counterpart and was even a pallbearer at his funeral.

Doby made the All-Star team seven times, was a two-time AL home run leader, and a World Series champion, among other accolades. He stayed involved in baseball at a scout and eventually reached the executive level. In 1978, the Chicago White Sox named him as their manager, making him the second to reach that seat after Frank Robinson. Doby was also a longtime executive with the NBA's New Jersey Nets.

In July 1998, Doby was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame, an honor he accepted with the same humility he played with. Doby passed in 2003. He and his wife Helyn, who passed two years before him, were married for 55 years and had five children.

#### 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

Lord, please be my strength. When I am scared, please make me brave. When I am unsteady, please bring your stability to me. I look to your power for an escape from pain. I welcome your comfort. Amen.





**DEVOTIONS AND ACTIVITIES DURING THE PANDEMIC**

As we continue to social distance and stay vigilant, we remind you of our church devotions and activities that are continuing:

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:** Sundays at 9:15 AM. Teachers send out invitation to class. Register on line.

**MONTHLY FAMILY AND YOUTH MASS VIA ZOOM:** Third Sunday at 5:00 PM

**DAILY MASS:** Monday through Thursdays: 12: 10 PM

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS BRING HOLY COMMUNION TO DOOR:** If you are homebound during pandemic and would like to receive Holy Communion at home occasionally or serve as a Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion, call Fr. Clark

**CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION:** Monday through Friday: 2-4 PM

**BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays at 7:00 PM on Zoom. Meeting ID: 225-773-2036

**ROSARY:** Wednesdays at 4:00 PM via conference call. Dial: 351-999-4344

**PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM, MARRIAGE:** May be done via Zoom

**FUNERAL MASS:** Private Mass for 50 or less persons. Visitation takes place at funeral home.

**“CHECK IN CALLS” WELCOME BY FATHER CLARK:** Let me know how you are doing. Call 225-773-2036

**REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DEAD DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER**



Because of the need for social distancing, we will not have our annual Blessing of the Graves at Southern Memorial. In its place we will have a prayer in the church on Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 PM in which we ask God to bless the graves of our loved ones everywhere and to bring them to the joys of heaven.

I am also planning to celebrate a Mass on Saturday, November 7 at 10:00 AM to remember in a special way those who died during the pandemic from any cause and especially for those for whom we did not have the opportunity to celebrate a Funeral Mass. I will be sharing more details of this commemoration as the time approaches.

As always, we will have the Book of Remembrance in the church during November in which you may write the names of your beloved dead.

**WANT TO JOIN THE VIDEO TEAM?**



Gerald Berzat is inviting members of the parish to become part of our video broadcast team and help with the videoing and sound control of our daily and Sunday Masses. If you are interested in becoming part of this ministry, please contact Father Clark at (225)773-2036 or Gerald at (225) 276-4674.

**BE PREPARED TO VOTE THIS NOVEMBER!**



Make sure you have given thought and preparation for how and when you will vote on November 3. Will you vote by mail? Will you vote early? Will you vote on the day of the election?

Here are important dates and information.

**OCTOBER 30:** Deadline to request an absentee (mail-in) ballot

**OCTOBER 16-27:** Early voting each day excluding Sundays from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

**NOVEMBER 2 AT 4:30 PM:** Absentee (mail-in) ballot must be received.

**NOVEMBER 3:** In person voting at polls at 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM

There is a wealth of voting information at <https://voterportal.sos.la.gov/> Click on Search by voter and enter your name, zip code and date of birth.

Choose ten people and coach them through the voting process!

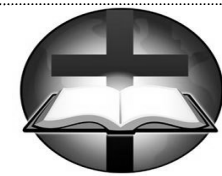
**Happy Birthday**

CARRIE	BROWN	10/18
MATTHEW	CRUMP, JR.	10/18
CARTER	DRUMMOND	10/18
CHANDLER	JAMES	10/18
SCHENA	SINGLETON	10/18
KEIAWANA	WILLIAMS	10/18
PATRICK	ALEXANDER	10/19
RUDY	LOPEZ	10/19
ANGELA	VEAL	10/19
LEXI	DAUPHINE	10/20
LYRIC	DAUPHINE	10/20
CLARENCE	FABRE	10/20
TOMMY	LOONEY	10/20
SHYLON	MATTHEWS	10/20
LOUIS	METEVIA	10/20
ALISHA	JARRETT	10/21
JAMAL	ENCALADE	10/21
HANNAH	WILLIAMS	10/21
EDDIE	YOUNG, JR.	10/21
VERONICA	BERTEAUX	10/22
JOSEPHINE	DUBRIEL	10/22
JOSEPH	HIGGINBOTTHAM	10/22
VERONICA	JOHNSON	10/22
SHELITA	LAMOTTE	10/22
STEPHANIE	ROSAYA	10/22
MILTON	ROSS, JR.	10/22
AMBRE	PORTER	10/23
DAPHINE	READO	10/23
BEVERLY	THOMAS	10/23
GLORIA	THOMPSON	10/23
BRENDA	WILLIAMS	10/23
VERLIE	WIMS	10/23
JACY	DYER	10/24
FREDERICK	EDWARDS	10/24
SABRINA	HARRIS	10/24
SHONET	HAYNES	10/24
KIARA	JOHNSON	10/24
CORRY	STEMLY	10/24
MARCIA	MARSELLUS	10/24
RENEKA	COLEMAN	10/24
SHERILYN	WRIGHT	10/24

**FALL BACK ON OCT 31-NOV 1 WEEKEND**



Daylight Savings Time ends and we return to Standard Time on Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 AM.



**Mass Readings**

October 18th - October 25th

**Sunday**

Is 45:1, 4-6; Psalm 96; 1Thes 1:1-5b

Gospel: Matt 22:15-21

**Monday**

Eph 2:1-10; Psalm 100

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

**Tuesday**

Eph 2:12-22; Psalm 85

Gospel: Luke 12:35-38

**Wednesday**

Eph 3:2-12; Isaiah 12

Gospel: Luke 12:39-48

**Thursday**

Eph 3:14-21; Psalm 33

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

**Friday**

Eph 4:1-6; Psalm 24

Gospel: Luke 12:54-59

**Saturday**

Eph 4:7-16; Psalm 122

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

**Sunday**

Ex 22:20-26; Psalm 18; 1Thes 1:5c-10

Gospel: Matt 22:34-40

