

“EVERYTHING
WRITTEN ABOUT ME
IN THE LAW OF
MOSES AND IN THE
PROPHETS AND
PSALMS MUST BE
FULFILLED.”
—LK 24:44

3RD SUNDAY OF
EASTER

April 18, 2021

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We need our “aha” moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our “aha” moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, “peace be with you,” and we feel secure. It’s all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God’s goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

SUN 4/18	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
MON 4/19	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
TUES 4/20	Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
WED 4/21	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
THR 4/22	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
FRI 4/23	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
SAT 4/24	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
SUN 4/25	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

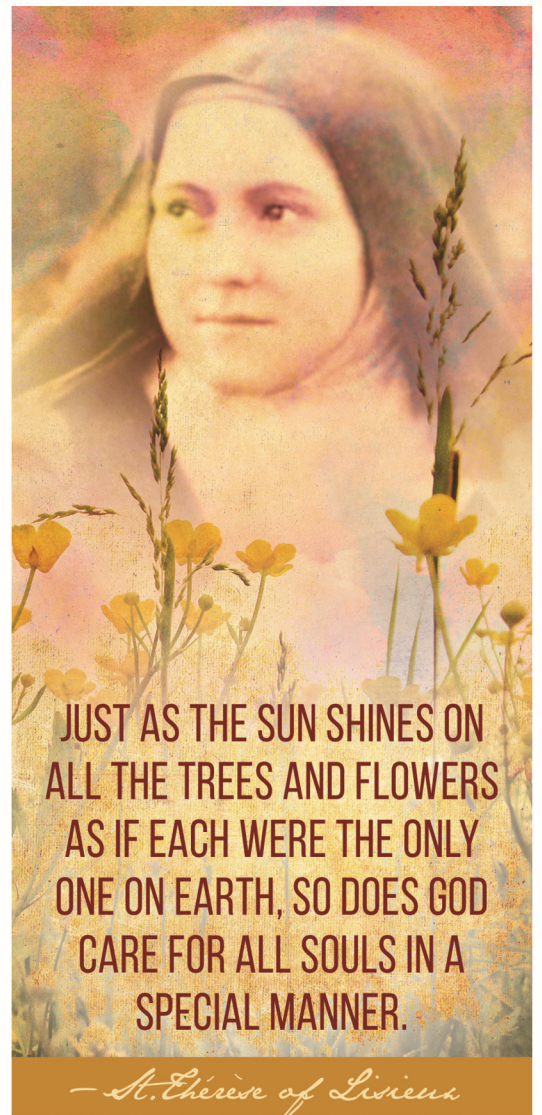
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

Wednesday:	St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday:	Earth Day
Friday:	St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Next Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.



These
are my
words

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday
8 a.m. | Convent Chapel

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.
Sunday (Gospel Mass) 10:00 a.m.
Livestreaming available on our website,
Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except
during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior
to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass



"Somebody prayed for me, had me on their mind..."

Saturday, April 17, 2021

For: The People of the Parish

In Memory of: Elodie Gabriel, Darrell Gabriel and Bruce Gabriel

Sunday, April 18, 2021

In Thanksgiving to St. Katharine Drexel for Prayers Answered

For: Charles L. Butler, Jr., The Banks and Davis Family and The
People of the Parish,

In Memory of: Virginia M. Johnson



Please remember in your prayers: The intentions of the Holy Father and for:

Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Patricia Adam, Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine, Marie Alexander, Joyce Anthony, Diane Austin, Nathaniel Banks, Nancy Barabino, Hazel Barnes, Barbara Blanchard, Lorraine Burke, Barbara Butler, Virginia Butler, Herman Cade, Augustine Cain, Jessie Caston, Sr., Jessie Caston, III, Joyce Coleman, Honora Curry, Lamar Davis, Souleymane Diop, Elaine Ewell, Leo Francisco, Cameron Fritz, Beverly R. Gilmore, Gilda Griffin, Wanda Haydel, Tammi Lynn Howard, Olga Jackson, Hubert Jarrow, Jr., Ruth Jerome, Anna Jones, Evelyn Johnson, Fern Kern, Ruth Kennedy, Shanna Lucien, Felicia Meyers, Arizona Moore, Germaine Nash, Thomas Phillips, Audrey Pierce, Janice Picou, Bernice Pinkney, Albert Poree, Gertrude Powell, Mildred V. Prudeaux, Joyce Randolph, Nakeisha Rhea, Scott Rivera, Kim Roby, Matilda Romero, Janice Sawyer, Lula Mae Schexnayder, Carrie M. Shedd, Scott Schryver, Jane Silva, Angela Simon, Enjoli Sims, Kaila Sims, Kira Sims, Geraldine Small, Alma M. Smith, Bill Starr, Marquerite Stepter, Glenda Stewart, Annie Stoot, Eugene Stoot, Diane Sims Tillman, George Tillman, Mildred Tillman, Perry Tillman, III, Sherman Todd, Betty Williams, Jace Williams, Nedra Wicker and Mandi Young

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

How can I give witness to the
forgiveness I have experienced in
Jesus?

Prayer Line

508.924.5792

Noon Prayer

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Bible Study

Thursdays | 6:00 p.m.

Rosary

First Monday of Month | 6:00 p.m.

Parish News!

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- **HABARI GANI XIII:** High School Retreat is scheduled for May 8th. Any 9th-12th grade high school student interested in attending, please contact Shannon Sims or the Rectory.
- **ACACIA TREE:** Memorialize your deceased loved one with a plaque on the Acacia Tree. The cost is \$50. Plaques are limited to 3 lines of 21 characters each. See an usher for application and submit both payment and application by dropping your donation into the collection basket, online or mailing to the Rectory.
- **BIBLE STUDY** is cancelled this Thursday, April 22nd and will resume on Thursday, April 29th.
- **WOMEN'S RETREAT** "Blessed Are the Peacemakers: Preventing and Resolving Conflict" will be held Friday, April 30 - Sunday, May 2, 2021. COVID-19 rules are strictly observed and limited to those who register in advance. Cost is \$350 and is inclusive of meals. To register call 504.267.9004 or visit www.neworleansretreats.org or archdiocese-no.org. Point of Contact: Ruth Kennedy
- **ADORATION:** As we celebrate the Year of the Eucharist, please join us in the edifice or on livestream for Adoration on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 beginning this Wednesday, March 10 through November 10.

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