

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF APR 23 - 29

- Monday** - Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday** - Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday** - 1Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
- Thursday** - Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
- Friday** - Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday** - Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
- Sunday** - **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



Flowers on the altar this weekend were donated in loving memory of the deceased classmates and faculty of the Terrebonne High and St. Francis de Sales High class of 1958.

PARISH NEWS

ANNUAL CATHEDRAL PARISH PICNIC



Mark your calendars for the Cathedral Parish Picnic to held on Sunday, April 22nd at Southdown Plantation Pavillion. A Mass will kick off the festivities at 11 a.m. There will be food and activities for all ages.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CATHEDRAL  
MAY CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

- 8:00 AM - ROSARY
- 8:30 AM - MASS
- 9:00 AM - CROWNING OF THE BLESSED MOTHER IN OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER GARDEN
- 9:15 AM - REFRESHMENTS IN THE YOUTH CENTER



All the rich among the people shall supplicate thy face from age to age, and particularly at the end of the world; that is to say, the greatest Saints, the souls richest in graces and virtues, shall be the most assiduous in praying to our Blessed Lady, and in having her always present as their perfect model to imitate, and their powerful aid to give them succor.

I have said that this would come to pass particularly at the end of the world, and indeed presently, because the Most High with His holy Mother has to form for Himself great Saints...

These great souls, full of grace and zeal, shall be chosen to match themselves against the enemies of God, who shall rage on all sides; and they shall be singularly devout to our Blessed Lady, illuminated by her light, nourished by her milk, led by her spirit, supported by her arm, and sheltered under her protection, so that they shall fight with one hand and build with the other. With one hand they shall fight, overthrow, and crush the heretics with their heresies, the schismatics with their schisms, the idolaters with their idolatries, and the sinners with their impieties. With the other hand they shall build the temple of the true Solomon, and the mystical city of God; that is to say, the most holy Virgin, called by the holy Fathers the temple of Solomon and the city of God. By their words and their examples they shall bend the whole world to true devotion to Mary. This shall bring upon them many enemies; but it shall also bring many victories and much glory for God alone...

Excerpts from True Devotion to Mary by St. Louis De Montfort (Chapter 1)

SANCTUARY LIGHTS  
Church

In Loving Memory of C. G. Keplinger  
donated by his wife Jean.

In Loving Memory of Eugene Joseph Folsé  
donated by Charlene Freiwald.

Chapel

In Loving Memory of Joel P., David & Hedy Bergeron  
donated by Fr. C. Paul, Carol & Carroll Bergeron.

In Loving Memory of Ernest, Betty & Sadi Mabile  
donated by Mark, Tobi & Rhea' Mabile.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT  
"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

Jn 10:11-18



When Jesus told the parable of the "good shepherd" he was speaking to people who knew there were also not-so-good shepherds and bad shepherds. The good shepherd was with his sheep twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. He lead his flock to food and water and

protected them from danger, thieves and predators. When Jesus compared himself to the "good shepherd" his disciples understood he was telling them he cared for them and would give his life for them. He made it clear that he freely chose to be their good shepherd. The blood stained cross and the empty tomb that we remembered during Holy Week and Easter Sunday are proof that Jesus is our "good shepherd." Do we freely choose Jesus to be our good shepherd? Do we appreciate all that Jesus has done to shepherd us? Do we listen for His voice in prayer? Do we trust in Him to care for us and protects us? How do we demonstrate our faith in Jesus as our good shepherd?

Sunday - April 15

Envelopes (263).....	\$12,174.50
Loose .....	3,005.51
	\$15,180.01



**PRAY FOR:** Harold Haydel, Dale Hebert, Robert Brescher, Judy Porche Vincent, Maysen Smith, Gayle Breffelh, Mary Blum, Russ Todd, Penny Bergeron, Barbara Touns Miller, Kathy Folsé, Melinda Fabre, Sylvia Chauvin, Keri Niette, Sandra Ellender, Steven Vowell, Pinky Boudreaux, Janice & Mark Windham, Stanley Cantrelle, Craig Louviere, Ralph Deroche, Mark Boudreaux, Carolyn Garrett, Lucille Hymel, Ken Watkins, Michael A. Thibodaux, Tommy Molaison, Tony James, Bernice Pontiff, Linda Favret, Ira Bergeron, Jeanne Wurzlowl, Nelson Gonzalez, Casey Domangue, Ana Lefevre, Jennifer Dinger, Donna Dinger, Patricia Beacom, Ben Leary, Patty Haydel, Jenny Fanguy, David Porter, Carol Collins, Aaron Robichaux, Taylor Riché, Sue Barker, Susan Laperouse, Holden Sawyer, Jason Chiasson, Edrith Boudreaux, J.A. Foret, Penny Simmons, Linda Lee, Norman Simon, Alaina Maiorana, Esco Benton III, Dewey Theriot, Cassandra Rios, Janice Hebert, Charles Spence, Nell Kay, Susan Grace, Isabella Cole, Kathy Savoie, Sidney Bourg III, and for all prayer shawl recipients.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Rev. Patrick O'Brien and Florence Trahan.

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## Catholic Home Missions Appeal Strengthening the Church at Home

Next weekend, April 28-29

Here in the United States, our home mission dioceses are unable to fund essential pastoral work and so they struggle to serve the needs of their communities. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions. Through your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses and form vibrant faith communities by funding programs such as religious education, seminarian formation, and lay ministry training. Please help strengthen the Church at home, and prayerfully consider supporting this appeal.

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### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Next weekend, April 28-29, the St. Vincent de Paul Conference for St. Francis de Sales will have donation buckets by the doors of the church. The money collected helps the needy in our area. These buckets will be out every month with a fifth weekend. Donations can still be left in the poor boxes located on the wall near the doors of the cathedral. *Thank you for your generosity.*

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## YOUTH NEWS

### STEUBENVILLE ON THE BAYOU 2018

"Revealed" 1 John 4:9  
9th – 12th Grade

Friday, June 15th, 2018 - Sunday, June 17th, 2018  
Houma, LA

Registration Deadline Sunday, April 22nd, 2018

If you would like to attend or chaperone, please contact Gina Danos at (985)688-9696 or StFrancisHoumaYouthMinistry@gmail.com

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### YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER

The youth attending Steubenville on the Bayou Catholic Youth Conference this summer will have a cake & sweets fundraiser the weekend of May 5th & May 6th, after all Masses.

If you have any questions about the conference or fundraiser, please contact Gina Danos at (985) 688-9696 or StFrancisHoumaYouthMinistry@gmail.com.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### FAITH IN ACTION

Tuesday, April 24th

"At St. Matthew's Church we're so happy to be able to give back to our community through the Bread or Stones Campaign. It's been a joy and it's now a significant part of our church outreach!" - Fr. Craig Dalferes, Pastor, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Houma, LA

"The Bread or Stones Campaign has given St. Francis parishioners a chance to put our faith into action. We have close to 500 people involved!" - Cathy Butler, Pastoral Minister, St. Francis Cathedral, Roman Catholic Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux

St. Matthew's and St. Francis, each with their own elementary schools, have partnered to improve conditions and support students and faculty at a local public school. Their work started out modestly and has now grown in response to the enthusiasm of their parishioners, which grew out of their participation in the Bread or Stones Campaign.

Fr. Craig and Ms. Butler will talk about their experiences and how the Bread or Stones Campaign has energized their congregations, at a Faith in Action meeting on Tuesday, April 24 at St. Francis Cathedral (500 Goode St, Houma) at 6 pm. Sandwiches and refreshments will be available and the meeting will end no later than 7:30 pm. Please join us to hear their presentation and to receive the Bread or Stones Faith in Action ideas for Maternal and Child Health and Marriage and Family Supports. These are actions, ranging from the very simple to more involved ministries that your church can take to improve the lives of our children.

*Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? (Matthew 7:9)*

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## MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Weekend of April 28-29

Commentators

4:00 PM Becky Boudloche  
7:00 AM Jude Fanguy  
9:00 AM Lawrence Breaux  
11:00 AM Ernie Perry  
5:30 PM Ginny Hamilton

*I am  
the Good Shepherd*

Lectors

4:00 PM Lawrence Robinson  
7:00 AM Yvonne Fanguy  
9:00 AM Jerome Zeringue  
11:00 AM Tommy Chauvin  
5:30 PM Wendy Picou

*John 10:11*

Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM Carl & Deborah Soudelier, Melva Fournier,  
Cindy Matherne, Becky Badeaux, Volunteer  
7:00 AM John Breaux, Richard Guidry, Dolly Duplantis,  
Gail Lecompte  
9:00 AM Dale Norred, Carolyn Dubois, Mary Ellender,  
Madeline Picou, Bernita Guidry  
11:00 AM Bill & Ellen Blanchard, Michael D'Angelo,  
Carol Domangue, Volunteer, Volunteer  
5:30 PM Ed & Joni Huerstel Gail Guilliot, Randy Bethancourt,  
Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Caroline Louviere, Joshua Louviere, Zachary Curtis  
7:00 AM John Breaux, Richard Guidry  
9:00 AM Chloe Pitre, Anne Morgan Simmons, Luryn Trosclair  
11:00 AM Chloe Hoychick, Tess Hoychick, Eli Hoychick  
5:30 PM Caleb Hebert, Connor Hebert, Corey Hebert

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### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Today, The Fourth Sunday of Easter: Good Shepherd Sunday is a special celebration of World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world-wide Church honors all Christian vocations. Christ Jesus gives his life for us that we might know fullness of life. We pray for openness to God's call and to accept the gift of our Christian vocation. Christ Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is with us to guide and protect us on our life journey.

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