

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF APR 24 - 30

- Monday** - Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday** - 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
- Wednesday** - Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday** - Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
- Friday** - Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday** - Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday** - **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35



PRAY FOR: Harold Haydel, Rev. Patrick O'Brien, Lucy Michel, Dale Hebert, Brian Turpin, Shirley Romano Guidroz, M/M Luther Kelley, Abigail Thayer, Janet Tabor, Ray Marcello, Marjorie Albert, Lee Parr, Liam Bascle, Paige Hebert, Dean Franklin, Alaina Maiorana, Gustavo Gonzalez, Nelson Gonzalez, Casey Domangue, Debra Favre, Annabelle Thomas, James Cotton, Jane Lee Guidry, Maude Bilello, David Dugal, Janie Roger, Noah Bergeron, Dennis Vegas, Carolyn Garrett, Rosa Santos, John Serra, Jean Ellen Leonard Fairchild, Norma Cantrelle, Lawrence Sr. & Rose Chaisson, Mike Duplantis, Robert Brescher, Garland Vincent, Betty Olivier, Mary Del Greco, Edward Beauty, Tony James, Maysen Smith, Gayle Breffelh, Mary Blum, Russ Todd, Penny Bergeron, Mae Saia, Barbara Toups Miller, Mary Lee Boudreaux, Kathy Folse, Rhea Barker, Florence Trahan, Melinda Fabre, Sylvia Chauvin, Keri Niette, Stephanie Bush Aldridge, Sandra Ellender, Steven Vowell, Pinky Boudreaux, Janice & Mark Windham, Stanley Cantrelle and for all prayer shawl recipients. **Pray for the repose of the soul of Dan Knoblock and Donna Callahan.**

**SANCTUARY LIGHTS
Church**

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



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*"Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me,
so I send you."*

John 20:19-31

After his Resurrection Jesus appeared to his disciples hiding in a room "behind locked doors." To calm their fears he said, "Peace be with you." Then, standing in front of them, with holes in his hands and a spear gash in his side, Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He sent them into the world to do and say the same things that resulted in his crucifixion. That had to concern the disciples. But then he said,

"Receive the Holy Spirit" and empowered them to reconcile sinners with the Loving God who created them. When others disciples feared going near Jerusalem, Thomas said, "Let us also go die with him." When Jesus appears in the room a second time it is Thomas who proclaims, "My Lord and my God." Jesus knew those who did not know him and see his wounds after his Resurrection would believe in him on the strength of the faith of others. Those who come after us will believe in Jesus on the strength of our faith. Do we believe Jesus as "Our Lord and our God"? Do we proclaim that by what we do and say?

Sunday – April 16

Envelopes (363).....	\$13,741.32
Loose	4,387.98
	\$18,129.30
Holy Land.....	\$ 3,585.50
Education to Ministry.....	\$ 5,354.92

PARISH NEWS

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Join in Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 23rd at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales beginning at 2:00 P.M. Confessions will be available. The celebration concludes with the Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the veneration of a first class relic of St. Faustina.

EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 23rd

Children of St. Francis de Sales parish are invited to join us after the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 23rd for an egg hunt on the CYO lot. Bring your own basket and we will provide the fun. AGE CATEGORIES: Babies to 10 years. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures so bring your camera!! Anyone interested in helping, please call Jane Lirette 856-5488.



ANNUAL CATHEDRAL PARISH PICNIC

Mark your calendars for the Cathedral Parish Picnic to be held on Sunday, April 30th at Southdown Plantation Pavillion. A Mass will kick off the festivities at 11 a.m. There will be food, door prizes and activities for all ages.

FOCCUS FACILITATOR TRAINING – Spring 2017

Our Spring 2017 FOCCUS Facilitator Training has been scheduled. If you have any couples (or any new priests or deacons) who will need to be trained to utilize the FOCCUS instrument with engaged couples, please contact our office. This is a two-part training. The cost for the training is \$100 which will include a FOCCUS Manual, a light meal and refreshments. (Church Parishes will be billed after the training.)

Part I

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

5:30PM – 8:30PM

**Pastoral Center Conference Hall
2779 Hwy 311 Schriever, LA 70395**

Part II

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

5:30PM – 8:30PM

Pastoral Center Conference Hall

2779 Hwy 311 Schriever, LA 70395 To register your participants, please call or email our office with the following information:

- 1.) Participant(s) Name and Phone Number
- 2.) Church Parish

Deadline to register is May 3rd. Call: 985-850-3129 or email: cklingman@hdiocese.org (Cathy Klingman)

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal
Strengthening the Church at Home
April 29-30**

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.

Bread or Stones Campaign Congregation

As an official Bread or Stones Campaign Congregation, the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales has teamed up with St. Matthew's Episcopal Church and are working to help the children at Legion Park Elementary School. As stated on the Terrebonne Parish School Board website, 95% of the children attending Legion School are "economically disadvantaged", which means 95% are living at the poverty level.

St. Matthew's has obtained a grant and used some of the funds to enable the school to allow the children to have access to computers. They also planted trees on the playground. Although many other projects are in the working, we have been granted permission to honor the teachers there for Teacher Appreciation Week! Coming together as a community - if we can boost the morale of the teachers - and let them know we are behind them - it will hopefully boost the morale of the children - and encourage a willingness to learn, thereby "beginning the end" of one of the cycles of poverty!

St. Francis de Sales will be hosting a catered meal on Wednesday, May 10th at the school starting at 11:00 AM. We will need assistance in serving the meal, drinks, and dessert. We are also providing gift bags for the teachers and aides on Thursday! We would welcome any suggestions, donations, and assistance in putting these bags together! To get involved, please contact the rectory office at 876-6904.

Jesus asks each of us: "Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone?" (Matthew 7:9) How are we answering Jesus' question?

MAY CROWNING

There will be a May Crowning on Saturday, May 6th in the Blessed Mother's Prayer Garden beginning with a rosary at 8:00 a.m. and the crowning of Our Lady's statue immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Refreshments will be served in the Youth Center after the crowning. All are welcome.

FOOD FOR THE SPIRIT MINISTRY

Cooks and prepares meals every second Saturday of the month for the homebound, clergy and those in need. If you have the name and number of anyone who may benefit from these services or you would like to help please contact Roxane Haydel 876-5709.

HOSPITAL VISITS

We would like to inform our parishioners if you are entering the hospital or have a loved one currently in the hospital and you would like one of our priests to visit, you can contact the church office at 876-6904, or Father Peter Tai Le who is the Catholic Chaplin at the hospital whom you can call for emergencies. Just tell the staff at the hospital that you would like to meet with Father Peter. When you register at the hospital, tell them that you are Catholic and your parish is St. Francis de Sales so your name can be placed on the directory; otherwise, the Chaplin or Parish Priest have no way of knowing that you are in the hospital.

CHURCH PARISH NOVENA CARDS

Between Divine Mercy Sunday and Pentecost Sunday, the celebration of our 40th Anniversary as a diocese, Bishop Fabre has called for an intentional time of prayer for each of our church parishes in the diocese. For the next 39 days, starting Monday, April 24, he is inviting us to join him in prayer each day for a different church parish in the diocese. You can find a Church Parish Novena Card in the back of church. There is a daily prayer on the card, as well as what church parish to pray for each day. May we join Bishop Fabre and all the faithful during this intentional time of prayer for the renewal of our parishes.

You can learn more about this novena and each of our church parishes in the diocese at www.htdiocese.org/churchparishnovena.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Next weekend, April 29-30, 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. Since October 2016, \$9,000 has been donated. 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.

YOUTH NEWS

2017 GRADUATES MASS

A Mass will be celebrated for all 2017 Graduates on Sunday, May 7th at the 5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales. We welcome graduates to wear their cap and gown. There will be reserved seating for graduates.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE Weekend of April 29 - 30

Commentators

- 4:00 PM Carlisle Jukes
- 7:00 AM Denise Dover
- 9:00 AM Melanie Shipp
- 11:00 AM Ernie Perry
- 5:30 PM Charles Sevin

Lectors

- 4:00 PM Lawrence Robinson
- 7:00 AM Jerry Dover
- 9:00 AM Lawrence Breaux
- 11:00 AM Mindy Scott
- 5:30 PM Bubba Watkins

Ministers of the Eucharist

- 4:00 PM Jeanne Wurzelow, Mary Anne Rodrigue, Judith Archila, Jude Fanguy, Yvonne Fanguy, Volunteer
- 7:00 AM John Breaux, Paul Labat, Mark Spence, Carla Exnicious
- 9:00 AM Murke Trahan, Carolyn Dubois, Clayton & Kathy Lovell, Kelli Cazayoux, Volunteer
- 11:00 AM Madeline Larose, Carol Collins, Michael D'Angelo, Bernita Guidry, Norman Simon, Volunteer
- 5:30 PM Carla Peeler, Gina Danos, Abigail Lirette, Laura Pellegrin, Carol Domangue, Volunteer

Altar Servers

- 4:00 PM Laura Seibert, Will Seibert, Elise Ledet
- 7:00 AM Richard Guidry, Alex Reddoch, Benjamin Bourgeois, David Castillo
- 9:00 AM Laurel Shipp, Emily Cazayoux, Claire Cazayoux
- 11:00 AM Logan Arnold, Chloe Arnold, Gage Scott
- 5:30 PM Lily Domangue, Lauren Eaton, Madeline Sonnier



DIOCESAN OUTREACH LINE

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has made the following provision for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the church. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux has set up an Outreach Line for all victims/survivors of sexual abuse.

In continuing our commitment to support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, to call our outreach line. The Outreach Line operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily Monday through Friday. A trained mental health professional responds to the line. The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line telephone numbers are (985) 873-0026.