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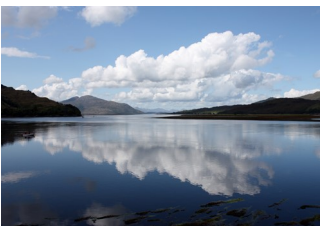
Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2014

REFLECTION

The Spirit of Jesus Christ


Matthew Hawthorne



During this Lenten Season we focus on the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Despite the hardships that we all go through in our lives, we must remember to hold on to our faith. For God is the one who raised Jesus Christ from the dead. We should remember that as long as we have the *“Spirit of Christ”* within us we shall and will have eternal life, and nothing or no one to fear, because God is the Almighty Creator of heaven and earth. And he will do what he promised to do.

All of us has been tempted by Satan, especially during this Lenten Season. Because of our human nature we sometimes yield to his temptation. But fear not, Jesus Christ died on the cross so that we may have eternal life, and what he asks of each of us is simple *“FOLLOW ME”*. He didn’t promise that the road would be easy, His road was not easy. He didn’t promise that we wouldn’t be faced with hardships along the way, for we all have our cross to bear just as He did.

Satan is a master of disguise, and comes in many different forms. It is never easy to see him for who he really is. So when you are faced with life challenges, obstacles or temptations, STOP, take a step back, breath deeply, and if necessary remove yourself from the situation. Through faith and much prayer, by this Lenten Season end, we should have a conversion of heart, so that we are renewed in the *Spirit of Christ*. Remember, Satan has only one purpose, and that is to separate us from Jesus Christ through our sins. In a couple of weeks we will celebrate the Resurrection of Christ, who suffered, died and was buried for all of us. BUT, death could not hold him down, He Is Risen, and He waits for each of us, so we too will be resurrected on the last day and have eternal life.



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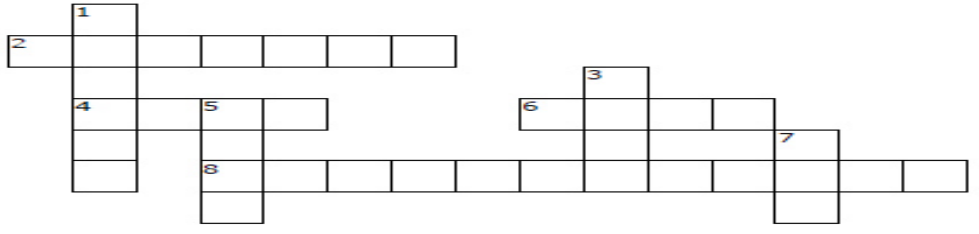
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Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies." John 11:25 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 11:1-45 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. A man that Jesus raised from the dead

4. A place where someone is buried

6. To be physically ill; not well or healthy

8. Rising from the dead or returning to life

DOWN

1. One of Lazarus' two sisters

3. To be alive or have life

5. Woman who poured perfume on Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair

7. To stop living

TOMB	MARTHA	DIE	MARY
LIVE	RESURRECTION	LAZARUS	SICK

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil4:30 PM
Sunday Mass9:30 AM
Tuesday5:30 PM
Wednesday – Saturday7:45 AM
Holy Days Of Obligation6:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday8:45 – 9:15 AM
(or by appointment)

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

SundayFor the People of the Parish
Tuesday.....Carrie Boston (dec)
Wednesday....Antonio Hernandez (dec)
Thursday.....Ina Boston (birthday)
Friday.....Thomas Nettles (dec)
Saturday.....Hela Frazier Singuefield

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CCD ClassesAfter Sunday Mass
Bible Study -Monday.....5:00–6:00 PM
RCIA Classes -Thursday6:00–7:00 PM

CHOIR REHEARSAL

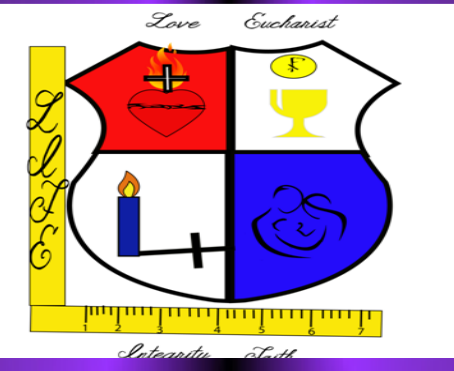
Friday:.....6:00 PM

LEGION OF MARY

Thursday8:30 AM

Media & Public Relations Committee:

Greg Cyprian.....President	
Thomas Whittaker	Anita Lott
Tiffany J Barnes	Marva Carter
Ruth Pettaway	Ruth McKitric
Rosemary Austin	Brandon Barnes



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Procession9:30 a.m.

Holy Thursday Mass.....6:00 p.m.

Good Friday - Stations/Mass.....3:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass.....7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday.....9:30 a.m.

Holy Week

MINISTRIES

Altar Servers.....Brandon Barnes
Altar Society.....Patricia Reed
Bereavement.....Pamela Barnes
Bible Study.....Ruth McKitric
Bldg. & Grounds Mgr.Walter Battles
Choir Director.....Lillie Key
Finance Chair..... Robert Pettaway
Hospitality & Ushers.....Sharon Malone
Legion of Mary.....Hilda Carroway
Liturgical.....Ruth Pettaway
Liturgical Dancers.....Yvette Smith
Male Choir.....William Frazier
Media & Public Relations.....Greg Cyprian
Parish Council.....Thomas Whittaker
RCIA.....Deacon Ronnie Hathorne
Religious Education Dir.....Tiffany J. Barnes
St Joseph School Alumni.....Shawn Bivens
Stewardship.....Keith Brewer
Technology/IT.....Michael Smith
Youth Activities & Family Life.....Tara Evans

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

•TODAY – April 06

Lectors.....Kayla Fuller
Braden Turner

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
.....Leona & Diona Rudolph
Altar Servers.....Brandon, Keari B, Kiara
Family Gift Bearers.....St. Joseph’s Future

April 13

LectorsRosemary Austin
Pavia Dewberry

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
.....Charles & Barbara Mitchell
Altar ServersKai, Ashley, Azure
Family Gift-BearersLeona & Diona
Rudolph, Sheila Mosley

APRIL CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

02.....Christian Roberson
08.....Charlie Lyons
09.....Billie Frazier
09.....Silas Turner
09.....Yvette Smith
10.....Rita Hathorne
11.....Latonya Williams
16.....Allen Hickman
21..... Kai Lott
22.....Darlene Clarke
23.....Pat Reed
23.....Wendell Petty
24.....Barbara Mitchell
24.....Delores Isom
26Oradee Whitaker

ANNIVERSARIES

22.....Willie & Lillie Key
30.....Keith & Claudie Brewer

Weekly Collection – \$1929.00
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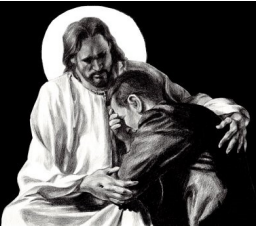
Attendance - 122
Communicants— 72
Blessings—6

KNOW YOUR FAITH

Fr. Stephen R. Sohe

MAKING A GOOD CONFESSION

“My religious education director has asked me to make a good confession in preparation for my reception into the Church on Easter Vigil. Please father, what constitutes a good confession?”



One of the exercises we are all encouraged to carry out during this Lenten season is the sacrament of reconciliation, that is, confession. However, going for confession because one is told to do so and nothing more is as good as not going for one at all. Even though we are encouraged to go to confession as often as we can especially during this season of lent, we are to make the experience our own, experiencing it with our whole being, with a contrite heart and humble spirit. This takes us

back to the question of what constitutes a good confession.

Making a good confession begins with a sincere examination of our conscience. During this exercise, one makes efforts to recall what sin or sins one has committed, and, if possible, how many times the sins were committed since one’s last confession. Moving on from there, one is expected to be truly and sincerely sorry for those sins, freely reject them, and prayerfully resolve not to carry them out again and to avoid the occasions that make one give in to their commission.

It should be noted that the entire exercise is a prayerful experience. As one approaches a priest for confession, one should endeavor not to lose this sense of prayer. One should pray to God for the grace to remember one’s sins and to continue to be truly sorry for them especially while in the confessional. When one gets into the confessional, one should mention clearly and precisely what sin or sins one has committed without beating round the bush or looking for explanations or excuses. One should note that full pardon awaits one in confession. When one finish mention - ing one’s sin, one must listen carefully and prayerfully to the counsel of the priest, the penance the priest gives thereafter, and the prayer of absolution. Prior to the prayer of absolution, the priest invites the penitent to say the act of contrition. One must remember to carry out one’s penance at a suitable time and place. However, given the possibility of forgetfulness, one is advised to carry out one’s penance immediately after one leaves the confessional.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Stations of the Cross, Friday.....6 p.m.



LEGION OF MARY:
LENTEN DEVOTION

There will be a thirty minutes EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT every Wednesday during this season of Lent from 6:00 pm—6:30 pm. You are all invited to come experience a connection with the Lord in the quietness of your heart.



A Gift In memory of.....

The church is providing us with an opportunity to help with the new “Sound System” by making a donation in memory of your loved ones, living or deceased.

THOUGHTS & REMINDERS

Keep In Prayer Our...

Ill & Homebound Parishioners

Mrs. Delores Isom	Mrs. Reola Juzang
Mrs. Theresa Gulley	Mr. James Thomas
Ms. Josephine Betton	Little Christen Roberson
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Hickman	Mrs. Ireola Frazier
Sr. Jose’, Delores Lewis	Mrs. Katie Peters
Sis. Rita Washington	

(Please sign the Healing Prayer Book to list ill and/or homebound parishioners)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism class next Sunday immediately following Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Any parishioner seeking marriage must contact the Pastor at least six (6) months prior to the desired wedding date.

Mass of Christian Burial

When a funeral is to be celebrated, please contact the Pastor before contacting the funeral home. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

READINGS FOR MASS

Fifth Week of Lent
April 7–April 13



MON 07	First Reading: Daniel 13:1-19, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Daniel 13:41-62 Gospel: John 8:1-11
TUE 08	First Reading: Numbers 21:4-9 Gospel: John 8:21-30
WED 09	First Reading: Daniel 3:14-20, 19-92, 95 Gospel: John 8:31-42
THU 10	First Reading: Genesis 17:3-9 Gospel: John 8:51-59
FRI 11	First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13 Gospel: 10:31-42
SAT 12	First Reading: Ezra 37:21-28 Gospel: John 11:45-56
SUN 13	PALM SUNDAY Procession : Matthew 21:1-11 First Reading: Isiah 50:4-7 Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



2B Choice for Women—The Catholic Social Service Center’s “*Annual 2B Campaign*” for unwed mothers is well underway. During the Lenten season it is a tradition as a church family to collect items to help unwed mothers and their infants. On the left side of the altar by the purple cross is a baby’s playpen to place your gifts, please select a gift from the list on the wall by the playpen or the list in the vestibule of the church. Our Blessed Mother will not forget your generosity!



EASTER EGGS NEEDED! Parishioners, we are asking for donations for the egg hunt. Please bring plastic eggs already filled. You may leave your eggs in the vestibule of the church. For info please contact Tara Mackie 251– 654-1281. Thanks for your continued support!

FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVAL BUS TRIP—The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary Council/Court #210 are sponsoring their annual trip to “The French Quarter Festival” in New Orleans on Saturday, April 12, 2014. Buses will depart from St. Joseph at 8:00 a.m. and return at 10 p.m. Donation—\$40, this is one trip you don’t want to miss! *Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler!*

The Mobile Deanery Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold it’s Spring Quarterly Meeting on Thursday, April 10, 2014, at Corpus Christi Parish. Registration begins at 9:15 with the meeting starting at 10:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at 11:15 a.m. with a luncheon to follow, cost is \$12.00. Open to all Catholic Women! Reservations can be made with Beth Cain at 973-1126 or bethrcain @bellsouth.net

Tre Ore Service— sponsored by Mobile Deanery ACCW will be held at St Pius Catholic Church, 217 S. Sage Ave. on Friday April 18, 2014, from Noon-3:00 p.m. Rev. Stephen Hellman , Parochial Vicar, of St. Ignatius Parish will be the leader. Contact Shirley Norton—251-973-0626.

COUPONS, COUPONS!! WHO LIKES TO SAVE MONEY? Because of the French Quarter Festival bus trip to New Orleans on April 12, our coupon class will be postponed until April 26. You are invited to come out to learn about saving on the things you use everyday! Class will be in the parish hall at 10:00 a.m.

HOLY PILGRAMAGE—Proximo Travel a Catholic Tour Company presents a travel with Fr. Kenneth Ugwu, SSJ, Pastor of Most Pure Heart of Mary on our Holy Land trip. Where: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Last Supper Gethsemane, etc... September 29- October 9, 2014. Cost is \$3999.00, airfare and accommodations all included. For registration please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340—9370, or www.proximotravel.com.

CONDOLENCES and PRAYERS to Deacon Ronnie Hathorne & family , whose great aunt Leva Stennis passed last week. She was a resident of Preston, MS , and her funeral will be held today at 2:00 p.m. May her soul rest in peace.

BOOK DRIVE— The Prichard Chapter of the Drexel Society is collecting books for the Ronald McDonald House and Most Pure Heart of Mary School. Both children’s books and adult interest are needed. A box will be placed in the back of the church if you have books to donate.