

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2018

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars
and calls each by name.

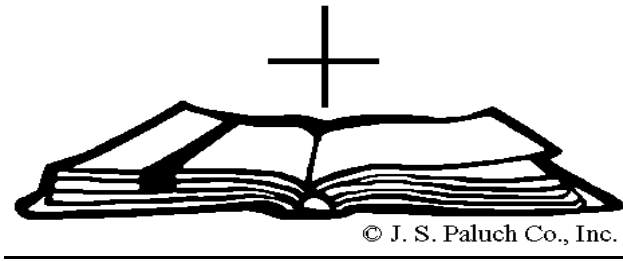
— *Psalm 147:4*



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Mass Intentions



THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

<i>Sanctuary:</i>	Jon Holmes and Family (L)
<i>Blessed Mother</i>	Irwin and Joyce LeBlanc (L)
<i>St. Joseph</i>	Gary Treuil
<i>St. Ann</i>	Mary Anne Treuil (L)

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

Sat., Feb., 03, 5:30 p.m. Loretta Stansbury, Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Sidney Huval and Family, Corey Rainey, Nick Sita, Lester Shackford, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), Margaret Travasos, Regina Falcon, Bob Chandler (L)

Sun., Feb., 04., 7:30 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Feb., 04, 9:15 a.m. Joyce LeBlanc, Corey Rainey, Jimmy Lacava Jr. (L), Cynthia Stahel (L), Robert Mugnier (L), Dolores Reiser, Liz Callias (L)

Sun., Feb., 04, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners

Mon., Feb., 05, 9:15 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule' (L)

Tues., Feb., 06 NO MASS

Wed., Feb., 07, 8:00 a.m. Eve Vavrck (L)

Thurs., Feb., 08, 8:00 a.m. Henry Lambert (L)

Fri., Feb., 09, 8:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon

Sat., Feb., 10, 5:30 p.m. Loretta Stansbury, Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Sidney Huval and Family, Corey Rainey, Nick Sita, Lester Shackford, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), Jim Blanke (L)

Sun., Feb., 11., 7:30 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Feb., 11, 9:15 a.m. Joyce LeBlanc

Sun., Feb., 11, 11:00 a.m. Isabella Margavio, Henry and Peggy Bradford (L), Chester and Delores McComas (L), Grace Trafficiano, Joseph Legnon, Ted Eilers (L), Frank Boroughs

PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur	Louise Cashmere
Margaret Mary Mule'	Tom Kelley
Judge Salvadore Mule'	Martha Huval
Emmett Guderian	Ashlie Cox
Joann Austin	Ethel Istre
Chip Guillory	Kevin Delaune
Howard Constantin	Joel Rivera

FEBRUARY 3th & 4th, 2018

	5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
L.	Judy	Nancy	Helen	Kristen
C.	Dennis	Tim	Gene	Ken

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Lenten Fish Fries every Friday during Lent beginning Friday, February 16th from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. The cost is \$9.00 per plate. They will be serving your choice of fried or baked fish, cole slaw, potatoes and hush puppies. Eat in or take out. Everyone is invited to attend.



The Stations of the Cross will be every Friday in Lent at 5:00 p.m. and will conclude on Good Friday. **Confession is available during Lent, beginning Friday, February 16th, at 5:00 p.m., during Stations of the Cross or until no longer needed.**

Confirmation 2018: Sophomores and Junior's in High School should register by February 6. The first meeting with parents, students and sponsors is Sunday, February 18. Ten classes beginning March 4 are required as well as a retreat to be eligible for confirmation in September, 2018. Susan and George Hemelt will be the teachers. Forms are available on Church porch or in the office.

SAVE THE DATE:

**Lenten Parish Mission
Holy week, one night
Monday, March 26th in Jonathan Hall**

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.

The office will be closed on February 12th and 13th for Lundi Gras and Mardi Gras. We will reopen on Ash Wednesday.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We're reading St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians these days. What was Corinth like? It had a beautiful setting on an isthmus, about fifty miles from Athens. The location makes for very easy exchange by sea routes between Greece and Italy, a factor in its economic success even today. In Paul's day it was a cosmopolitan and wealthy city with inhabitants drawn from all over the world, including a sizeable Jewish community. When Paul arrived about the year 50, the city was only about a century old, but already five times the size of Athens. Paul lived in Corinth for a year and a half, and a few years later came back for three months. The community of Christians there struggled against the influence of a very secular and self-indulgent society that was blind to the plight of the poor. Pagan attitudes afflicted the community, which had a way of breaking Paul's heart; he wrote to them sometimes "with many tears" (2 Corinthians 2:4).

Today, Corinth is a small industrial city. Its historic core has been destroyed by a series of earthquakes over the centuries, and what little remained was totally obliterated in a war with Turkey in the 1820s. There's a core city with glamorous shops to catch the tourists, but it is mainly a cargo port, with piles of marble, tiles, and minerals everywhere, a huge oil refinery nearby, a busy canal, a modern fast rail line to Athens, and a meeting point of major highways. Today, the remains of the Temple of Apollo and the marketplace are more ruined than most such sites. The glory of the city Paul knew well has faded, but the relevance of his words shines through the centuries.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES AND DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES ARE 8:00 AM AND 7:00 PM

FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

For Lent our parish will be participating in a food drive that will benefit our neighbors who are living in poverty. The non-perishable food items we collect will be sent to the North shore Food Bank which serves families in St. Tammany, Washington and Tangipahoa Parishes. To help with the process we will distribute brown bags on February 24th and 25th at Church at all Masses. **We ask that you fill the bags during lent and return the filled bags on the weekend of March 10th and 11th. That is when the Food Bank truck will arrive to pick up the bags.**

ENCOUNTER LENT

Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl after all Masses on February 10th and 11th. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor. Get the CRS app for the Rice Bowl Campaign

50TH GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration will take place Sunday, June 10th, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. The celebration will be a Prayer Service. All married couples celebrating 50 or more years of Marriage this year are invited to participate. *All participants must register. Forms are available at the Parish Office and must be returned to the Parish Office by Friday, March 2nd.* For more information, please call the parish office at 985-796-3806.

MAINTAINING THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON OF LENT

The Spirit of the season of Lent should be maintained throughout the weeks of Lent. The obligation to observe penitential days of the Church is a very important part of our spiritual life. Individual circumstances must be taken into account, but in general, people should seek to do more rather than less, since fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimal response to the Lord's call to penance

A LENTEN REFLECTION

"Come to Me"

Matthew 11:28

Mary Queen of Peace Church,
1501 W. Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA
Mass is at 9 a.m. with Reflections to follow.

Session ends at 11:30 a.m.

SESSION DATE: Monday, February 19, 2018

CELEBRANT: Father Jared Rodrigue

SPEAKER: Susie C. Veters
Marian Stations of the Cross

Quieting rooms available for young children
Catholic Women in Action, a committee of the Catholic Foundation,
invites you to reflect on how you can spiritually prepare during Lent
for Easter. MASS AT 9:00 a.m. Confessions are at 9:45a.m.

CLARION HERALD

St. John's spends on average over 2050.00 yearly for the Clarion Herald. Through the use of envelopes your donations average about 580.00 yearly. Please consider making your donation to help defray the cost toward the Clarion Herald Subscription. Every little bit helps.

ADORATION IS EVERY WEDNESDAY, 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

CHOIR PRACTICE, EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND THURSDAY OF MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AT 8:00 A.M. EVERY MONTH

BLANKET MINISTRY MEET FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

CATCH FIRE YOUTH GROUP MEETS THE FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 6 – 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL.

PSR CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY'S FROM 6:15 – 7:30 P.M.

MATTHEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY, MONDAY, 7:30 P.M. IN LIBRARY

MEN'S GROUP, WORD ON FIRE CATHOLICISM, THURS. 7:30 P.M. IN LIBRARY