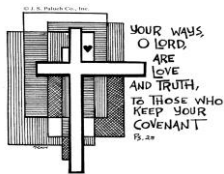


First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.

— *Psalm 25:4*



Weekly Collections

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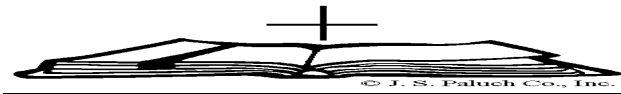
Regular Collection

\$ 3,785.00

Building and Preservation Fund

\$ 270.00

Mass Intentions



Sat., Feb., 17, 5:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Sidney Huval and Family, Corey Rainey, Nick Sita, Lester Shackford, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), Jim Blanke (L), Amy Goff, Sal (L) and Margaret Mary Mule', Olga Mathes (L)

Sun., Feb., 18, 7:30 a.m. Loretta Stansbury, Carol Pieri, Nora Hauptmann, Richard W. Letsch, Amy Goff, Margaret Mary Mule', Jon Craig (L), Larry Kass, Doris M. Letsch, Alvin Satches, Lynn Johnson (L), Verle Loving (L), Dolores Reiser, Estelle Satches, Gloria Fabre, Jay Adams, Emily Kiefer (L)

Sun., Feb., 18, 9:15 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Feb., 18, 11:00 a.m. Bob Pecunia

Mon., Feb., 19, 8:00 a.m. Dolores Reiser

Tues., Feb., 20 NO MASS

Wed., Feb., 21, 8:00 a.m. Elizabeth Armstrong

Thurs., Feb., 22, 8:00 a.m. Rosalie De Maria

Fri., Feb., 23, 8:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon

Sat., Feb., 24, 5:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Sidney Huval and Family, Corey Rainey, Nick Sita, Lester Shackford, Dick and Ruthi Olson (L), Amy Goff, Sal (L) and Margaret Mary Mule', Arthur Bartel, Dolores Reiser, Harold and Nora Jones (L)

Sun., Feb., 25, 7:30 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Feb., 25, 9:15 a.m. Dolores Reiser, Patty Johnson (L), Margaret Mary Mule' (L), Steve Berger (L), Corrine Authement, Gloria Pitello, Lucille Lockhart, unborn (aborted) baby, Donna Babb, Mark Simmons, Howard Simmons, Alice Gensler

Sun., Feb., 25, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners

PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur
Tom Kelley
Martha Huval
Ashlie Cox
Ethel Istre
Kevin Delaune
Joel Rivera
Audrey Casey
Dennis Wilson

Louise Cashmere
Judge Salvadore Mule'
Emmett Guderian
Joann Austin
Chip Guillory
Howard Constantin
Steve Berger
Jess Patterson

February 17th & 18th, 2018

	5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
L.	Karen	Tim	Jerry	Ed
C.	Judy	Nancy	David	Lynette

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary: Grace Trafficano
Blessed Mother Anthony Schiro Jr.
St. Joseph Dolores Reiser
St. Ann Theresa Wilfert (L)

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

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.



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 next weekend 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.**

PALMS AND ASHES

A note as we prepare for Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. Last year's blessed palms may be used for the ashes of Ash Wednesday. We already have a good supply of ashes so we will not collect them. Please do not discard blessed palms in the garbage! You may burn or simply bury them as a sign of respect for their character as sacramental. Usually we use green palms for Palm (Passion) Sunday and plan to do so this year despite the freezes. If you wish to bring your own to be blessed, including brown ones, please feel free to do so.



St. Joseph Altar Society is asking for donations for the St. Joseph Altar which will be celebrated Monday, March 19, 2018.

On the church porch bulletin board is a list of items needed for the cookie bake which will take place on Thursday, March 8th at 8:30 a.m. in Jonathan Hall.

Please sign up if you would like to contribute. These items are needed by Monday, March 5th.

On March 3rd and 4th, St. Joseph Altar volunteers will be accepting monetary donations after each Mass. If you have any questions, please contact Salvadore Mule' at 985-796-3757 or 504-220-4237.

There will be a meeting this Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. in Odilo Hall. Volunteers are encouraged to attend.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Holy Father usually marks the solemn opening of the Lenten fast with a procession and Mass on Ash Wednesday evening. He walks from the Benedictine monastery, San Anselmo, down the Aventine hill to the Dominican monastery of Santa Sabina. This very old tradition was revived by Pope John XXIII in the late 1950s. Have you ever wondered who gives the pope his ashes? It's the cardinal who has been given the "title" of the church of Santa Sabina. The pope's homily at this Mass states his theme for Lent.

Santa Sabina dates from the fifth century, and is one of the most beautiful churches in Rome. One of the panels on its main doors features the Crucifixion, a scene not normally depicted in art until much later. In the year 1219 the pope gave the church to Saint Dominic for his new religious order, the "Order of Preachers," commonly called the Dominicans, and it remains their world headquarters to this day. That pope, Honorius III, was a member of the Savelli family, and this church was their personal family chapel. Sabina was a wealthy Roman lady who became a Christian and was martyred, and whose home became a place of prayer. Later, the church built on that spot was dedicated to her memory.

RICE BOWL ENCOUNTER MAJD

In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit csrcricebowl.org for more.

50TH GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

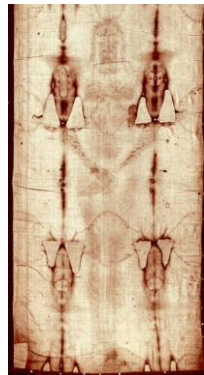
The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration will take place Sunday, June 10th, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. The celebration will be a Prayer Service. All married couples celebrating 50 or more years of Marriage this year are invited to participate. *All participants 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.

SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY: EQUIPPING THE FAMILY, SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is setting aside this weekend, February 18th-19th as "Safe Haven Sunday" in order to give focused time and resources to address the harmfulness of pornography and other online threats in marriages, family life and culture.

Today's awareness day is celebrated through prayer and a reflection within the context of the Mass. After Mass, each individual and family will be given Covenant Eyes' most recent book, *Equipped: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture*. This book includes a unique seven-day text-to-opt-in program: **The Equipped 7-Day Challenge**. This Challenge provides practical tips any caring adult can take to create safer digital environments for themselves and our young people.

Thank you for celebrating with us! If you have any questions about this awareness weekend, please contact the Archdiocese of New Orleans Office of Marriage and Family Life at tmccaffery@arch-no.org or visit www.nolacatholic.com.



This weekend explore this profound enigma with **Russ Breault**, one of the world's leading experts captivating audiences coast to coast and seen in numerous documentaries including The History Channel, Discovery and CBS.

Don't miss **SHROUD ENCOUNTER!** Coming to: **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, 11345 St John Church Rd, Folsom, LA. Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday, February 18 at 2:00 P.M. Admission is free--a donation is requested. Both presentations will be in Jonathan Hall. *A museum quality life-size replica will be on display.*

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.**

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 WEDNESDAYS 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

ADULT BIBLE STUDY, BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS EVERY THURSDAY OR FRIDAY AT 9:00 A.M.