

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

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## The Risen Life

Death seems like an all-powerful and overwhelming force in our human lives. Physical death is something that is unavoidable, but there is also another kind of death that can be experienced long before that moment in time. There is the death that can occur from within a person; kind of deadness that can dwell below the surface of a person's daily life. This deadness can manifest itself in a variety of ways. John 11:1—45 places emphasis on how Jesus is master over life and death. The story of Lazarus is employed to emphasize how Jesus is "the resurrection and the life." The fullness of this risen life is experienced in and through our communion with the Risen Christ, a communion that begins now.



## First Friday April 7

First Friday Mass begins at 8:00 a.m. in honor of The Most Blessed Sacrament, followed by **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** and concludes with Benediction at **noon**.



## Lenten Regulations—Abstinence

**Abstinence from meat** is to be observed by all Catholics age 14 and older on **all Fridays of Lent**. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasion for Christian penance. The Spirit of the season of Lent should be maintained throughout the weeks of Lent.



## Way Of The Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday during Lent at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.



We encourage all parish families to participate in praying these beautiful prayers as we follow Christ's passion, death and Resurrection for the salvation of all mankind. We particularly encourage parents to bring their children, so they might come to better appreciate God's great gift to us.

## Help Needed To Clean Church

Volunteers are needed to help in the cleaning of the Church for the Easter season on Saturday, April 8, at 9:00 a.m. Many hands make light the work. If you would like to help or even earn service hours, please call Audrey Ruiz at 601-799-4527.



## Offertory Giving

Almsgiving

The practice of considering and treating all things, the earth and one's own life (time, talent, and treasure) as belonging to God, and oneself as the manager, or "steward," Read:

Lk 12:42; 16:1-8;  
1 Cor 4:1-2; 1 Pt 4:10

<b>Weekly Budgeted Need</b>	<b>\$7,100.00</b>
<b>Last Sunday</b>	
Envelopes	\$5,802.00
Loose	716.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,518.00</b>
<b>Progress Report</b>	
Cumulative Budget	\$276,900.00
Cumulative Income	275,449.68
<Behind>	<\$1,450.32>
<b>Second Collection</b>	
<b>(Catholic Relief)</b>	<b>\$694.20</b>

## Building Fund

The parish Building Fund will be next weekend's second collection.



## Easter Flower Memorials

Envelopes have been placed at church entrances for those wishing to make a donation for flowers on the altar at Easter. Those making a donation in memory of deceased relatives or friends are asked to please **PRINT** names **LEGIBLY** on the envelope, as the names of all persons remembered will be listed in a special Easter insert. The contributor should also give his/her name and phone number in case we need to verify any information. **Deadline for submission of names to the Church Office is Sunday, April 9, by 4:00 p.m.**



## Knights Of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

Sunday, April 9

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Hall

Still only \$6.00!!!!

Fish, potato salad, roll, pork 'n beans,  
coffee and tea

Desserts and soft drinks are available for purchase  
Support the KC scholarship fund of your parish.



## Mass Intentions Requested

### Monday, April 3

(Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11)

No Mass Scheduled

### Tuesday, April 4

(Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30)

8:00 a.m. Lee Laughlin

### Wednesday, April 5

(Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

### Thursday, April 6

(Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)

8:00 a.m. Agnes Marchese

### Friday, April 7

(Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42)

8:00 a.m. Ken Salzer

### Saturday, April 8

(Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56)

5:00 p.m. Jody Roszczynialski, Rosemary Poche, Tina Mangano, Ken & Adele Salzer, Louis Mangano Sr. & Jr., Roszczynialski Family, Val Dobronich, Lee & Yvonne Tracey, Joseph D'Antoni Jr., Audrey Bonnet, Eugene Blanchard Jr., Gloria Lama, Adele Salzer, Story Family, John & Madelene Schloegel, Altar Society Members

### Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday Passion of the Lord

(Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66)

7:00 a.m. Maurice Bersuder, Sr.

8:30 a.m. Ronnie & Betty Lambert, Maurice Poche, Andrew Lambert, Margaret Clayton, Ramon Garay Sr., Adele Salzer, Amy Fandal, Catherine Lambert, Kyle Story, Laurie Howell, Myrtis Hebert, Steve Koch

10:30 a.m. Parishioners



## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Grand Adults of Sts. Peter & Paul**—Monday, April 3, at noon, GASPP meets in the Parish Hall. Bring your favorite covered dish and a friend.

**Legion of Mary**—Monday 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall

**Tuesday Morning Rosary**—Tuesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Jude Novena in St. Anthony Hall

**Antonians**—Tuesday, April 4, at 7:00 p.m. All men of the Parish are invited to join us for a meal and meeting.

**RCIA Tracks I & II**—Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms

**Knights of Columbus**—Wednesday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m. after Mass in St. Anthony Hall

**Patriotic Rosary**—Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

## Lenten Evening of Confession

On Wednesday, April 5, all area Catholic churches will offer the Sacrament of Penance from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. All are encouraged to come and experience God's mercy and forgiveness through this Holy Sacrament during the Lenten Season.

## Racial Harmony Meetings

Goal 1 of Priority 5 of the 9th Synod of the Archdiocese of New Orleans is to "enable all parishes, Catholic schools, parish schools of religion and archdiocesan ministries to engage in formal dialogue and interaction to address racism throughout the archdiocese." In April, the Office of Racial Harmony will hold a series of facilitated discussions on "Made in the Image and Likeness of God: a Pastoral Letter on Racial Harmony," by Archbishop Alfred Hughes. The discussion sessions will be held in St. Margaret Mary's Parish Life Center from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on April 3, 10, 17, and 24. Registration is requested; call Marcia at 643-4137. All are welcome.

## Mass For God's Special Children

The Mass for God's Special Children will be held Sunday, April 9, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Road, Metairie. This Mass allows those with special needs to participate in the Mass with family and friends. For information, contact Joy Zainey at 504-834-5865 or visit the website [www.godsspecialchildren.org](http://www.godsspecialchildren.org)

## Tabernacle Lamp

This week the Tabernacle lamp in the Sanctuary burns in memory of the of **Legion of Mary members**.



## Pray For The Sick

Valdeana Bauer, Audrey Bonnet, Diana Bradshaw, Sonia Braud, JoAnn Brewin, George & Wanda Butko, May Caballero, Patricia Cuccia, Dotsy Chedville, Deacon Pat Downey, Steve Dunn, Marcelle Ernwein, Amy Fandal, Carroll Fourcade, Julia Drake, Jeanette Gomez, Doris Hall, Deacon John Howard, Virgie Hurstell, Allen & Joan Jagneaux, Maria Kalcic, Gloriette Kiern, Elizabeth Kittel, Pat Langsford, Cheryl Martin, Shirley Matthews, Vito Montalabano, Jessie O'Dell, Cheryl Poiroux, Robert Reinecke, Ed Roszczynialski, Adele Salzer, Cathy Smith, Darlene Vinet

## Graves

*“O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them.” Ez 37:12*

It would not be Lent if we did not pause to contemplate our demise. Part of the package deal of our mortality is that life ends. There are no exceptions to this rule. Still, Bible lovers collect the mysterious endings that feel like only one shoe has dropped on the mortality issue. Enoch “walked with God, and he was no longer here” (Gen 5:24). Elijah was snatched from view in a fiery chariot (2 Kgs 2:11). Jesus sounds mystically indefinite about the fate of the apostle John: “What if I want him to remain until I come?” (Jn 21:22) And though scripture is silent on the matter, church tradition holds Mary was assumed body and soul into Heaven. The Orthodox say she “fell asleep” first. Roman Catholicism teaches Mary’s body was uncorrupted, but the circumstances are unspecified.

However death arrives, this world is not our final home. Today our elect undergo the third Scrutiny preparing them for Easter sacraments. With them, we all hope to “walk with God” into life everlasting.

## Guide Book Advertising Opportunity

We have contracted Guide Book Publishing (GBP) to publish a Guide Book and Directory for our congregation that will be updated and delivered directly to your homes annually. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries and organizations plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and mailed to each member at no cost to our church. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book. GBP would prefer to place advertisements from members of our congregation over your business’s competitors. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the office at 958-863-3475, ext. 3, during business hours.

## Update Membership Information

Does the Church database have your family membership correct? Here is your chance to update your information with any changes, additions, or deletions for our annual Guide Book and Directory.

Please let us know if you have changed your phone number, have a new address and/or if you want your phone number published.



## Why I Come To The Altar Of God

I come, not because I am worthy, but because I have sinned and fallen short of what, by God’s help, I might have been.

I come, not that there is any magic in partaking of Christ’s body and blood, but because of the Lord’s command, “Do this for the remembrance.”

I come, because Christ bids me come. It is His table and He invites me.

I come, because here is portrayed the sacrifice of my Lord who gave Himself for me.

I come, because I find myself drawn closer to God, the Christ of Calvary, and to those who kneel with me at Holy Communion. Yes, I am made to feel my kinship to all those everywhere who proclaim Christ as Savior.

I come, because I rise from the Lord’s Table with a new strength, courage, and power to live for Him who died for me.

## Divine Mercy Novena

Please join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena starting Good Friday, April 14, ending on Saturday, April 22, at 6:00 p.m. each night here at Sts. Peter and Paul Church. There will be a Divine Mercy prayer service at 3:00 p.m. on the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23. St. Faustina began the practice that a Novena be started on Good Friday which asks for prayers each of the nine days for a different group of souls in order to immerse them in the sea of God’s Mercy. Mass, Confession, and Communion are required on Mercy Sunday. Our Lord promised to the souls who follow these requests a complete remission of sin and punishment.

## Knights Of Columbus Scholarship

Sts. Peter and Paul Parish KC Council 11814 is accepting scholarship applications from our graduating high school seniors who wish to continue their education. Applicants must be an active member of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish. Applicant’s family must be registered and supporting members of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish. Forms are available in the Church Office during regular hours. Deadline for submission of the application is Tuesday, April 18.

*This Bulletin Is Donated*

*Our heartfelt thanks to our church family for all their prayers and support upon the death of Margaret D. Clayton  
The DiGioranni Family*

**Insert from Archdiocese**

**What is a Homily**