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Second Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2022

Once I was dead,
but now I am alive forever and ever.
— Revelation 1:18a



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekdays:
Tuesday: 6:00PM
Wednesday-Friday: 8:00AM

Adoration

The 1st Friday of the month at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M., morning Mass is cancelled on this day.
Forty-five minutes before every weekday Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and Sunday: Thirty minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

Baptism: Infant Baptism is celebrated the 3rd Sunday of the month. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months. Parents **and** godparents **must** attend a one hour Baptism preparation class prior to the scheduled Baptism. For other guidelines and details, please call the parish office.

Matrimony: Call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor. Diocesan guidelines require an initial interview at least 6 months before the wedding date. Please call the parish office for further information.

R.C.I.A.: This is a process for anyone who wishes to become Catholic. Please call the parish office for further information.

MASS INTENTIONS

April 23rd 4:30PM Winfield Fisk, Jr (RIP) by Langston Adams; Gus G. Roy (RIP) Ethel Mae Jones; Marie Conner (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Conner Family; Alfred "Bo" Martin (RIP) By Elvira Narcisse; John Green (12yr. Death Anniversary-RIP) by The Green & Jones Family

April 24th 9:00AM Second Sunday of Easter; For All Parishioners

April 26th 6:00PM Aaron Jones (RIP) by Ellen Jones

April 27th 8:00AM

April 28th 8:00AM

April 29th 8:00AM Freddy J. Landry, Sr. (RIP) by Carolyn Landry & Family; Frank Minard (RIP) by Phillip & Ella Castille

April 30th 4:30PM Gloria Mae Jacob Roy, Gussie Roy & Gus Roy (RIP) by Berlinda Roy Mouton; Sterling Landry (RIP) by Langston Adams; Donovin Chavis (7yr, Death Anniversary-RIP) by Mother Diana Chavis; Vanessa Jones (Happy Birthday-Living) by Corine Jones; The Juneau Family (Deceased & Living) by Patrick Juneau

Collections

Holy Thursday
April 14th
$331.00

Good Friday
April 15th
$469.00

Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday
April 16th & April 17th

4:30pm	**$1,140.00**
9:00am	**$2,579.00**
Mail	**$ 653.40**
Totals	**$4,372.40**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers ***(Acts 5:12-16)***.

Psalm —Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting ***(Psalm 118)***.

Second Reading —John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives ***(Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19)***.

Gospel —The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (***John 20:19-31***).

Divine Mercy Prayer
Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 3:00pm
Sacred Heart Church
All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.



Welcome All KPC Knights & Ladies Auxiliary who turn out in honor of their deceased members on Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 9:00am Mass.

Happy 100th Birthday
Curtis Joseph

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Happy Birthday
Tom Bronnon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: :	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]
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Meeting

-The Young Contemporary Catholic Adults (YCCA) will meet Sunday, April 24th after the 9:00am Mass in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.

-Pastoral Council will meet Tuesday, April 26th at 6:30pm in the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building.



All High School and College Graduates asked to contact Crystal Williams at 409-365-3790, to receive information for Graduation Mass on May 15, 2022 at 9:00am.

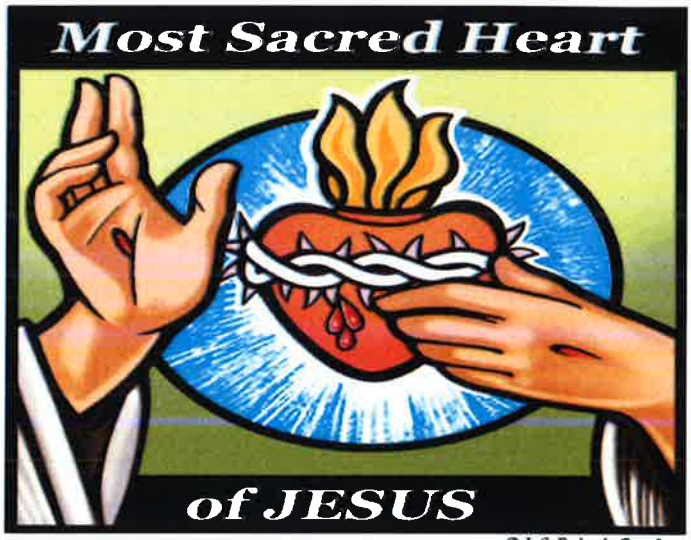
Believe It or Not

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say three times, "Peace be with you." This was a common greeting, but the disciples were hiding in fear so they needed reassurance. Jesus gives them that reassurance in three ways: his resurrection, forgiveness of sins, and a blessing for future disciples.

The disciples had seen Jesus crucified and were afraid any of his followers would be treated the same way. So when Jesus appeared to them, he showed them his wounds and let them touch him. He wanted to show them that he was not a ghost; he had risen from death and death has no more power over him. They can now take courage because they will share in the Resurrection themselves. Breathing on them, he bestows the Holy Spirit, source of our courage.

That leads to the second reassurance, forgiveness of sins. Jesus died to take away our sins; now he shares that with his disciples. Anyone troubled by guilt can be forgiven. The disciples themselves probably felt that need, since they had deserted Jesus and one even denied knowing him. He now sends his apostles with the mission to free others from sin. We too can forgive others (and ourselves) knowing that God has forgiven them and us.

Finally, the story of Thomas and his doubts about Jesus' resurrection gives us some hope. Jesus blesses those who "have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29). We usually think the apostles were "more" blessed for having seen and heard Jesus. But Jesus reverses that expectation; we are blessed, even two thousand years after the Resurrection.



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"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

In Jesus' first appearance to his disciples, as described in today's Gospel, Jesus sends the disciples, and all who follow him: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Jesus speaks to us here: we the Church are a "sent people," sent to participate in God's mission, that is, God's purposes and activity for all of humanity. Like Jesus was sent to Israel, we are sent to witness to our world of the boundless love of God, and to offer an alternative way of living based on that love. The wounds that Jesus displayed to his disciples remind us that this new way of life often involves both dying to the familiar and comfortable, and rising to the new and unknown. When we join in efforts to challenge injustice, heal broken relationships, or care for those on the margins of society, we share in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

THE WEEK BETWEEN

In today's Gospel, we notice there was a week between Jesus' first appearance (without Thomas), and the following appearance (with Thomas). During this week, Thomas chose to stay with the community. But why? Perhaps he trusted his friends in some way. Perhaps he reflected on their life with Jesus and on the possibility their account was true. In the week between, Thomas stayed and lived with the questions, and with his doubts. Importantly, the disciples did not cast him out as an unbeliever. It seems they accepted and loved him, just as he was.

Perhaps many of us live in this "week between." We have questions and doubts. We can choose to leave or to stay. We can either engage or ignore our deepest questions. If we embrace our questions with courage, we can live into them. Perhaps we will encounter, through God's initiative, and with the help of our companions in faith, some of the answers--and new questions along the way.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND. NEXT WEEKEND, THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR BEREAVEMENT FUND.

Father Anthony will bless those celebrating a birthday in April. Next weekend he will bless single, widows and widowers who loss a spouse in May.

Reflection question:
How can I come to grasp more fully the meaning of my baptism?

IF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND IS ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND HE/SHE GETS WELL OR PASSES, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO DELETE HIS/HER NAME. THANKS.

Pray for ...

Ethel Allen, Lucinda Allen, Nedra Alpough, Thelma Alpough, Lyric Anderson, Juliana Barnes, Emma Bonton, Diane Bowd, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Cecilia Brown, Clara & Elza Bush, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Emmett Comeaux, Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Morris Davis, Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Bernadette Dames, Vincent Fertitta, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan Fontenot, Lillian Fontenot, Normand Fontenot, Michael Fontnette, Jr., Gloria Foreman, John Francis, Alton Gallentine, Wilda Green, Malinie Guidry, Annie Guillory, Elzina Harris, Zacchaeus Hart, Robin Hataway, Aerial Hawkins, Mildred Hayes & Family, Edmonia Henderson, Crystal Henton, James Henry, Fay Hines, Yvette Jacquet, Hazel January, Mary Jenkins, Darlene Joe, Zackary U. Johnson, Jr., Linda M. Jones & Family, Roderick Jones, Steven Jones, Wilda Jones, Curtis Joseph, Hilda Joseph & Family, Elda Kennerson, Bernadette Lavine, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Michael Linden, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Mabry McZeal, Mary Lee McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Iris Plumber, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, JoAnn Pugh, Estella Ray, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Schreida Solaire, Lillie Stewart, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Rose Mary Williams, Gladys Wilson-Hollins, Jamon Wilson, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Andre' Winston, Jr., Hazetta Younger and Tosharie Younger. **Communicants:** Ethel Allen



PRAYER OF THE WEEK
Second Sunday of Easter

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY
TO HELP THE
PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

During this Lenten Season, please consider almsgiving for the Ukranian people. Matthew 6:3-4 states, "But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you".

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
April 30th & May 1st

LECTORS

SAT. 8:00PM **Cynthia Sinegal**
Linda LaCour

SUN. 9:00AM **Tanya Robertson**
Paul Landry

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