SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Third Sunday of Easter
April 23, 2023

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence.
— Acts 2:28



Eucharistic Celebration

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

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

Adoration/Healing Mass

The 1st Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 5:00 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday - Friday: Thirty minutes Adoration before 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 22nd 4:30PM Levi Adams, Jr. (RIP) by Langston Adams; Barbara Guidry (RIP) by Sacred Heart Class of '65; Mrs. Joyce Zeno (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by Angela & Jeffery Zeno, Jr.; Lucille Brown (RIP) by Maggie Henry; "For All Children who were Victims of Abortion" by Langston Adams; Asell "Buddy" Hollins (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP), Lindsey Fontenot Lavergne (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP), Loretta "Happy 70 Birthday Googie" Douglas-Living & Joseph Lavernge III (Happy Birthday-Living

April 23rd 9:00AM Third Sunday of Easter; For All Parishioners

April 25th 6:00PM Marie Conner (Happy Heavenly Birthday-RIP) by The Conner Family

April 26th 8:00AM

April 27th 8:00AM Elijah Livings (RIP) by Judy Burcia

April 28th 8:00AM

April 29th 4:30PM Donovan Chavis (8yrs. Death Anniversary-RIP) by Diana Chavis; Michael Linden, Sr. & Barbara Williams (RIP) by The Conner Family; Freddy J. Landry (21yrs. Death Anniversary-RIP) by The Family; Melvin & Mary Dell Moore by Geraldine Viltz; "For All Children who were Victims of Abortion" by Langston Adams

Collections

April 6th-Holy Thursday	**$ 308.00**
April 7th-Good Friday	**$1,202.00**
April 8th-Easter Vigil	**$2,690.00**
April 9th-Easter	**$2,049.00**
Totals	**$6,249.00**
April 15th & April 16th	
4:30PM	**$ 890.00**
9:00AM	**$2,552.00**
Mail	**$ 890.00**
Totals	**$4,332.00**

EMMAUS AND THE MASS

Emmaus might as well be Brigadoon. We hear of it in this one story—and it's only in Luke—and then it disappears. The journey to Emmaus is one of the most beloved stories about Jesus, and yet the town is probably "mythical" in the truest sense. Like so much of life, this story is about the journey, not the destination. Running away from Jerusalem and their fears, probably going home in disillusionment, two of Jesus' disciples encounter a stranger on the road who, like a rabbi, is able to help them understand their experiences using his deep knowledge of scripture. Later, sharing a meal with him, they recognize the stranger as Jesus, and they return to Jerusalem to tell the others. How like our Mass—we hear the scriptures and an explanation of them, we share a meal, and then we go out to tell the good news.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us ***(Acts 2:14, 22-33)***.

Psalm — Our God shows us the way to live ***(Psalm 16)***.

Second Reading — Our faith and hope are in God who raised Jesus from the dead ***(1 Peter 1:17-21)***.

Gospel —Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus ***(Luke 24:13-35)***.

The 2023 Spring Raffle is here!!

The prizes are as follows:

1st Prize: 55" Smart TV

2nd Prize: Laptop

3rd Prize: $200 Lowe's Gift Card

4th Prize: $100 Gas Gift Card

5th Prize: $50 Visa Card

6th Prize: $50 Visa Gift Card

The donation is $1.00. The raffle will be held at the Sacred Heart Family Day Picnic on June 4, 2023. Tickets will be available after each mass. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Sacred Heart Parish Family Day Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2023, at the Port Arthur Downtown Pavilion. We will begin with Mass at 10:00am and the picnic will immediately follow. There will be food, games, door prizes and lots of fellowship!!!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Neophytes

Perhaps you've noticed that those who were baptized and newly initiated into the Church at Easter are still sitting in a prominent location during Sunday Mass. Aren't they done? What's going on?

During this Easter season the newly initiated are called "neophytes," and they are living through the final period of the catechumenal process, known by the name "mystagogy." They are exploring the mysteries of their new identity, reflecting on the meaning of the sacraments they celebrated at the Easter Vigil, and strengthening their bonds with Christ and the Christian community. That they are living their new identity in such a public way should be an inspiration to the rest of us, a sign that this new life in Christ really makes a difference. And they are also still in need of the prayers and support of the rest of the community.

As neophytes and fully-initiated members of the Christian community, they are no longer being dismissed for catechesis during Mass. Perhaps you might take advantage of their presence at the end of Mass and engage one in conversation. Learn about their experience and let them know of your continuing prayers and support for them.

Third Sunday of Easter

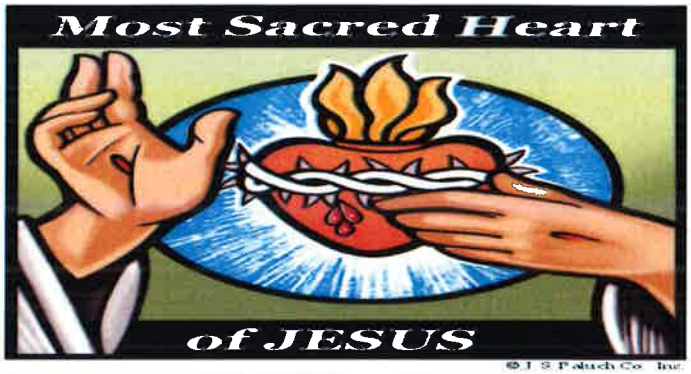
Emmaus Amazement

Today's Gospel has some surprises for the disciples going to Emmaus. The first is that Luke tells us Jesus appeared to them, "but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him" (Luke 24:16). More likely, they were prevented by their lack of faith. They knew that Jesus had died, so this man who looked familiar couldn't be him. All they had heard was that Jesus' body was missing from the tomb.

That leads to the second point. They were amazed at how Jesus explained the scriptures. Even the disciples had not thought of them as predicting Jesus' suffering and death. Yet they seem to know the truth of what Jesus was saying. Their story can help us, too.

If you find you are not always able to see Jesus in the people or events of your life, you may need to stretch your faith. One way to do that is to discuss it with others. The two disciples were stretching their faith as they discussed what they had heard. Your faith will grow as you learn to express it. Another way to stretch your faith is to read and pray over the scriptures. Ask what God is trying to tell you in them. The disciples on the way to Emmaus began to see how Jesus fulfilled the promises found there.

Ask God to help you see Jesus in other people. Receive Jesus in Communion as often as you can (at least once a week). Trust him and expect to see Jesus both in people around you and in the changes that come into your life. The more you look for Jesus, the easier it is to see him.



Meetings

-Ladies of Grace, Chapter 18 will meet on Sunday, April 23rd at 1:30pm at the KPC Hall on Grannis.

-Altar Society will meet on Wednesday, May 3rd at 5:30pm at the St. Katharine Drexel Education Building. If you ordered a shirt, please bring your payment. We are still accepting yearly dues. Please contact Mrs. Sheresse Conner-Seals at 832-704-1092.



You were ransomed with the precious blood of Christ

Wisdom & Worship Ministry

Our Mother of Mercy, 3390 Sarah Street, Beaumont

The day will begin with a Living Rosary at 9:30am, followed by Mass celebrated by Bishop David Toups on Tuesday, May 16th at 10am, lunch and more! Open to parishioners who are age 50 and over, though anyone of any age may attend the celebration. Deadline to register is May 12. Tickets are $15 and can be purchase at our Parish Office, for more info. contact Moriline Guillory at 409-924-4301.

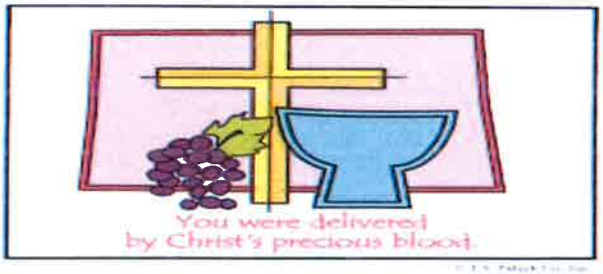


Parish Social Ministry is available to assist anyone in the parish that needs help with electric, gas, or water bills. Other services are available based on the parishioners need. All assistance provided is confidential. We are now in our 7th year of service to the parish and the community. If you would like to know more about Parish Social Ministry, please take home a brochure located in the vestibule.



Parish Social Ministry is collecting Jell-o monthly for the United Board of Missions. The box is still located in the vestibule. This will be put in the low income bags given to members of the community who apply through United Board of Missions. Please be generous. If you have any questions, you can contact Brenda Broussard or Sheryl Alpough.

THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND. NEXT WEEKEND THE 2ND COLLECTION IS FOR PARISH SOCIAL SERVICE.



Fr. Anthony will bless those celebrating a birthday in April. Next weekend he will bless who lost a child in April.

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, Aletra Bowman, Tom Bronnon, Geraldine Broussard, Bernadette Brown, Cecilia Brown, Beverly Carmouche, Doris Jacob Castile, Curtis Clark, Lionel Clark, Jr., Kenneth Cormier, Aletha Covington, Isaiah Covington, III, Nekemia Covington, Cheetara Cox, Janelle Dale, Bernadette Dames,Valerie Dennis, Charles Doyle, Kaitlyn Dugas, Herman Dugay, Yourmae Duplechain, Henry Dwin, Vincent Fertitta, Ronald Fontenette, Sandra Fontenette, Jonathan 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, Gladys Wilson-Hollins 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, Lucien Lavallais, Wildred Lavine, Bobbette Lawson, Johanna Lewis, Akliah Lopez, Adrienne Davis-Lott, Joseph Marcel, Marita Marcel, Phil C. Mahoney, Veronica Mayo, Dorothy McClarin, Mabry McZeal, Robert Mae Mims, Denisha Montgomery, Erma Moore, Velma Morgan, Yvette Morris, Berlinda Mouton, Elvina Mouton, Sophia Mouton, Linda Nico, Dewey Normand, Dallas Oliver, Donald Oliver, Rita Oliver, Helen Orsort, Johnny Owens, Roger Paris, Iris Phillips, Lester Pickney, Mary Polk, Bernice Potier, Chery Prevost, Jared Prevost, Joseph Prevost, Margie Provost, JoAnn Pugh, Estella Ray, Mary Riggle, Jocelyn Rush, Earline Smith, Eldridge Smith, Ree Smith, Schreida Solaire, Jayden Spencer, Lillie Stewart, Audry Stood, Henry Stood, Michella Sulldan, Aneel Thomas, Clarence Thomas, Alozia Vaughns, Jennie Veal, Jean Vincent, Larry Viltz, Rosina Viltz, Phyllis Voliby, Iris Waymon, Rose Mary Williams, Juanita Williams, Shahara Williams, Jamon Wilson, Andre' Winston, Jr., Tadarell Woods, Hazeletta Younger and Tosharie Younger.

Communicants: Ethel Allen



"Come Back to the Heart of Jesus"



All High School and College graduates are ask to contact Crystal Williams at 409-365-3790, to receive information for Graduation Mass.

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER
Blessing before Meals
You give us every good gift,
O God of the covenant.
Help us to see in the food spread before us
another outpouring of your grace.
Be with us as we share this meal
and keep us ever mindful of the hungry.
Bless us and the food we are about to receive.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

31st BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP
Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 9:30am
St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
Family Life Center
6825 Gladys Avenue, Beaumont
Tickets $25
Honoring Rev Monsignor Salvador Culotta
Breakfast served by Bishop David Toups, clergy and religious. For Sponsorships or Tickets, call 409-924-4421 or visit catholiccharitiesbmt.org

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
April 29th & April 30th

LECTORS
SAT. 4:30PM Cynthia Sinegal
Linda LaCour

SUN. 9:00AM Sharlene Hatch
Paul Landry

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