

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun. April 8 - Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:29 Jn 20:19-31

Mon. April 9 - Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Jn 1:14ab Lk 1:26-38

Tues. April 10 - Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:14-15 Jn 3:7b-15

Wed. April 11 - Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16 Jn 3:16-21

Thurs. April 12 - Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 20:29 Jn 3:31-36

Fri. April 13 - Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 4:4b Jn 6:1-15

Sat. April 14 - Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

**April Birthday List
Happy Birthday to:**

Joe Fontenot	2
Taffy A Richard	2
Ella Garrett	3
Tremond Warnell	4
Clifton Richard	23
Tracy Richard	23
Ryan Edwards	24
Donovan Richard	25
Diane Johnson	20

Happy Anniversary

Leothus & Lucy Jones	8th
Franklin & Doris Gans	11th

**MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND
HOSPITALITY**

Saturday: Shirley Allison, Rose Davis, Walter Davis & Richard

Sunday: Staci Powers, Sonja Popillion, Veronica Bradford, Horace Broussard

ANNOUNCER & LECTORS:

Saturday: A: Leo Jackson
L: Freda Guillory & Eva Platt

Sunday: A: Peggy Green
L: Tina Kindle & Phyllis Thibodeaux

ALTAR SERVER:

Saturday: Reagan Pitre William Pitre
Sunday: D'Ana Williams

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

Saturday Gail Jefferson & Russell Bottley
Sunday: Freda Guillory & Dorothy Broussard

**Southeast Texas Hospice
Mystery Dinner Theater**

Join the cast as they once again bring to the Hospice stage the great murder mystery "And the Old Man Died." Proceeds benefit the Southeast Texas Hospice in their dedicated service to dying patients and their families. April 16th & 17th 2018 at 6:30 pm, St. Mary's Parish Hall, 912 W. Cherry St. Orange. Tickets \$30. per person. For more information & reservations call Southeast Texas Hospice at 409-886-0622 or 800-749-3497

**COORDINATORS OF
MINISTRIES**

Bishop Faith Appeal - Shirley Ray
Bereavement Committee - Rose Bottley

Donut Sunday's - Freda Guillory*
Donuts and coffee in the Education Building 1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Shirley Ray

Finance - Andre' Robertson * finance meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Fund Raising - Walter Davis

Hospitality/Ushers - Rose Davis

Lectors - Gary Mims

Life Center - Adam Jacobs

Plumbing - Joe Fontenot

Mission & Retreat - Cecilia Davis

Music Director - George Alexander
* choir rehearsal's are every Tuesday at 6:30 pm

Pastoral Council meetings held every 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Socials - Knights of Peter Clever & Ladies Auxiliary * Parish Luncheon, the second Sunday of each month.

Youth - Felicia Richard

Stewardship-Wayne Sparrow

1st Friday of each month Fr. Donatus has 11 am Mass at Orange Villa located on 3rd Street. There will be NO evening Mass that day, adoration only, everyone is invited to come.

Attendance

**Holy Thursday: 32 Gook Friday: 19
Holy Saturday: 79 Easter Sunday: 115**

Weekend Collection is for the Education of the Seminarians & Ministers

Good Fri. / Holy Land	\$ 24.00
Loose	\$ 182.60
Saturday	\$ 580.00
Sunday	\$ 801.00

Total Deposit \$ 1,587.60

Expenses: Sacco <\$ 16.05>

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Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



**2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday**

April 4, 2018

"Thomas answered..., 'My Lord and my God!'"



Eucharistic Celebration

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:20 p.m. 3:55 p.m.

Infant Baptism:

Please contact the pastor two (2) months in advance

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday 6:00 p.m.

Adoration & Benediction

1st Friday each month 5p.m.-6:30p.m.

Marriage:

Please call Rectory six (6) months prior to proposed date

SECRETARY

Cindy Hampton (409) 882-0935

PARISH COUNCIL

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**MASS INTENTIONS
for the Week**

**Sunday, April 08, 2018 9:00 am Mass
PRAYER 3:00 P.M.**

Mon. April 9, NO MASS

Tues. April. 10, 6:00 pm

Wed. April. 11, 6:00 pm

Thurs. April. 12, 6:00 pm

Fri. April 13, 5:00 pm & 6:00 pm
Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Mass

Saturday, April 14, 2018 7:00 am
3:20 - 3:55 Reconciliation
4:00 p.m. Mass

(N.B. You can request Mass to be offered for you/your love ones, or any deceased person. Speak with the Pastor or call the office to schedule your mass intention).

Divine Mercy

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

- A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
- B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
- C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.



The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy.

Learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Say these Optional Opening Prayers.
 - * You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.
 - * O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You! (Repeat 3 times)
3. Pray the Lord's Prayer
4. Say the Hail Mary
5. Say the Apostle's Creed.
 - * I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary; He suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to Hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.
6. Say the Eternal Father.
 - * Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
7. Say "For the Sake..." prayer on the ten small bead of each decade.
 - * For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
8. Repeat for the remaining decades.
9. Conclude with reciting the Trisagion ("thrice holy") 3 times.
 - * Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
10. Say this Closing Prayer (optional).
 - * Eternal God, in whom Mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.
11. Say the Divine Mercy Prayer (optional)
 - * O greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy---to Your compassion, O God; and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out. Gracious God do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, Who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You; anticipate us with Your Grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will all through our life and at death's hour. Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children await Your final coming - that day known to You alone. And we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: Through His merciful Heart as through an open gate we pass through to heaven.
12. End with the Sign of the Cross.

PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Mary Brown
 Mary Crossley
 David Jayce Carey
 Courtney Chavis
 Therese Ferguson
 Hollis Fain
 Joe B. Forward
 Ella Mae Garrett
 Anna Garrick
 Beatrice Guillory
 Mark Mitchell Jr.
 James Mims
 Westley Popillion
 John Richard, Sr.
 Mormon Richard
 Alma C Thibodeaux



PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Arceneaux
 Mable Durio
 Alberta Fontenot
 Frances Freeman
 Debra Glaude
 Margret Green
 Peggy Green
 Myrtle Guillory
 Rena Mae Jenkins
 Celestine Johnson
 Calvin Johnson
 Stacy Johnson
 Rose Lee Johnson
 Lakeisha Guidry-Jones
 Leothus Jones
 John Milton
 Ruby Milton
 Bettye Odom
 Clayona Pilette
 Doris Robertson
 Brushelle Scott
 Richard Scott
 Robert Simmons
 Mary Ware
 Joe Ware

Vacation Bible School
Monday, June 18 thru Friday, June 22, 2018

Parents, you and your child, children and grand children are invited to attend. We are also asking for volunteer's to help with preparing food as well as classroom help. For more information please contact Sonja Popillion or Cecilia Davis.

ATTENTION EVERYONE

The Parish Luncheon for the next two months will be Sunday, April 15, and Sunday, May 20, 2018. Please make your schedules accordingly, we don't want to leave anyone out. This is a Parish Social Event and *All* is ask to attend.

Congratulation's

St. Mary Catholic School students were awarded for their prize-winning art and essays in the contest sponsored by the Lower Sabine Neches Soil and Water Conservation Board. Our 3rd Place winner is *Hannah Allison*. Great job Hannah, your success is our success.

OPEN CARRY & HOLY MASS' & DIOCESAN PROPERTY / BUILDINGS

Respecting the right of Texans to defend themselves and their families while at the same time being considerate of those who may be uncomfortable around weapons in the context of our sacred liturgies, Bishop Curtis J. Guillory, has instructed that weapons are not to be openly carried inside our churches during Holy Mass or at any other times of public worship. Peace Officers commissioned by local, state and federal agencies are exempt from this instruction. The bishop also instructed that weapons are not to be openly carried onto any parish and diocesan property or buildings. He reminds everyone that, by law, a licensed carrier may NOT carry a handgun, concealed or openly, on a school campus.

To all our sick and homebound THANK YOU so much for your unwavering commitment and contributions to our parish. To better serve everyone Fr. Donatus is available to visit *ALL* parishioners at the appointed time. However, Fr. Donatus has reserved the second and forth Friday of the month for the homebound.

The Easter Lily Offering

Rose Bottley & Shirley Ray in memory of
Maude Cayette
Elsie Jackson
Virginia Stieb

Richard & Brushelle Scott in memory of
James & Elfa Feathers
Amelia Feathers
Coley Wells
Barbara Watts
Leo & Elizabeth Jackson

Cindy Hampton in memory of
E'Remious Daniel Gus
Mary Blackwell Griffith
Sidney A. Gus
Sidney Gus
Albert & Della Thomas - GP
Richard Guillory

Joe & Mary Ware in memory of
Albert & Lucille Ware
Edward & Ernestine Broussard

Jacklyn Ware Johnson for Sammie & Tara Ware in memory of
Charles Ware

Franklin George Alexander in memory of
George M. Alexander

Jill Mosby in memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Baham
Mr. & Mrs. Mosby
Mr. & Mrs. Keys
Mr. & Mrs. Harrison

Ina Chavis in memory of
Earnest & Enice Vital

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Green in memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Nolan Antoine
Ms. Rosanne Frank

Gloria Richard in memory of
Willie & Caroline James
Caroline Popillion
Hilda Richard

Gary Mims in memory of
Elvina Mims
Dylinda Mims
Gary Mims Jr.

Bishop Faith Appeal
Goal : \$17,310 Paid:

It is time to begin our yearly commitment to our BFA goal for 2018. For any information please contact Shirley Ray at (409) 779-9922. We are look forward to the continued growth of our parish