

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2010

## **SCHEDULE FOR :** **April 25, 2010 – May 1, 2010**

Sunday	Sacrament of Confirmation	5:30 p.m. Mass
Tuesday	Pastoral Council Meeting Ministries Building	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Men of Mary Group Attend Mass/Recite Rosary	6:30 a.m.
Wednesday	No Children's Choir Practice	
Wednesday	Adult Choir Rehearsal Ministries Building	6:30 p.m.

Upon my return from vacation, I was saddened to learn of the death of Fr. Keith Milligan, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal Church here in Abbeville. I would like to encourage the parishioners of St. Mary Magdalen to pray for the repose of his soul, his family in their time of mourning, and for the congregation of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

## **DIOCESAN NEWS & INFORMATION**

### **UPDATE ON SEMINARIAN**

St. Mary Magdalen Seminarian David Hebert will be ordained a transitional deacon on May 23, 2010 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Lafayette. Mr. Hebert attends Sacred Heart School of Theology in Hales Corners, Wisconsin.

### **PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION**

Four men of the Diocese of Lafayette will be ordained to the priesthood on June 5, 2010. Please keep Rev. Mr. Corey Campeaux, Deacon Kendall Faulk, Rev. Mr. Johnathan Janise, and Rev. Mr. Jared Suire in your prayers as they prepare for ordination.

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

**Rev. Jules Speyrer**, retired priest of the Diocese of Lafayette, who passed away recently.

**Rev. Louis Lam Vu**, pastor of St. Joseph in Jeanerette, who passed away on April 16, 2010.

**Rev. Jeremy O'Neil, OSB**, of Mother of the Redeemer Monastery in Opelousas who recently passed away.

**Deacon Lawrence Jacobs**, of St. Francis of Assisi in Breaux Bridge, who recently passed away.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

*for the Week of April 26th—May 2nd, 2010*

**MONDAY: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10**  
**6:30 A.M.** Suzanne Noel (Ann.)

**TUESDAY: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30**  
**6:30 A.M.** M/M Charles E. Dill, Sr.

**WEDNESDAY: Acts 12:24-13:5a, Jn 12:44-50**  
**St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Mary deMontfort**  
**6:30 A.M.** Those who have no one to pray for them; Those who have passed away; Peter Thong Minh Tran; Leah Broussard; M/M Fernand Montagne; Therese & Luke Langlinois & Fly.; Dr. & Mrs. P.O. Landry & Fly.; ; M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; John Vidos; Joseph L. Broussard; Justin Broussard; Maria Quet Nguyen (Ann.)

**THURSDAY: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20 St. Catherine of Siena**  
**6:30 A.M.** Special Intentions

**FRIDAY: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6 St. Pius V**  
**6:30 A.M.** Joseph Long Bui & Maria Vui Do

**SATURDAY: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14 or Gn 1:26-2:3**  
**or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58**  
**6:30 A.M.** Ivy & Annie Matthews

### **VIGIL OF FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35**

**4:00 P.M.** M/M Murphy Libersat & Fly.; M/M Sam Guarino & Fly.; Mrs. Enid Guarino; Josephine Guarino; Jim Bouse; Justin & Jay Broussard; Nicole LeBlanc; E.J. Adams; M/M John Vigneaux; M/M Fernand Montagne; Jeannette M. Motty; Eleanor Bares & Fly.; M/M John Nugier; George Veazey Fly.; Dôminicô Giac Tran; Maria Quet Nguyen; Those who have no one to pray for them; Those who have passed away; Robie Russo; Whitney & Rita Bonin; Othon & Alma Trahan; Roger Sellers; Peter Thong Minh Tran; John Vidos; Joy P. Awwad; M/M Dicky Broussard; Ethel Crawford; Inez Faulk; Francis LeBlanc; Michael B. Faulk; Loretta Landry; Antonia "Ann" C. Sonnier; Lula Mae Meaux Broussard; Dolores Spees; M/M Francis "Chanky" Motty; Walton Sellers; Anna Lou Stelly; Joseph Long Bui & Maria Vui Do

### **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35**

**7:00 A.M.** Rosemary Sandoz  
**9:30 A.M.** Maria Tuyet Nguyen  
**11:00 A.M.** For the Parishioners  
**5:30 P.M.** Rev. Ignatius A. Martin

*The Blessed Mother Devotional Candle  
this week burns for Special Intentions.*

# Spiritual Life and Worship

## Please Pray for

Mrs. Louis Toups née Una Vincent  
who died recently.

## Banns

Monique Cassiopia Thibeaux and Matthew David Simon  
Tory Noel Turnley and Scott James Cormier

## Baptisms

Henry Pearson Bertrand, son of Roy Bertrand, III and  
Megan Elizabeth Pearson

Rylee Marie Hebert, daughter of Kevin Paul Hebert and  
Jaime Lynn Bouillion

Alexandra Eileen Puhekker, daughter of Joseph Todd Puhekker  
and Aimee Denise Minvielle

## Confirmation To Be Celebrated

*The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated  
Sunday, April 25 at the 5:30 p.m. Mass.*

The Most Reverend Michael Jarrell, D.D. will be the celebrant and the Voices of St. Mary Magdalen choir will perform for the ceremony.

## NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Any child who will be in the 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades this fall is eligible to become an altar server. If your child is interested in becoming an integral and important part of the celebration of the Eucharist, please call Mrs. Peggy Ashley at the parish office at 893-0244. Information needed is the child's name and grade in 2010-2011 school year, the parents' names, address and phone number. A training date will be scheduled in the near future. Please consider carefully this opportunity to serve at the altar of God.

## MASS FOR THE ELDERLY

Join the Diocese of Lafayette on  
**Sunday, May 2, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.**

**Place:** Immaculata Chapel, 1408 Carmel Ave, Lafayette  
**Reception:** Marian Hall

Families are invited to bring their elderly loved ones to this celebration in honor of senior citizens. A Mass with Bishop Jarrell will be celebrated along with a reception afterwards. Sponsored by the Diocesan Commission for Pastoral Elderly Care. Call 261-5545 for more information.

## A Musical Tribute To The Blessed Virgin Mary

As we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary next month, the Voices of St. Mary Magdalen Choir will present a musical tribute to Mary at every 11:00 a.m. Mass in May. When we hear the title Ave Maria (Hail Mary), most of us think of the famous setting by the nineteenth century Austrian composer, Franz Schubert-the setting we hear at many weddings and funerals. However, several composers throughout the centuries have been inspired to set this beautiful prayer to music. The choir and soloists will present five different settings of the *Ave Maria*, one each Sunday during the month of May at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

## DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVERS OUTING

*A day of prayer, reflection and fun!*

The Diocesan Office of Vocations will sponsor an Altar Servers Outing which will be held at **Teurlings Catholic High School on Saturday, June 12, 2010 from 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.** The day includes the celebration of Mass at 9:30 a.m. followed by many activities and games including a water-slide (proper attire needed). The day will end with reflection and prayer and a talk about priestly and religious vocations and ways to discern these calls. The event is free and lunch will be provided. Please call the parish office to register no later than Friday, May 21st. Parents and chaperones are also needed.

## MOTHER'S DAY OF REFLECTION

"What The World Needs Now Is Love Sweet Love" is the theme of the annual Mother's Day of Reflection. This year's retreat will be held on **Wednesday, May 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the Fusilier Auditorium, Immaculata Center Building, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette. Reverend Curtis Mallet, Pastor of St. Genevieve Church, Lafayette will be the speaker. He will celebrate a special Mother's Day liturgy at Noon. A delicious catered lunch will be served following Mass. Pre-registration is required by April 23rd. Due to limited space, registration will be accepted by mail only, first come - first serve. Registration fee is \$35.00 and includes lunch, supplies, and the following books for each participant: *The Four Loves* by C.S. Lewis and *Deus Caritas Est: On Christian Love* by Pope Benedict XVI. For more info. call 337-261-5653.

## HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER SERVICE AND MASS

The Diocese of Lafayette has planned regional prayer services and/or Masses to take place at the start of hurricane season which begins June 1, 2010. **The West Region will have a Mass at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 603 Main Street, Gueydan on Thursday, May 27th at 6:30 p.m.** An Ecumenical Prayer Service for the South Region of the Diocese will be held on Thursday, May 27th at St. Marcellus Catholic Church, 6100 Avery Island Road, New Iberia, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

# Community Life and Outreach

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses the weekend of April 24th and 25th.



## Search and Rescue Outreach Program

The primary focus is to identify any un-met needs among our own parishioners and offer materials and information to those who may have been away from Christ and his Church for sometime.

Volunteers are needed: men, women and children are welcome and can be effective in this outreach mission. Groups meet at the Ministries Building once per month. You do not have to commit to every month, but please try it once! Contact the parish office at 893-0244 for more information.

**When:** Saturday, May 1, 2010  
**Where:** Conference Room  
**Time:** 9:00 am-1:00 pm

## VC-CARMEL MAY FEST

Bring the whole family and join the fun. VC-Carmel May Fest takes place Friday, April 30th through Sunday, May 2nd on the VC-Mt. Carmel School grounds. Come enjoy a weekend of family fun, including games, prizes, art show, plants, Bingo, great food and live music. Raffle tickets will be on sale that weekend—Grand Prize \$7,500. Visit our website at [www.vrml.k12.la.us/mc/mayfest.htm](http://www.vrml.k12.la.us/mc/mayfest.htm) for a complete schedule of events. For more information, please call 898-0859 or 898-6636.

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP JULY 5TH – JULY 9TH

*“Cool Kingdom Party– Mary Leads Me Closer To Jesus”*

We need 25 more volunteers before we will be ready to fully prepare to accept 100 campers. Please pass the word that we need help (18 years and older, please). Without this help VBS will not be able to accept 100 kids.

**We need to have all volunteers signed up by no later than April 30th.** Please don't delay, call Kessie Thomas (892-7044) or Jenni Boudreaux (893-5962) or email us at [cajun-powerfamily@yahoo.com](mailto:cajun-powerfamily@yahoo.com). Last year was a huge success! Is God calling you to be part of that this year? Pray and ask Him and say “yes” to the call. Children of volunteers are guaranteed a spot in the program.

## SEMINARIAN BANQUET

St. Theresa KC Council will hold a Seminarian Banquet to help seminarians from Vermilion Parish. The banquet meal, including a guest speaker, will be held Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Theresa Holy Family Center in Abbeville. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available for purchase in the St. Mary Magdalen parish office.

## PRAISE ON THE PLAZA

*Friday, May 14 7:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.*

- The Young Apostles will sponsor Praise on the Plaza
- which will be a fundraiser to help defray the cost of Steu-
- benville. Come and enjoy live music, food, fun jump and
- more! All are invited to attend and admission is free. Con-
- ceptions will be also be sold. Bring your chairs and blan-
- kets and join us on the plaza for family fun.

## What has the Catholic Church done to effectively respond to sexual abuse by church personnel?

*The Catholic Church has done more to protect children than almost any other organization in the United States. Consider:*

- Safe Environment training takes place in 193 dioceses/eparchies of the country. Over 2 million adults have been trained to recognize the behavior of offenders and what to do about it.
  - Over 5 million children have been equipped with the skills to help them protect themselves from abuse.
  - Background checks are conducted on Church personnel who have contact with children. Over 2 million volunteers and employees; 52,000 clerics; 6,205 candidates for ordination have had their backgrounds evaluated.
  - All dioceses/eparchies have Codes of Conduct spelling out what is acceptable behavior.
  - All dioceses/eparchies have Victim Assistance Coordinators, assuring victims that they will be heard. In 2009, \$6,536,109 was spent on therapy for the victims of clergy sexual abuse.
  - All dioceses/eparchies have Safe Environment Coordinators who assure the ongoing compliance to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.
  - Bishops are meeting with victims.
  - Dioceses/eparchies have Healing Masses, retreats for victims/survivors and other reconciliation events.
  - There is a zero tolerance policy on abusers since 2002. If a credible accusation is made against a cleric, they are permanently removed from ministry regardless of how long ago the offense occurred.
  - Dioceses/eparchies require intensive background screening as well as psychological testing for those wishing to enter the seminary.
- The Catholic Church has worked hard to protect children. Much has been done but more needs to be done. Until child sexual abuse is no longer a part of society, the Church will continue its effort to stop it.*

# Christian Formation

## BAPTISM PROCEDURES

Parents preparing for the Baptism of a child must attend one of our Baptism seminars and complete the necessary paperwork before the Baptism can be scheduled. Parents are encouraged to attend the seminar while they are expecting the child, but you may attend after the child is born as well. Godparents are also welcome to attend our Baptism seminars but are not required to attend.

### BAPTISM SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Baptism seminars will be held on the *second* Monday of each month. The dates for the year 2010 are as follows:

<b>May 10th</b>	<b>September 13th</b>
<b>June 14th</b>	<b>October 11th</b>
<b>July 12th</b>	<b>November 8th</b>
<b>August 9th</b>	<b>December 13th</b>

All seminars are at 6:30 p.m. in the Ministries Building. Call the parish office and give names of parents, phone number, and date you will be attending.

### BRING TO THE SEMINAR-

~ If the baby has been born, bring the hospital record of birth (footprints or birth certificate), which lists the baby's name, parents' names, and date of birth.

~ If the baby has not been born, parents may drop off the certificate after the child's birth.

### SPONSORS' (GODPARENTS) PAPERWORK-

At the seminar, parents will receive paperwork and instructions for the sponsors to fill out and have signed by the pastor of the church to which they belong. Sponsors must meet the criteria specified on the sponsor form. Forms may also be picked up in the parish office prior to attendance at the seminar.

### SCHEDULING THE BAPTISM

The Baptism may be scheduled after attending the seminar and all proper paperwork is completed and turned in to the parish office.

*"The patient and humble endurance of the cross  
whatever nature it may be  
is the highest work we have to do."*

Saint Katharine Drexel

### **SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM 2010**

As part of the ongoing mission of the safety of our children the Diocese of Lafayette has approved the use of the **VIRTUS** Protecting God's Children Online Awareness Training. This is only for those volunteers who are in need of **Continuing Education**. Initial Trainings must still be attended in a live session.

To access the Protecting God's Children Awareness Training simply go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) click on the "Registration" link highlighted in yellow and select "Begin the registration process". The training module will take approximately one hour and email notification will be sent that you have completed the session.

### **DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN**

#### **"Show Me The Way"**

This retreat will provide the opportunity to share with other women who are discerning a vocation to consecrated religious life. We will have a vocations panel composed of sisters from different religious Congregations, prayer, talks and sharing. The weekend retreat will give you an opportunity to ask the sisters questions.

**Date:** May 7-8, 2010

**Where:** Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat House  
420 North Main St., St. Martinville, LA

**Age:** 16-30

**RSVP:** email [fatima@ols.org](mailto:fatima@ols.org) or 337-322-9983

**Deadline to register:** May 2, 2010

**What to bring:** Bible, journal, toiletries, towels and an open heart

**Cost:** Free, but space is limited so register early.

## **SAVE THE DATES!!!!**

### **SUMMER 2010 CCD PROGRAM**

### **JULY 12-16 TO JULY 19-23**

### **IMPORTANT CCD INFORMATION**

#### **Attendance Policy:**

For the St. Mary Magdalen Summer 2010 CCD program there will be no make-up opportunities. Diocesan policy requires a child miss no more than 2 days of CCD. Days missed (no more than 2) must be documented with a valid medical excuse.

If you know a child will not fulfill the attendance requirements of St. Mary Magdalen's CCD Program, one of three other CCD programs must be attended in it's entirety to avoid repeat of that grade level. This option will require, at time of enrollment, a letter of permission from the Pastor of your church parish.

St. Theresa CCD- June 7-18

Holy Rosary CCD- June 14-25

SMM CCD- July 12-23

#### **1st and 10th Grade CCD:**

These grades are very important in laying the foundation for the Sacramental year that follows. Therefore, attendance and a passing grade of 1st and 10th grade CCD is a mandatory requirement before moving into the St. Mary Magdalen First Communion and Confirmation Programs. Failure to attend, any absences without a valid medical excuse, and/or missing more than 2 days will result in delay of the Sacrament and repeat of 1st or 10th grade CCD.

For information about Sacramental programs, call Eileen and for information about CCD call Amanda, both at the parish office (893-0244).

# Total Stewardship and Development

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY

### **APRIL 19, 2010**

Regular Collection \$ 11,348.15

### **Second Collection:**

Bishop's Service Appeal \$ 2,330.34

*Thank You.*

### **This Weekend**

NO SECOND COLLECTION

### **Next Weekend**

INSURANCE COLLECTION

### Stewardship Thought

April 25, 2010

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*"My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me."*

*John 10: 27-30*

There are very few members or friends that we cannot identify by their voice. Jesus tells us that His followers hear His voice. Jesus also says He knows us. Jesus does not need to know our voice. He knows US! He knows what we need before we say it. But, do we know the voice of Jesus? And, what do we do when we hear the voice of Jesus? Do we hear the voice of Jesus in prayer, when we stop speaking and listen-listen for God's will for us. Do we hear the voice of Jesus in our family, our friends, and strangers-through the people and events in our lives. Jesus challenges us to be and to do all that God created us to be and do. When we hear ourselves saying, "No, I don't want to love that person or take that risk or challenge that evil, we probably just heard from God. How do we respond as stewards of our prayer life and all that God has given us? Our first response may be "No!" Our final response must be "Yes Lord!"

Some of the vessels used during the celebration of Mass have been tarnished and scratched over the course of time. The process to repair the finish is to have them re-plated. We have also located the six old catafalque candles which were used before the Second Vatican Council for funeral rites and Requiem Masses. In those years whenever the bodily remains were not present a bier was placed in the aisle of the church and six candles adorned in black and silver were reverently placed around it. We found the old catafalque candles in the attic of the tool shed. They have been repaired and returned to their original brass nodes and bases. The pipes of the candles have been painted a beautiful almond color. We hope to use these candles which have a better height on each side of the tabernacle on the high altar.

The following items have been donated as memorials. We thank those individuals for choosing to honor their loved ones in this way.

#### **Incense Boat and spoon**

In memory of *Ronnie Mouton*

by Nell Dean Roberts, Brenda Mouton and Keith Mouton

#### **Ciborium**

In memory of *M/M Leo Mouton and Don Mouton*

by their children, Nell Dean M. Roberts, Brenda Mouton, Keith Mouton and the Ronnie Mouton Family

#### **Torch Holder and Stand**

In memory of *Senia Broussard* by Wilda Broussard

#### **Torch Holder and Stand**

In memory of *Alan Sonnier* by M/M Kim Broussard and family

The following items are still available if anyone would like to offer a memorial donation.

2 chalices (used at weekday Masses)

\$250 each

1 patten

\$100

Six catafalque candlesticks

\$2,400 for the set or \$400 each

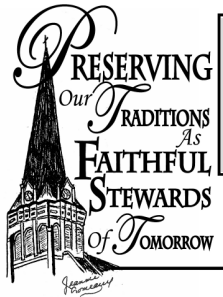
There are three crystal cruets which are used for the holy oils. These cruets can be donated as a memorial to a loved one also.

Oil of Chrism cruet \$200

Oil of the Sick cruet \$200

Oil of Catechumens cruet \$200

# Management and Finance



## *St. Mary Magdalen Parish Capital Campaign*

### CAMPAIGN OPERATIONAL CHAIRS:

Pat & Vickie Patout and Charles & Mary Ellen Sonnier  
Brady Broussard, Jr. Chairperson of Stewardship and Development Commission  
Contact Peggy Ashley at the Campaign Office at 893-0244.

**Total gifts and pledges in Phase II**  
**\$ 2,013,100.66**

### **Individual Church Pews** **\$1,800 each**



Pews have been refinished, cushions have been added for comfort and to help with acoustics.

**During the past week, more pews have been memorialized through donations to the campaign.**

### **Other Memorial Opportunities**

We have chosen to highlight two of the remaining memorial opportunities this week. There are other opportunities such as the altars, the pulpit and the rails that are still available. Please contact Peggy Ashley in the campaign office at 893-0244 if you would like additional information.

### **Donation Options**

Any gifts given to the campaign can be given in memory of a loved one. Donations to the campaign may be given in the form of a one time gift or can be pledged over a three year period. If you choose to make a pledge, you can choose payment plans such as monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. The campaign office will send you envelopes each quarter which can be used to send in your payments either by mail or by dropping them in any collection.

### **Donation Acknowledgements**

As a permanent record for the parish, all donations to the capital campaign will be listed in the Capital Campaign Donations book. When the campaign is complete, all donations will be listed in the book in their appropriate locations. Donations for specific items (for example – pews) will be listed in the section for pews. This book will be displayed at parish celebrations.

Memorial opportunities are still available. Memorials may be pledged over a three year period. To reserve a remaining memorial please contact Peggy Ashley at the campaign office at 893-0244. Memorials are available on a first come, first serve basis.