

APRIL 26, 2015

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. — 1 John 3:1



MASS INTENTIONS

SUN. APR. 26	10:00AM	†MASS FOR MRS. CORA NOEL (ANNIV. OF HER DEATH) BY MR. HANK NOEL & CHILDREN <i>ALSO</i> †MASS FOR MRS. LENORA YOUNG BY LEMONS & YOUNG FAMILIES
TUES. APR. 28	5:30PM	†MASS
WED. APR. 29	8:00AM	†MASS
THURS. APR. 30	5:30PM	†MASS
FRI. MAY 1	7AM-5PM	†ADORATION
SAT. MAY 2	8:00AM	†MASS
SUN. MAY 3	10:00AM	†MASS FOR MR. & MRS. JAMES W. SAMPSON & MRS. BETTY MACK BY MR. & MRS. EARL SANDERS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK: Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14 Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS — This Sunday (April 26) a special collection for Catholic Home Missions will be taken in our parish. The Appeal primarily supports home mission dioceses, that is, those dioceses in the United States that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. The Diocese of Alexandria is considered a “mission diocese” and receives funding from this appeal. Please consider giving to this appeal.

MARRIAGE PREP WORKSHOP — The next one-day marriage prep workshop, Strong Foundations Marriage Preparation, will be held Sunday, **May 17 from 9 a.m.-5p.m. in the Family Center at Sacred Heart Church in Pineville.** Couples may register at www.comprehensivetherapygroup.com. For more information, call 318-792-9940.

EXTRA-ORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY — Pope Francis has declared the celebration of an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, beginning **Dec. 8, 2015** (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception) and ending on **Nov. 20, 2016**, (Solemnity of Christ the King). The papal bull was

made public on April 12, (Divine Mercy Sunday) the feast day instituted by St. John Paul II and celebrated on the Sunday after Easter.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH (CLOUTIERVILLE, LA) ANNUAL FAIR — Will be held on **Saturday & Sunday, May 2 & 3, 2015.** Fair opens Saturday at 8am. Lunch begins at 11:00a.m. — Barbeque, Gumbo, Meat Pies, Hot Tamales and Sweets. **Mass is at 4 pm. Prize Bingo** will start after Mass. **Trail Ride** begins at 5:30pm & is \$5 per rider. The **DANCE**, featuring DJ “Doc” Couty starts at 9pm with admission: \$5 in advance/\$7 at the door. **On Sunday** — **Lunch** will be ready at 11am, fried turkey with all the trimmings. **Poker run**, also the **money bingo** begins at 1:00 p.m. (cover all) \$450.00 or consolation prize of \$100.00. **Country store** will be open both days. Come and browse and enjoy family and friends. The **RAFFLE** of cash and prizes will end the festivities. **For general information, contact Shirley Chevalier at (318) 379-2231 any Wednesday or Friday.**

REFLECTIONS

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally referred to as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Today we listen to the words of the Lord as he refers to himself as the “good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep.” It is sometimes so difficult for us to grasp the reality that anyone would lay down his or her own life for the sake of someone else. This is especially true in a society that places high value on power and personal advancement, often at the cost of “trampling” on other people in order to climb the ladder. Today’s scriptures point to the one we are called to emulate—the one who lays down his life for his sheep. Today’s scriptures challenge us to discover ways to bring life to those around us—to build up rather than to tear down. *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

ADORATION—7 AM –5 PM FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2015.
COME SPEND SOME TIME WITH THE LORD.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS — PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ALL MEMBERS WILL PRAY THE ROSARY ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 3RD. THE ROSARY BEGINS AT 9:15 A.M.

LEGION OF MARY PRAYER MEETING — **EVERY THURSDAY AFTER THE 5:30 P.M. MASS IN ST. JOSEPH HALL.**

ST. JULIANA ROSARY HOUR— Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Conference call. **Phone 712-432-5610. Access Code 1783#.** All are invited, just call in.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK MEMBERS



OUR SICK MEMBERS — MSGR. FREDERICK LYONS, JACKIE LACOUR, ELIZABETH LACOUR, JANICE REED, THERESA BYNIC, DIXIE ROBERTS, MONIQUE COLEMAN, MYRTIS WEBB,

CLIFTON GUILLORY, DOROTHY TURNER, DIANE DIXON, JOHNNY WRIGHT, HAZEL GREENHOUSE, MARY FONTENOT, ALMA RACHAL, DEBRA RACHAL, KATHLEEN HUDGINS, WESLEY GUILLORY, VIVIAN COLE, HERMAN DIXON & ELA DIXON.

ATTENTION: If you or someone you know are ever in need of a ride to Mass please call the Rectory at 445-6700. Transportation will be provided for you.

PARISH CALENDAR

Adoration: 1st Friday of each month —7:00am—5:00pm

Altar Society: 4th Sunday in September-May after Mass

C.C.D.: Every other Wednesday 6pm-7:30pm in months September-May

Parish & Finance Councils: 3rd Thursday of each month—6pm

Children’s Choir Practice: 3rd Saturday of each month — 10:30am

Knights of Peter Claver Council #268: 1st Friday of each month at 6:30pm

Ladies Auxiliary Court #268: 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00pm

Jr. Daughters Meeting Court #268: 1st Sunday of each month after Mass

Bereavement Ministry: 3rd Tuesday every other month at 6:00pm

Legion of Mary Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Praesidium — Every Thursday at 6:15 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall.



MONEY COUNTERS

APRIL 26 — WINSTON BELL, YVONNE LEMONS, CHARLES KELLER & RUTH KELLER

MAY 3— ANGELA LEE, SYLVIA KING, ROXANE BARNES & DOR-ETHA COWAN

USHERS



APRIL 26 — CLEVELAND OBEY (CAPTAIN) CHARLIE BAKER JR., HOWARD STULL, LAWRENCE LACOUR & GARY DAVIS

MAY 3 — PAUL DESSELLE (CAPTAIN) CHARLES JOHNSON SR., SYLVESTER JONES, THOMAS ROQUE & TOMMY MILO

IN-SERVICE MAY 3, 2015

MASS 10:00 A.M.

LECTOR: ROXANE BARNES

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: PATRICIA HICKS, BERYL CHESSER & LYNN LEMOTT

ATAR SERVERS: AMANI BROWN, ANYA BROWN & FANTASIA BANKS

CHURCH CONTRIBUTION

(APRIL 19, 2015)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>O/(S)</u>
Parish Support (Weekly)	2,914.00	3,147.56	233.56
Parish Support (YTD)	122,388.00	134,271.37	11,883.37

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!