



# Easter Sunday

March 23, 2008

When Christ your life appears,  
then you too will appear with him in glory.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure  
**Our collection for this past weekend was \$7,869.40.**  
(For 2006-2007 our average weekly expenses were \$7,360.00.)

**Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Lawrence & Hester Babineaux**  
**By: The Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren**



## Prayer for Easter

O God, by your power and might, you smashed the bonds of sin and death to raise Jesus to life. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to roll away the stones of discouragement and despair so that we might receive new life in Jesus Christ, our Savior. As we have died with him in Baptism so we seek to live with him, both now and forever. Deepen our joy as we celebrate these days of Easter, and strengthen in us the conviction that we need not fear anymore. Amen. Alleluia!

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15  
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18  
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35  
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48  
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15  
Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9;  
Jn 20:19-31

What does the Church say about Catholic Social Teaching in the Public Square?

**Key Theme #2: Call to Family, Community, and Participation.**

The family, based on marriage between a man and a woman, is the fundamental unit of society. This sanctuary for the creation and nurturing of children must not be redefined, undermined, or neglected. Supporting families should be a priority for economics and politics, in law and public policy—affects the well-being of individuals and of society. Every person and association has a right and a duty to participate in shaping society to promote the well-being of individuals and the common good.

**First Communion Parent Meeting**  
*to pick up work books* is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 26th at 7:00 PM** in the St. Peter Claver Room of St. Charles Chapel.

**Senior Citizens** will meet at Thensted Center on Friday, March 28th at 10:00 A.M.

## Activities of the Week March 24 - March 30

M	24	4:30 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T	25	6:00 PM 7:30 Chimes Choir Practice
W	26	7:00 PM 1st Communion Parent Meeting
TH	27	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
F	28	10:00 AM Senior Citizens meet at Thensted

### **Minister Schedule-March 29-30**

**Vigil** -Lector Jim Burleigh & Deborah Alpough  
Communion Barbara Burleigh, Dyanne LeBlanc,  
Mills & Jackie Vautrot, Janice Fox  
Altar Server Nicholas Smith

**7:30**-Lector Cerie Dubroc & Lawrence Edmond  
Communion Deacon Sam Henry, Melba Courtney  
Paul & Lolita Henry, Amy Lowery  
Alter Server Carlie Pierre

**10:30**-Lector Simon Broussard & Mary Claire Trant  
Communion Lorraine & Naomi Marks, Julia Key,  
Norman & Flo Carroll  
Altar Server Morgan Boone, Andrew Smith,  
Rose Cutting

### **Church Cleaners for March 29-30**

Lou Santillo Susan Dugas Amy Lowery  
Margaret & Mike McClendon

**Friends Day** will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2008 at the Community of Jesus Crucified, 421 1/2 Carmel Dr., Lafayette, La. The day begins at 9:00 AM and ends at Noon. Everyone is invited to attend.

Does gardening give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you and your spouse lovingly planted the seed of a lifelong relationship. A **Marriage Encounter Weekend** will give you the tools you need to help your marriage grow and blossom. Upcoming Weekend dates are: April 11-13 in Eunice, June 20-22 in Slidell, July 11-23 in Lake Charles, August 22-24 in Baton Rouge. For more information call 1-800-586-5469. Please visit our website at <http://geocities.com/wwmebatonrouge>

**Pilgrimage to Alabama.** Our Lady Queen of Peace Church is sponsoring a pilgrimage to Birmingham, Cullman, Hanceville & Irondale, Alabama; Thursday, **April 10-Sunday, April 13, 2008.** Pilgrims will visit the EWTN studio, the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of the Angels, Saint Bernard Monastery, and the Ave Maria Grotto. For more information, call 291-1933.

## **Easter Sunday**

**“For they did not yet understand the Scripture that had to rise from the dead.”**

### **John 20:9**

Simon Peter and John rushed to the tomb after Mary Magdalene told them it was empty. They had spent the past three years with Jesus; watching as he healed the sick; drove out demons; raised people from the dead; and was transfigured in the presence of Moses and Elijah. They knew Jesus on a first name basis. Now they are confronted with the most important and revealing event in the history of the salvation of mankind—the Resurrection. It would take two visits by Jesus to the apostles locked in the upper room and a meal he served them on the shores of the Sea of Galilee for them to begin to believe Jesus was truly risen. Our own faith in the Risen Jesus is constantly tested. As good stewards of that faith we must continue to grow in our awareness and appreciation of all that our Triune God has done for us. We must learn and love Scripture and Tradition. Our desire should be to get to know Jesus, Our Risen Lord, on a first name basis.

### **Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House**

announces the following Retreats Scheduled:

#### **Mid-Week Retreats for Women**

June 30-July 2, 2008

November 3-5, 2008

#### **Weekend Retreats for Women**

May 1-4, 2008

September 11-14, 2008

May 8-10, 2008

September 17-8-21, 2008

May 29-June 1, 2008

October 16-19, 2008

August 7-10, 2008

November 13-16, 2008

#### **Married Couples Retreat**

June 27-29, 2008

October 24-26, 2008

#### **Personally-Directed Retreat**

September 4-7, 2008

For information and to register, call 662-5410.

### ***I AM RISEN***

*I am risen, and I am always with you, alleluia; you have placed your hand upon me, alleluia; you wisdom has been shown to be most wonderful, alleluia, alleluia.*