



Easter Sunday

April 12, 2009

**I shall not die, but live, and declare
the works of the Lord**

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure
Our offertory collection for last Sunday was \$7,3698.04.
(For 2007-2008 our average weekly expenses were \$6,509.00.)

**Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Odile & Martin James
By: Henry Family**

PARISH IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

We have begun to construct a covering over the driveway at the handicap entrance of our church (the door of the north-wing area). This would give protection from rain for the elderly, for funerals, and for emergency vehicles. We plan to make this covering match the architecture of the church, and the final details of the work are now being decided. Our hope is to begin construction before the end of March.

A related project is to enlarge the parking space on the north side of the church. It has become clear that we need more parking around the church. We have already begun to fill in low areas and have set up a one-way flow of traffic through the present, limited parking space. We would like to extend the parking area down towards the cemetery. This will require grading, a crushed rock cover, and a new entrance ramp. This project may take some time to complete, but we would like to move it along as soon as possible.

A conservative estimate for the cost of the two projects is \$25,000. In this Bulletin announcement I appeal to all who would like to make a special contribution for these improvements. In a couple of weeks we will begin a series of second-collections on Sundays to raise funds. If you wish to contribute please designate your offering for the "Improvement Projects".

Thank you for your generosity. I look forward to completing these improvements to our church.

Fr. Jim Lambert, S.J.

Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated at the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass on **Saturday, April 24th**. Persons of any age who are chronically ill, and elderly persons (even in good health) can receive this sacrament for healing, and for the Lord's help in bearing the crosses of diminished energies. The sacrament will be celebrated during the Mass.

On Sundays, April 26 & May 3rd, the 10:30 AM Mass will be celebrated in **St. Charles Chapel**.

First Communion Masses will be in the Church at 11:00 on these two Sundays.

Family Fun Day: Thensted Center's Annual Fair is **Sunday, May 3rd; 8:30-5:00**. Barbeque pork and chicken dinners are \$6.00. Bingo begins at 11 AM. Come out for plants, sweets, trash & treasures, children's games and health fair. We are greatly in need of monetary donations and bingo prizes. For further information call the Center at 662-5838 or come by to purchase your dinner tickets.

Activities of the Week April 13-18

M 13	4:30 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 14	6:00 PM Chimes Choir Practice
W 15	
TH 16	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice
FR 17	
SA 18	

Minister Schedule-April 18-19

Vigil -Lector	Mildred Rubit & Jim Burleigh
Communion	Deacon Sam Henry, Juanita Comeaux, Gerry Richard, Mildred Boast, Ada Barry
Altar Server	Nicholas Smith & Maddie Jenkins
7:30 -Lector	Patrick Miller & Stephanie Richard
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Ruby Gardiner Gary & Cheri Dubroc, Theresa Cormier
Altar Server	Taneshia Cormier, James Charles Carlie Pierre
10:30 -Lector	Denise Moore & Barbara Broussard
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Andy & Kim Dakin, Keith & Ginger Myers
Altar Servers	Lauren & Lindsey Bourque, Amand Olivier

Church Cleaners for April 18-19

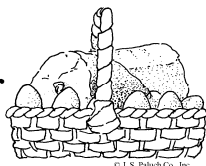
Bernadelle Thibodeaux Juanita Comeaux
Wilbert & Margaret Thomas
Leola Guilbeau Betsy Douglas Valerie Pyle

Our Lady of the Oaks is offering a live-in retreat for adults 55 years and over. Arrival time is at 5 PM on Monday, April 20th and departure after the noon meal on Wednesday, April 22nd. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee you a room if you fail to arrive by 5:15 on April 20th. A donation of at least \$25 must be brought to Thensted Center no later than April 10th. Please make checks payable to Thensted Center. Attendance is limited to first come first serve. For further information call Thensted Center at 662-5838.

The **Ladies Auxiliary** will be turning out on Sunday, April 19, 2009. Following Mass, the Ladies will hold their monthly meeting in the KPC Hall. All ladies are urged to attend the meeting. We will have coffee & juice and discuss business. Thank You.

Man-to-Man Catholic Men's Conference
Saturday, April 18, 2009 8:30 AM-4:30 PM
CajunDome Convention Center, Lafayette, La.
Keynote speaker is Coach Dale Brown; Guest Speakers are Jesse Romero and Dr. Ray Guarendi. Registration is \$50. Registration at the door or register and pay online at www.mantomancc.com.

Blessing
of Easter
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PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST

On Easter morning everything--the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music--everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today's scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia!"

In the scriptures today we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive and active in our lives?

Announcement from Bishop Michael Jarrell

In recent months, some confusion has arisen concerning the status of Christ the King church located at 510 Northwest Evangeline Thruway in Lafayette. It is my duty to inform all Catholics that Christ the King Church is not in communion with the Catholic Church. It possesses no canonical status in the Church, and therefore its priests do not exercise legitimate ministries in the Church. Catholics who wish to remain in communion with the church are not to participate in services at Christ the King Church, except in those rare circumstances provided for in Church law. One's pastor should be consulted. Catholics who wish to celebrate the sacraments according to the older extraordinary form (in Latin) are invited to attend the Latin Mass, which is fully approved, at St. Peter Catholic Church in Carencro on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. The separation among Christians is a sad, but real condition in our world. Let us all pray and work appropriately in a true spirit of ecumenism for a day when all followers of Jesus will be fully united in faith and practice.

The same judgments and the same directives apply to Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel in Shuteston (near Lewisburg) and Saint Philomena Chapel in Morse.

24th Annual Etouffee Festival 2009

Little Flower School Grounds—Main Street
Arnaudville, La. On **April 24th, 25th & 26th**
Benefit of St. John Francis Regis Catholic Church.
Silent Auction, Carnival Rides, Bingo, Games for Children, Great Food and Live Music and more.