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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 20, 2008

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure
Our collection for this past weekend was \$7,966.44.
(For 2006-2007 our average weekly expenses were \$7,360.00.)

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Evelyn Haure
By: Hubert & Jane Boss

Altar Flowers

April 26-27 Flower Fund—First Communion

For this Sunday and next, April 20th and April 27th, our 10:30 AM Mass will be celebrated in St. Charles Chapel. First Communion Mass we be at 11:00 AM in St. Charles Church. There will be 3 groups making First Communion; one on April 20th; one on April 27th and one on May 11th at Christ the King Mission.

Altar Society Meeting is scheduled for **April 20th** at 3:00 PM in St. Philippine Duchesne Room

RICE COOKER—Thensted Center is asking to borrow 5 large rice cookers (23 Cups) for the Fair dinners If you can loan us one, we would be most grateful. Please call 662-5838.

There will be a **Teen Ministry Meeting** in the Chapel Conference Room on **Monday, April 28, 2008** at 7:00 p.m. If you are 14-17 and would like to join, please show up at the meeting. We will discuss summer activities and fundraising efforts. For more information, please call Paula L. Jordan at 351-4532.

The **Teen Ministry** is sponsoring a **Puritee Wear** fundraiser through May. Puritee Wear offers clothing and jewelry items with Christian phrases and scripture. Please pick up a business card on the table at church entrance and browse the website.

Prayer for First Communion

LORD JESUS, bless all those who are receiving you in Holy Communion for the first time. May each one of them know your love and mercy in a personal way. May all your people open their hearts to receive you that they might be transformed by your love.

Thensted Center **Annual Fun Day Fair** is scheduled for **Sunday, May 4, 2008** 8:30 am-5:00 pm. Pork & Chicken Dinners are \$6.00; Bingo, Plants, Trash & Treasure and lots of fun. *We are in need of:*

Monetary donations, Bingo Gifts, Sweets for the sweet booth. For more information and to purchase dinner tickets, contact the Thensted Center at 662-5838.

Activities of the Week April 21-April 27

M	21	4:30 PM Vigil Mass	Choir Practice
		4:00 PM	Evangelization Meeting
		7:00	Knights of KPC Meeting
T	22	6:00 PM	7:30 Chimes Choir Practice
W	23		
TH	24	5:45 PM	10:30 Mass Choir Practice
S	27	11:00 AM	First Communion Mass

Minister Schedule-April 26-27

Vigil -Lector	Darryl & Kalina Cormier
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Jo Burleigh, Dyanne LeBlanc, Gerry Richard, Jackie Savoie
Altar Server	Nicholas Smith
7:30-Lector	Pemella Williams & George Ramier
Communion	Joe Landry, Ruby Gardiner Theresa Cormier, Amy Lowery Stephanie Richard
Alter Server	Carlie Pierre
10:30-Lector	Barbara Broussard & Janice Fox
Communion	Deacon Sam Henry, Polly Etienne Lorraine & Naomi Marks, Julia Key
Altar Server	Lauren Bourque, Hunter Myers Brenton Smith

Church Cleaners for April 26-27

Kandy Boss Gloria DeValcourt Velma Boss
Larry & Jean Janise

The **Grand Coteau Rx Screening Center** is now open on **Thursdays** from 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are available to answer your questions regarding eligibility for free prescriptions and complete the application process if you are eligible. Please stop by or call the screening center on Thursday mornings at 662-5271. The volunteers are eager to assist you.

If any Eucharistic Minister mistakenly picked up a *large* PYX, Please return to the Church. It belongs to our Home Mass Kit.

MOTHER'S DAY REFLECTION

This year's retreat will be held on **Wednesday, May 7th**, 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Fusilier Auditorium, Immaculata Center Building, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette. Rev. Neil McNeil will be the guest speaker. He will also celebrate a special Mother's Day liturgy at noon. Lunch will be served following Mass and the afternoon presentation will be a treat for all in attendance. Pre-registration is required by April 25, 2008. Due to limited space, registrations will not be accepted at the door the morning of the retreat. Registration fee of \$15 includes lunch. For more information, please call the Office of Family Life Ministry at 261-5653.

THE WAY

Today we sense the apostles' trepidation as they begin to realize that the Lord would soon be leaving them. In their fear, they ask, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" (John 14:5). Jesus tells them that he is the way. The Easter season has been a time of growing in Easter faith so that we, too, may learn to know that Jesus is the way. We can take comfort in the Lord's promise that he is going to his Father's house to prepare a place for us, his chosen people who have been called out of darkness into God's wonderful light. As the paschal candle continues to burn during this holy season, let us remember that in baptism we were given the light of Christ. With Christ our light as the beacon lighting our way, let us march toward the glory of Pentecost.

Angel Food Ministries

The Thensted Center would like to bring Angel Food Ministries to Grand Coteau-Sunset-Bellevue and the surrounding area. Angel Food is not based on income. There are no applications and no qualifications. Anyone interested can take part. The program offers a chance to buy quality foods at an affordable cost. Angel Food is available at \$30 per unit. Each month offers a different menu and consists of both fresh and frozen items with a retail value of \$40-\$60. There are no second-hand, damaged or out-dated goods. At this time we are trying to determine if there is enough interest in the program to move forward. For more information about the program, the website is: www.angelfoodministries.com If you are interested in taking part in the program, call the Thensted Center at 662-5838.

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

Key Theme #6: Solidarity.

We are one human family, whatever our national racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Our Catholic commitment to solidarity requires that we pursue justice, eliminate racism, end human trafficking, protect human rights, seek peace, and avoid the use of force except

23rd Annual Etouffee Festival, 2008 is scheduled for **April 25th, 26th & 27th** on Main Street in Arnaudville. Live Music, Carnival Rides, Silent Auction, Games and lots of Etouffer! Benefit of St. Francis Regis Catholic Church.