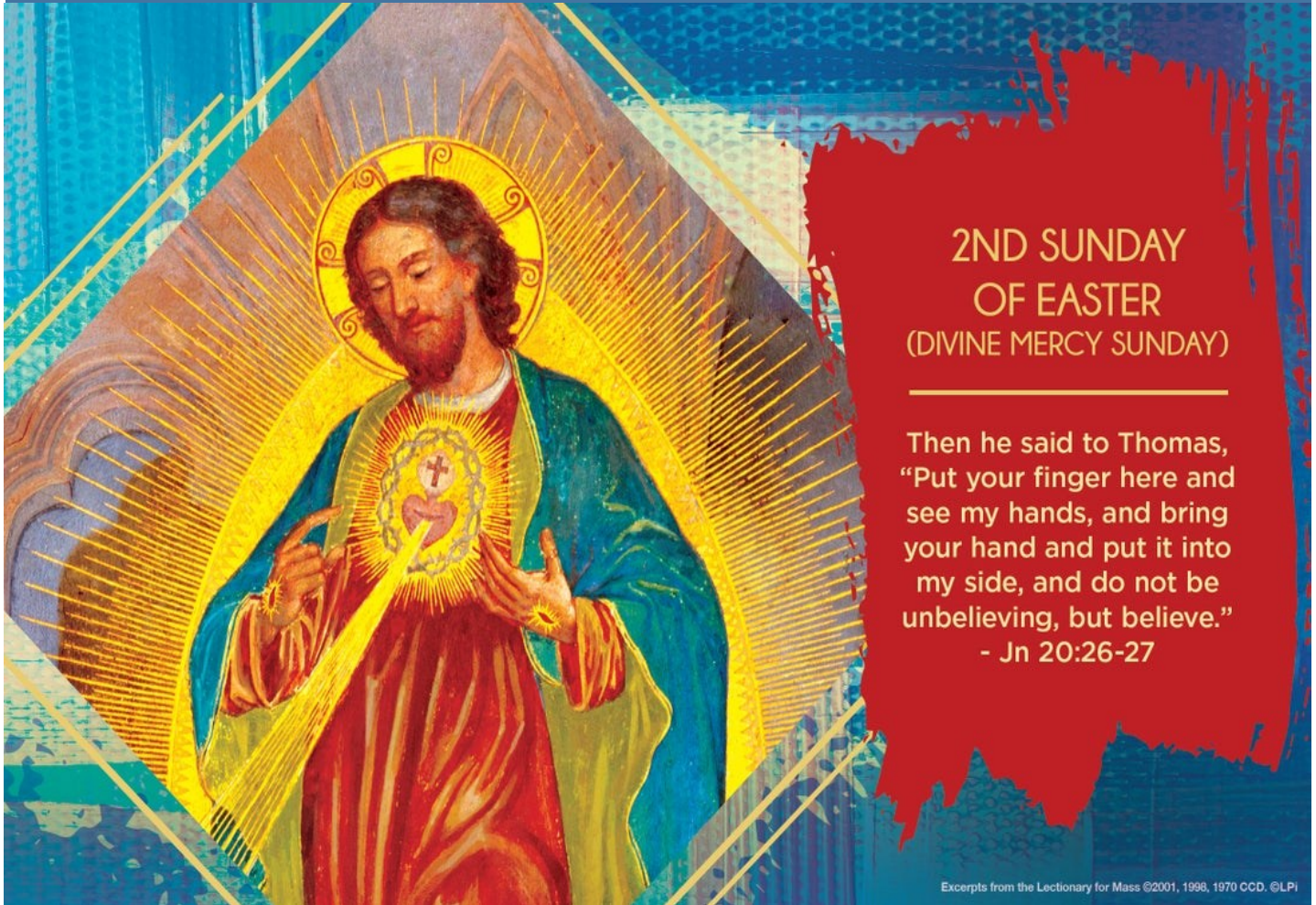




Sacred Heart of Jesus

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Then he said to Thomas,
“Put your finger here and
see my hands, and bring
your hand and put it into
my side, and do not be
unbelieving, but believe.”
- Jn 20:26-27

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00A.M.—12:00P.M.,
1:00-3:30P.M. Closed for Lunch Noon—1:00P.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays, 7:00A.M.— 6:00P.M.
held in the Souby Baptistery

LITURGICAL SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 4:30P.M.
Sunday: 8:00A.M., 11:00A.M. & 6:00P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES: *Monday No Mass*—
Tuesday— Friday 6:30A.M. Saturday: 8:30A.M.

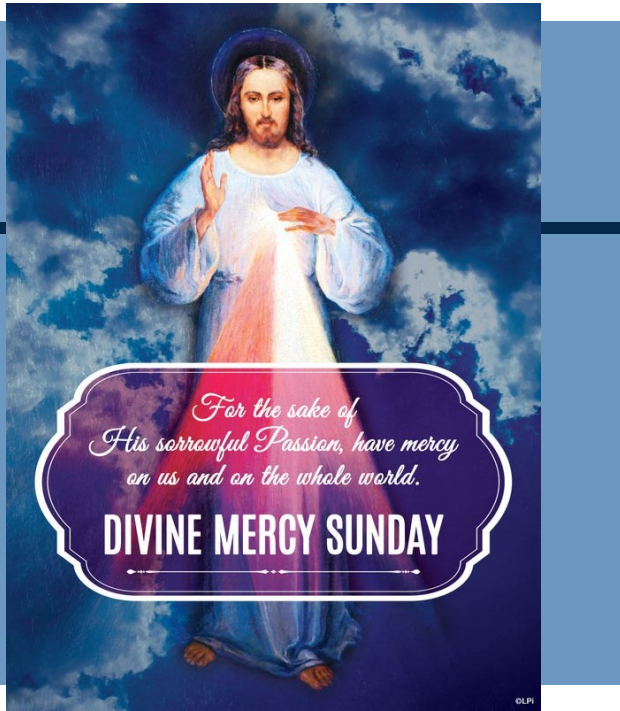
FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA
Tuesday at 6:30A.M.

CONFESSIONS: Tuesday-Friday 6:00A.M.,
Saturday-8:30A.M. & 3:30-4:20P.M., 30 minutes before
all Sunday Masses and by appointment.

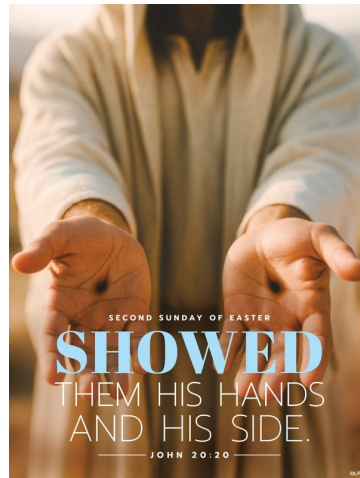
ROSARY Wednesdays, 7:00A.M.
Sunday— Saturday 4:00P.M. (Church)

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



Readings for the week
April 12, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21



LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR
THE WEEK
How does Christ prove himself to Thomas? Not by his face or his words, but by his wounds. So, when we look for God to show Himself in relief or in triumph, we must remember the wounds of Christ. This is where we find our salvation.

Divine Mercy Blessing

Dear Jesus,
May your mercy flow over us, filling our gaps and healing our wounds.
Open our hearts more deeply with knowledge of your love for us, understanding of the depth of your passion, and trust in your never-ending mercy. Amen.



April 11-12, 2026

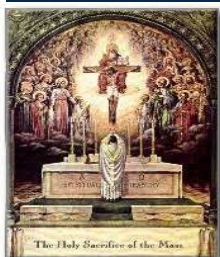
Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.— Susie Myers
Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Rebecca Pye,
11:00a.m.—Rochelle Bergeron, 6:00p.m.—
Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30p.m. Susie Myers
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Rebecca Pye,
11:00a.m.—Rochelle Bergeron, 6:00p.m.—
Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Jovita Compton
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Constance Wallace,
11:00a.m.—Pete Boudreaux, 6:00p.m.—Dean Listi

the
RESCUE
project

Tuesday, April 14
Final night

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

The **second collection this weekend** is for the Parish Maintenance Fund.
Thank you for your continued support of this important fund!~



Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary before Mass

O Mother of devoted love and mercy, most blessed Virgin Mary, with all my heart and all my affection I take refuge in you, though I am a poor and undeserving sinner. You stood by your most dear Son as he was hanging on the cross. Stand mercifully by me, poor sinner though I am, and by all the priests who today offer this sacrifice, here and in all our holy Church. With the help of your gracious presence, may we offer a sacrifice that is right and acceptable in the presence of the most high and undivided Trinity. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, weekday, April 11, 8:30am: Pro Populo

Saturday, Vigil, April 11, 4:30pm: Vera & Charles Dupuis, Frank & Corinne Mula, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Santo & Stella Rousso, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Charles Gowland, Sr., Bill & Eloise Gowland, Martin, Deshotel, Prince, & Lacour Families, Joe & Bet Cefalu, David Duplantis, Maridel & Robert LaBauve, Jan Covington, James Kullman, Sr., T.R. & Elaine Naquin, Joe Parsiola, Agnes R. Robicheaux, Ramona Kullman, Rafael Basas, Mary & James Groves, Mary Michel, Dulce Hernandez, James Boudreaux, Mary Eues, Marvin Compton.

Sunday, April 12, 8:00am: Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Luc/Perle Family, Donald Luc, Sr., Steve Luc, Sheldon & Claire Bergeron, Lisa B. Bergeron, Dulce Hernandez, Carol Ackerman, Guage Blandry Fam. **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Hugh & Nell Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, A.J. Cannata, Marian & Richard Romaine, Charles Gowland, Sr., Donald Loupe, Pat McCleary, Dulce Hernandez, JoAnn Wynn, Michael Brocato & Fam., J. A. Garcia Fam. **6:00pm** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Streva Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary, Bridget Arcemont, Mary Eues, Ramona Kullman, Donald Zweigle.

Tuesday, April 14, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Charles Gowland, Sr., John & Stella Mula, Anthony Cannata, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C. J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Bonnie Landry Mashburn, Edward J. Naquin, Sr.

Wednesday, April 15, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, Carl & Glenda Streva Fa., L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, Mary Eues.

Thursday, April 16, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Family L/D, Bet & Joe Cefalu, David Duplantis, John & Stella Mula, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Gerald Blanchard.

Friday, April 17, 6:30am: Patrick Bergeron, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Pat McCleary, Dulce Hernandez, Carol Ackerman.

MASS INTENTIONS: A single mass intention is \$3.00



~~~ *In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.*

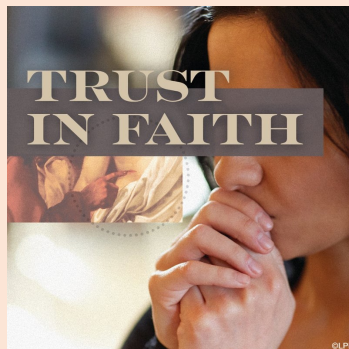
*In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*

### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's first reading, the four activities of the earliest church are introduced to us as priorities of the church: devotion to the teachings of the apostles, communal fellowship, the Eucharist and prayer.

The early members of the church saw themselves as devoted stewards of these activities. These were not options. They were the fruits of a genuine conversion to a life in Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist was the most intimate expression of fellowship, while the most common expression of fellowship in the New Testament was that of sharing financial resources – giving. It was not a perfect community, but one that gave evidence of God's active presence in its midst.

This early community offers us an excellent example of how to better exercise stewardship in our own parish families.



Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.



## Angel of God

my guardian dear to whom His love commits me here  
ever this day be at my side to light and guard to rule  
and guide. Amen.

### PRAY FOR... PEACE,

Protection from Floods and Storms, Caregivers,



Huan Tran, Kathryn Stadalis, Stephen Giroir, Beulah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verret, Rodney Frederick, Donna Henry, Ross Rock, Brittany Thomas, Dalton Dupree, Noah Fryou, Tara Trahan, Ashley Ribardi, Deanna Rome, Jimmy LeBlanc, Dale Hubert, Pat Rock, Barbara Breaux, Stacy Giroir, Eston Roger, Robbie & Kacie Toups, Janet Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Lelia Johnson, Nicki Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Beadle, Killian Mabe, Joan Judycki, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Katy Bourgeois, Ina Clarke, Leonard & Priscilla Scully, Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jeansonne, Charlie Solar, Sr., Karen Duhon, Barbara Olson, Jahmarla Guidry, Laine Mosher, Aceson Alleman, Catherine Thibodeaux, Scott Barbier, Martha Guillory, Will Lapoint, Edwin Bergeron, Jason Theriot, Evie Herrington, Mac Perce, Yvonne Zweigle, Bryson Plaisance, Betty Ross, Nedra Giroir, Rachel Adams, Ave Ross, Elijah Carter, Valerie Streeby, Larry Guillory, Anna Broussard, Margie Aucoin, Gentry Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Perce, Layla Giroir, Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Patty Fontenot, Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Renee Harper, Warren Landry, Louis Tamporella, Tammy Richard, Elliot Prejean, Kattie Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Ashia Starling, Mary Ann Adams, Kay Olds, Franklin Pierce, Marlene Pierce, Brent Gravois, Ava Carpenter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Jim Mestepey, Ryan, Willie Mae Lewis, Earline & David Gastins, Elias Dupree, Peggy Perry, Keely Price, Steve Sealine, Robbie Sword, Mary Price, Austin Courtney, Jerry Trosclair, Danny Chiasson, Kenneth Hope, Max Anderson, Jeanne McCloy, Keelan Arbuckle, Louis Chaisson, Dr. Conrad Poe, Billy Lamar, Audie Taquino, Sabrina Gaspard, Billy Giordano, Catherine Bourdier, Brenda Landry Lamartiniere, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois, Zachary Daniels, Christian Smith, Kim Stansbury, Cindy Dupuis, Gloria Canova, Karlie Brasseaux, Merlin Boudreaux, II, Debbie LeBlanc, Cosmo Christopher, Ann Eastburn, Laura Vice, Nolan Bernucho, Anne Murray, Philip Dural, Kent Ledet, Jr., Avery Compton, Claire Smith, Betty Keeling, Stephanie Broussard, Rita Duplantis, Sandra Mensman, Ward Mensman, Glenn Thibodaux, Takeshia Dixon, Russell Vicknair, Lester Beam, Fern Giandelone, Gertrude Prestenbach, Ida Mae Perce, Joseph Mensman, Edmond "Eddie" Guidry, Jr., Spenser Kron, Dr. "Chip" Metz, Everett J. Prestenbach, Dianne Broussard, Annette Landry, April Kindred, Donna M. Credeur, Cynthia A. Wiltz, Mark Landry, Chris Sunseri, Mary Trosclair, Jason Dugar, Peggy LeBlanc, Jennifer Beckett, DPG., JB, BW, Myra White, Amanda Marie Fitch, Mary Darce, Carol Lajaunie, Keisha Foret, Karen Schaedel, Lawrence Giroir, Candace Canty Foster, Jim Firmin, Mena Leonard, Niece Opperman, Richard Brasseaux, Sheryl Doiron, Larry Mayon, Sr., Bill & Carol Krogg, David Morrow, Maison Mitchell, Thomas Beckett, Jr., Bridget Paton, Steve Verret, Weston Keller, Kathy Taylor, Neil Loupe, and All those in Nursing Homes.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



U.S. Armed Forces and  
All who serve & protect us,  
Craig Bourdier, Ryan Bourdier,  
Andrew Bourdier, Joseph Johnson, V,  
Mathew Young, Luke Zweigle,  
Draven Smith, Brian Hartman,  
Ory Arcemont, Ryan Hunter,  
Cameron Case, Carson LeBlanc,  
Matthew Tregle, Tanner Richards,  
Johnathan Villegas, Brandon Daigle,  
Brycen Verdin, Ethan Blanco, Zan Alcino,

Matthew Domangue, Stephen Hope.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please send your prayer intentions  
to shsecretary@htdiocese.org or call the rectory 385-0770 and we will  
include them in our daily prayers.



**STEWARDSHIP: 3/29/2026**  
**Regular Collection: \$5,979.00**  
**Maintenance: \$290.00**  
**Online: \$151.88**

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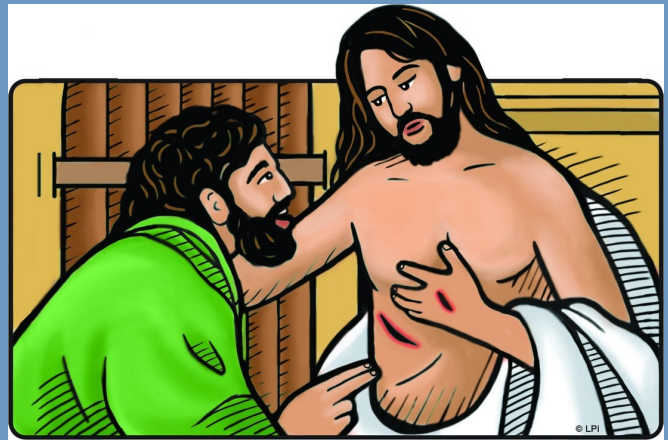
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## Children's Corner



Sharing the Gospel The disciples must have been very surprised when they saw Jesus alive again. They got to see him, listen to him, and touch him. We don't get to see him like the disciples did after Easter. But Jesus calls us blessed when we believe in him. One day we'll see him again in heaven.



Prayer + Jesus, I can  
hardly wait to see you  
in heaven.

Draw a picture of Jesus smiling at you from  
heaven.

Mission for the Week Tell a friend  
why Jesus is special to you.



**BAPTISMS:** Saturday or Sunday. Church Baptism Application should be turned in before the baptism seminar. BOTH parents AND Godparents MUST attend a baptism seminar held on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:00PM in the Gallen Room . Please register by calling the church office.

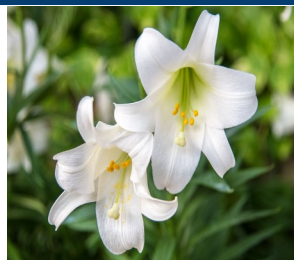
**WEDDINGS:** Couples should make an appointment with the parish priest at least six months in advance.

**ANONING OF THE SICK:** Call the rectory anytime at 385-0770.

**COMMUNION IN THE HOME/HOME VISITS:** Call the rectory at 385-0770.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** If you or someone you know would like to be visited in the hospital, call the rectory at 385-0770.

To request a Parish Registration Form, call the Rectory at 385-0770 or [shsecretary@hdiocese.org](mailto:shsecretary@hdiocese.org)



**EASTER –**  
A joyful season for those who are the “Light of Christ”

For those who exercise good stewardship of their Catholic faith, this April is the happiest, most joyful of months for it ushers in the great Easter season – a season of profound hope and joy. During the Easter season, which extends 50 days, from the Easter Vigil Mass of Saturday evening, April 4 to the Vigil Mass of Pentecost Sunday, on Saturday evening, May 23, Christian stewards are exhorted to celebrate and be joyful, for our Savior is with us.

*“Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father” (Matt. 5:16).*

### Maintenance Update within the Parish

- The baptistery repair has been completed and it is just as beautiful as before.
- New brighter lights have been installed in front of Dalton Hall.
- The church bell tower screens will soon be repaired.
- St. Joseph Hall soon to get new gutters and downspouts.

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**  
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Within Thy Wounds

The prayer I love best in the world is the [Anima Christi](#). This private, devotional litany of supplication, begins with the phrase “*anima Christi, sanctifica me*” (“soul of Christ, sanctify me”) and continues on to appeal individually to each aspect of Our Lord’s crucified flesh: “*Body of Christ, save me; blood of Christ, inebriate me; water from Christ’s side, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me; Oh good Jesus, hear me.*”

Then comes my favorite part: “*within thy wounds hide me.*”

The Anima Christi is a prayer traditionally said after receiving Holy Communion. The ancient Celts spoke of *liminal places*, where the veil separating this world from the next is particularly thin, and I believe the moments immediately following the reception of Holy Communion, when the Host is dissolving on my tongue, create a liminal place. When I am in that place, I am as intimately connected to God as I can be while my heart is still beating.

And when I am there, holding God within me, what are the words that I speak? It’s overwhelming to think about. What could possibly be right to say?

There is no right or wrong answer, I suppose. But the best words I can think of are these: “Within thy wounds, Lord, hide me.”

There is a reason Christ showed his wounds as he said the words, “Peace be with you.” It was not just a means of identifying himself — it was a catechism lesson. *Here*, he was saying. *Here is the peace you will not find anywhere else.*

### Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People

**Reporting Numbers:** To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the LA Department of Children & Family Services (24/7) 1(855) 452-5437. **Outreach line for victims of sexual abuse by church workers.** If you suspect child abuse by clergy, church officials, church employees or volunteers, please also contact the Victims' Assistance Coordinator (985) 850-3172 and Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line (985) 873-0026.

