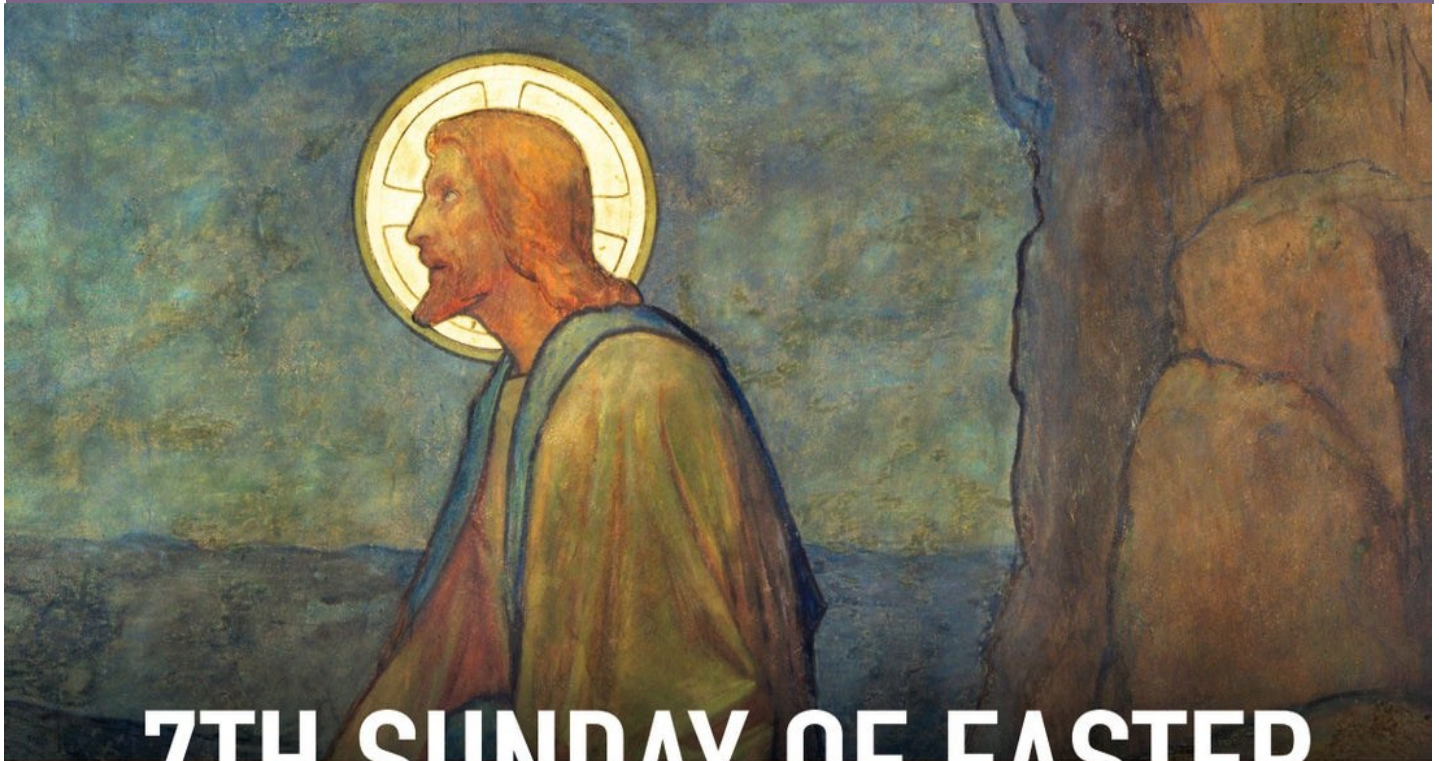




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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you.'" John 17:1

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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.

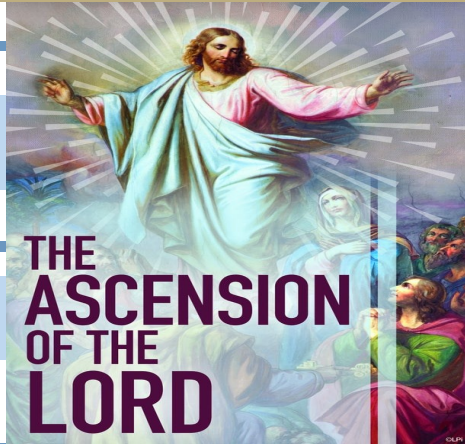
FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

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

CONFESSION: 30 minutes before all Masses and
by appointment.

ROSARY Wednesdays, 7:00A.M.
Sunday– Saturday 4:00P.M. (Church)
Church is open 5:30am-6:30pm Sunday-Saturday

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



Liturgical Ministers

May 16-17, 2026

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.— Maureen Alfred
Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Gail Dupuis,
11:00a.m.—Brenda Besse, 6:00p.m.—Marcia Bergeron
Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Donna Bourg
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Gail Dupuis,
11:00a.m.—Larry Besse, 6:00p.m.—Marcia Bergeron
Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Dean Listi, Sr.
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Constance Wallace ,
11:00a.m.—Pete Boudreaux, 6:00p.m.—Peggy Gowland

Readings for the week
May 17, 2026



Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9/
Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd,
6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-
36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-
10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn
21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20
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LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Eternal life, Jesus tells us, is about knowing God. It's not about power or accomplishment. It's not earned or won. It's not a prize, and it's certainly not a finish line. It's a relationship — one that is ours to begin. How will we know God this week?

Month of Mary and the Holy Rosary



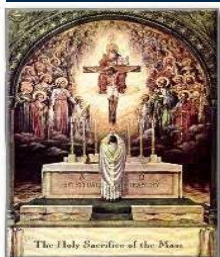
Throughout the month of
May the Holy Rosary is
prayed at 4:00p.m.
outdoors in the
Lourdes Grotto
Sunday-Friday and
Saturdays in Church.
Please join us!

Blessing for Communications

Dear Jesus,
On this World Communications Day, bless each of us as we communicate, whether by conversation, email, text, post, letter, or phone. May our words bring peace, comfort, healing, promise, joy, and love. May we bring your blessing wherever we go. Amen.



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, May 16, 8:30am: Pro Populo

Saturday, Vigil, May 16, 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, James Boudreaux, JoAnn Wynn, Robert Bacon, Alice Shannon, Gloria Canova.

Sunday, May 17, 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, Carol Ackerman, Leonard Weber, JoAnn Wynn, Amelia Benavides. **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, Michael Brocato & Fam., Gil Besse, Glynn Rozas, Joe Parsiola, Agnes Robicheaux, J.A. Garcia Family. **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, The John Family, Mary Eues, Annie Keton, Carlette Holloway.

Tuesday, May 19, 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, Helen Laughlin, Dalton G. Dupree, Alvin Ackerman, Rev. Andrew Souby,

Wednesday, May 20, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, Carl & Glenda Streva Fa., L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, Beadle-Dugas Fam.

Thursday, May 21, 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, Earl Laughlin, Sr., Gerald, Garnette Listi, Listi-Theriot Fam.

Friday, May 22, 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., Carol Ackerman, Mary Eues.

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.*

### Mission Appeal May 23-24

Please welcome **Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Mezza** who will be representing the Catholic Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania / East Africa and speak at all the weekend Masses May 23-24. Fr. Emmanuel holds LLM (Human Rights) from St. Augustine University Mwanza, Tanzania and is a bona fidei priest from Tanzania. He was ordained a priest in 2006. Since his ordination, Fr. Mezza has done parish ministry, legal and educational activities in several parts of Tanzania. Since July 2024, Fr. Mezza has been a graduate student in Communication and Rhetorical Studies at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA and is in residence at Epiphany Catholic



Church, Pittsburgh, PA in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. The mission needs of our diocese are many, but currently we are very challenged to meet the tuition fees for our diocesan major seminarians who are now in formation and studies in our national Philosophical and Theological seminaries. Any help we can get from this mission appeal (MCP 2026) will be of vital in supporting the formation of these fine young men who will soon move on into priesthood. We can't thank you enough for your consideration in this. Your generous financial and spiritual help will make a difference.

**Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal in the Second Collection on May 23-24!**



### Father Brett Out of the Parish

Fr. Brett will be on vacation from May 19-28. Please keep him in your prayers for a safe, restful, and relaxing week.

## 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 Verrett, 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 Streey, 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 Vico, 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, Elenora Brasseaux, Leilani Durapau, 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, Tyler Walker McCullough,  
Cesar Rodriguez, Shayne LaCoste.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

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



**STEWARDSHIP: 5/3/2026**  
**Regular Collection: \$6,169.00**  
**Maintenance: \$5,183.00**  
**Online: \$663.00**

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## Children's Corner



Sharing the Gospel Jesus prayed for his friends. He knew they were a special gift from God. Jesus was patient with them. He taught them about God. He cared about his friends and forgave them from his heart. Everything that Jesus did showed what God was like. Be a friend like Jesus. Care for your friends like God does.

Prayer + God, thank you for my friends. Help me to treat them like you would.

Draw a picture of you with your friends.

Mission for the Week The next time you talk to God, pray for each of your friends. Ask your friends to pray for you, too.



**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.

**ANOINTING 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](tel:385-0770) or [shcsecretary@hdiocese.org](mailto:shcsecretary@hdiocese.org)

You can also visit the rectory between 8:00A.M. and 3:30P.M., Monday through Friday.

## REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

We hear how the Apostles gathered in prayer with others (including Mary) in Jerusalem shortly after Jesus' ascension into heaven. When do you find yourself being called to prayer?

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Peter teaches that we may suffer insults and ridicule for our belief in Jesus. Have you ever been insulted by others for your faith?

### Gospel Reading

We hear Jesus praying for us to his heavenly Father. Have you ever prayed for Jesus in prayer?

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## Loyalty, Explained!

Pope Paul VI, in *Ecclesia Suam*, considered "loyalty, perseverance and self-sacrifice" to be the distinguishing marks of a Christian in a modern world that increasingly embraces relativism.

"The follower of Christ is not pliant and cowardly, but loyal and strong," he wrote.

The virtue of loyalty is closely linked to the virtue of obedience, wherein we freely submit ourselves to rightful authority. As Catholics, we are called to be loyal to our bishops, to Scripture and Tradition, to the teaching authority of the Church (the Magisterium), and to the Christian way of life.

Loyalty is distinct from admiration for a person or institution, and even from respect. Admiration and respect can be rightfully earned and rightfully lost. Virtuous loyalty does not swerve from its object, and it flows forth from the one who gives it.



## 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.

