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April 21st, 2019: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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Parish Council
Bill Schaffer Jason Poiroux
Jim Jackson Autumn Bowden
Jack Wright Jay Graham
Finance Council
Paula Dyess Paullette Cauley
Carol Voss

MASSES
Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M.
Wednesday 7:30 A.M.
Thursday 7:45 A.M.
Friday 7:45 A.M.
Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Weekdays by Appointment
Saturday 4:30 P.M.
Sunday 9:30 A.M.

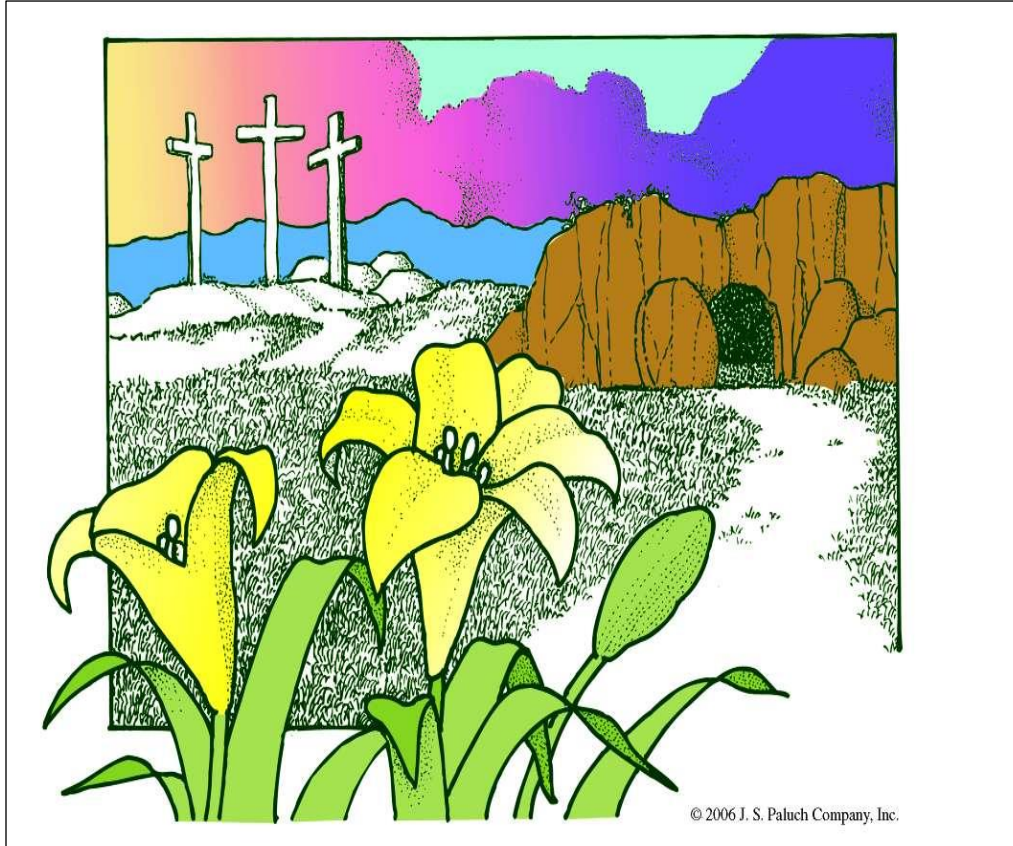
BAPTISM: By Appointment

MATRIMONY: Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass and every 1st Wednesday at 5:30 pm

Funerals
Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.



Easter Sunday
Today's Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or Luke 24:1-12

WITNESS AND PROCLAMATION
Imagine, if you will, someone coming to you and saying, "I have something to share with you, something too wonderful to hold back, something that, quite possibly, you will not believe. You may even want to kill me after I say it. I know this, and yet I must speak." Peter, in today's first reading, is driven to bear witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, even though he knows that he will be rejected and suffer for it. When we hear about Peter, filled with the Spirit and with Easter joy, proclaiming the Good News, we hear what we, the baptized, must do as well. In the reading from Colossians, St. Paul reminds us that resurrection is not just a solitary event, but a continuing part of our lives. Because of our baptism, we live anew and are raised with Christ in glory.

WITNESS AND EXPERIENCE

John's Gospel captures the flavor of the Easter morning experience. Picture Mary coming to the tomb in the dark. Feel her confusion, her fear as she discovers that the tomb is empty. Nothing in her life could have prepared her for this moment. Yes, Jesus had told them that he would rise again, but how could they have understood? She runs to Peter, heart pounding, tears flowing. Peter and the beloved disciple dash to the tomb, confused and fearful as well. It is Peter who goes in first: Peter, the rock of the church of Christ. He holds the burial cloths in his hands. They stand in the empty tomb, silent. They don't understand yet, but they know that life has changed in a way that they had not thought possible. Their heads swim in confusion, but their hearts burn with the fire of the Spirit. Can it be true? Has Jesus indeed risen?

We, too, have stood with Mary, Peter, and all the disciples in the empty tomb, filled with fear and foreboding, yet also with Spirit-enflamed hearts pounding. The power of Easter joy can temper our fears and take us from the tomb out into the world, where we must spread the Good News: Christ is risen!

Known April Birthdays

4 th : Bobbie Poiroux	20 th : Colleen Gray
7 th : Michael Kirchoff	23 rd : Michael Bray
9 th : Brandon Cauley	24 th : Caroline Moser
10 th : Avery Schmierer	25 th : Bailee McCall
11 th : Mary Holland	26 th : Cameron Schilling
11 th : Kristen McCall	26 th : Deacon Graham
13 th : Frank Church	27 th : Gennie Garrett
19 th : Abbi Stringfellow	28 th : Martha Delmas
20 th : Katherine Poiroux	29 th : Deborah Sema
20 th : Jay Ramsay	30 th : Ruth Riddick
20 th : Aaron Poiroux	30 th : Kyle McBride

Known April Anniversaries

1st: Veronica & Reggie Stewart
7th: Mildred & Joe Smith
7th: Julia & David Schmierer
23rd: Kathy & Steve Sema
29th: Ann & Jim Jackson
29th: Autumn & Scotty Bowden

Pray for the special intentions of those serving in the

Armed Forces: Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish: Anna Weber, Pat Borne, Pat Marchand, Addie Thompson, Chris Potter, Kenney Smith, , James Cauley



Danny Moroy, Father Joseph (Jogi) Chacko, Larry Davis, Linda Langlinais, Msg. Warren Wall, Houston Gunn, Tom Thornton, Mike Knowles, Ruth Pigorsch, Lynda Jones, Daryl Driskell, Steve Sevier, Ida Clark, Penny Dupont, Sara Thornton, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Dr. Allen Roberts, Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Doug Jones, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloechener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Bobby McManus, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Linda Graham, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Joe Ecker, Glenn Boney, Aubreigh Nichols, Ann Vick, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders, Cora Grigsby, Patricia Davis, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Alice Skutack, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Rachel Vallas, Harrand Broussard, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Becky Thompson, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Roger Young, Leyah White.

Easter Flower Donated by the Lady's Sodality

Additional Flower money was donated in memory of:
Ellen Thompson, Richard Arnold, Carla Medders, Mickie Paris, Maurice Poiroux, Mary Poiroux, Gerald Brannan, Phillip Brannan, Kooper Brannan, Mr. & Mrs. L. P. Jones, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. N. F. Brannan, Jerry Jones, Grant Jones, Mary Johnson, Herman Johnson, Sr., Jeanne Wheeler, Ronald Lyons, Sr., Willie & Vivian Dawkins, Judie Dawkins, Anna Webber, Riley G. Jackson, Agnes Jackson, Steve Sema, Sr., Evelyn M. Robison & deceased members of the Waters, Flanigan, Sema & Robison families

Daily Mass intentions

Mass Intentions for the week of 04-20-19 thru 04-26-19
20th: -- For the eternal repose of the souls of all deceased members of the parish
21st: -- Mass for the intentions of all members of the parish
23rd & 24th: -- For the eternal repose of the souls of Robert Vick, Emily Voss and Dennis Vick by Carol & Mark Voss
25th & 26th: -- For the eternal repose of the souls of Mary & Maurice Poiroux, Stanley & Noretta Busby, Irene & J. P. Sessions and Alisha Sessions by Judy & Philip Poiroux

Weekend of April 27 & 28, 2019

Mass Ministers:

EMCH:	5:00 pm Sat.	10:00 am Sun.
	Linda Graham Daryl Kirchoff	Aimee Sprinkle Willie Thompson
Lectors:	Kathie Sema Steve Sema	Tiffany Teofilo Carol Voss
	Altar Servers:	Volunteer
Ushers:	Steve Cauley	Mike Marchand
	Kevin Cauley	Mike Courtney
	Chuck Pierce	Avis Garrett
	Wayne Jackson	Tom Thornton

Altar Care & Church Cleaning

Altar Care: **April 2019**
Ruth Pigorsch

Church Cleaning: **April 27 & 28, 2019**
Adele Logan & Tiffany Teofilo

Stewardship for April 7, 2019

Regular: \$3, 863.00
Maintenance Fund: \$200.00
Missions: \$129.00

Youth and CRE Schedule for 2019

Sunday April 28th – Practice for First Communion
Sunday May 5th – First Holy Communion

Come Celebrate God's Divine Mercy Sunday with the Pilgrim Servants of Mary's Prayer Group on April 28th at 1 pm at "Our Lady of the Bay Home" of Terry and Karen White, 9935 Wells Rd North, St. Elmo, AL 36568. Our hostess this year is Yolanda Long.

Homebound Mass Filming:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place April 23, 2019, and will be filmed at St. Maurice in Brewton, AL. Mass time will be 11:00 am and Father Pat Madden will be celebrating the Masses and he would like to invite all Catholics to come out and help make this Mass special for the homebound.

Nursing Home Outreach:

Every First Friday of the Month there is a Mass celebrated at the Grand Bay Convalescent Home at 10:00 A.M. **Join US!**

House Blessings

We highly encourage **House Blessings**. Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.

Events/Announcements for Week of April 20, 2019

- 1) **Parish Council** will meet on Thursday, April 29th, at 6:30 p.m.
- 2) **Finance Council** will meet on Thursday, April 29th, at 6:00 pm.
- 3) **Please check the "Daily Mass"** schedule on page one of the bulletin for correct Mass times and check page 2 for those "Mass Intentions."
- 4) **A "special thanks"** to everyone who helped to make the "Holy Week" services special by decorating, serving in a ministry and by participating. May you have a very special holy and blessed Easter.
- 5) **Spring Bible Study Program:** Please join us for our Spring Bible Study Program starting Monday, April 29th at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. There will be 4 classes on Monday's - April 29th, May 6th, May 13th, May 20th where we begin to learn about Catholic Biblical "Apologetics". Bring your bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church as we begin our journey into understanding our faith based in Scripture.
- 6) **Set June 23rd as an important date:** Everyone needs to set Sunday, June 23rd as a day to not miss Mass at St. John the Baptist. We will be celebrating the feast day of St. John the Baptist, the Patron Saint of our parish on that day since his feast is actually Monday the 24th. We will be celebrating a home coming for all the catholic families in our parish and welcoming home those who have not been celebrating with us on a regular basis. We want to welcome everyone home!
- 7) **Continue to turn in your registration forms.** We have had a very good response to our request that everyone fill out a new registration form. If you have not turned one in, please do so as this is going to up get our records current and up to date. Put them in the basket on the table to your right as you go out of the church. Thank you.
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