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#### Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

..Saturday, 5:00 pm St. Augustine .... ...Sundav. 10:30 am

Mission: St. Anne:.... ...Sunday, 8:15 am 3659 Old River Road, Natchitoches, LA 71457

\*Holy Day's of Obligations & All Special Celebrations

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In 1931, a young Polish nun named Faustina Kowalska saw Jesus appear with rays of mercy emanating from his heart. He asked that an image of his divine mercy be venerated on the Sunday after Easter Sunday, which had long been associated with the final day of the Octave of Easter. On April 28, 1935 nearly exactly ninety years ago-



Divine Mercy Sunday was celebrated for the first time with a completed painting of her vision of the merciful Lord. In 2000, Saint John Paul II decreed that this feast be made official worldwide.

Our readings challenge us to recognize the risen Lord's presence. In Acts, people from all around Jerusalem recognize the Lord's healing powers working through Peter, the disciple he left as head of the early church. John, the author of Revelation, recognizes the Lord in his visions. Thomas only recognizes the risen Lord when he sees him in the flesh, but then believes at once. Let us marvel at the strong faith of these early Christians.

Where and when do I recognize Christ's wounds in the body of Christ? What can I do to heal those wounds?

#### Mass Schedule

Apr 26 Saturday 5:00 pm +Ruby M. LaCour, +Lena & +Floyd Rachal & +Ronald Prudhomme, Andrew

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Apr 27 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families, +Andrew Balthazar & +Theresa Bayonne

Apr 27 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Apr 28 Monday No Mass **Readings:** Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Apr 29 Tuesday 6:00 pm Ronald Prudhomme **Readings:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Apr 30 Wednesday 6:00 pm +Chad Jones **Readings:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 May 01 Thursday 8:00 am +Ethel Roberts

**Readings:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

May 02Friday 8:00 am +Todd Roque

**Readings:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

May 03 Saturday 9:00 am 1st Saturday

+Nolan Jones, Sr., Nazy LaCour, Lizzie Mae Metoyer, + +Lawrence & +Frances Meziere, +Laura Meziere, & +Benedict LaCour, Jr. **Readings:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

May 04 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families, +Andrew Balthazar, +Sammie Longlois &

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May 04 Sunday 10:30 am

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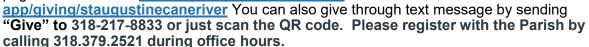
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	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Minis- ters of the Eucharist
Sat Apr 26 5:00 pm	Bridget Metoyer	Donald Balthazar David McGraw	Anita Evans
Sun Apr 27 10:30 am	John Scott	Barry Antee Patrick Jones II	Rebecca Jones Tiffany Roque
Sat May 03 5:00 pm	Doretta O'Brien	John Coutee Kenneth Metoyer	David McGraw
Sun May 04 10:30 am	ACTS	Keith Sarpy Glenn Sers	Henry Rachal John Scott

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# Men's Prayer Group meets every Sunday @ 9:30 am

First Communion will be held on Sunday, April 27 @ 10:30 am Mass. Those receiving the First Holy Eucharist are: Anne Michael DeBlieux, Ava Nichole Demery, Jeremiah Doyle, Daniel Rister, Jr., Nevaeh Rister, Carson Daniel Roque, Keith Keoki Sarpy, Jr., Olivia Sylvia and Rosalie Francis Yazdani.

Please congratulate them. Special thanks to the CCD Director & Teachers.



The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith

you have given us in your son,
Jesus Christ, our brother, and the

flame of charity enkindled in our

hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawak-

en in us the blessed hope for the

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the

seed of the Gospel. May those

seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when.

with the powers of Evil van-

eternally.

ever. Amen.

quished, your glory will shine

May the grace of the Jubilee

heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our

Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally

blessed, be glory and praise for

reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of

coming of your Kingdom.

**PARISH CARE MINISTRY** - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Carroll Poche, Henry Llorence, Jr., Cynthia LaCour, Lizzie Metoyer, Sister Stephanie Langston, Fr. William Gearheard, Theresa Roque, Hillery Peter Narcisse, Anna Marie Christophe, Maxie Christophe, Marty Vienne, Janet Jones, Samuel Christophe, Sr., Leland & Gussie LaCaze, Mona Beaudion and Joyce Conant.

High School Seniors interested in applying for the **St. Joseph Scholarship** must have their applications in by May 10th 2025. The \$1,000.00 scholarship is open to students attending four year institutions. Contact Chris Sylvia at 318.554.9237 or <a href="mailto:csylvie@att.net">csylvie@att.net</a>

**April 27** This week we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/home-missions">www.usccb.org/home-missions</a>.

**Easter Prayer**: "Today, as pilgrims in search of hope, we cling to you, Risen Jesus. We turn our backs on death and open our hearts to you, for you are Life itself." *Pope Francis*, 2020

Please welcome those who completed OCIA and were welcome into the Church community at the Easter Vigil: Jonathan Antee, Daniel Rister, Jr., Nevaeh Rister, Cinderella Theresa Rodriquez, Karen Flick Eugene, Shelby Lynn Eugene and Jeanette Smith.

May 3 & 4, 2025 — St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Cloutierville, LA May Fair begins on Saturday at 4 pm. Please come out and join us for great food and family fun.

## **April 27 Divine Mercy**

- \* The Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Natchitoches, LA Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm followed by Adoration.
- St. Anthony of Padua, Natchitoches, LA Adoration @ 2:00 pm and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm

# Thanks to everyone that helped to make St. Anne Fish Fry Fundraisers a success!

#### **Annual Diocesan Appeal**

The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism....that people place their gifts, their resources—their selves—at God's service in and through the Church." Prayerfully consider supporting your parish by weekly contribution and the diocesan church by contributing to the Annual Diocesan Appeal.