



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

April 9, 2017

God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. – *Philippians 2:9*

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading – Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm – Psalm 22

Second Reading – Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel – Matthew 26:14-27:66



Edna Leary (Karla Luke's mom), Jessica Bigi & Dawna Perlick (Mary Ann Humphery's nieces), Rita Reed, Raymond Brewer, Matthew Develle, Evelyn Durst, Linda Fitzgerald, Missy Goodman, Corey Granier, Julie Harkins, Helen Machost, Louis Ray Martin, Robert Perlick, Bill Rush,

Diana Sanders, Hazel Sanders, Tom/Brenda Steen, James Wink 4/9; Patsy Wilkerson, Debora/John Mc Donnell, Peggy Harkins, Pamela Butler, Sharron Campbell, Brock Chapman, Lucrecia Gibson, Leo Hornkohl, Natalie Jones 4/2; Gladys Rod & Julie/Bobby Strnadell, Faye Fowler, John Thompson 3/26; Barbara Williams, Sharron Sumrall, Janna/Billy Avalon, Tommy/Traci Avalon, John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, Theresa Cannon, Cathy/Mike/Michael Eaves, Grace Jeadron, Lorraine Lorio, Frank Machost, Clara McWilliams, Ursin Oubre, Jr., Brenda Williams, Sonny/Veronica Womack 3/19; **Homebound/Nursing Homes:** Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Ernestine Lindsay, Anna Starr, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious:** Brian Carroll, Xavier Colavechio, Tom Delaney, Robert Oliver, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. *Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will stay on for one month.*

THOSE IN THE



Prayers for Safety for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy

our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks, Michael P Collins, Nathan Darnell, Lee Greco, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Joe Hayes, Derek Lieding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, James (Alec) Ponder and Nathan Waltman, Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on the military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

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| Budget Needed Weekly | \$6,000.00 |
| Regular Tithe | \$6,173.91 |
| “Take a Step” | \$383.00 |
| Coffee & Doughnuts | \$18.00 |
| Food Pantry/Ash Wednesday | \$10.00 |
| Youth | \$81.00 |
| Catholic Relief Services | \$25.00 |
| Easter Flowers | \$95.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | \$7.00 |

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Second Collections

April 9 – Louis Covert Scholarship Trust

April 16 – Education of Future Priests

April 30 – St. Vincent de Paul

April Month of: The Blessed Sacrament



WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

*** Changes or Additions

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| STT – St. Therese | CTK – Christ the King |
| OLOG – Our Lady of Guadalupe | SVDP – St. Vincent de Paul |
| MFCC – Christian Catholic Family Movement | |
| MSJLOG – MARIAN SERVANTS® Jesus the Lamb of God | |

Monday - Friday 7:30am Mass -- Carmelite Monastery

Saturday, April 8 – Vigil Palm Sunday

3:00pm Confession

4:00pm **Mass** – Doris Rush; People of the Parish

Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;

Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

8:15am RCIA – parish hall

9:30am **Mass** – Salvatore Greco

10:45am -12:15pm Parish School of Religion, Confirmation

12:30pm **Spanish Mass**

1:30pm **Town Hall Meeting** – gym – light lunch served – child care/lunch available in the parish hall



Monday, April 10 – NO MASS – *Monday of Holy Week;*

Passover (Jewish celebration) begins at sunset

6:00pm Knights of Columbus – parish hall

Tuesday, April 11 – Tuesday of Holy Week

***5:00pm No Cursillo Group

***5:30pm No Mass

***5:45pm **Chrism Mass** – Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle

***6:00pm No Rosary/Adoration

***6:00pm No MSJLOG

Wednesday, April 12 – Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30am **Mass** – Hartmut Uschmann Special Intention

***9am – 8pm NO Adoration



Thursday, April 13 – Holy Thursday;

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

7:00pm **Mass** – Kemp/Warren Families Intentic

Adoration Until 10:00pm – parish hall



Chancery, Charities and Church Office Closed Good Friday

Friday, April 14 – Friday of the Passion of the Lord

(Good Friday); **Julian Calendar Good Friday;**

Fast and Abstinence

***3:00pm English Stations of the Cross

***5:30pm Via Dolorosa

7:00pm Good Friday Service



Saturday, April 15 – Holy Saturday;

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

***10:00am Decorate Church for Easter – all are welcome

***1:00pm – 4:00pm Msgr. Sands available for Reconciliation

***8:00pm **Mass** – People of the Parish



Sunday, April 16 – Easter Sunday

***8:15am NO RCIA

9:30am **Mass** – Billy Hutchins

***10:45am -12:15pm No Parish School of Religion, Confirmation

12:30pm **Spanish Mass**

3:00pm **Vietnamese Mass**



Many thanks to everyone who came out last Saturday and helped in changing out ceiling tiles and light bulbs, cleaning all areas of the church, parish hall, kitchen, work sacristy, to washing the windows (inside and outside), pressure washing the walkways, cleaning out the flower beds and any and all other helpful tasks that were undertaken. Without your help our Spiritual Home would not be ready for Easter. Again, thank you very much!

To our St. Therese Family,

We would like to thank you for your overwhelming support of our marriage! We greatly appreciate everyone who participated in our wedding shower. It created everlasting memories for us and we always enjoy time with our St. Therese family.

We are extremely excited to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at St. Therese on April 22nd at 1pm. We hope to see you there. Our reception is private and invitation only, but you are welcome to come to the ceremony.

Thank you for sharing these moments with us!

Aisha Davis and Christopher Luke

LENTEN OBSERVANCES

Fasting: Catholics 18-59 years of age who are in good health are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On the weekdays of Lent, the U.S. Bishops encourage the faithful to participate in Mass and to observe a self-imposed fast. The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening. Customarily, the two smaller meals when considered together should not equal the main meal – ideally should be eaten only if needed to maintain one's strength.

Abstinence: All Catholics 14 years of age and older are obliged to abstain from meat on Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.



Remember loved ones during this Easter Season with an honorary or memorial of Lilies or other flowers. **Envelopes located in the gathering space.** Please include your name and the loved one you would like to honor or remember on the envelope. Thank you.

Question of the Week

As I carry home the blessed palms that celebrate Jesus' victory, how will I embrace and implement Jesus' gentle, loving way of bringing about God's kingdom into my corner of the world?

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SAVE THE DATE:

- ▶ Sun., April 9 – Palm Sunday – 1:30pm
PARISH TOWN HALL MEETING in the gym – a light lunch served – child care/lunch available in the parish hall
- ▶ Fri., Apr. 21 – Relay for Life
- ▶ Sat. Apr. 29 – 6:30pm - 11th Annual Sister Thea Bowman Catholic School Draw Down, Multi-purpose Building – order forms in gathering space.



Encounter Our Neighbors

We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter into our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, and others who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? **Return your Rice Bowls on Holy Thursday at offertory.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13 – 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 – 19:42

Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 – 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 – 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 – 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Join our Team!



**April 21, 6pm – Midnight (6hrs)
St. Therese – “Street Sweepers”**

Relay for Life Team In support of all parishioners, family and friends, who have battled cancer, St. Therese will have a team at the “Kick Cancer to the CuRB” (Clinton/ Raymond/ Byram) Relay for Life. Relay will begin Fri., Apr. 21st at 6pm and end at midnight, we will relay at Hinds Community College (Raymond Campus). Please consider joining our team, supporting the team with a donation, or helping us in some way. Register online at: My Team URL: <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/standinginthegap> or contact: parishioner, Gail Clark 601-672-3467.

Relay for Life is a fundraiser for American Cancer Society.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THIS WORTHY CAUSE!

LECTORS AND COMMENTATORS:

Each month the sign-up sheet is placed in the preparation room. Currently, only a hand full of you are signing up. Please review your calendars, then go to the back and sign-up for the Sundays that you can commit. Your service is truly needed!

Month of April

**Prayer Intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis
Young People**

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
For the Youth of our Parish and Peace in the World!



PROTECTION OF CHILDREN MONTHLY TRAINING EMAILS

You should have received your **Monthly** email from **VIRTUS**, this is an **ONGOING MONTHLY** Protection of Children bulletin review. Every month you will receive a notice, you must log-on to VIRTUS, read the bulletin and answer the question. Thank you for all you do in keeping our children/youth protected.


2017 Catholic Service Appeal "SHARE HIS LIGHT"

We thank all those at St. Therese who have generously responded to the annual Catholic Service Appeal. As of April 4, 2017, we have raised \$9,650 with 89 pledges. For more on information about the Appeal or to donate online please visit www.jacksondiocese.org.

Sister Thea Bowman Catholic School

2017-2018 enrollment is now underway. Parents interested in enrolling their children should contact the school at 601-352-5441. *Parish Verification forms are located on the table as you enter church.*

BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION

 is one of America's largest school earnings loyalty programs. Schools can use Box Tops cash to buy whatever they need and each Box Top is worth 10¢. **A pink box is in the parish hall for collection of box tops for Sr. Thea Bowman School.**

CHECK OUT THE BOOKS AND CD'S on the Lighthouse Media Kiosk in the gathering space of church. Please deposit cost of item in the money slot on the Kiosk, **items are not for free. Thank you.**

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS



Each week at St. Therese (at all Masses), we have a chalice and/or vocation framed picture that goes from home to home. Each home keeps the item for one week and returns it the next weekend. There are also suggested prayers that accompany the chalice and/or picture. If you would like to have the chalice/picture in your home, and pray for vocations during the coming week please come forward at Mass when asked.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

St. Therese Community extends a warm welcome to all new members. Please complete a **blue/lavender registration form located on the table as you enter church (on the right)**. It is important for us to know you and know how many registered parishioners we have. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 601-372-4481 or email: sttherese@jacksondiocese.org and again,

Welcome to St. Therese Parish!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

***TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE –**

Change Hearts and Save Lives

Sunday, April 9, come take part in the **40 Days for Life Closing, 2:00pm** *corner of North State and Fondren Place, Jackson, MS.

We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city — and beyond. Local Contact: 601-956-8636 or

plm@prolifemississippi.org

**Public right-of-way outside Jackson Women's Health Organization, 2903 North State Street, Jackson, MS*



PARISH FOOD PANTRY

THANK YOU and GOD BLESS to EVERYONE WHO DONATES to OUR FOOD PANTRY...

WE ARE BLESSED and BLESSING OTHERS!

*****If you would rather make a monetary donation, we will gladly go shopping for you!**

We assist up to 16 families **every Wednesday morning 10am-12noon (by apt)** and are always grateful for those who continue their donations. When shopping for yourselves, pick up a few extra items. **We are always in need:** canned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, dried beans, rice, spaghetti/sauce, peanut butter/jelly.

Save the Date

► St. Francis Cajun Fest, May 21 from 11am-4pm on the church grounds, 4000 W. Tidewater Lane, Madison, MS 39110.