



Dear Friends,

This past Thursday evening during RCIA, we were reflecting on Easter and on the celebration of Initiation for the 4 Adults and the son of one of the new members. Nearly three weeks since Easter, and the sense of Easter's joy, contentment and peace continue and not just for them, but for myself included.

People sometimes feel their lives are unfolding in too good a way. They may even say that the goodness scares them a bit. The implication is clear: They are not sure life has the right to be that good. Consequently, they wait for the "other shoe to drop."

An old Peanuts cartoon comes to mind finds Lucy saying her prayers. When she is finished, she walks into the kitchen where Linus is eating and comments: "I was praying for greater patience and understanding, but I quit ..." In the last frame, she continues: "I was afraid I might get it."

James Evans McReynolds was onto something when he wrote:

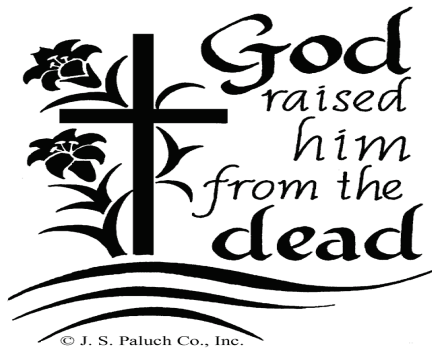
Whatever else the resurrection of Jesus means, it means that God is getting close to us. We fear that. Easter, we say, is a day of joy and it really is. We say it is a day of hope and it really is. We say it is a day of promise and it really is. But we are not as fond of it as we think. We are afraid of it. We are more afraid of it than we will ever say.

Good news, here, but frankly, it makes us shake in our shoes. So little wonder that Jesus says to these shaking, quaking disciples: "Peace be with you." Or to put it colloquially, "Chill! It's going to be fine. I know you don't understand how all this has come to pass, but it's going to be all right. In fact, very all right. Maybe I'm starting to get it ... Everything is going to be all right!"

What about you? Do you get it? Remember, we are Easter People, so, chill! It's going to be fine! I know you don't understand it all right now, but everything's going to be all right!

In the Divine Word, I am

Fr. Rick Andrus, SVD



Altar Servers

- 7:30 a.m. Jaiden Parker, Da'Marquis London, La'Kosha Chambers, Chelsea Buckley
- 10:30 a.m. Rudolph Richard, III, Joseph Richard, Kellen Anthony

Readers

- 7:30 a.m. Mary Davis, Evangeline Hughes
- 10:30 a.m. Jean Roan, Tasha Anthony

Eucharistic Ministers

- 7:30 a.m. Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Murray Chenevert, Audrene LeBlance
- 10:30 a.m. Christy Hall, Martha Davis, Jean Roan, Justin Kennedy, Velita Benjamin, Nancy Ball

Mass Intentions

- 7:30 a.m. In Honor of Mrs. Sharon St. Romain
- 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

Readings for the Week

- Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: **Memorial of St. Anselm**
Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 60-69
- Sunday: **Third Sunday of Easter**
Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

A Vocation View: Jesus opened the minds of his followers to understanding of scripture. He pronounced them as his witnesses. Be the hands and feet of Jesus today.

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TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

**Drivers for Sunday, April 22, 2018
10:30 a.m. Lloyd Young and Janice Hamilton**



St. Paul, can you believe it's that time again? We have 2 Months before Vacation Bible School 2018 is in full effect and we need your help. Vacation Bible School is a fun-filled week of reflection and outreach to our youth and adults within our church parish and community. If you are a high school student, young adult, adult, and or organization who is excited, enthusiastic and on fire for Jesus and want to bring your personal gifts to this year's Vacation Bible School, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet in the foyer of the church, and list in what capacity you or your organization are interested in volunteering. Even if you have volunteered or served over the past years, we still need you to sign the sign-up sheet. Parishioners Save The Date: Vacation Bible School will take place from June 25 through June 29, 2018.

Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Mass**
9:00 a.m. Religion Classes
10:30 a.m. Mass
SVD Mission Appeal

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: **8:00 a.m. Mass**
6:00 p.m. St. Paul's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday: **8:00 a.m. Mass**
10:00 a.m. Fall Prevention Class
4:30 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir
6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Food Pantry
7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

Friday: **8:00 a.m. Mass**
6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. Male Chorus Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Liturgical Dance Practice
12:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal

Come out & support St. Paul's Adult Choir as they participate in the Interfaith Federation **28th Annual Sounds of CommUNITY Concert** on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 4 PM at Broadmoor United Methodist Church at 10230 Mollylea Dr., in Baton Rouge.

Scholarship Applications - St. Paul's Knights of Peter Claver Council 351 is offering a scholarship to eligible young men that are graduating from High School. The application deadline is June 3rd and is located in the foyer of the church.

The East Baton Rouge Parish Chapter, Southern University Alumni Federation will be offering four scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to graduating seniors from EBR Parish Schools who plan to attend Southern University. The applications are available here in the foyer.

Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program - Mayor-President Sharon Weston-Broome announced that applications are now available for the **Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program**. The four-week program will employ 250 young people from across East Baton Rouge Parish beginning in June and lasting for four consecutive weeks. East Baton Rouge Parish residents ages 14-17 will be placed in part-time positions in various public, private, and nonprofit agencies throughout the parish. Applicants ages 18 and older may apply to serve in leadership roles within the program. Applications can only be submitted starting on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 8:00 am but no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 to the Department of Human Resources, Recruitment and Examination Division, 1755 Florida Boulevard. Early and late applications will not be accepted. Applications are on the table in the foyer of the Church or contact St. Paul's Parish Office at 383-2537.



May they rest in peace...

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Johnson family at the passing of Mr. Clayborn Johnson, and to the Fleming family at the passing of Mr. Wilfred Fleming. Also to the Bowers family, at the passing of Mrs. Elizabeth Bowers, mother-in-law of Mrs. Sonja Bowers. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

A Special Thanks!

I will never forget your kindness. Your kind expression of sympathy during our time of bereavement was greatly appreciated.

Yours in Christ,
Alene Lockett and family

Happy Birthday

Sheila Rucker 4/15	Sharon St. Romain 4/19
Hazel Brown 4/17	Albertha Varmall 4/19
Ogbonna Ofor 4/17	Ethan Watson 4/19
Bree Parmis 4/17	Dana Sam 4/20
Mable King 4/18	Leona Scott 4/20
Pentral Ross 4/19	



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Audrey Christopher, Edna Davis James, Mary Smart, Carolyn Christophe, Dorothy Bazile, Myrtis Coleman, Robert Seals, Mona Seals, Sylvia Collier, Steven Earl, Lena Batisse, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Irene Warner, Lois Joseph, Willis Reed, Jr, Joseph Broussard, Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denova Crockett, Gloria Williams, Jeanette Bishop, Jasman Benjamin, Earline Bell, Wilfred Fleming, Don Thibodeaux, Dwight LeBlanc, James Hayward, Dorothy Andrews, Ursula Brady, Gussie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Marie V. Hawkins, Quincy Hamilton, Amber Hunt, Charles Davis, Jr., Martha Davis, Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, and Cruz Dudley Walker

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, Norma Fagan, Violet Holly, Eunice Royal, Mona Bossier Bailey, Walker Williams, Barbara Brennan, Tyasha Collins, Richard Dillon, Calvin Thomas, III, Robert Lee Martin, Ann Pettit, Joan Pettit and Joel Rivera



Our Weekly Offering

April 8, 2018



Offertory Collection	\$ 5,051.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,115.00
Children's Offering	\$ 11.03
Building Fund	\$ 458.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 52.00
Holy Land	\$ 10.00
Easter Sunday	\$ 35.00
Retirement fund for Diocesan Priest	\$ 265.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$ 5.00
Total	\$ 7,002.03


Remember this: whoever sows sparingly, reaps sparingly; and whoever sows generously, reaps generously.



2 Corinthians 9:6







<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert & Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth & Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue</p> 	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman</p> 	<p>JANI-KING</p> <p>Commercial Cleaning Service</p> <p>Monique Scott 225 273-5464</p>	<p>Jacques's Photography</p> <p>3168 Anita Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70805 355-2366 – Home 921-1563 – Mobile</p>	<p>State Farm Insurance</p> <p>Leonard Benjamin 775-2492</p>
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<p><i>Space Available</i></p>	<p align="center"><u>St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference</u></p> <p>Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson.....802-6128 Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall.....223-7851 Infant Baptism - Deacon Benjamin Dunbar, Jr.....324-5808 Bible Study - Barbara Haynes.....665-2630 Bookkeeper - Debra Dudley.....383-2537 Center (Use of Center) - Mary Martin.....383-2537 Center Rental & Repast - Velita Benjamin.....654-6705 Child Protection Coordinator - Vera Dunbar.....324-2939 Eucharistic Ministers - Nancy Ball.....397-4309 Liturgy Committee - Martha Davis.....357-4108 Nurse - Maxine Watts278-6732 Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin.....383-2537 Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus.....383-2537 Readers - Theresa Grevious.....773-8023 Religious Education Director - Martha Davis.....357-4108 RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Richard Andrus.....383-2537 Ushers - Edmonia Joseph772-2090 Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy.....754-2609</p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones:</i></p>  <p>Roosevelt Bowers Joseph "Buddy" Walker Oscar LeDuff, Jr. Frank P. Bowers Carrie & Douglas Rodney, Sr. Clara & Willis Walker Sarah Rodney Domino Freddie Bowers Ora Bowers Ward Sybil Thomas Johnson Wilbert Domino, Sr.</p> 	
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<p><i>Space Available</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Geneva Battley Spooner Della Battley Rodney</p>  <p align="center"><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p>John K. Pierre <i>Attorney At Law</i></p> <p>2900 West Fork Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70815 225 295-5638</p>	<p>Chenevert Construction & Remodeling 344-0183</p>
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<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Lionel Bazile, Sr. James Bazile Sheila Bazile</p>  <p align="center"><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Aaron Bradley Joseph H.P. Martin</p>  <p align="center"><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>Milton, Rachel, Lillie, Lillian, Kirby, James "Pookie" Verdell, Corinne & Michael Joseph, Lawrence, Sr. & Shedrick Ashford, Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose & Albert Hebert, Eula White</p> 	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p>  <p>Wilfred Ferbos, Sr.</p>  <p align="center"><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>	<p><i>In Loving Memory of:</i></p> <p>The Joseph Family</p>  <p align="center"><i>"Rest in Peace"</i></p>
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