



Dear sisters and brothers,

Many of us remember the message which Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King spoke two months prior to his assassination to his congregation at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta about his death. Oddly enough, it would become his eulogy.

"Every now and then I think about my own death, and I think about my own funeral. If any of you are around when I have to meet my day, I don't want a long funeral. And if you get somebody to deliver the eulogy, tell them not to talk too long. Every now and then I wonder what I want them to say. Tell them not to mention that I have a Nobel Peace Prize, that isn't important. Tell them not to mention that I have three or four hundred other awards, that's not important. I'd like someone to mention that day that Martin Luther King, Jr., tried to give his life serving others. I'd like someone to say that day that Martin Luther King, Jr., tried to love somebody. I want you to be able to say that day that I did try to feed the hungry. I want you to be able to say that day that I did try, in my life, to clothe those who were naked. I want you to be able to say that I did try to visit those in prison. I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity." Dr. King concluded with these words: "I won't have any money left behind. I won't have the fine and luxurious things of life to leave behind. But I just want to leave a committed life behind."



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Did Martin Luther King have that level of commitment when he first began his ministry? It's doubtful. He had youthful enthusiasm to be sure. He had strong convictions. He was well brought up, with an outstanding Baptist preacher as a father and grandfather. But people who are truly captured by the spirit of Christ do so generally after years of walking each day in Christ's footsteps. Just as it was for the disciples of Jesus and for Dr. King himself, our faith is validated and grows as we follow Jesus daily. Jesus invites us "come and see."

May our faith be so bold and so effective that we will leave a committed life behind – a life that, like Martin, makes a world of difference!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus, SOD*



**Altar Servers**

- 7:30 a.m. Gerrick Camel, Jr., Chelsea Buckley, Da'Marquis London
- 10:30 a.m. Rudolph Richard, III, Joseph Richard, Kellen Anthony

**Readers**

- 7:30 a.m. Mary Davis & Evangeline Hughes
- 10:30 a.m. Barbara Cornell & Constance Savoy

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 7:30 a.m. Paulette Robertson, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Joannette Dunn, Audrene LeBlanc, Perry Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Velita Benjamin, Martha Davis, Christy Hall, Anna Perry, Justin Kennedy, Nancy Ball

**Mass Intentions**

- 7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
- 10:30 a.m. Marie Adams, T. Anthony Adams, Frances Locker, Sydney M. Adams, Aidan X. Adams, Brooklyn Adams.

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday: **Memorial of St. Agnes; Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; World Youth Day**  
Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
- Wednesday: **Memorial of St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope**  
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: **Memorial of St. Francis de Sales**  
Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: **The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends;**  
Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Saturday: **Memorial of Ss. Timothy and Titus**  
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**A Vocation View:** God's Spirit is given to each person for the common good. What are your gifts? Be willing to share them for the good of others.  
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**A VISIBLE GOD**

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to *see*, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult “public life” at his baptism by John. Today’s Gospel reading tells us of his “first sign,” providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.

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**Parish Schedule for the Week**

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Mass**  
 9:00 a.m. Religious Education Classes  
**10:30 a.m. Mass**  
 12:30 p.m. Martin Luther King Celebration

Monday: **Office Closed**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

Tuesday: **8 am Mass**  
 6:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee Meeting

Wednesday: **8 am Mass**  
 4:30 pm Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir

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

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Mime Group Practice  
 11 a.m. Liturgical Dance Practice  
 12:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal

**The Liturgy Committee** will meet on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., in the Parish Center. All members of the Liturgy Committee are expected to attend.

**Sadie Hawkins Dance:** Ladies, ask your spouse, significant other, or a male friend to join you for a fun-filled evening of dining and dancing Friday, February 8th, 8:00 P.M. to 12:00 in St. Paul’s Parish Center. See any member of Court 351 of the Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of Peter Claver for tickets.

**WHY SETTLE FOR A “GOOD” MARRIAGE... When You Can Have A “GREAT” Marriage?** You can make the leap from just “good” to “GREAT” on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The weekend is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, the internet & phones and focus their attention only on each other. If you’d like greater depth, growth and enrichment in your relationship, you’ll like the difference a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend can offer! The next weekend is scheduled on February 15-17 at the **Bishop Robert E Tracy Center in Baton Rouge, LA.** You can register online today at [www.LAMS-wwme.org](http://www.LAMS-wwme.org) or by calling Matt & Gail Quinn at **800-586-5469**.



**May she rest in peace...**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Robertson family at the passing of Ms. Carolyn Robertson. Please pray for her peaceful eternal rest, and for the comfort and consolation of her families. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**Happy Birthday**

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Barbara Haynes 1/20    | Jessie Joseph, Sr. 1/24 |
| Shandra’ Green 1/21    | Nahshon Route 1/24      |
| Carmen Patrick 1/21    | Ruby Woods 1/24         |
| Monique Spaulding 1/21 | Riley Thomas 1/25       |
| Andrea Camberos 1/22   | Wanda Alsobrook 1/26    |
| Angelle Camberos 1/22  | Nariyah Davis 1/26      |
| Trevione Malveaux 1/23 |                         |



**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 Batiste, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Irene Warner, Lois Joseph, Willis Reed, Jr., Joseph Broussard, Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Gloria Williams, Jeanette Bishop, Jasman Benjamin, Earline Bell, Don Thibodeaux, James Hayward, Dorothy Andrews, Ursula Brady, Gusie 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, Albertha Varmall, John Christophe, Geraldine Jones, Ellis Doyle, Rauyshiera Cooks, and Fr. Richard R. Andrus, Jr., SVD, and Ruby Major*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS**

*Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, Eunice Royal, Mona Bossier Bailey, Walker Williams, Barbara Brennan, Richard Dillon, Calvin Thomas, III, Joel Rivera, Dorie Martin., Alberta Conner, Martha Reinhart, Dana Simoneaux, Nichelle Hollins, Jessica Hughes, Rev. Frank H. Young, and Ernie Butitta*




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**January 13, 2019**

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| Offertory Collection    | \$ 5,099.27        |
| Online Giving           | \$ 890.00          |
| Children’s Offering     | \$ 15.00           |
| Building Fund           | \$ 240.00          |
| St. Vincent de Paul     | \$ 200.00          |
| Church in Latin America | \$ 28.00           |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$ 6,472.27</b> |

*Remember this: whoever sows sparingly, reap sparingly; and whoever sows generously, reap generously.*

2 Corinthians 9:6

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| <p><b>In Loving Memory of:</b></p> <p>Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert &amp; Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth &amp; Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue</p>  | <p><b>In Loving Memory of:</b></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr<br/>Geneva Coleman<br/>George Coleman, Sr.<br/>Carrie Coleman<br/>M.H. Weathersby<br/>Odelia Weathersby<br/>Donald Coleman</p>  | <p><b>JANI-KING</b></p> <p>Commercial Cleaning Service</p> <p><b>Monique Scott</b><br/><b>225 273-5464</b></p> | <p><b>Space Available</b></p> | <p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b><br/><b>775-2494</b></p> |
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Geneva Battley Spooner  
Della Battley Rodney




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**St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference**

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| 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 Watts.....                        | 278-6732 |
| 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 Joseph.....                     | 772-2090 |
| Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy.....             | 754-2609 |

**In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones:**



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Oscar LeDuff, Jr.  
Elizabeth & Frank P. Bowers  
Carrie & Douglas Rodney, Sr.  
Clara & Willis Walker  
Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino, Sr.  
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Ora Bowers Ward  
Sybil Thomas Johnson  
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**In Loving Memory of:**



Wilfred Ferbos, Sr.



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