Dear friends,



Exhausted one Sunday night, I fell into a very deep sleep much earlier than usual. As I slept, I had a dream that at the end of a Mass that seemed to be a powerful and inspirational time of worship, the congregation joined in singing the hymn, "I Surrender All."

At the end of the hymn a young man jumped to feet and shouted, "You people don't mean a word of what you say! You sing, "I surrender all to Jesus," "Where He leads Me I will Follow," "I Will Trust in the Lord Til I die," and you don't believe a word of it. How many of you are willing to follow, surrender, trust and obey? How many?

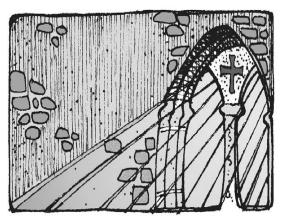
The congregation sat stunned under the impact of his words, people were too shocked to even dismiss the young man as just another messed up kid. They were haunted by the question, speechless, until the youth leader, walked up to the podium and announced: "The following dramatic presentation was brought to you by the Youth Group." It was only then that the congregation let out a collective sigh of relief. I imagine, that more than one member thought, "Aren't those youth something" without ever giving the question they had raised another thought.

Do we really want to follow wherever Jesus will lead us? Have we surrendered all to Jesus? Have we taken up the cross as our own daily – every day? These tough questions are the questions of Lent, aren't they? I know they are for me!

It is my prayer that the joy, the faith and Spirit-filled power of our Revival empower us during these days of Lent to surrender, trust and love God not only in word but in fact!

In the Divine Word, I am

Fr. Rick Andrus, SVD



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Altar Servers					
7:30 a.r	n. Garrick Camel, DaMarquis London				
	Chelsea Buckley				
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	Joseph Richard				
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#### Readers

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

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

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

### **Mass Intentions**

7:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
10:30 a.m.	Carolyn Boyd Givens

	Reading for the Week
Monday:	Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem
	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
	Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Memorial of St. Joseph
	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5,
	27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;
	Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
	or Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16;
	Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Abstinence
	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps
	105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Memorial of St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
	Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday:	Second Sunday of Lent;
	St. Patrick's Day
	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8,
	11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
	Alternate readings (Year A):
	Ex 17:3-7;Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
	Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42
	[5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

What a great spirit that fell on us as together, we worshipped, sang, prayed, and listened this past week as Bishop Fernand Cheri, OFM led our Tri-Parish Lenten Revival, "Tell them I am a Child of God!" I believe all who participated came through this week stronger in their commitments, deeper in their faith, willing to be more active and supportive of their church and most of all, more grateful to God for all God's wonderful blessings. A thanks to all who worked "behind the scenes" to make it happen!

Parish Schedule for the Week					
Sunday:	7:30 a.m. Mass				
	St. Joseph's Altar				
	9 a.m. Religious Ed. Classes				
	10:30 a.m. Mass				
	St. Joseph's Altar				
Monday:	No Mass				
	6:30 p.m. Word & Deed Gathering				
Tuesday:	6 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Mtg				
Wednesday:	5 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir				
	6 p.m. Bible Study				
Thursday:	8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Open				
	8:00 a.m. Fish Fry Prep				
Friday:	8:00 a.m. Mass				
	8:00 a.m 1:00 p.m. Fish Fry				
	6:00 p.m. Station of the Cross				
Saturday:	10:00.a.m. Mime Group Practice				
-	11:00 a.m. RCIA				
	11:00 a.m. Liturgical Dance Practice				

#### **TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY** Drivers for Sunday, March 24, 2019

10:30 a.m. Robert Martin and Pamela Claiborne

I will be out of the office on Monday and Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> for cataract lens replacement surgery and recovery. Please keep me in your prayers!– Fr. Rick



Where is Your Cross Leading You? You can explore answers during St. Paul the Apostle Bible Study Lenten Journey of five weeks from 3/20/19-4/17/19. Topics and scripture readings will cover The Calling, Roles You Play, What

Imprisons You? I'm Chosen, Not Forsaken, and Here I Am, Send Me. We meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in St. Paul Center. Light refreshments will be served.

Attention St. Paul's Youth: The Youth Ministry will be attending the Abbey Youth Fest in Covington, LA on Saturday, March 23, 2019. It will be a day of fun and fellowship. Please sign-up in the foyer of the church.

**Palm Sunday Breakfast:** The Youth Ministry is sponsoring a Palm Sunday Breakfast in St. Paul Center on April 14th. The breakfast consist of grits, eggs, meat, and a biscuit at a cost of \$7.00 Tickets will be sold at the door. Come hungry!

**Opioid Crisis:** Capital Area Human Services and Office of Public Health - Region 2 present *"Faith-Based Opioid Epidemic Forum"* on Tuesday, March 26 from 9 - 11am at Capital Area Human Services located at 4615 Government St., Building 2, Room 200, Baton Rouge, LA. Faith-Based Leaders Bringing Hope and Healing to our Communities. Register at www.FaithBasedResponse.eventbrite.com

Work has finally begun on the former laundry mat across the street which was donated to St. Paul. Some time ago, we began removing the old machines and now that work has been completed – the insides has been completely gutted. A new roof has been installed. When work in completed, the food pantry will move into that building, freeing up space in the classrooms, giving us greater use of the classrooms and the ability to more organize the space. The building between the office and center has also been cleared out and a door installed so that we will be able to use that building for storage for items that we are not using, again giving us the ability to better organize the space we need!



# May she rest in peace...

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Hawkins family at the passing of Mrs. Marie Hawkins, mother of Mrs. Debra McGhee and Mrs. Elaine Joshua, and grandmother of Ms. Christy Hall and Mrs. Veronica Dyson. Please pray for her peace-

ful 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

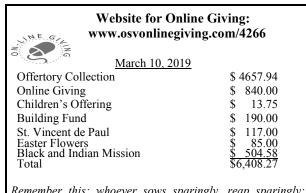
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# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Audrey Christopher, Edna Davis James, Mary Smart, Carolyn Christophe, Dorothy Bazile, Myrtis Coleman, Robert Seals, Mona Seals, Sylvia Collier, Lena Batiste, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Irene Warner, 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, 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, John Christophe, Geraldine Jones, Ellis Doyle, Fr. Richard R. Andrus, Jr., SVD, Ruby Major, and Meredith Jones

## 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, Ernie Butitta, and Edna Dixon.



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

2 Corinthians 9:6

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