



Dear friends

There were two unmarried sisters who had such a bitter fight that they stopped speaking to each other. Unable or unwilling to leave their small home, they continued to use the same rooms and sleep in the same bedroom. A chalk line divided the sleeping area into two halves. The chalk divided rooms so that both sisters could come and go and get her own meals without trespassing on their sister's space. In the darkness of night, each could hear the breathing and snoring of the foe. For years they coexisted in grinding silence. Neither was willing to take the first step to reconciliation.

Then one night one sister got up to go to the bathroom and fell, breaking her hip. The other sister awakened by the fall and the scream of pain jumped out of bed crossed the chalk line and came to her sister's side. After a few typical sister jabs at why she would do such a foolish thing as trip on her own feet, the sister held her foe of the past few years until the paramedics came and carried her to the hospital with her sister at her side. In those moments of darkness came the truth and power of love and light. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall told this story with these words. "The legal system can force open doors, and sometimes even knock down walls, but it cannot build bridges. That job belongs to you and me."

Necessary bridges, bridges that connect us one with another, bridges between family members and friends, bridges between co-workers and classmates, bridges between us and God, all of are these necessary bridges that must be built and that responsibility belongs to you are me! It's a tough, challenging, dirty job but somebody must do it. The call to wholeness and forgiveness of Lent, my friends reminds us that we all have to do it!

In the Divine Word, I am

Fr. Rick Andrews SVD



Readings for the Week

- Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday: **Feast of St. Katharine Drexel**
Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday: **Memorial of St. Casimir**
Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday: **World Day of Prayer; Abstinence**
Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: **Memorial of Ss. Perpetua and Felicity**
Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Altar Servers

- 7:30 a.m. Chelsea Buckley, Garrick Camel, Jr., DaMarquis London
- 10:30 a.m. Tavin Anthony, Taj Anthony, Contrell Salton

Eucharistic Ministers

- 7:30 a.m. Murray Chenevert, Monique Spaulding, Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc, Paulette Robertson, Perry Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Anna Perry, Darlene Richard, Justin Kennedy, Christy Hall, Tasha Anthony, Robinette Harleaux, Nancy Ball

Readers

- 7:30 a.m. Joannette Dunn, Barbara Cornell
- 10:30 a.m. Kevin Stewart, Justin Kennedy

Mass Intentions

- 7:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle
- 10:30 a.m. Mr. Mark Jeffery Betts

Bible Study will resume Wednesday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. in St. Paul Center. During Lent, each Wednesday will have a special theme, prayer, and singing service. On March 4th, the scripture reading will be The Temptation of Jesus, Matthew chapter 4. The focus will be "Follow Your North--God's Compass". Light refreshments will be served. (Weather and church schedule permitting)

A Vocation View: Through the obedience of Christ comes acquittal from sin. Through our obedience to Christ, we can be a conduit of Grace to this world.

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STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

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Parish Schedule for the Week

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. Mass—Ladies Sodality Turn Out
9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. Classes
10:30 a.m. Mass—Women's Club Turn Out

Monday: 6:00 p.m. Revival - St. Francis Xavier

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Revival - St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. Revival
Immaculate Conception

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

Friday: 8:00 a.m. Mass
8:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Fish Fry
5:30 p.m. Reconciliation
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

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

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Drivers for Sunday, March 1, 2020
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Lenten Fish Fry - We appreciate everyone that came out to help with our first fish fry of this Lenten season. We need more help for the upcoming Thursdays and Fridays. We need help with preparation on Thursdays, and on Fridays to prepare dinners, deliver, and clean-up. Flyers are also available to take to your place of employment, school, or any business you think may be interested in ordering dinners. Orders may be faxed to 225-383-3702, or call 225-387-9506.

Entering Canaan Men's Day of Prayer and Healing from Abortion - Men suffer from abortion too! If you are carrying the pain and sorrow of losing a child to abortion, you are not alone. A Day of Prayer and Healing for men will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020. For more information and confidential registration, please call (225) 325- 3459 or email enteringcanaan@diobr.org. Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge – Office of Marriage and Family Life.



TRI-PARISH LENTEN REVIVAL

Join us for our Tri-Parish Lenten Revival this week. Our revivalists are Mr. & Mrs. Al & Pearlette Carter, Catholic Lay Evangelists. Revival will be at St. Francis Xavier on Monday, March 2nd, St. Paul on Tuesday, March 3rd, and Immaculate Conception on Wednesday, March 4th. Join us for Praise and Worship at 6 p.m. and Service at 6:30 p.m. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors.

CHAIR YOGA - Free sessions of Chair Yoga will begin this Tuesday, March 3rd at 10:00 a.m. in the parish center. A yoga instructor will be here to instruct us once a week for four weeks. If you have any question, please contact Mrs. Maxine Watts, parish nurse

Happy Birthday

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| Elthea LeDuff 3/01 | Travis Williams, Jr. 3/04 |
| Murray Chenevert 302 | Blair Daggs 3/05 |
| Latangia Brimmer 303 | Christopher Dickson 3/05 |
| Hattie Carney 3/03 | Ladira James 3/05 |
| Nadasha Davis 3 03 | Terry Martin 3/05 |
| Isabella Johnson 3/03 | Brittney Sanders 3/05 |
| Alex Hall 3/04 | Joanna Boyd 3/07 |
| Willie Mae Stanley 3/04 | |

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, Willis Reed, Jr., Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Jasman Benjamin, James Hayward, Gussie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Quincy Hamilton, Charles Davis, Jr., Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, Meredith Jones, Gregory Cornell, Joseph Broussard,, George Cornell, and Mable King

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, 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, Ernie Butitta, Edna Dixon, Gene Decuir, Charles Bethley, Janet Bossier, and Jenna Scott



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February 23, 2020

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| Offertory Collection | \$ 3,656.05 |
| Online Giving | \$ 291.58 |
| Building Fund | \$ 138.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | \$ 56.00 |
| Eastern Europe | \$ 57.00 |
| Nigeria Mission Appeal | \$ 777.00 |
| Total | \$ 4,975.63 |

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

2 Corinthians 9:6

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| <p>In Loving Memory of:</p> <p>Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert & Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth & Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue</p>  | <p>In Loving Memory of:</p> <p>George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman</p>  | <p>Space Available</p> | <p>Space Available</p> | <p>State Farm Insurance</p> <p>Leonard Benjamin 775-2494</p> |
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In Loving Memory of:

Geneva Battley Spooner
Della Battley Rodney




"Rest in Peace"


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 - Gigi Matthis..... | 278-0071 |
| Nurse - Maxine Watts..... | 278-6732 |
| Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin..... | 383-2537 |
| Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus..... | 383-2537 |
| Readers - Fr. Richard Andrus..... | 383-2537 |
| 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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Joseph "Buddy" Walker
Oscar LeDuff, Jr.
Elizabeth & Frank P. Bowers
Carrie & Douglas Rodney, Sr.
Clara & Willis Walker
Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino, Sr.
Freddie Bowers
Ora Bowers Ward
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Maureen Bowers Johnson



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Lillian, Kirby, James
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