#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER







## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Obligation has been dispensed in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux at this time.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion Sunday 8:00 AM | in church Sunday 10:30 AM | in church | live-streamed | In-car mass and communion Sunday 5:30 PM | in church

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | 5:30 PM

**CONFESSION** | Prior to all masses

ADORATION | Tuesday 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL** (Stephensville) Saturday 4:00 PM Confession prior to mass.

Father Brice Higginbotham | Pastor Father Brett Lapeyrouse | Parochial Vicar

## It was not you who chose me, but I who chose YOU...



- Jesus

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#### **READING I** ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing to the LORD a new song,

for he has done wondrous deeds;

His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

## R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The LORD has made his salvation known:

in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

## R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;

break into song; sing praise.

## R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

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- Masks are encouraged, but not mandatory.
- Hand sanitizer is available. You may also bring your own.
- Please leave kneelers down for ease in sanitizing after mass.
  Please receive Communion on your hand, holding it out flatly
- that the priest can distribute without contact.
- There will be no offertory procession. Place your offerings in the designated baskets as you arrive or depart Mass. You may also set up recurring payments at give.holycrossmc.org/give

#### **Reading II**

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

#### ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### JOHN 14:23

1 John 4:7-10

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.** 

#### GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name

he may give you.

This I command you: love one another."





#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES FOR EASTER SEASON

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **Offertory Antiphon**

The earth trembled, and was still, until God arose in judgment, alleluia.

#### Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Mystery of Faith

A - We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

B - When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.C - Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

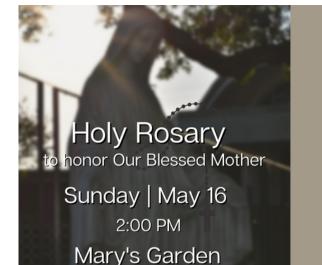
#### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us (Repeat) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia.

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**COMMUNICATION UPDATE CARDS** Please complete and return your Communication Card next weekend at Mass or mail it using the envelope provided. To complete the electronic version, scan QR or use link on our website. If you did not receive a card,

please call the office.

PARISH HEALING RETREAT THE FATHER'S HOUSE Friday, May 21 7-9PM Saturday, May 22 9AM-9:30PM Sunday, May 23 8:30AM-1PM Cost: \$80 | \$40 Parishioners For more information and to register:www.holycrossmc.org/thefathers-house-retreat

#### MOTHER'S DAY CAN BE HARD

if you are suffering from infertility. There is hope and healing in community. Springs in the Desert is dedicated to spiritually and emotionally supporting women and couples navigating the frustration, pain, and difficulty of infertility. For more resources and a community of support, visit www.springsinthedesert.org

#### **CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2021 GRADUATION**

Graduation will take place in Holy <u>Cross Ch</u>urch Saturday, May 15 1 PM.

#### CONFIRMATION

**Confirmation Practice/Reconciliation** Sunday, May 16 4:00-5:30 PM Confirmation: Sunday, May 23 5:30 PM

#### **BAPTIZED IN CHRIST**

Landry Gail Barker Daughter of Andre and Skyla Barker

Jaxen Andrew Guillory Son of Brett Guillory, Jr. and Gabrielle Settoon

Charlotte Grace LaCoste Daughter of Donovan LaCoste and Shaylin Drash

> Cov Michael Mahaffev Son of Grant and Angela Mahaffey

John Bradley Matte Son of Bradley and Alli Matte

Haisley Klaire Pickens Daughter of Chad and Crystal Pickens

McKenna Belle Price Daughter of Kyle and Amanda Price

> Jake Alexander Settoon Son of Gabrielle Settoon









#### THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER DISCOVER THE RISEN BRIDEGROOM: THE ALTAR

We learned during Lent that the altar is not just the central focus of our church buildings and our liturgy, but is a symbol of Christ as well. Altars are solid; made of stone or wood, they must be strong and ready for the sacrifice that we make on them: for the Lamb of God, our perpetual offering to God the Father. They are consecrated for our worship: sprinkled with water, anointed with oil, clothed in white, with candles lit around them. Above all, the altar is a sign of Christ, for from it flows the Sacraments that we receive. Our Bridegroom stands, stalwart and true, at the heart of the church. He is the priest of sacrifice, the sacrifice itself, but also he is the place of sacrifice. The Bridegroom gives of himself fully to his Bride on the marriage bed of the altar (which is why some older churches have a baldacchino, or a tent, which represents the tent over the marriage bed), in a representation of the ultimate self offering he made on the cross.



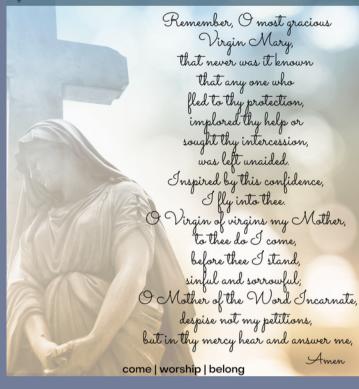
#### Reflection

- Is my heart like the altar? Is it strong for Christ; do I bear his love, his mercy, his steadfastness in my heart?
- Have I allowed my Baptism to prepare me in the same way as a Christian offering and as a member of the Body and Bride of Christ?

## "LET YOUR HEART BE AN ALTAR."

-Saint Peter Chrysologus, Sermon 108

#### The Memorare



# Calendar of Events





## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

TO THE PRIESTHOOD & CONSECRATED LIFE Good and gracious God,

> You call all your children to a life of holiness and to faithfully follow you.

You continue to provide for the needs of the faithful by calling men and women by name to lead your Church.

Bless our parish, Holy Cross, and the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as priests and in consecrated life.

Inspire us to know you better and to hear your call.

We ask all of this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### SCHOOL INFORMATION

Central Catholic Elementary 985-384-1933 Amanda Talbot | Principal Central Catholic High School 985-385-5372 Peter Boudreaux | Principal

ST. ROSALIE CHAPEL Stephensville | 985-384-3551

SACRAMENTS

*Baptism*: 3rd Sunday of each month. *Matrimony*: Register on our website 8-12 months prior to marriage. All sacraments information on website.

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Monday-Friday 8 AM - 3 PM \*closed Noon - 1 PM

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PASTOR: Father Brice Higginbotham PAROCHIAL VICAR: Father Brett Lapeyrouse Director of Discipleship Formation: Maegan Martin Administrative Assistant: Mary Guidry Bookkeeper: Barbara Flowers



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### SATURDAY, MAY 8

George Williams Family, M/M Curtis Verret, Jason Hotard, Joe Young, Lee J. Guarisco, Paul & Marie Vella, Louis J. "Billy" & Pat Adams Family living & deceased, Patience LaFleur Bryant, Rowena LaFleur, Michael S. LaFleur, Nelson & Eldred Durocher, Rudy Mendoza, Lee J. Guarisco, Harold Smith, Sr., Rocky Guarisco, Blake James Melancon St. Rosalie: Jerry Acosta, Sr., Brandon J. Terry, Sandra Gros

#### SUNDAY, MAY 9

Donald & Leona Smith, Smith & Wilma Alpha, Hal Thomas, Max Griffin, Gracie Andrews, Marie Nguyen, Marie Thi, Dominico Hien, Dominico Nguyen, August & Ruby Deslatte Aucoin, Lena Hamilton, Sonia Hebert, Carolyn Barbier, Dot Myers

#### MONDAY, MAY 10

Holy Cross Parish, Mary Lawrence, Catherine Brown, Louie Stuer, Louis J. Wilson, Sr., Sonia Hebert

#### TUESDAY, MAY 11

Holy Cross Parish, Norman H. Breaux, Sr. Family living and deceased, Governale & Resignola Families, Joseph & Esther Birdsall & Family

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Georgia Carbin, Marie Nguyen, Marie Thi, Dominico Hien, Dominico Nguyen, Sidney Michel, Jr., Catherine Brown, August & Ruby Deslatte Aucoin

#### **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Ashlee Jimenez, Jerry Acosta Jr., Gwen Trahan, Ronald & Debbie Leonard, Gary Vining, Jane Webster, Lucy Lacasse, Carol Bergeron, Herverd Martin, Rella Fontenot, Andrea Turner, Ferris and Margaret Romaire, Bobby Acosta, Ellen Ruiz, Gunnar Tisdale, Pearl Haase, Alanna Sloane, Myrl Barrouse, Earline Suire, Marjorie Barras, Judy Solar, Lee Anne LeBlanc, Frances Gilmore, Brian Melancon, and everyone affected by Covid-19.

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE (985-384-3551) OR REPLY TO THE WEEKLY EMAIL TO PLACE SOMEONE ON THE SICK LIST.

#### **MASS VOLUNTEERS**

#### WEEKEND OF: MAY 8-9

**SATURDAY 5:30 PM** Lector: Lisa Thibodeaux Bulletins: Keith Thibodeaux Ushers: Keith Thibodeaux Sanitizer: Diane Irwin SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Kendra Thomas **Bulletins: Kendra Thomas** Ushers: Thaddeus Marcell Sanitizer: Jennifer Young SUNDAY 10:30 AM Lector: John Russo Bulletins: Judy Russo, Maria Barbier Ushers: Randy Aulds Sanitizers: Lynetteand Randy Aulds SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Catherine Nini **Bulletins: Selena Shannon** Ushers: Nathan Rhodes Sanitizer: Nathan Rhodes

#### WEEKEND OF: MAY 15-16

SATURDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Andrea Ziegenbusch Bulletins: Andrea Ziegenbusch Ushers: James Hale Sanitizer: Andrea Ziegenbusch SUNDAY 8:00 AM Lector: Marie Minton **Bulletins: Marie Minton** Ushers: Thaddeus Marcell Sanitizer: Jay Prestenbach SUNDAY 10:30 AM Lector: Carrie Stansbury **Bulletins: Lynette Aulds** Ushers: Randy Aulds, David Irwin Sanitizer: Randy Aulds SUNDAY 5:30 PM Lector: Kellye Patterson **Bulletins: Kellve Patterson** Ushers: Selena Shannon Sanitizer: Nathan Rhodes

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION MAY 1-2

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Envelopes \$5,066.00		Envelope	Envelopes \$ 50.00	
Loose	444.00	Loose	178.00	
<u>Online</u>	253.00	<u>Online</u>		
Total	\$5,763.00	Total	\$228.00	
Maintenance \$140.00				
Online Offertory: give.holycrossmc.org/give				

