

Mass Intentions:

Saturday 25, April 4:00pm- (St. Joseph)-
Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Donna Hammersky, Janet Miller, Hanna Doguet, Gavin Stuary

Sunday 26, April 8:00am- (St. Jules)-
Charlene Thomas, Special Intention, C.F. Spl Int, Gwen Miller Fly(L&D)

Sunday 26, April 10:00am (St. Joseph)-
Norman Hebert, Robert Terry Hebert

Monday 27, April - No mass

Tuesday 28, April 5:00pm- (St. Jules)-

Wednesday 29, April 6:30am, (St. Joseph)-
Craighton LaCombe, Gavin Stuary

Thursday 30, April 5:00pm- (St. Jules)- Hazel & Arista Guidry, St. Joseph in Thanksgiving

Friday 1, May 6:30am-(St. Joseph)- Danny P. Simar, Phoebe, Matt, & Lynn Miller

Saturday 2, May 8:00pm-(St. Joseph)-
Craighton LaCombe, Ethan Luke Leckelt, Leroy Fontenot, Brenis Kershaw, Adam & Mae Daigle, Danieli & Cynthia Broussard, Adam Tauzin & FLY, Kristin & Byron Moore, 8:00am for Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 3, May 8:00am-(St. Jules) Charlene Thomas, Jamie & Donnie Simar, Gwen Miller Fly(L&D), CF Spl Int

Sunday 4 May 10:00am (St. Joseph)

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Saturday at 3:00pm
at St. Joseph

Rosary: Saturday 3:25pm at St. Joseph
Sunday 7:25am at St. Jules
Sunday 9:25am at St. Joseph
Tues & Thurs 4:30pm at St. Jules
Eternal Flame Rosary– Mon 6:00pm at St. Joseph

Women's Hour of Adoration and Praise:
1st Wednesday of every month. Beginning at 6:30pm
at St. Joseph.

Men's Bible Study: 7:00am every Friday in the
parish hall at St. Joseph.

Youth Hour of Adoration & Praise:
2nd Sunday of every month at 6:00pm at St. Joseph

Fourth SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sacred Scripture: Two Sacraments that are celebrated by other Christian denominations besides Catholics are Confirmation and Eucharist. However, there are clear distinctions to what we Catholics believe about these Sacraments. Confirmation is when a Bishop or priest appointed by his bishop, says to the one being confirmed, "Be sealed with the Holy Spirit" as he smears Sacred Chrism on the person's forehead in the sign of the cross. When he does this, the Holy Spirit comes upon the person and seals them in the grace of God while strengthening the person for the purpose of the work of evangelization. Some other denominations that have confirmation are Lutherans and Anglicans. The distinction between us is the belief of apostolic succession. We Catholics believe that each Catholic Bishop can trace his succession of consecration as a Bishop to one of the Apostles. Catholic Bishops are the only ones who can do this. We priests and deacons are ordained by Bishops to share and help in their priestly ministry.

Which brings us to the Sacrament of the Eucharist. For Catholics, Eucharist is more than a symbol of Jesus' passion and more than an expression of our unity in Christ. When a Catholic priest in good standing with the Catholic Church says the prayers at mass, Jesus turns the bread and wine into His own body, blood, soul and divinity. The bread and wine become Jesus. It is no mere symbol. We call it the Eucharist because the word means thanksgiving and we are eternally grateful for Jesus giving himself to us in the Eucharist. We call it communion because we are drawn into communion with God through an exchange of persons with Jesus in the Eucharist. It is not a mere symbol. It is a reality that takes place every time we receive the Eucharist at mass or the homebound receive at their residence.

This is why a believer in Christ needs to be fully initiated into the Catholic faith to receive the Eucharist. This is also why we Catholics need to be in the state of grace to receive communion. If it were a mere symbol it wouldn't matter. We worship God in the Blessed Sacrament because it really has become Jesus. Only priests can consecrate the Eucharist. No one who is not a Catholic priest can do this no matter how much they believe in or love God.

Readings for the Week:

Apr 26– Acts 2:14a,36-41, 1 Pt 2:20b-25, Jn 10:1-10(49)

Apr 27– Acts 11:1-18, Jn 10:11-18(279)

Apr 28– Acts 11:19-26, Jn 10:22-30(280))

Apr 29– Acts 12:24-13:5a, Jn 12:44-50(281)

Apr 30– Acts 13:13-25, Jn 13:16-20(282)

May 1– Acts 13:26-33, Jn 14:1-6(283)

May 2– Acts 13:44-52, Jn 14:7-14(284))

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I would to address the dispute between Pope Leo XIV and President Trump. The closest similarity to witnessing this is when children witness a dispute between their parents. We must show respect to both Pope Leo XIV and President Trump. They are both grown men who can handle their own issues. Personally, I wish they would handle this in private behind closed doors not in the public realm of social media. However, I encourage everyone to pray for both Pope Leo XIV and President Trump. Remember, we are Catholic because Jesus is our Shepherd. We are American because God has allowed us to live here as citizens. Let us show respect during this dispute and avoid any semblance of taking sides. Let us rather follow Christ.

In the hearts of JMJ,

Fr Comeaux

Prayer List– Kevin Cormier, Maurice Camel, Grace Kirsh, Cullen Zaunbrecher, Audrey Guilliot, Susan Doucet, Danielle Stroderd LeJeune, Brody Coleman, August Smith, Joseph David, Jay Benoitt, Stephanie Fontenot, Mark Hebert, Faye Romero, Brian Benoit, Terry McFarlain, Brian Caillouet, Pat Gotte, Tony Fontenot, Sue Hebert, Tommy & Kathleen Guidry, Earline LaCombe, Sean Morgan, Christina Reed, Rita Bogard, Susan Bergeaux, Beth Richert, Remi Joseph, Sarah Kleinpeter, Gerald Doucet, Jr., Joel Guinn, John F. LeJeune, Wilma LeJeune, Carolyn Lejeune, Adlas & Judy Herpin, Corey Rasberry, Randy Gotte, Christine Gotte, Brenda Benoit, Brandy Hebert, Katrina Zaunbrecher, Vincent Daigle Call Mary Hadaway 368-6110.

Safe Environment: We will be having an initial safe environment class on Saturday, May 9 at 10:00am in the hall at St. Joseph. All volunteer 18 and older including sacristans, lectors, alter servers, CCD teachers, and Mercy Works volunteers are required to be certified. If you have any questions or cannot attend please contact the office.

First Saturday of the Month: Next week, March 7. Mass will begin at 8:00am with adoration following until 3:00pm at St. Joseph. Please consider signing up for an hour of adoration.

CCD: Registration forms are in the back of both churches and on parish website. Classes will be June 8-12 from 9:00am-3:00pm. We will be having classes from Pre-k 3(potty trained)-8th grade.

Truckers Against Trafficking: tatnonprofit.org
Also: truckersagainsttrafficking.org

Our Stewardship:

St. Joseph-\$2307 2nd- \$1001

St. Jules- \$897 2nd- \$567

St. Joseph Ambry: \$240 of \$410

2nd collection next week is maintenance

St. Joseph Ambry: St. Joseph was in need of a set of vessels for the Holy Oils. Father has purchased a set for \$410. If anyone would like to donate toward the set, please place money in basket with the memo donation for Ambry.

RCIA– RCIA classes has concluded. The last class adult confirmation meeting will be on May 3 at 4:00 in St. Joseph Hall.

Catholic Daughter's Scholarship– The Catholic Daughters are accepting applications for their scholarship. Details can be found on parish website in the events tab.

St Joseph and St Jules Mercy Works: We are looking for volunteers to establish a network of mercy works within our communities. The Mercy Works include: food trains, visiting sick and lonely, running errands, and maintenance for struggling and unable individuals. If you are interested please call the office.

St. Francis School is accepting applications for certified teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. Interested applicants are asked to submit a resume to JoLynn Dean, principal, at idean@stfranciswolves.com.