

## SAINT JOHN BERCHMANS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Monday through Thursday: 8:00am—2:00pm

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### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Kenneth J. Domingue—Pastor

Bridgette Lanclos—Bookkeeper

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Terry Mouton—Maintenance

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St. John Berchmans Choir, Charlotte Jagneaux, Phyllis Simar, Kristi Anderson, Nick & Kristen Latiolais—Music Ministers

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00am & 10:00am

#### **Weekdays:**

Tuesday—Friday at 12:15pm

*Communion Service on Mondays at 12:15pm*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Church Office to schedule Baptism.

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:00pm—3:30pm or by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months before the anticipated date of Marriage.

### FUNERALS

Please contact the funeral directors and they will contact the Church.

### ANNOINTING OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Please contact the Pastor before going into the hospital for a planned surgery.

### COME, LORD JESUS!

Meets every Tuesday at 4:30pm and  
Thursday at 10:00am in the  
Church Hall.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 13-14, 2024

“**W**hy do questions arise in your hearts?” After the Resurrection, the Apostles experienced their fair share of incredulity. Jesus had died—John had been there—and now the tomb was empty. What should they believe? Was the Jesus before them truly real? And who was Jesus really? It’s no surprise that the Apostles were initially “startled and terrified” to the extent that they “thought that they were seeing a ghost.”

Jesus has compassion on his confused friends. Once he affirms his non-ghostly identity—“look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself”—Jesus gets down to business. He has risen from the dead, but life would not continue as normal. Throughout Jesus’ ministry, he spoke in parables and veiled prophetic language. His followers likely thought much of his words were metaphors, some symbolism for the person and their relation to God. Now Jesus has something else in mind. He “opened their minds to understand the scriptures,” making known the connections between his own words and deeds and “everything written about [him] in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms.”

This is our invitation! We have the rich heritage of the Church’s teaching. By sacramental grace, God’s “peace” is “with [us].” We, too, are sent to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and the hope that belongs to his call.

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## THIS WEEK’S MASSES:

**Saturday, April 13, @ 4:00pm: PARISHIONERS.**  
**Sunday, April 14, @ 8:00am:** Pamela Auzenne, Bertha Henry; Hermina Gautreaux; Johnny Ray Thibodeaux, Sr.; Moochie, Aaron & Cynthia Cormier, Paul Henry, Juanita Credeur, Gene Lormand;  
**Sunday, April 14, @ 10:00am:** Shirley Miller; Paul & Noella Legere; Eby & Hazel Thibodeaux, Adolphe Stelly; Bryon "Bree" Mayeaux; Charles Lasley, Robert & Lonnie O. Bourg; Rose M. Miller.  
**Monday, April 15, @ 12:15pm: COMMUNION SERVICE.**  
**Tuesday, April 16, @ 12:15pm: COMMUNION SERVICE.**  
**Wednesday, April 17, @ 12:15pm:** Special Intention.  
**Thursday, April 18, @ 12:15pm:** Hazel Thibodeaux.  
**Friday, April 19, @ 12:15pm:** Lorena "Ti-Moon" Guillot, Alcide Guillot, Anna Guillot; Carl Veillon, Liv./Dec. of Dianna Royer Veillon.

## *St. Gertrude Special Rosary*

Herbert Prudhomme  
Norma Prudhomme  
Dennis Prudhomme  
Herbie Vidrine  
Larry Babineaux

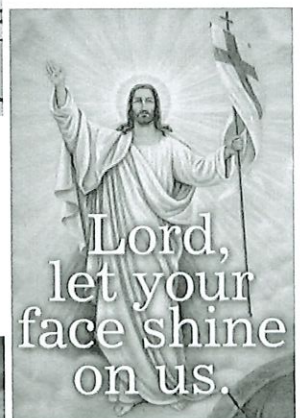
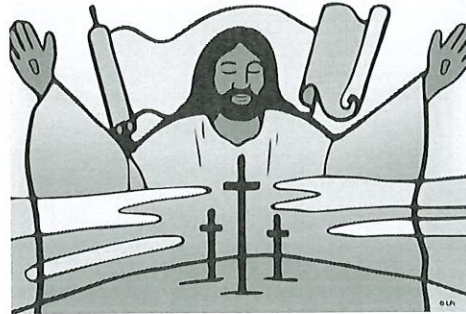
## Bishop’s Services Appeal (BSA) Payment Methods:

Check Payable to BSA. Mail in envelope provided.  
Credit/Debit Card Payments: Visit [diolaf.org/BSA](http://diolaf.org/BSA) or text **DIOCESE** to **50155**.  
Questions? Call (337) 261-5641

## COLLECTIONS:

**Offerings:** -----\$5,881.00  
**Funds for the Poor:** ----- 11.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*



Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 13-14, 2024

**“In Memory of Deceased Loved Ones”**—We currently have spaces on the back of the bulletin available to parishioners who would like to have their deceased loved ones remembered. These spaces will be filled on a week to week basis, for a donation of **\$10.00 per week**. To view a sample, please see the back of this weekend’s bulletin. For more information, call (337/668-4413) or come by the Church Office during regular office hours.

**Introduction to a Silent Preached Retreat for Women** with Fr. Anthony Wieck, SJ, at St. Charles College, 313 E. MLK, Grand Coteau, will be held on **May 10-12, 2024**. Cost is **\$280.00**. To register or for more information, visit <https://jesuitspiritualitycenter.org>.

**During the month of May**, we will honor Mary by praying the rosary on weekdays in our Church, beginning **Wednesday, May 1st to Friday, May 31st, at 11:30am**. Everyone is invited to attend!



**ENGAGED COUPLES!** Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. **Upcoming weekends: April 26-28, 2024; September 13-15, 2024**. For cost of weekend and to learn more, visit our website at [www.ceelafayette.org](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or call **Tom & Geraldine Rizzuto at 337/984-7954**.

**Reminder to KC members of their regularly scheduled meeting in the Church Hall this Sunday, April 14th, at 6:00pm**, with rosary at 5:30pm.

**Just Men Day Retreat for Separated, Divorced, and Remarried Men** will be held on **Saturday, May 4th**, from 9:00am to 5:00pm, at **St. Pius X Catholic Church, 600 East Kaliste Saloom Road, Lafayette**. Light breakfast, lunch, coffee, and water will be provided. For more information or to register, visit [www.womenatthewelloflove.org](http://www.womenatthewelloflove.org).

**Annual Mother’s Day of Reflection** will be held on **Wednesday, May 8th**, at **Immaculata Center, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette**. The day will begin at 9:00am and end at 2:00pm. Cost for the day is **\$25.00**, which includes lunch and materials. Visit [www.diolaf.org/marriage](http://www.diolaf.org/marriage) to register. **Pre-register by May 3rd**. For more information, please call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 337/261-5653.



## APRIL RELIGION CLASSES

Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9—11:00—1:00pm—April 28th

**A St. Gertrude Special Intention** is to aid our deceased souls in Purgatory. Through prayers and rosaries in honor of our deceased loved ones, we hope to receive indulgences applicable to the souls in Purgatory, thus reducing their time in Purgatory and hastening their entrance into Heaven. St. Gertrude Special Intention requests are being accepted at the Church Office for a donation of **\$5.00**. Your loved one’s name will be listed in the bulletin and displayed in the candle room in the Church. Deceased loved ones will also be remembered during every Monday rosary with a special intention to St. Gertrude, which releases souls in Purgatory.

**Remember Me Support Group Meetings** for caregivers, family, and friends of individuals with Dementia/Alzheimer’s, are held twice a month. The **second Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon** at the Family Center, St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 610 Rain Tree Trail in Lafayette and on the **fourth Tuesday of each month**, caregivers meet for a “funday” at **10:30am**. Please contact [setonrememberme@gmail.com](mailto:setonrememberme@gmail.com) or call **337/235-1483** to find out the monthly meeting spot as it differs each month.

**ONLINE CATECHESIS**—The Diocese of Lafayette has partnered with Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, to give everyone in the diocese access to workshops that can help in their religious formation. Although some of the workshops are geared towards teachers, many simply give information on topics that many of us want to know more about (i.e. the Eucharist, Mary, New Testament, Old Testament). All you have to do is go to [www.franciscanathome.com/diolaf](http://www.franciscanathome.com/diolaf) to begin to create your account. The Office of Catechetics has a short 3 minute video on their webpage that will direct you on how to create an account. Our parish has already been placed in the system, so all you have to do is create your personal account. We believe this is a wonderful opportunity for us to grow in our faith.

**Please keep the Confirmation Students** in your prayers, as they celebrate their Sacrament of Confirmation next **Sunday, April 21st, at 2:00pm**. Students and Sponsors should arrive at 1:30pm.

Our sanctuary lamps burn this week in memory of:  
Joseph Lee Baudoin, Angela Marie B. Boutin, Liv./Dec. of  
Baudoin & Guilbeau Family  
M/M Lucuis LeBlanc

- Please pray for the sick:
1. Norward Richard, Linda Courvelle, Rella Constantine, Betty Roger
  2. David Domingue, Linda Lemaire
  3. Gladys Woods, Eilean Begnaud, Elmo Begnaud, Aaron Dupuis, Jackie Miller, Mona Miller, Cathy Carriere Comeaux, Al & Dawn Comeaux, Kade Lalonde

Lay Ministers Schedule - April 20-21:  
Saturday @ 4:00pm Mass  
Glenn Menard, Louise Guthrie  
*Lector:* Paula Frederick  
Sunday @ 8:00am Mass  
Shirley Melancon, Shirley Phillips  
*Lector:* Rickey Melancon  
Sunday @ 10:00am Mass  
Sheila Gradney, Brenda Thibodeaux  
*Lector:* Volunteer

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

