



# SAINT JOHN BERCHMANS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Friday: 8:00am—12:00 noon

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Kenneth J. Domingue—Pastor  
Bridgette Lanclos—Bookkeeper  
Harry Bernard—Cemetery Maintenance

Terry Mouton—Maintenance  
Maria Winn—Receptionist/Secretary

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.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 20-21, 2024

Today's Gospel occurs in the middle of Jesus' ministry. At first, Jesus' words seem to be about the value of self-sacrifice in a leader. "I am the Good Shepherd ... I will lay down my life for the sheep." The Apostles likely would have accepted these words easily enough. But then comes something more strange. "I lay down my life in order to take it up again ... I have power to lay it down and power to take it up again." Only later, when Jesus opened the Scriptures to them after his resurrection, would the Apostles understand his words. Only then would they understand why such an act was necessary for the salvation of the world.

We have seen Jesus lay down his life. We have seen him accompany others. "I know mine and mine know me." We have seen him reach those outside the traditional flock, "sheep not of this fold." Jesus is the Good Shepherd, not only in Scripture but in our daily lives.

While we can't experience physically walking alongside him like the Apostles did, the grace of our redemption continues through the Church. We are shepherded by the sacraments, by faith formation, and by good mentors. At the same time, we are not only the sheep. In imitating Jesus, we, too, are invited to lay down our lives for others. We can be the hands, feet, and shepherd's crook of Christ.

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES:

**Saturday, April 20, @ 4:00pm:** J. B. Cormier, Tony Paul Cormier, John Roy "Pappy" Cormier; Kirk Courville; Dale & Dusty Boss; Glenn D. Savoie; Priscilla F. Royer; Joseph Lee Baudoin, Angela Marie B. Boutin, Louis Guilbeau; Jenny Benoit, Broussard & Primeaux Family; Wilson Clavelle, Preston & Pelagie Wilks; Joan, Mike & Thomas Boudreaux; Dusty Shane Prudhomme, Amedie & Sybil Meche; Michael Todd Broussard; Ken Elliott; M/M Willie Venable, M/M Jack Royer, Philip Royer; Donald Venable, Clara Venable, Gerald Benoit; Delta Patin.

**Sunday, April 21, @ 8:00am: PARISHIONERS.**

**Sunday, April 21, @ 10:00am:** Bryon "Bree" Mayeaux; Nelson Richard, Tanise and Adele Faul; Lynn Grice, Dolores & Cary Simon Eleser; Charles Lasley, Robert & Lonnie O. Bourg; Eby & Hazel Thibodeaux, Adolphe Stelly; Earlin & Hermina Gautreaux; Rose M. Miller.

**Monday, April 22, @ 12:15pm: COMMUNION SERVICE.**

**Tuesday, April 23, @ 12:15pm:** Lorena "Ti-Moon" Guillot, Whitney Guillot, Anna Lou Guillot; M/M Lucuis LeBlanc.

**Wednesday, April 24, @ 12:15pm:** Liv./Dec. of Bourgeois & Babineaux Family; Dusty Shane Prudhomme, Amedie & Sybil Meche; Gerald Credeur, Leon & Genevieve Menard.

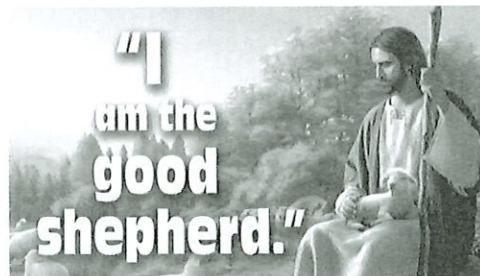
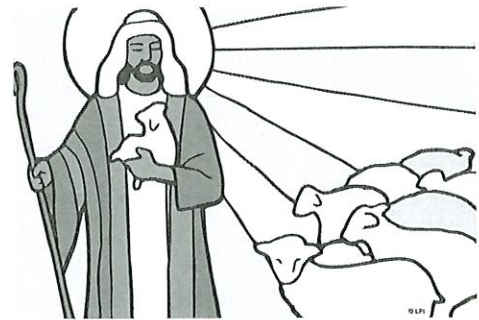
**Thursday, April 25, @ 12:15pm:** Lorena "Ti-Moon" Guillot, Anna Lou Guillot, Beverly Pope.

**Friday, April 26, @ 12:15pm:** Liv./Dec. of Dolores Vincent.

## COLLECTIONS:

Offerings: -----\$5,579.00  
Repairs and Improvements: ----- 1,274.25  
Funds for the Poor: ----- 8.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*



## 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

**THE STONE REJECTED  
BY THE BUILDERS  
HAS BECOME THE  
CORNERSTONE.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 20-21, 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.

**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).

**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.

**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**.

**The Health Buggy Bus** will be in our Church Parking Lot on **Friday, April 26th**, from **8:15am to 11:00am**.

**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>.



## APRIL RELIGION CLASSES

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



## *National Infertility Awareness Week*

**April 21-27, 2024**

Join us as we pray for those  
who have experienced  
infertility  
visit: [www.diolaf.org/grief](http://www.diolaf.org/grief)  
for resources



**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!

**If anyone has an excess of muscadines, blackberries, plums, and/or figs during the upcoming months**, please call the Church Office (337/668-4413). Kenneth and Rita Pitre, who donated the homemade wine for this year’s St. Joseph Altar, can use these to prepare wine for next year’s St. Joseph Altar. Thank you!

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



**St. John Berchmans Pastoral Advisory Meeting** will be held this **Tuesday, April 30th**, at **6:00pm** in the Church Office (Classroom).

Our sanctuary lamps burn this week in memory of:

Dusty Shane Prudhomme  
Nelson Richard

Please pray for the sick:

1. Gladys Woods, Blaine Miller, Mary Ann Hall
2. Norward Richard, Linda Courvelle, Rella Constantine
3. David Domingue, Linda Lemaire

Lay Ministers Schedule - April 27-28:

Saturday @ 4:00pm Mass

Chris Gisclair, Paul Richard

*Lector:* Pat Elliott

Sunday @ 8:00am Mass

Betty Lewis, Kory Broussard

*Lector:* Ricky Moran

Sunday @ 10:00am Mass

Harry Bernard, Stephanie Benoit

*Lector:* Stephanie Benoit

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

