

Second Sunday of Easter

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

Red Hainsworth. Dottie Schuetz. Mary Margaret Ellison. Donna Pruitt. Dan Duke. John Kominis. Samantha & Ester Coronel. Paula Prueett. Belcher Family. Diane Stanley. Barbara Quesada. Wilburn Roberts. Chase Larsson. Jeff Gibbons. Eric Gray. Myles Acosta. Elise Sugg. Jacob Stephens. Fr. John Lydon. Fr. Joseph Nasser. Fr. Christopher Ruggles. Fr. Tim Kelly. Fr. Steven Duyka. Msgr. Gerald Priest. Jim & Joann Rayl. Rose Kennedy. Judy Fazzio. Marsha & Marty Blahitka. Carolyn Edwards. Dominic Sosta. Joshua Larsson. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda Stephens. Wanda Thompson. Eleana Fritz. Kathryn Allen. Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month. **Fr. Peter McGrath has been placed in hospice care.** Please pray for peace and serenity for him and his family as they enter into a very difficult time. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially Jim Rayl, husband of Joann Rayl.**

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community:

Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo Navy Boot Camp (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Airman First Class Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army(Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2nd Lt. Blake Gaughan & Lcpl Mike Buchanan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). E-3RJames Morgan (SonInLaw of Kathy & Dale Boman) Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (brother of Jeff & Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

SEEING IS BELIEVING

Seeing is believing! Since cellphone screens connect us instantly to social media, live TV, and loved ones' faces near and far, "Doubting Thomas" could be our patron saint: "Unless I see, I will not believe!" But how comforting for any of us who share Thomas's doubt, or love "doubters" who do, to see how kindly Jesus responds. By offering the very evidence that Thomas demanded, Jesus doesn't scold Thomas, but seems to understand such skepticism. Could Jesus have been thinking of us, who long to believe that "Jesus is risen!" but see so much suffering, and perhaps even cause some, that we wonder, how could something so wonderful be true? In today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the risen Jesus' healing love comforts through disciples who love others. In Revelation, "our brother John" doesn't just claim he saw Jesus alive, but passes on Jesus' life-giving words, "Do not be afraid." Seeing Jesus in others is believing!

Mass Times & Intentions

Holy Sat 4/20 NO 5:00pm Mass **Vigil Mass 8:30pm**

Easter Sun 4/21 9:30am **Mass of Resurrection**

Tue 4/23 9:00am Mass/Adoration—Rusty Anderson+ (Ruddie Anderson)

Wed 4/24 5:00pm Mass—Rev. Basil Hoan+

Thurs 4/25 9:00am Mass—Parishionres

Fri 4/26 9:00am Mass—Lexi Bonicard (M/M Bonicard)

Sat 4/20 5:00pm Mass.—Milton Aucoin+ (M/M Bonicard)

Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm

Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am

PARISH SUPPORT

Required Weekly Funds Offerings

4/13 & 4/14

\$ 3,962	Sat.	Sun.
\$ 3,098	69	120

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — A large number of people gathered, bringing the sick, and all were cured (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalms — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

A BETTER USE OF YOUR TIME

Learn to give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you'll have no time for criticism of others.—Anonymous

✠ Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your Will. ✠

For free information on making a will, finding a lawyer or making a bequest to our parish, please call Mark Henry at the East Texas Catholic Foundation @ 903-534-1077 X 200 or visit www.etcflegacy.org.

EVENTS AND NEWS

APRIL 2019 Second Collections: 20th & 21st: "Special Collection to support the Catholic Charities relief efforts for the Alto area."
27th & 28th: "Missions in the United States."

Religious Education

GRADES 1—8 "Faith and Family Life"

Wed., Apr. 24th 4:00—4:55pm

GRADES 9—12 HSY "Holy Spirit Youth" Group
NO Class on Sun., Apr. 21st after 9:30am Mass
HSY YOUTH LEADERS: Randy & Shirley Munoz

Exposition every Tuesday, from 9:30am—4:00pm: "Indeed, Earth is joined to Heaven each time we are united with the Saints and Angels in extolling God, Who, in worship we see, if not with the sight of eyes, then with the eyes of faith. We are called abide in the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord, like the Saints and Angels do in Heaven, as they behold the glory of God and sing His praise!"

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Did You Know.....April is national Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to recognize that we each can play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in our communities. The Catholic Church is a leader in abuse prevention programs and procedures, so that we may protect our most valuable gift from God—our children. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, call our church office or www.dioceseoftyler.org.

Mark your calendar Saturday, May 11, 2019.

Deacon Sam & Nancy Retirement Celebration after 5:00pm Mass

Thank You, to our K of C workers. We had another successful "fish fry"! A special "Thank You" goes out to our lovely "knight's ladies." Your yummy desserts are a great part of our success!

Middle & High School Youth interested in attending the **Pines Camp** need to let Wanda Stephens know to earn **\$\$ scholarship ASAP**.

The **Diocesan Special Needs Ministry** is having a Diocesan Mass at 10:00am, Apr. 27th at the Chapel of Sts. Peter and Paul in Tyler, TX. There will be a lunch following Mass. To RSVP or if you have any questions or know of families interested please contact Mikki Sciba at misciba@stphilipinstitute.org or (903)630-5055 ext. 113.

Handicapped parking spaces are reserved at all times for those who display the appropriate handicapped designation on their vehicles.

YOU could win \$2,000

Four Prizes **\$500, \$500, \$500, & \$500** Visa Gift Cards

Raffle tickets need to be turned in before April 27th

April News/Events

Wed., Apr. 24th: Rel. Ed. 1—8 grade 4—4:55pm. 5:00pm Mass

Thurs., Apr. 25th: National Day of Prayer

Sat., Apr. 27th: Casino/Dinner/Raffle Doors open 6pm. Dinner 6:30pm.

Sun., Apr. 28th: Last Christian Initiation with Deacon Sam & "HSY" after 9:30am Mass in classrooms. **Divine Mercy @ 3:00pm.**



May News/Events

Wed., May 1st: No 5:00pm Mass. Fr. Mike in Winnsboro @ St. Anne's—Confirmation.

Thurs., May 2nd: National Day of Prayer

Sat., May 4th: Fashion Show 10am—2pm. \$15.00 pp.

Sun., May 5th: K of C Breakfast

Thurs., May 9th: No 9:00am Mass. Priests Study Day
K of C Meeting.

Sat., May 11th: Deacon Sam & Nancy Mullen Retirement Party after 5:00pm Mass.

Sun. May 12th: Mother's Day. **Apologetics** with Jane Bidlack

Mon. May 13th: Fundraiser Wrap-up Meeting 6:00pm

Tues., May 14th—Wed., May 22nd: Fr. Mike on vacation.

Mon., May 27th: Memorial Day—Diocese & Office closed.

Remember Divine Mercy Prayer Celebration
Sunday, Apr. 28th
3:00pm in our church.

Do you have a child or grandchild that is graduating from High School or College? We would like to share their exciting information in our bulletin. Please e-mail or leave a message at church their name, where they are graduating from and where are they going from their. Info needed by May 15. Thank You,

Sat. May 4th: Fashion Show in our parish hall from 10:00am—2:00pm. \$15.00 pp. Includes loaded potato bar, etc. Many prizes & gifts. Jean Kelly has tickets for sale after Mass.

WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP FOR FUNDRAISER: Sign-up sheets for **donations (orange board) & volunteers (table)** are all located in the Narthex. Questions, call the church office.