

“When others are weeping blood, what right do I have to weep tears?”

Brother Silas Henderson, SDS / Mar 24, 2018

The days of Holy Week challenge us to envision a life in which we take responsibility for our indifference.

*He emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness;
and found human in appearance,
he humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.*

—Philippians 2:7-8

Elie Wiesel, a Holocaust survivor and Nobel prize-winning peace activist, wrote that “*The opposite of love is not hate, it’s indifference. The opposite of art is not ugliness, it’s indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy, it’s indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, it’s indifference.*” Indifference, a lack of concern or a refusal to act in the face of injustice, is at the heart of human suffering. With this in mind, St. Maximilian Kolbe (who was executed by the Nazis on August 14, 1941, after having offered his own life to save another condemned prisoner) described indifference as “*the most deadly poison of our times.*”

In most cases, our indifference is born of comfort or complacency and a sense that “I shouldn’t get involved” or “it isn’t my business.” Sadly, we can all-too-easily recognize how these attitudes allow injustice, abuse, and neglect to continue and increase in too many places in the world today.

However tempting it might be to pretend otherwise, there are things worth living for, suffering for, and even dying for. This is why the question of Cuban poet José Martí—“*When others are weeping blood, what right do I have to weep tears?*”—calls us to an even more essential question: “What is the value of a life that is lived without anything worth dying for?”

The inconvenience, discomfort, sadness, and pain we may feel if we open our hearts and pay attention to what is happening in and to the world around us are the only real antidote to indifference, because those feelings should call us to action. And Palm Sunday and Holy Week reveal for us a God who, in Jesus, was anything but indifferent: “*He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave... he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross*” (Philippians 2:7a, 8).

Although Palm Sunday’s ability to confront and confound our indifference can be startling and even frightening, the real grace of this celebration is in the opportunity it provides for us to renew our commitment to life in Christ. The days of Holy Week challenge us to envision a life in which—rather than simply limping along from “mistake” to “mistake”—we take responsibility for our indifference, our self-preference, and our sins to become free to grow in love and care about what we do to others, to creation, and to our own bodies, psyches, and souls.

In the end, living the mystery of the Cross leaves no room for indifference because, as St. Cyril of Alexandria observed, “*Christ’s example of courage in God’s service will be of great profit for us, for only by putting the love of God before our earthly life and being prepared when occasion demands to fight zealously for the truth, can we attain the supreme blessing of perfect union with God*” (Commentary on John, 12.19).

Schedule of Events:

Monday April 15

6 p.m. Mass

7 p.m. Youth Formation (6th-10th)

Tuesday, April 16

8 a.m. Mass

6 p.m. youth formation (K-5)

Wednesday, April 17

8 a.m. Mass

4 p.m. Liturgy Practice

Thursday, April 18 -Holy Thursday

Church Office Closed

10:30 a.m. Chrism Mass/ St. Francis

6 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 19-Good Friday

Church office Closed

3 p.m. Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, April 20-Easter Vigil

7 a.m. "Open Tomb Prayer Service"

8 a.m. Liturgy Practice

8 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 21-Easter Sunday

8 a.m. mass

10 a.m. Mass



MASS INTENTIONS



For the Week of April 16, 2019 –April 21, 2019

8:00 A.M. – Tuesday April 16

All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:

Parishioners of St. Ann, Rev. Gregory Boquet, Rai & Thaddeus Pellegrin, Houma- Thibodaux Diocese Priests and Seminarians

8:00 A.M. – Wednesday April 17

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Parishioners of St. Ann, Jerry Bascle, Shirley Peterson, Brooke Gros (B)

Thursday April 18 - Holy Thursday

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Saturday, April 20 -Easter Vigil

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Matthew S. Matherne, Peter W. Hebert, Samuel Dominic Hebert, Michael Lee McGee, Wayne G. Cancienne,
Roland, Paul & Eula Mae Rodrigue Cindy R. Broussard, Wilbert Dupre Sr., Jerry & Matthew Arceneaux,
Keri Lynn Niette, Albert Pinell Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Blanchard, Jane Champagne,
Eric, Joel & Frank Rogers, Ruth Pinell, Clinton & Wilma Picou, Gussie & L.E. Fletcher,
Merlin, Michael & Ruby Bascle, Vivian & Bob Finkle, Norma & Bert Rhodes,
Fr. Gregory Boquet, Fr. Shenan Boquet, Father Ty, Fr. Joey Lirette, Dcn. Timmy White, Dcn. Steve Brunet,
Dcn. Chris Prestenback, Alton Neil, Claude Triche, Dcn. Gearlad Belanger, Fr. Cody Chatagnier,
Matthew Prosperie, Eula & Gustave Pellegrin & family, Mildred & Clifton Dupre & family
Gina Babin Pellegrin, Katie Pellegrin Lambert, Julie Braud, Pearl Ferry, Fr. Alex Gaudet, Marie Eschete,
George Derrington, Henry & Hazel Eschete, Antoine & Manella Verrett, Mark Triche, Dolores Viteaux,
Linda Whipple Schouest, Douglas "Chubby" Chauvin, Chauvin, Boquet, LeCompte & Rhodes families,
Cynthia Charpentier, Shirley Peterson, Maxine Christoffersen*

8:00A.M. - Sunday, April 21-Easter Sunday

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Dorina Dupuis, Geraldine Donaldson, R.J. Domangue, Betty Jane Domangue, Theresa Thibodaux Portier, Lucuis Thibodaux Sr.
& Jr., Kevin Paul Scott, Clarence & Ella Scott, Beluah & Brenda, Clarence Scott Jr., Milton Babin, Roland Domangue Sr.,
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10:00A.M. - Sunday, April 21- Easter Sunday

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*Parishioners of St. Ann, Geraldine Dupre, Ruth Pinell, Herbert, Celina, Joyce, Deborah & Ronald Belanger,
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Carold Leonard, Alton & Gladys LeCompte Living & Deceased Members of the Naquin, LaJaunie, LeBoeuf & Lapeyrouse
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Edward T. Walker Jr., Elbert "Bert" & Norma Rhodes, Daniel Toups
George Wiley Spruill, Maxine Christoffersen, Steven & Nelly Bergeron & family, Terry, Karen, Susan, Leslie*

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF April 14, 2019

The Sanctuary Light is in memory of *Mrs. Cecile Fabre* requested by Randolph & Kathie Bascle.

The Altar Bread is in memory of *Mr. Erous Eschete* requested by Linda McMath.

The Altar Candles are in memory of *Mrs. Linda Whipple Schouest* requested by Numa & Missy Schouest.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

April 6 & 7: Envelopes: \$5485.00 +Loose: \$614.85+ \$690.99(online) = \$6790.84

Maintenance: Envelopes: \$894.00 + Loose: \$308.00=\$1202.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mother's Tea:

The Ladies Altar Society is hosting a Mother's tea on May 4 after the 8 a.m Mass.
Sign-ups and more information will be in the back of church.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to those children who received Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time!

Abbie Arceneaux	Chase Cundiff	Blake Pellegrin
Avery Arceneaux	Conner Dehart	Quinn Pellegrin
Carsen Authement	Lennox Domangue	Joseph Pennison
Annaleece Billiot	Reece Dupre	Angel Pinell
Ava Billiot	Christian Friloux	Aubrey Pinell
Journey Billiot	Ava Hancock	Caleb Pitre
Tayen Billiot	Ryder Hebert	Evan Porche
Cohen Blanchard	Adrian Kramer	Grant Smith
Lucy Boquet	Addison Landry	Grayson Smith
Megan Boudreaux	Jordan Lapeyrouse	Sky Songe
Sydney Bowen	Aiden LeBlanc	Jenna Sonier
Bella Carter	Andre' LeBoeuf	Kally Theriot
Cohen Chancellor	Ella Ledet	Lila Troxler
Reece Chancellor	Caroline Luke	Bree Usey
Jack Chilton	Elijah Mejia	Aaliyah Verrett
Carter Collins	Kylee Neal	Lexi Thomas
	Karter Nelton	

CHURCH CLEANING: Week of April 21- Paula N., Sally A., Stacy B., Cindy S.

MASSES	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS
<u>April 20 & 21</u> SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL 8:00P.M.	Adrian, Debra L, Brian, Marianne	Randolph, Cheryl Connie N.,	Trenton, Mason	Steve H, Jan
EASTER SUNDAY 8:00A.M 10:00A.M.	Bert, Jesse, Cecil, Irma Leslie, Paula, Connie, Lisa	Doug, Christine Youth	Caleb, Lucas Destiny, Madison, Zack, Bailey	Butch, Leroy, Walton youth

