



Good Shepherd Parish St. Stephen Church

1025 Napoleon Avenue New Orleans LA 70115

Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 pm at St Stephen Church
Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am at St Stephen Church
Sunday at 10:30 am at OLG (Charismatic)
Sunday at 5:00 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church
Weekdays (Mon. - Fri.) at 6:30 am at St Henry Church
Tuesday — 11:00 am at OLG Rectory (Charismatic)
Tuesday — 6:00 pm at St Stephen Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays before Mass, at 4:45 pm
Thursdays after Mass, until 8:00 am

Parish Staff

The Reverend Msgr Christopher H. Nalty, *Pastor*
Father Douglas C. Brougher, *in Residence*
Deacon Richard Eason
Phillip Bellini, *Director of Religious Education*
Dianne Caverly, *Business Manager*
Brian Morgan, *Director of Music*
Ivy Rohr, *Sacramental Coördinator*

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45 pm,
Sunday, 9:30 to 10:15 am, or by appointment (St Stephen's)
One half-hour before Mass, or by appointment (OLGC)

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are normally celebrated at the 10:30 am Mass, on the third Sunday of the month. Please contact the rectory office to sign up for a date and begin preparations.

Sacramental Anointing of the Sick

Anointing after Vigil Mass on the second Saturday of the month. Please contact Msgr Nalty for emergencies.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the Rectory Office at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

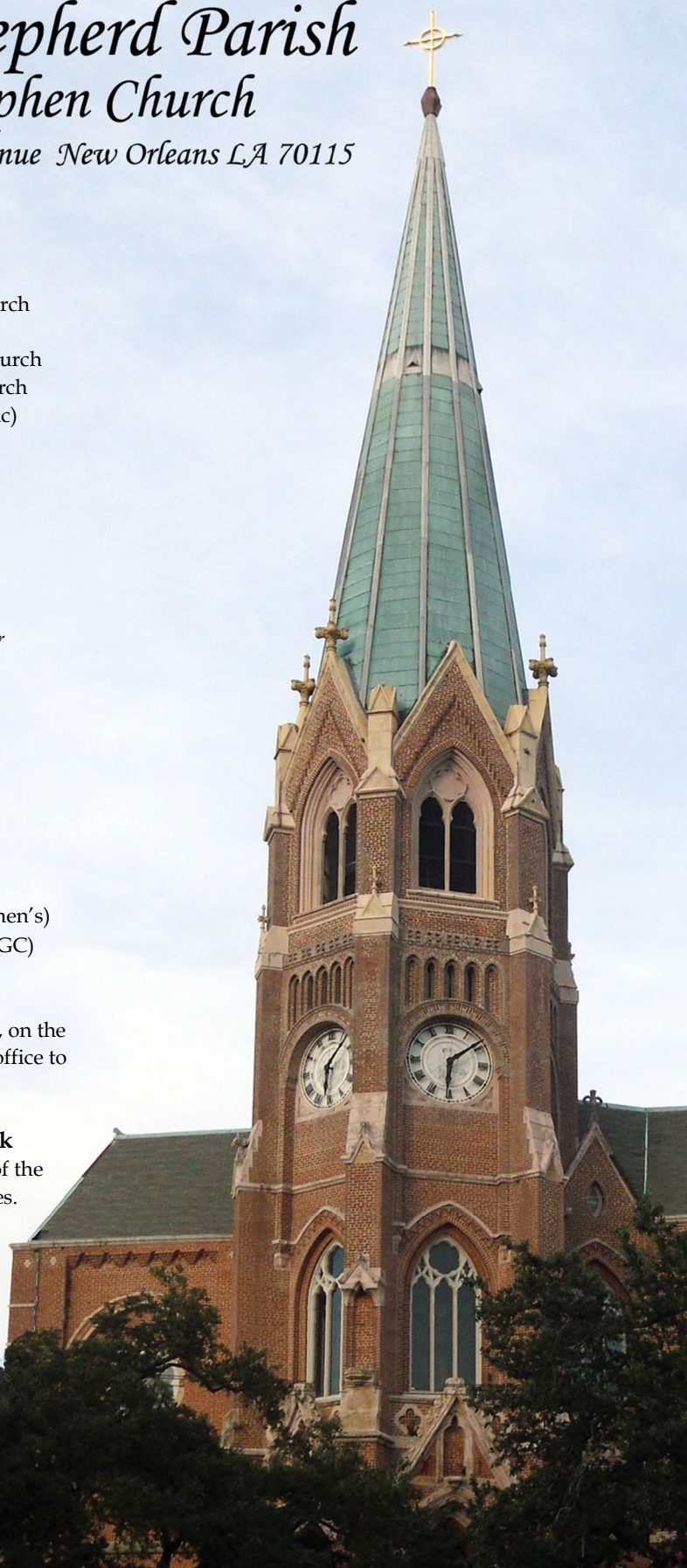
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School: 891-1927 | Fax: 891-1928

Rectory Office Hours:

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Please visit us online at: GoodShepherdParishNOLA.com



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

Calendar

Saturday, May 1st

4:00pm Vigil Thomas Lorio, Harriet Mathes, Mr & Mrs Edwin M. Palmer Sr, Carmen Milano Teresi, the Bergeron & Boudreaux Families, and the Burch & Pfister Families

Sunday, May 2nd

Orthodox Easter

8:00am Mass For all parishioners

10:30am Mass Vincent Boudreaux Jr, Joy Nalty Hodges, Deacon Paul Nalty, George Henry Rohr Sr, Cynthia Kropog Sciortino, Lisa Childress Sheridan, and Brian Williams

5:00pm Mass A Special Intention

Monday, May 3rd

SS Philip and James, apostles

6:30am Mass William Joseph Allen

Tuesday, May 4th

6:30am Mass Intentions of Sister Jerome Blank, CIC

6:00pm Mass The Reverend John Arnone

Wednesday, May 5th

6:30am Mass Valerie Gerarre

6:00pm Rosary (@ Our Lady of Good Counsel)

Thursday, May 6th

National Day of Prayer

6:30am Mass Sister M. Angela Bergeron, CIC

Friday, May 7th

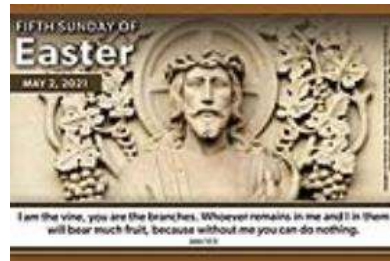
6:30am Mass Lynne Robinson

Saturday, May 8th

10:00am Rosary (@ Church of St Henry)

The Sanctuary Lamp in St Stephen Church will burn this week for the repose of the soul of Vetter Amadeo Taylor.

The Sanctuary Lamp in the rectory chapel will burn this week for the Intentions of the Pope.



Mass Setting

Our Mass setting is the Gregorian *Missa jubilate Deo* and is found in the *Seasonal Missalette* from number 176.



Banns of Matrimony

Ann Catherine Terral & Leo Joseph Legidakes, Jr

Alida Marie Lujan & Jeff Jared Jacob

Jessica Nicole Ragusa & Patrick Joseph Nunes

Annabelle Bliss Clark & Thierry André Jaques Marceaux

Lay-minister Schedule

May 9th

4:00 pm

Lector: Douglas Kariker

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Richard Eason

8:00 am

Lector: Linda Tufton

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Maria Brady and Deacon Richard Eason

10:30 am

Lector: Bob Vaughn

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Richard

Apostolates & Volunteer Groups

Altar Society	Cindy Gainsburgh, @ 899-2637
CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine)	Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3793
Center of Jesus the Lord (Charismatic)	The Center, @ 529-1636
The Good Shepherd Choir [on hiatus]	Brian Morgan, @ 227-3793
Event Planning	Retry Office, @ 899-1378
Friends of Our Lady of Good Counsel	Barbara Fortier, @ barbaraf13@aol.com
Friends of St Henry	Alfred Hagdorn, @ 891-3410
Knights of Columbus	Patrick Guisz, @ 812-6941
Life Apostolate	Kathy Fayard, @ 905-7676
Mass Volunteers	Brian Plauché, @ 289-6799 Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3793
Retry Volunteers	Ivy Rohr, @ 227-3792
Society of St Vincent de Paul	Laura Finnegan, @ 899-1378

The Monthly Prayer-request for Priests

May

1 st	The Reverend Father James Carter, SJ
2 nd	The Reverend Francis Ferrié
3 rd	The Reverend Pedro Felix Nuñez
4 th	The Reverend Patrick Carr
5 th	The Reverend Father Thomas T. Pham, CSSR
6 th	The Reverend Father Leo Nicoll, SJ
7 th	The Reverend Douglas Brougher
8 th	The Reverend Father Scott O'Brien, OP
9 th	The Reverend James Jeanfreau, Jr
10 th	The Reverend Father Eduardo J. Gabriel, OP
11 th	Pope-Emeritus Benedict XVI
12 th	The Reverend Father Etido Jerome, SSJ
13 th	The Reverend Daniel Darmanin
14 th	The Reverend Bac-Hai Viet Tran
15 th	The Reverend Damjan Zablocki
16 th	The Reverend Father Michael Burke, OP
17 th	The Reverend Denzil Perera
18 th	The Reverend Andrew Gutierrez
19 th	The Reverend Jeffrey Montz
20 th	The Reverend Patrick Collum
21 st	The Reverend Kenneth Allen
22 nd	The Reverend Father Gregory Ross, OCD
23 rd	The Reverend Father David Begany, SSJ
24 th	The Reverend Salvador Galvez
25 th	The Reverend Paul Clark
26 th	Pope Francis
27 th	The Reverend Garrett M. O'Brien
28 th	The Reverend Monsignor Christopher H. Nalty
29 th	The Very Reverend Luis F. Rodriguez, VF
30 th	The Reverend Monsignor Lanaux J. Rareshide
31 st	The Reverend Sam Anthony Morello, OCD

† deceased

Collection Report	April 18 th	July 1 st -April 18 th
Total Collections	\$4,880.00	\$277,279.00
Budget	<u>\$9,368.71</u>	<u>\$393,485.82</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$4,488.71)	(\$116,206.82)

Second Collections/Miscellaneous Donations	
St Stephen Restoration Fund	\$84.21
Our Lady of Good Counsel Building Fund	\$30.00
Clarion Herald	\$5.00

Lightning Apologetics



by Phillip Bellini, DRE

The Resurrection—Part III

This is the final part to our meditation. Part I, remember, was the historical reality of Christ's bodily rising from the dead. Part II is how the Resurrection is a continuing reality in the Holy Eucharist. And part three is, **'that Christ's Resurrection is a promise of our own resurrection from the dead'**. St Peter's insistence on Jesus the man being raised back to life by the power of God is the heart of the matter we speak of today. Later on, St Peter would tell the Jews that they killed the Son of God, but on Pentecost it was necessary to emphasize and explain to them that Jesus was a true man, who truly died and by divine power was truly raised from the dead. **Christians must be firmly convinced that Jesus, Himself, rose from the dead**, otherwise their faith in the final resurrection will lack the grounds for believing that Peter provided the first converts to Christianity on Pentecost Sunday. What Peter wanted to bring out is that Jesus was the first man raised from the dead. As God He raised Himself, as man, He was the first one to be raised, and we are to follow Him for He has the power over death itself.

The longest sustained narrative in the Acts of the Apostles, begins with St Paul's unsuccessful effort to convert his fellow Jews to Christianity. Through five chapters, chapters 21-25, St Luke tells the story of Paul's stay in Jerusalem. Paul preached there at length, but the high point of his preaching was the fact that the followers of Christ, like the Master, will one day rise glorious from the grave. The Jews tried to kill Paul, and then had him arrested by the Roman authorities. While pleading to his Roman citizenship, he was temporarily freed from his chains. During his period of freedom, he spoke before the assembled Sanhedrin, the highest court in Judaism. He told the Jews, "It is for our hope in the resurrection of the dead that I am on trial". He was on trial before Felix the Roman governor. Paul again defended himself against the charges which the Jews were making. He told the governor that the real grievance against him was not his belief in the final resurrection: "I hold the same hope in God as they, the Jews, do, that there will be a resurrection of good men and bad men alike. In these things I, as much as they, do my best to keep a clear conscience at all times before God and man." The opposition to Paul was deeper. All his Jewish enemies opposed his teaching, because he claimed that Jesus was the Messiah foretold by the prophets. Jesus proved His claims by allowing Himself to be killed and then rising from the dead after three days.

In teaching the final resurrection of the body we, in sharing this faith with others, must show how this relates to Christ's divinity. It is because Christ is the living God in human form that He has the power to raise mankind from the grave at the General Judgment. Death came into the world through sin, and we must all die because we have all been conceived in sin. But we shall all rise again in our bodies because Jesus Christ died on a cross to redeem us and proved that we are redeemed by raising Himself from the dead on Easter Sunday! Except for the Savior, we could not hope to attain either eternal happiness for our souls or eternal joy for our bodies. Why not? Because, Christ our Lord, by His death on the cross, merited two things. He merited our salvation and, therefore, our eternal happiness in soul. Unless Christ had died, none of us could reach heaven. But, unless Christ had died, none of us could hope to rise glorious from the grave. Why not? Because, Jesus

assumed the penalty which God had imposed on the human race for sin. What was that penalty? Bodily death! And just as bodily death is the proof of our spiritual death in sin, so our resurrection of the body will be God's universal proof of our restoration in soul to reunion in spirit with a God from whom we were estranged by sin. Christ's bodily death, therefore, was Christ as man taking upon Himself the penalty that was due to all of us, namely death of the body. Rising from the dead, Christ proved historically that we were truly redeemed. He really died, but He really rose from the dead, which is the evidence we have that our sins have truly been remitted. Until the last day we believe that, but on the last day it will no longer have to be a matter of faith. We will experience the restoration of our supernatural life in soul by the restoration of our bodily life in rising glorious from the grave. There is a very close intimacy between death of soul and death of body, and correspondingly, there is a necessary relationship between the rising of the body and the restoration of grace in the soul.

One concluding observation. Christ's body after the Resurrection was glorified. We know that Jesus did not reveal the full, glorified state of His risen body during the forty days He spent in Palestine before the Ascension. The fullness of that glory is revealed only in heaven and will be totally revealed only when we in our bodies join Jesus Christ in His body. Why? Because one of the main reasons why we are to rise bodily on the last day, is that we might join with Christ in the joy of His Resurrection. Sharing with Him not only in the Beatific Vision that Jesus experiences in His soul but sharing in the pleasures of the body of the Risen Body of Christ experiences now in heaven. The following is a prayer by the late Reverend Father John Hardon, SJ:

"Lord Jesus, we believe that You rose from the dead, really, truly, historically. We believe You, our Risen Savior, are with us on earth in the Holy Eucharist. We believe, with the depths of our hope, that one day we shall be with You our Risen Savior in Your glorified body, and we are glorified by You in Your company in a glorious eternity for which we were made. Amen."

Pray for the Sick

Ron Behler, Lois Boboa, Beverly Couch, the Honorable Martin Feldman, Marta Fernandez, Ellie Fogarty, David Forly, Audury Guillot, Virginia Hamrick, Janet Hopkins, Gloria Ana Manso, Bill Paine, Amy Splain, Frederick Henry Taylor Sr, Gerald Toups, and Angela Villanueva.



Pray for the Dead

Beverly Bellini, Sister M. Angela Bergeron CIC, Alma Champagne, Deacon Henry Aloysius Garon, Alethea Gernard, Joan Glynn, George Rohr Sr, Cynthia Kropog Sciortino, Theodore H. Sorina Jr, and Vetter Amadeo Taylor.

News

The Monthly Food Pantry Request for "Love Thy Neighbor" (a project of our Society of St Vincent de Paul) for May is canned fruit. We will have a Second Collection this week-end, for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

From the Ignatian Volunteer Corps: "Are you recently vaccinated from Covid-19 and ready to get out of the house to reconnect with people in a meaningful way? The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) invites you to join our community of men and women aged fifty and better who each volunteer with a local non-profit and also gather together monthly to grow deeper in Christian faith by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition. If you are retired or semi-retired and looking for a way to deepen your spirituality with a peer group while also serving the needs of the vulnerable in our community, call Lisa LaFleur Schillace at 264-3438 or e-mail NEWORLEANS@IVCUSA.ORG. You can also learn more at IVCUSA.ORG/NEWORLEANS."



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