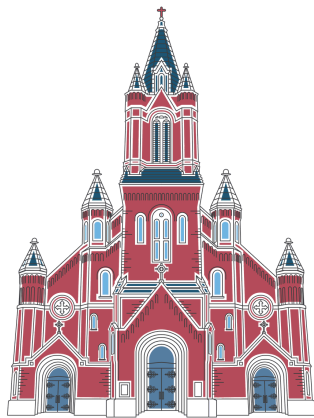


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MASS TIMES

Saturday Anticipated Mass | 4:00pm
Sunday Mass | 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm
Weekday Masses | 12:05pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
First Saturday of the Month | 8:00am

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Weekdays | 30 minutes before Mass
Saturdays | 3:00pm-3:45pm
Sundays | 4:15pm - 4:45pm

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 11

4:00pm Reggie Hebert; M/M Norris Leger, Toby & Winnie Lalonde & Family; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

SUNDAY, MAY 12

8:00am Moise & Martha Lagrange; Phillip Courvelle; Bobbie Jo Byrom & Mildred Fontenot; Gertrude Andrepont Marks & Maryina Courvelle; Amanda Fournier; Mary Joubert, Kayla Joubert, Princess Beethe; Henry & Lillia Fontenot & Family; Madeline Artall, Henri Fontenot; Jill Boullion, Linda Artall, Kaitlyn Artall; M/M John, John Jr., Jacob & Michael Fakouri; Bernel, Arthur & Eva Fontenot; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Janis Courvelle & Rebecca Fournier; Clarice D. Faul, L.J. Dossmann & Billie Dossmann; James E. & Mattie W. Martin; Youle, Therese & John Ray Fontenot, & Martin J. St. Amand; Bertha Blanchard, Lillian Hooks, & Raye Venable; Keith & Yvonne Normand; Edna Gaspard, Marilyn DeCuir, Geneva Scallan, & Regina Gleber; Evelyn Arnaud & Mary Dupre

10:00am Simon Hoai Nguyen; Phero Truong Si Chuyen; Orphan Souls; Geraldine Vidrine; Chris Dunbar; Allen (DA) & Priscilla Pommier; Emmett & Heloise Baquet, & Esther LeBlanc; Fields & Voitier Families; Hushel & Brenda Bordelon; Elizabeth Claire; Marie Louise Delahoussaye; (con't)

SUNDAY, MAY 12

10:00am (con't) Lee R. & Beverly Faul, & Mark Capone, Jr.; Martin Sr., Angela, Martin Jr. & Wilda Cosgrove; Dallas Barron, Jr., Amy Barron, & Anita Barron; Guise Tran An; Guise Tran Ho; Anna Nguyen Thi Tu; Ezra & Velma Martin, & Denise Hull; Angella & Bernadine Darbonne, & Janice Marks; Len & Eula Ashford

5:00 pm St. Landry Church Parishioners

MONDAY, MAY 13

12:05pm Clayton (BD) & Eula (BD) Soileau, & Mayance Dupre; Christopher McCoy & Special Intention; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

12:05pm Amanda Fournier; J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

THURSDAY, MAY 16

12:05pm Jill Boullion (BD); J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon

FRIDAY, MAY 17

12:05pm J.Y., Sr., Nita, Richard & Francis Bordelon; Bernadine Darbonne



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A HUGE Congratulations to the Lady Vikings for winning the LHSAA State Softball Championship for the first time in school history! Both baseball and softball had great seasons, going undefeated in District. Both teams were named District Champs and entered the playoffs as the #1 seeds.

An extra special congratulations goes to Rheagan Butler who competed at the State Championship for Track and Field at LSU. Rheagan took 1st place in the Long Jump and was the State Runner-up in the 100 meter. Within 5 days, she earned 2 state titles and was a state runner-up! Way to represent your school, Rheagan!

This week there will be a special pep rally and recognition ceremony for OC's 23-24 State Champions. The ceremony will be held on the softball field on Monday, May 13th at 2 pm. Please make plans to attend.

This week is also the FINAL Cane's night of the school year. Make plans to order takeout between 3pm - 8pm and don't forget to mention OCS when ordering. The money raised will be used to produce the Passion Play next school year.



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Fri 1am, 12pm
Sat 3am

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Could you not watch one hour with me? 📺 Mt 26:40



GOSPEL READING REFLECTION

Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the fortieth day after Easter. In Cycle B, our Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Mark. Scholars have long noted some irregularities about the ending of Mark's Gospel. There is a natural break in the story line at verse 8, when Mark's report of the discovery of the empty tomb comes to an abrupt conclusion. This verse reports that the women were so frightened by what they had seen at the tomb that they told no one. This may be the original ending of Mark's Gospel, but it is also possible that the more complete ending has been lost.

Some manuscripts of Mark's Gospel, written between the fourth and ninth centuries, include what scholars have termed the Shorter Ending. This is often printed in our Bibles for reference. This ending indicates that the women told their story to Peter's companions. Scholars believe that this ending is not original to Mark. They theorize that this ending was added by copyists who sought to resolve the original abrupt ending at verse 8.

Other early manuscripts include a Longer Ending that scholars also believe was written by someone other than the Evangelist. Nonetheless, quotations from this Longer Ending are found in the writings of the early Church Fathers, and it was accepted at the Council of Trent as part of the canonical Gospel of Mark. Our Gospel for today's celebration of the Feast of the Ascension is taken from this Longer Ending.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each case, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the gospel message to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize and to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, the commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfillment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only the Gospels of Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' ascension into heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with his disciples forever. Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

Even if this ending to Mark's Gospel was written by someone other than the Evangelist, in the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples, there are elements that are quite typical of Mark's Gospel. The signs that will accompany belief in Jesus are as vivid as the action performed by Jesus during his ministry. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. During his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

READINGS FOR FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
Jesus is taken up to heaven in the presence of the apostles.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 47:2-3,6-7,8-9
Sing praise to God as he mounts his throne.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23 or Ephesians 4:1-13
God raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 16:15-20
Jesus is taken to heaven, and the disciples go forth to preach as Jesus commanded.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Carol Sue Arnaud; Nela Badeaux; Mercedes Bihm; Beverly Borne; Fr. Alan Breaux; Hilda Brooks; Riley Brown; Leslie Buller; Dora Clay; Denise Cortez; Mary Deshotels Courville; Carl Crump; Glenda Darbonne; Leroy Darbonne; Denise Dejean; Deacon Sammy Dies; Ruby Blanchard Dupre; Johnny Fontenot; Jude Foster; Howard Fournier; Patty Hackett; Mary Hargroder; Larry Harper; Brandon and Angie Hathon; Karen Lanclos Hessler; Brian Jackson; Edval Jannise, Jr.; Betty Johnson; Larry Johnson; Elaine & Ronald Joubert; Mike & Linda Labbe; Ronnie Leger; Anna Maria Leleux; Taylor Marales; Shirley Marcus; Renee Martin; Kenneth Moreau; Mark Mouton; Craig Ortego; Shawn Perry; Ben Pitre; Amy Dupre Prestonback; Mavis Quebedeaux; Faron Racca; Richard Family; Matthew Gene Richard; Ronald & Elaine Richard; Joseph Donald Robin; Chris Soileau; Bubba Sonnier; Greg Tate; Linda Thatcher; Schleen Thibodeaux; Mary Faith Wyble Thomasee; Hien Tran; Allen Vidrine; Burnell Vidrine

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