

Prayer List

Rhonda Adams, Tim Anderson, Dale Andrews, Karen Andrews, Richard Anthony, Margaret Arns, Vivian Bacot, Bob Balzli, Anita Barclay, Katherine Berger, Dorothy Bertagnoli, Don Bertagnoli, Chloe Beshears, Bodeem Blankenship, Blake Blackston, Bethany Ann Boltz, Clement Boney, Toni Boney, Logan Bowers, Sara Bratt, Kateria Brewer, Jason Brown, Jean Brown, Paul Burch, Sr., Pat Burch, John Buhring, Lorrie Burgess, Conrad Burkhardt, David Burris, Marguerite Burris, McKenzie Butterwick, Boatie Campbell, Wendi Campbell, Frankie Cayton, Ami Cheatham, Mary Myers Clark, Rick Claxton, Theresa Coleman, Garrett Colvin, Evelyn Cooper, Helen Couch, Anita Cowart, Claudia Daniel, Patricia Davis, Susie DeWitt, Teresa Dezenburg, Lemuel Dickinson, Daniel Dorrierty, Roberta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, John Edwards, Josh Ellis, George Erickson, Johnny Finch, Lynne Floyes, Raymond Floyes, Betty Foster, Ellyn Fowler, Louise Frontz, Randy Fuller, Janet Gafford, Tim Frontz, Logan Frye, Ron Garrick, Guillermo Gomez, Marilu Gomez, Joyce Goodman, Walter Grimes, Greg Hampton, Irene Guess, Margaret Guess, Colleen Hill, Kate Hodge, Diana Holifield, Keith Holified, Randy Hooks, Buddy Hulan, Alaina Hulse, Chrissy Irby, Elyssa Jacobs, Erin Jackson, Henry Johnson, Joshua Johnson, J.S. Johnson, Kaleb Johnson, Ginny Johnston, Mary Ann Keith, Billy Kenny, Patrick Kenny, Marshall Kern, Ed Kimbrough, June King, James King Jr., Philip Larson, Polly Lartigue, Alfred Leonard, Matthew Lewis, Diane Little, Nancy Cowart Little, Beth Ellen Lloyd, John Loden, Fred Lorge, Joan Lorge, Paul Lyle, Amanda McDonald, Charles McDonald, Lisa McDonald, Shirley McDonald, Donna Magaldine, Mary Martin, John Martin, Paul Martin, Trissie Martin, Kamden McKeough, Stephanie Melton, Helen Merchant, Dolores Merren, May Merren, Alana Voivedich Mey, Louis Meyers, Priscilla Miller, Jean Morgan, Archie Moore, Margaret Moore, Marcie Morrow, Cindy Mount, Garrett Mount, Ernestine Murrill, Blake Myers, Johnathan Myers, Michael Myles, Paul Naylor, Tiffany Neese, Wally Neese, Margaret Noel, Ella Rose Norris, Kelly North, Mike Nunnery, Darlene O'Rourke, Agnes Parker, Summer Patterson, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Barbara Phillips, Randy Phillips, Dana Pickel, Sue Pitt, Lorraine Carol Provost, Tracey Ransom, Rennie Pitt, Jr., Elizabeth Purcell, Holley Reese, Serina Reeves, Gerald Resso, Belinda Richard, Terri Richey, Jimmy Robinson, Marlen Rodriguez, Robert Salva, Jun Santiago, Richard Santiago, Michelle Saynor, Laura Lee Seargent, Grayson Scott, Patsy Sealy, Simon Schum, Stevie Shaw, Kay Shaw, Briley Shirah, Dorothy Simon, Cindy Snow, Larry Snow, Allison Spillman, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Sally Stokely, Todd Stringfellow, Chuck Sullivan, Ronald Summerlin, Cecilia Taylor, Charles Taylor, Barbara Thomas, Eddie Thomas, Gwen Thomas, Rita Tillman, Robert Todd, Belinda Tomplait, Cecil Tucker, Dede Unger, Tyler Upton, Nita Van Devender, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Ida Vrazel, Gerald Vrazel, Frances Ward, Wayne Ward, Gary Warner, Albert Washington, Sallie Washington, Brad Wells, Mark Westbrook, Ralph Wheat, Marlene Whisenhant, Leroy Wiese, Stephen Weise, Kenny Wiggins, Buddy Wilder, Heather Willamor, Bubba Williams, Kelly Wilson, Shelly Wilson, Agnes Worley, Ashley Wypick, Carol Ziebert, Christopher Zimerman.



2019

Regular & Holy Days Collection

Last Week \$6,184.00

2019 Total Regular Collection
\$80,121.00

Parish Projects
Last Week \$9,313.00



2019 Total Parish Project Collection
\$17,536



**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Our Lady of Lourdes will be publishing a new Church Directory to be made available this Fall. Portraits for the directory will be taken before and after Masses throughout the Summer months. There will be a sign up sheet with the available dates and times. The portraits will be taken with studio lighting in the cry room. Please check the cry room for sign up sheets starting the first weekend in June. Portraits sessions will begin in July.

The Results of the Lawn Party will be printed in the bulletin the last weekend in May.

Church Office Hours
Tuesday—Thursday 11am to 2pm
Friday 9am to 11am
Pastor's Office Hours
By Appointment

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES



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MAY 12

2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
4:30PM—5:15PM

VIGIL MASS
5:30PM

SUNDAY

MASS
8:30AM & 11:00AM

MONDAY

COMMUNION SERVICE
8:00AM

TUESDAY

MASS
5:30PM

WEDNESDAY

MASS
8:00AM

THURSDAY

MASS
8:00AM

FRIDAY

MASS
8:00AM

MONTHLY

- ⇒ **FIRST FRIDAY
ADORATION**
8:30AM TO NOON
- ⇒ **FIRST SATURDAY
MASS**
8AM
- ⇒ **FIRST WEEKEND
ALL MASSES**
LITANY TO THE SACRED
HEART OF JESUS
- ⇒ **HOLY DAYS &
SOLEMNITIES**
8:00AM & 6:00PM

**Mothers hold our hands for a little
while...but they hold our hearts forever!**

All-loving God,
we give you thanks for mothers
young and old. We pray for all
mothers of every kind. Those
who have loved us and
helped shape us
with motherly care
and compassion.
We remember
mothers,
grandmothers,
and godmothers
who are no longer
with us, but
whose love is in
our memory
forever. Amen



The Catholic Company
Because Faith Matters

A Loving Word on Mother's Day

We are called to love our neighbor. Let's take a moment to reflect on who our neighbor is on Mother's Day. Our neighbor is not only the proud mom who loves Mother's Day because she finally hears a word of blessing and support for her calling:

- ◆ Our neighbor is also the woman who prayed for children every night and never got pregnant.
- ◆ Our neighbor is the single woman raising her sister's children.
- ◆ Our neighbor is the stepmother who feels forgotten or maligned.
- ◆ Our neighbor is the woman who lost a baby to stillbirth and feels invisible at church.
- ◆ Our neighbor is a mother whose only child was killed in a car crash.
- ◆ Our Neighbor is a birth mother who did not raise her baby but gave the gift of parenthood to another couple.
- ◆ Our Neighbor is the mother who has suffered a miscarriage.
- ◆ Our neighbor is the Grandmother who faces the challenges of raising her second set of children

Mary herself was called to mother under unconventional circumstances (to put it mildly). But even when she had to give up her only child, her spiritual motherhood grew to embrace the entire world. Her song of praise in the Magnificat did not focus only on her own life but leapt to a wider view of God's work among the poor, the hungry and those in need of mercy. What a powerful and prophetic model for all our hearts, called by God to grow in love.

The beauty of the church is that it is big enough for all of us: the grateful and the grieving, the beaming and the broken. God's call to love our neighbor reminds us to care for those who mourn while others celebrate.



For mother's living,
For mothers who have lost children,
For children who have lost mothers,
For women who long to be mothers,
For mothers who never got to meet their children,
Let us pray to the Lord.

Attention All Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Lectors, and Altar Servers



**Please begin looking at your
Summer Vacation Schedules
and Submit your Ministry
Schedule Requests for July,
August, and September.**

**The deadline for submission will be
6/16/19.**

**If you wish to be put back on the schedule
please contact the church office.**

**DARLENE O'ROURKE WISHES TO
THANK EVERYONE FOR THE PRAY-
ERS, CALLS, & CARDS DURING HER
ILLNESS.**

Rosary In The Grotto

**EVERY WEEKDAY IN MAY
AT
5:00 PM**

A Post-Lawn Party Fundraiser

*Cooking Class with
"Chef Marcin"*

*Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall
1621 Boykin Blvd.
Mobile, AL 36605*

*May 17, 2019
6:00pm*

Tickets: \$25.00 per person

Contact The Church Office For Tickets

Pray For Our Active Military

Austin Booth
Army

Dominic French
Army

Jordan Guidry
Marines

Austin M. Goodin
Marines

Fr. Paul A. Halladay
Major US Army

Matthew Ladnier
Coast Guard

Kenneth L. McAlman
1st Lt. US Army

Captain Alex Milesenko
Army

Corie Demetri Mitchell
Army

Kevin O'Rourke
Coast Guard

Sam Schoolfield Jr.
Marine Reserves

Sam Schoolfield Sr.
Marines

Jerrick Thompson
Army Reserves

Quentin
Porter-Washington
Air Force Reserves

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE MAY 18 & 19

Sat. 5/18 5:30pm

Ushers

Lloyd Thompson
** need substitute*

Lectors

- 1) G.. Peloux
- 2) C. Peloux

Extraordinary Ministers

S. Washington
Arlette Cooper
Bill Kenny
Bob Cooper
J.C. Martin

** need substitute*

Sun. 5/19 8:30am

Ushers

A. Forward
** need substitute*

Lectors

- 1) J. Arnett
- 2) K. Arnett

Extraordinary Ministers

M. Fletcher
L. Floyes
L. Loftin
E. Thornton
P. Dumas
M. Brierly

Sun. 5/19 11:00am

Ushers

L. Lavallais
Bubba Williams

Lectors

- 1) R. Thompson
- 2) A. Tomas

Extraordinary Ministers

MM. Collier
E. Lipscomb
D. Harvey
B. Gonzales
P. Thompson

**need substitute*

MASST INTENTIONS

SATURDAY
MAY 11

5:30PM
+ CLARENCE KELLER

SUNDAY
MAY 12

8:30 AM
IRENA DUDZIAK
SPECIAL INTENTIONS

11:00 AM
FOR PARISHIONERS

MONDAY
MAY 13

8:00 AM
COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY
MAY 14

5:30 PM
FOR THE DR'S & NURSES
AT MOBILE INFIRMARY

WEDNESDAY
MAY 15

8:00 AM
MOTHER'S DAY
MEMORIALS

THURSDAY
MAY 16

8:00 AM
MOTHER'S DAY
MEMORIALS

FRIDAY
MAY 17

8:00 AM
MOTHER'S DAY
MEMORIALS

Called to *Serve*
Ministry of the Sick

**We are in critical need of parishioner's to
answer the call to become Extraordinary
Ministers for the Sick and Homebound.**

**Due to illness and scheduling we now
have just two ministers and the Deacon to
bring Christ to the many unable to attend
Mass. Please consider this plea for help
and contact the Church Office or speak
with Father Marcin.**

Wayne Boone, a
longtime member
of Our Lady of
Lourdes passed
away Thursday
evening, May 2
after a short illness.
Arrangements are
pending.

Mental Illness: A Christian Response

By Fr. Jim Van Vurst, OFM

Early in life, we become aware that humanity is wounded. We learn this from Scripture, observation, and experiences of our own weakened wills and darkened minds. How are we as Christians to look upon mental illness and those who suffer from it?

Just because the United States is a First World nation whose citizens enjoy freedom and material benefits doesn't mean its people are exempt from mental illness. In fact, many contend that vast freedom becomes license and lawlessness, and ends up causing anxiety, depression, and addictions.

News reports speak of economic difficulties, the growing gulf between the "haves" and "have nots," job losses, and the health insurance and student loan crises. Many people are experiencing great stress and worry resulting in increased emotional trauma.

The National Institute of Mental Health's website (nimh.nih.gov) lists statistics for mental illness in the United States. An estimated one in five American adults (44.7 million) lived with mental illness in 2016. This is a statistic of great suffering—not just for the victims, but also for those who care for, live with, and love them.

The Faith Perspective

What is the Christian response to mental illness? We believe that everyone is a



creation of a loving God. Neither mental nor physical illness is a punishment from God, though in times of suffering, it's common to ask, "What did I do to deserve this?" It's a question that has been asked for as long as there has been suffering.

Jesus entered a world of suffering and sickness. In fact, the Gospels reveal a Savior who never shied away from the sick and suffering. He went out to meet them. The Gospels record many miracles, most concerning healing and bringing people back to health. If people couldn't find him, Jesus sought them out. In fact, he seemed most comfortable with outcasts and sinners.

Jesus was quick to share the good news with everybody, reminding them of two things: 1) God loves them regardless of their life circumstances and 2) he, Jesus, will show them God's compassion and heal those who seek his help. Many healings were not just of physical illness, but also of emotional and mental sickness.

Overcoming the Stigma

There is an unfortunate stigma attached to anyone with mental illness. Those who don't understand may say, often in frustration, "Just shape up and pull yourself together." But they don't realize that serious depression is emotionally paralyzing. They can't see that people with deep phobias and anxieties experience such a lack

of control over their emotions that all they can do is hide and hang on for dear life. It's an unfair stigma, to be sure, and such accusations come from individuals who are either frightened of mental illness or just don't know what to say. They may misjudge such persons as weak characters, lacking gumption or self-esteem or people who are just looking for ways to make others take care of them. Nothing is further from the truth.

We should not overlook the burden on individuals and families who love someone who is mentally ill. No one knows what families go through in trying to help their loved ones recover. It hurts terribly to see a loved one suffer mentally and emotionally. Fears, frustrations, and a sense of helplessness tear at their hearts, straining relationships and resources.

What about us? Our attitude toward the physically and mentally ill should be Christlike: respect and compassion. Pray for the ill and their caregivers. The image that comes to mind is that of a person caring for another with Jesus kneeling beside them. Such caregivers are not alone. +



Risen Lord, your resurrection gives me hope and the promise of new life. Open my heart to embrace and share your vision of love and peace with all people.

—From *Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter Through Pentecost*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

WEEKDAY READINGS

May 13-18

Monday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 11:1–18 / Jn 10:1–10

Tuesday, St. Matthias:
Acts 1:15–17, 20–26 / Jn 15:9–17

Wednesday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 12:24–13:5a / Jn 12:44–50

Thursday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 13:13–25 / Jn 13:16–20

Friday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 13:26–33 / Jn 14:1–6

Saturday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 13:44–52 / Jn 14:7–14

Bringing Home
the Word 
May 12, 2019

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Bringing Home the Word

Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)
May 12, 2019

Our Life-giving Water

By Mary Katharine Deeley

I love the sound water makes when it is moving in a fast-flowing stream or curling up to the shore in waves. I am mesmerized particularly by waterfalls, small or large. My husband, who enjoys photography as a hobby, has taken pictures of many of the falls we have visited, and they decorate my office as a constant reminder of the power and beauty of God seen through all creation. I even have a crucifix that was designed to show the living water flowing from Christ—a waterfall tumbling down and over the foot of the cross. It is, for

me anyway, one of the most powerful images of God that I can imagine.

Throughout the Easter season, the Scriptures present us with stories of resurrection and life. The preaching of the apostles, the abundance of fish caught in a net, the stirring of hearts in those who see and hear Jesus—they all show what it is like to live in "risen time," in full knowledge and endless presence of the Lord. Today Jesus talks about God's closeness, power, and promise. The Father has given the sheep to Jesus and no one can take them away.

But in the reading from Revelation we have a clearer picture of our life with God: "The Lamb...will...lead them to springs of life-giving water." In Jesus' desert environment, this was a powerful image. In our world today it remains compelling. Jesus is the Living Water that brings life to our souls. Whether it flows as a gentle stream, restless wave, or waterfall from the throne of God, it is his gift to us. +

*Flowing water is
one of the most powerful
images of God that
I can imagine.*

A Word from Pope Francis

The Gentiles, observing the early Christians, said: How they love each other, how they wish one another well! They do not hate, they do not speak against one another. This is the charity, the love of God, that the Holy Spirit puts in our hearts....Our smallest gesture of love benefits everyone!

—General audience, November 6, 2013



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- Can I picture Jesus as Living Water, as refreshment for my thirsty soul?
- Am I a good steward to the earth that God has entrusted to me—to the water, land, and air?

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Sunday of Divine Mercy LAWN PARTY 2019 Mass 8:30am Mass 11:00am	29 Communion Service 8:00am	30 Mass 5:30 pm Daughters of Mary 6:00pm Men of St. Joseph 6:00pm	1 Mass 8:00 am	2 Mass 8:00 am	3 Mass 8:00 am Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament 8:30am to Noon	4 1621 Drawing Postponed until Next Saturday. Mass 8:00am Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm—5:15pm Vigil Mass 5:30pm Reception for Deacon Ed will follow the 5:30 Vigil Mass
5 Third Sunday of Easter Mass 8:30am Mass 11:00am	6 Communion Service 8:00am	7 Altar Society 9:00am Mass 5:30 pm Daughters of Mary 6:00pm Men of St. Joseph 6:00pm	8 Mass 8:00 am Liturgy Committee 6:00pm	9 Mass 8:00 am Parish Council 6:00pm	10 Mass 8:00 am	11 1621 Drawing 9am Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm—5:15pm Vigil Mass
12 Fourth Sunday of Easter K of C & Ladies Auxiliary Breakfast 9:30 am Mass 8:30am Mass 11:00am	13 Communion Service 8:00am	14 Young at Heart 12:00 noon Mass 5:30 pm Daughters of Mary 6:00pm Men of St. Joseph 6:00pm	15 Mass 8:00 am	16 Mass 8:00 am Family Life 6:00pm	17 Mass 8:00 am	18 Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm—5:15pm Vigil Mass 5:30pm
19 Fifth Sunday of Easter Mass 8:30am K of C Meeting 9:45 am Mass 11:00am	20 Communion Service 8:00am	21 Mass 5:30 pm Daughters of Mary 6:00pm Men of St. Joseph 6:00pm	22 Mass 8:00 am St. Vincent de Paul 6:00pm	23 Mass 8:00 am	24 Mass 8:00 am	25 Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm—5:15pm Vigil Mass 5:30pm
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