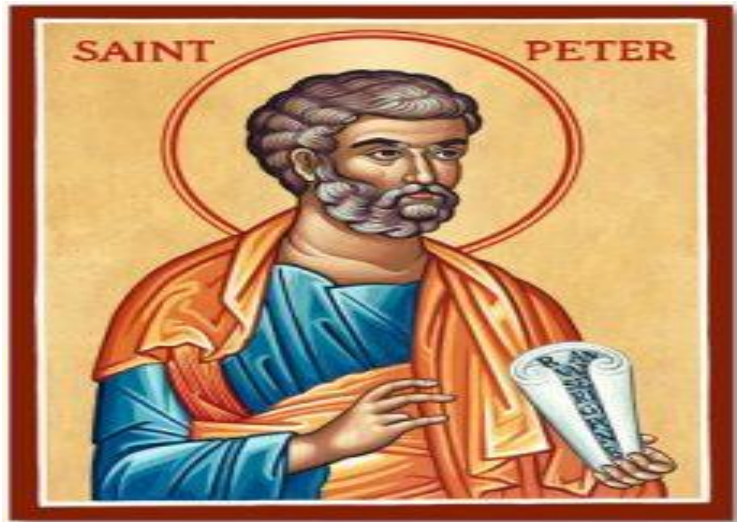




**Our Mother of Mercy
Catholic Church**

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER April 15, 2018, Year B

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Eucharistic Worship Celebration

Week Day Mass: Mon., Wed - Thu & Fri. 6:30am-Tue. 6:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule: Sat. Vigil: 4:30pm—Sunday 7:00, 10:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 3- 4:15pm or by appointment

Adoration: First Friday from 12 Noon to Saturday 12 Noon

Baptism every 2nd Sunday of the month—RCIA: Thursday 6:30-7:30

Bible Study: Tuesday Night after Novena

MASS INTENTIONS



Prayer List:

SAT.	4/14/2018	4:30PM	
Elda Guidry			Martha Jackson
Rudolph Antoine			Ann Antoine
Bervick "Bubba" Stagg			Carol Stagg
SUN.	4/15//2018	7:00AM	
Jimmie Haynes			Alma and Velina
Mildred clement			Brenda Smith
For the Parish			Fr. Noel Effiong
		10:00AM	
Al Williams, Sr.			Beverly Williams and Family
Mildred Clement			Regina J. Rogers
Rudolph Antoine			Ann Antoine
Mon.	4/16/2018	6:30AM	
In Thanksgiving for St. Ann			Mimi Andrews
TUE.	4/17//2018	6:00PM	
Regina Robertson			Joyce Mouton
WED.	4/18/2018	6:30AM	
Josie and Rose Maceo			JoBeth Jenkins
THUR.	4/19/2018	6:30AM	
FRIDAY	4/20/2018	6:30AM	

Please remember our parishioners in your daily prayers:

Mary Durio, Leo Monroe, Percy Wheeler, Mabel Green, Mrs. Isabella Pierre, Joseph Paige, Earl Johnson, Rosa Charles, Sadie Patterson, John and Julia Poullard, Theartis Carr, Eva Carter, Viola Colone, Willie Mae and Annie Mae Rideaux, Morris Allen, Francis Davies, Margie and Clarence Guidry, Sr., Benjamin and Mary Lou Wheeler, Leroy Jr. and Willie Mae Lewis, Ray Latour III, Lawrence Carriere, Christine Gilliam, Payton Broussard, Shirley Frilot, Harry and Marie Gregory, Sylvia Shelby, Gertie Mouton, John Thomas, Constance James Fisher, Evonne Mondy, Carol Henry, Jeanette Mayfield, Sarah Simon, Twana Randle, Foster Bennett, Cyd Whitaker, Toni Prados, Ann Loville, Betty Perkins, Sandra Savoy, Mae Attrice Jones, Celina Phillips, Joyce Coleman, Alfred Smith

You must call after 30 days for your name to remain on the Prayer List

Readings

Mon.	Acts 6:8-15, Ps 119, Jn 6:22-29
Tue	Acts 7:51—8:1a, Ps 31, Jn 6:30-35
Wed	Acts 8:1b-8, Ps 66, Jn 6:35-40
Thu	Acts 8:26-40, Ps 66, Jn 6:44-51
Fri	Acts 9:1-20, Ps 117, Jn 6:52-59
Sat	Acts 9:31-42, Ps 116, Jn 6:60-69



Pray for the Sick and Shut-In and their Care Givers



Are you interested in learning more about scripture? Come and study God's Word every Tuesday night at 6:45pm in Meeting Room 1. We are studying the Gospel of John. Bring your Bible and a friend. Please come and join us!

Our Mother of Mercy Church

Parish Membership: All who worship regularly with Our Mother of Mercy Community are members of our faith community. We urge those who are not registered (not receiving envelopes) to please register at the Parish Office so we may better know and respond to your needs..

Sacrament of Marriage: Engaged couples are asked to arrange an appointment with the priest at least SIX months prior to the desired wedding date. Reservations must be made by the couple ONLY.



August 9-11, 2018

It's that time of year to start bringing in your items for Our Mother of Mercy annual Garage

Sale. We are asking for donation for the following items: Baby Items/Clothing, Electronics, Comforters, Electrical Tools, Used Cell phones. Furniture, Appliances, etc... We are asking all items be in working condition and usable. Contact: Tommy Briggs @ 409-658-6092, Mary Lewis @ 409-454-5342, Ruby Broussard, @ 409-842-0889 and Hilda Malveaux @ 409-842-2929

BFA DEADLINE! We are pushing for a deadline ending in August for the BFA to be paid off. Those who have not pledged please do so. We have less than five months for the parish deadline. Groups and Organizations are asked for their help to offset the BFA Goal before the deadline of August. We appreciate your generosity!



Graduates: Don't forget to sign up in the vestibule for the Graduation Mass.

Parishioners if wish to give a donation to help our graduates, please contact Cynthia Boxie, Margaret Stuberfield, Lisa Jackson or Maureen Cummings. Your donations are greatly appreciated



Divine Miracles International Ministries, Inc. is offering a \$500.00 Needs-Based Scholarship to a senior from the graduating Class of 2018 to help with dorm expenses, book fees or tuition needs. The deadline for this scholarship is April 25, 2018 and is open to the first 50 applicants. Applications are in the vestibule of the Church.

Ushers

All Ministers of Hospitality meet on the third Tuesday of the month. This month's meeting will be on Tuesday, April 17th at 7:00pm in meeting room 2. If you are interested in becoming an Usher, you are welcome to attend.

Save the Date
Grace Filled Black Catholic
Women: ***Standing on the Promise***

**4th Annual National Black
Catholic Women's Gathering**

**Friday, July 27—Sunday, July 29,
2018**

New Orleans Marriot Hotel
829 Convention Center Blvd,
New Orleans, La

Reservation is now open
1-800-305-6342

For more information contact: NBSC
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OSERVANCES

- 17 Tue. Income Tax Day
21 Sat. ,Optional Memorial of St.. Anselm

Question of the Week:

How can I be a witness ? How do I explain what the presence of Jesus in my life means?

Can We Change Peoples' Minds?

Some people (including many Catholics) feel like it is futile to continue to have a debate over the issue of abortion because people feel too strongly about it and have already made up their minds as to what they think

This is wrong.

People throughout history *have* changed their minds on vital social issues. When the United States was new, there was no suffrage or equal rights for women and racial minorities. Almost universally in the United States today, the general populace recognizes that this was wrong and that women and non-whites are entitled to their basic rights as human beings, and the law recognizes it too. It took many years and decades of intense struggle involving emotions just as fierce if not more fierce than those surrounding the *Pro-Life Movement* in the 21st century. But victories for freedom were won and people certainly did change their minds. That is how change happens. Education is vital so that more people understand the struggle to protect innocent life in the womb and then stand ready to defend the rights of all living people, including the unborn. Change *can* happen, and change *will* happen, providing we do our part to work tirelessly to advocate change for a freer, better world where the weak and vulnerable are protected and not exploited and/or victimized.

By Pro-Life Articles Author www.pro-lifearticles.org

The final line of the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles is, "Repent, therefore, that your sins may be wiped away." This is part of a message which Peter evidently often stated as he evangelized and spread the word about the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Penance, repentance, is an important part of our Catholic faith. One of our seven Sacraments, there is much in Church doctrine about the importance of this sacrament. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#1424) it states, "It is called the sacrament of confession, since the disclosure or confession of sins to a priest is an essential element. In a profound sense it is also a "confession" — acknowledgement and praise — of the holiness of God and of His mercy toward sinful men and women."When St. Peter was speaking and used the term "wiped away," that had more meaning to the people of his time. Imagine if sins were listed on a document in ink. In ancient times the ink had no acid content, and thus it could be "wiped away" with a damp cloth. That was the image Peter was presenting. For us going to confession literally "wipes away" our sins.

Stewardship of Treasure
Mass Attendance 387
Offering.....\$12,916.00
Thank you for your generosity

2018 Bishop Faith Appeal

90 parishioners have pledged a total of **\$39,518.00** to the 2018 Bishop's Faith Appeal. A big "Thank You" to everyone who made a contribution. If you have not made a decision, please do so this week.

Fr. Noel Effiong-Pastor
Jackie Semien —Stewardship Chairperson
Greg Pumphrey—Stewardship Committee

2018 Parish Goal \$90,086
Payments \$33,653.00