

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OSERVANCES

- 11 Sun. Laetare Sunday
 - Second Scrutiny of the Elect
 - Girl Scouting Sunday
 - Day-Light Saving Time begins
- 17 Sat. Optional Memorial of St. Patrick

Stewardship of Treasure
Mass Attendance 400
Offering.....\$20,952.00
BFA Overage.....\$26,190.00
Total.....\$47,142.20
Thank you for your generosity

Don't miss this! The Mass Series—2 sessions left on exploring everything you ever wanted to know about the Mass and more! Where each of the parts of Mass originated (some from source other than Catholic); what church documents inform and guide the celebration of the Mass; the various categories of psalms and why they have a place in the Mass; some Old Testament prophets and where we find them in the Mass, and more. Attend on the date(s) convenient for you. Mondays, April 9 and 16. Time 6-8:30pm at the Catholic Pastoral Center (Chancery), 710 Archie Street. Call the Office of Worship for more information on how to register; 409-924-4321

2018 Bishop Faith Appeal

54 parishioners have pledged a total of **\$35,543.00** 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 \$11,163.00

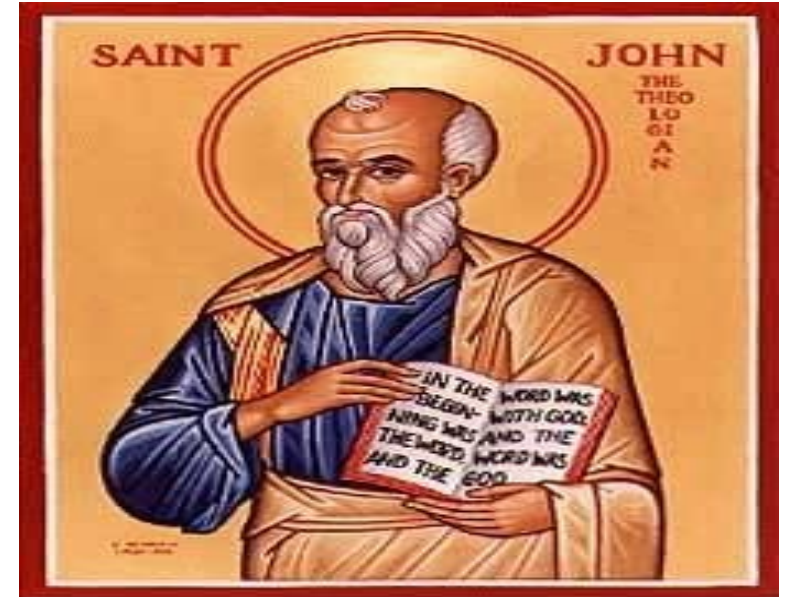
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Do we really need a more powerful reminder of the importance of Lent and Easter than that? That verse (from John 3:16) has become very popular in modern culture, to the point that we see it often at athletic events. When the University of Florida played for the national college football championship in 2009, quarterback Tim Tebow did not wear the regular eye black under his eyes. Under his right eye it said "John" and under his left eye it said "3:16." God sends us messages all the time, if we listen and are attentive. Tebow did not have a remarkable professional career, but he was the quarterback of the Denver Broncos against the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2012 playoffs. The Broncos won, and in that game Tebow passed for 316 yards; his completed passes averaged 31.6 yards; perhaps the key play in the game came on third down and 16; the TV ratings for the game were 31.6% That is not the important aspect, however. What is important is that the truth of that statement is so simple; nevertheless, it is difficult for us to completely grasp its significance. The truth is that God loves us, no matter what we are or what our attitude toward God is. The world that God gave His Son to save is our world. We are the children of God.

Save the Date
 Grace Filled Black Catholic Women:
Standing on the Promise
 4th annual Notational Black Catholic Women's Gathering
Friday, July 27—Sunday, July 29, 2018
 New Orleans, La
 Reservation is now open 1-800-305-6342



Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 11, 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

SAT.	3/10/2018	4:30PM
John Labrie		Paula Labrie
Marie H. Charlton		Alma and Velina
Hazel S. LaPoint		Dr. Rahn Bailey Family
SUN.	3/11/2018	7:00AM
For the Parish		Fr. Noel Effiong
Special Intentions for Fr. Lowell case		Regina J. Rogers
Rudolph Antoine		Sis Magdalene Antoine
		10:00AM
Amos Patterson		Bill and Mary Sam
Bob Frazier		Betty Burluson
Arubi Johnson		Sonia Taylor
Florence Durisseau		Sonia Taylor
Mon.	3/12/2018	6:30AM
Terry Johnson, Jr.		Beverly Williams
TUE.	3/13/2018	6:00PM
James D. Moore		Family
WED.	3/14/2018	6:30AM
Willie Andrews, Sr and deceased family members		W. J. Andrews, Sr. and Family
THUR.	3/15/2018	6:30AM
Antoinette and Charles Giglio		JoBeth Jenkins
FRIDAY	3/16/2018	6:30AM
Melba and Bill Jenkins		JoBeth Jenkins



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



Prayer List:

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

Readings

Mon.	Is 65:17-21, Ps 30, Jn 4:43-54
Tue	Ez 47:1-9, 12, Ps 46, Jn 5:1-16
Wed	Is 49:8-15, Ps 145, Jn 5:17-30
Thu	Ex 32:7-14, Ps 106; Jn5:31-47
Fri	Wis 2:1a, 12-12, Ps 34, Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat	Jer 11:18-20, Ps 7, Jn 7:40-53



There will no Bible Study on Tuesday night, March 13, we will resume on March 20th

Our Mother of Mercy Church

Mass Schedule for Lent
 Mon. Wed. Thru and Friday
 6:30 am
 Tue. 6:00pm

Friday Stations of the Cross
 6:30am, 12 Noon and 6:00pm

Pastoral Council Meeting

The Council meeting is scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meeting will be held on March 21, 2018 in meeting room 1. at 6pm. All council members are asked to attend.

Do you ever feel like you could use some help approaching God in prayer? The **Memorare** is a prayer that reminds us that we have a wonderful advocate and protector in the Mother of our Lord. In this prayer we honor and worship her Son who is more than happy to listen to His Mother's plea on our behalf.

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word incarnate, despise not my petitions, but hear and answer me. Amen

Pear Orchard Federal Credit Union

The 53rd Annual Meeting of the POFCU will be held at 7:30pm on Tuesday, March 27, in meeting room 2. All members are asked to attend.



Religious Education Classes are every Monday from 5:30pm-6:30:00pm. **ALL**

YOUTH, grades 1st-12th are required to attend Religious Education (CCD) classes. If you have any questions please call Margaret Denson, DRE at 842-0112 or 454-7127.

Our Lady's Sodality Retreat

Saturday, March 24, 2018, 8:30am – 2:30pm in the Church Hall. If any ladies are interested in attending the Retreat (you don't have to be a member of the Sodality) just come and enjoy a spirit filled day. Fee is \$10.00 in advance for your lunch. Someone will be at all Masses the weekend of March 17 and 18 if you would like to sign up or contact Mary Sam at 409-673-6245 or Gwen Anderson At 409-550-2115

Tolton: From Slave to Priest

The powerful live production performed by actor Jim Coleman and directed by Leonardo Defilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at Lamar University Theatre Arts Building #101 on Monday, March 26, 7:00pm. Meet Fr. Augusta Tolton, the first African American priest, in this one-man multimedia performance. From his dramatic escape for slavery to his courageous struggle in the face of prejudice, Fr. Tolton inspiring life centers around his message of reconciliation and hope. This riveting drama is filled with all the elements of professional theater, runs 75 minutes and is suitable for ages 10 and up. Admission will be a free-will offering. For additional information, contact Tommie Marshall at 409-924-4333