



Dear Friends,

I was asked recently what my likes and dislikes about Galveston are. A dangerous question, I assure you. However, I have to admit, my only dislike is of people who call 911 when the priest is late for Sunday mass. I was up, dressed, and couldn't get over the commotion at the door. I saw a fire engine, two ambulances, and I was thinking, "I didn't hear a crash"; which we have had a few of recently. I was still sure that it was Monday when I met a policeman coming in the window, looking even more bewildered than me, and both of us were wondering, "What on earth is going on?" It seems that this was the closest I will ever get to being at my own wake, and it was one of those mornings I am liable to never forget. Thanks be to God that all was well, and Leo Hock did a wonderful job of conducting the communion service for the 8:00 a.m. mass. I am buying a new alarm clock. I am not sleeping in the bedroom at the back of the house even if there is a Beach Party Weekend every month! After what could only be described as a nightmarish start to the day, things could only improve after that. This will keep me humble for a long time. Up and on with life again.

Please remember, this is the last weekend to return your Mothers' Day Envelopes, so that there will be time to have all the names printed in the bulletin for Mothers' Day itself.

Congratulations to Anna Bassett, Randy Grigsby, Brea and Gus Hernandez, Marissa Jusaino, Savannah and Michaela Saracco, Bradley Sendejas, Emily Silva, Emma Grace Sparks, Nicholas Swift, Pedro Untalan, and Madison Westhause, who are receiving their First Communion at the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. masses this Sunday. Congratulations to you, their families, and to their CCE teachers, who do a wonderful service of sharing our Faith with these young people and encouraging them to be active members of the church community. Many of these young people are becoming altar servers, and some have joined the choir. May God bring to completion the good work He has begun in them.

Next Thursday is Ascension Thursday, but it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. The Feast has been moved to the following Sunday.

Have a great week, may it be a calm and peaceful one (for me), and God bless,

Fr. Niall

Mass Schedule

Sat., April 26th, 2008, 5:00 p.m.

Lumie C. Mabasa, Rudolph & Ophelia Raven, Joe Muscat, Carl Meier, Capt. John H. Williams, Jr., and Rosalee Fewell Tramonte, Anniversary of Death

Sun., April 27th, 2008

8:00 a.m.

Angela Tropea and Catherine Deltz

10:00 a.m.

Catherine Deltz, Capt. John H. Williams, Jr., and Joseph John Fichera

12:00 noon

Catherine Deltz, Maria & Salvatore DeStefano, Carol Kunz, and Guillermo Hernandez

1:15 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

Mon., 8:00 a.m.

Henry Porretto

Tues., 8:00 a.m.

Nerina Patane Messina, Joe Kunz, and Catherine Deltz

Wed., 8:00 a.m.

Loretta Kendall

Thurs., 8:00 a.m.

Peter Hernandez and Sylvester & Annie Mutz

Fri., 8:00 a.m.

Mr. & Mrs. James Bennett & Dorothy Marabella

Sat., May 3, 2008, 5:00 p.m.

Joe Muscat, and Joe Centenio

Sun., May 4th, 2008

8:00 a.m. Rose Mass

Catherine Deltz, Charles Demack, and in Honor of Medical Professionals and Caregivers

10:00 a.m.

Yuante Yu Chu and Catherine Deltz,

Sixth Sunday of Easter

12:00 noon

Angela Tropea, Anna Kunz, Richard Albright, and Catherine Deltz

1:15 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



Saturday, May 3rd, 5:00 p.m.

The Body of Christ: Lori Kusnerik, Mary Ann Reilly, and Kathy Cole
The Blood of Christ: Yolanda

Lloreda, Patsy Phipps, Jo Llewellyn, and John Pena

Sunday, May 4th

8:00 a.m. Rose Mass

The Body of Christ: Lori Kusnerik, Mary Ann Reilly, and Kathy Cole

10:00 a.m.

The Body of Christ: Angelo Grasso, Vernon Frederickson, and Tina Crunkright
The Blood of Christ: Lulu Davis, Robert Hogan, Carmen Eced, and David Millican

12:00 noon

The Body of Christ: Christina Mendez, Vivian Kleinschmidt, and Bartosz Szczesny
The Blood of Christ: Lillian Leyva, Judy Wolf, Gilbert Silva, and Karen Crummett

1:15 p.m.

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LECTORS

Saturday, May 3rd, 5:00 p.m.

Neil Calnan and Luisa Dumon

Sunday, May 4th

8:00 a.m.

Kay Sandor and Bonnie Webster

10:00 a.m.

Sharon Petronella and Sheila Lidstone

12:00 noon

Mary Beth Bassett and Judy Murphy

1:15 p.m. -----

EUCHARIST MINISTER AND LECTOR NEWS

We would like to welcome Ann Sebastian and Mark Bassett as readers at the 12 noon mass, Martha and Philip Le as Extraordinary Ministers at 8AM and John Rodriguez as a reader at 10 AM mass.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers, please check your schedules. If you find that you are unable to attend a mass for which you are scheduled, please find a replacement to serve in your place. If you are NOT scheduled to serve the mass you are attending, but see that we are short of ministers, PLEASE, PLEASE assist.

New schedules are available in the sacristy. If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail Judy at jwolf-sacredheart@sbcglobal.net, or call her in the evening at the number listed on your schedule.



**CHURCH COLLECTIONS SUNDAY,
April 20, 2008**

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| DSF Goal | \$51,475.00 |
| Pledged | \$40,953.00 |
| Received | \$28,949.50 |
| Short | \$12,003.50 |

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 27th

First Communion at ALL the Masses
Teen Confirmation

Monday, April 28th

Adult Confirmation Class, 7:00 p.m. in the Centennial Room

Wednesday, April 30th

Adult Bible Study, 11:00 a.m.

GALVESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARISH DISCOUNT INFORMATION

The annual interviews for parents seeking parish assistance have begun and will continue through the end of April. If you have a child or children who are, or will be, enrolled at Galveston Catholic School and wish to receive the parish discount, please call the Sacred Heart Office at (409) 762-6374 to make an appointment with Father Niall.

2008/2009 School Year Program Registration For CCE, First Communion, and Teen Confirmation

Registration for CCE, First Communion, and Teen Confirmation is ongoing. The fee is \$50.00 for the first student and \$10.00 for each additional. Please contact Ray Hertel for an interview appointment. Registration ends three weeks prior to the first day of the semester. If you miss the registration deadline for the Fall 2008 Semester, you can still register for the Spring 2009 Semester.

An Overview of the Requirements

1. The family must have been registered members of Sacred Heart Parish for at least six months.
2. The family must attend mass at Sacred Heart Parish.
3. The child must have successfully completed the 2007-2008 CCE Program to move on to the next level.

For more information, please see the flyer in the church's pamphlet rack, or contact Ray Hertel at (281) 703-1231 or at rayhertel@yahoo.com.



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MOTHER'S DAY ENVELOPS

Mother's Day Envelopes are available at the doors of the church. If you would like your loved

ones to be remembered with a Spiritual Bouquet on Mother's Day, please fill out the envelope and return it to the office by May 5th, so that the names may be published in the bulletin



BISCOTTI SALE

The Italian American Association will be selling "Biscotti Cookies" after all the Masses the weekend of May 31st and June 1st. If you would like to preorder your cookies, please call Rose at 409-762-6374.

SACRED HEART BLOOD DRIVE

The Sacred Heart Healthcare Ministry, along with our partners at UTMB, would like to invite you to become a blood donor on May 4th, 2008. The blood donor coach will be at Sacred Heart Church from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. that day. Giving blood is very simple and painless. Everyone wishing to donate will be greeted by the UTMB professionals, who will be ready to check your eligibility and walk you through the easy process. Blood donors must be aged 17 or older and weigh a minimum of 110 lbs. Donors who are 17-years-old must have parental consent. Please eat a healthy, nutritious, low fat meal one to two hours before donating. Remember, a pint of blood weighs one pound, and you lose weight every time you donate. Brilliant! Please contact Jan Halvorsen at (409) 933-9600 with any questions.

Pilgrimage Opportunity

Bob Fullen of St. Patrick's Church is putting together a pilgrimage that will depart on June 22, 2008. It will be a seven-day trip and will include the Passion Play in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, as well as a new show in Branson, Missouri titled "Noah's Ark, the Musical". Space on the bus is limited, so do not delay. Call Bob at (409) 744-8671 for details.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Pray For the Sick of the Parish

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| Asta, Serena | Loudon, Eddie |
| Asta, Rachel | Loudon, Fred |
| Ames, Melissa | Loudon, Marie S. |
| Andersen, Delores | Martino, Julie Ann |
| Bastien, Flo | Mendoza, Sue |
| Beebe, Debbie "Lucy" | Micheletti, Sister Carmella |
| Bember George | Miller, Willis |
| Bray, Jimmy | Millo, Liz |
| Carmignani, Anna Marie | Morse, Gene |
| Chavez, Carmen | Moreno, Victor E. |
| Cooke-Schilling, | Orapallo Mary Joyce |
| MacKenzie | Owens, Casey |
| Curtis, Joann | Peralez, George |
| Demack, Vilma | Perez, Marisela |
| Decker, Joan | Platt Bustamante, Janie |
| Fichera, Tina | Powell, Agnes |
| Foster, Kathleen | Powell, Maggie |
| Frey, Norma Clare | Roberts, Ruby |
| Garcia, Carlos | Ross Colleen |
| Gluski, Anne | Rougeaux, Shelia |
| Gonzales, Zachary | Ruggiero, Donna |
| Gonzalez, Rosaura | Sampson, Elizabeth |
| Harris, Cathy | Sanchez, Ramiro |
| Hernandez, Clemente | Schmidt, Gigi |
| Hines, Rosalie | Semien, Cora |
| Hoffman, Bertha Margaret | Shannon, Sisters Benedict & |
| Hogan, Lawrence | Rebecca |
| Hypolite, Bernice | Siemssen, Craig |
| Jacobson, Richard (Duck) | Siemssen, Lynn Prino |
| Jordan, Bryan | Sterk, Katie |
| Kaluza, Jerry | Thomae, Karin |
| Kirschner, Marie | Vucanovich, Christine |
| Koch, Claudia | Walker, Betsy |
| Kollar, Andras | Waters, Phyllis |

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Loving Memory of Peter Hernandez

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a |
| Tuesday: | Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11 |
| Wednesday: | Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Jn 16:12-15 |
| Thursday: | Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20; or Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58 (for St. Joseph the Worker) |
| Friday: | Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23 |
| Saturday: | 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14 |
| Sunday: | Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17- 23; Mt 28:16-20 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or Jn 17:1-11a |

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday | Sixth Sunday of Easter |
| Monday: | St. Louis Mary de Montfort; St. Peter Chanel |
| Tuesday: | St. Catherine of Siena |
| Wednesday: | St. Pius V |
| Thursday: | The Ascension of the Lord (transferred to Sunday); St. Joseph the Worker; May Day |
| Friday: | St. Athanasius; First Friday; |
| Saturday: | Ss. Philip and James; First Saturday |