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## May 13, 2018 • Seventh Sunday of Easter

In our reading from Acts, occurring after the Ascension but prior to Pentecost, Jesus' community was disoriented and troubled. They were disoriented by their separation from Jesus, and troubled by the betrayal and loss of Judas. Having being told by Jesus to wait for the Holy Spirit, they believed it was first essential to replace Judas, the twelfth apostle. Why was this so important to them?

The twelve apostles represented the twelve tribes of Israel. Israel's unity in God had been shattered centuries earlier with the split of the nation, conquest, exile, and ongoing internal conflicts. Jesus' community now served as a "new Israel." They felt they could only receive the Spirit if the wound of dissolution and distrust within Israel, echoed by the wound of Judas' betrayal, was addressed. With their unity in God restored in the selection of Matthias, they became open and ready to receive the Spirit at Pentecost.

## FATHER TO ALL

Jesus' prayer to his Father at the Last Supper, heard in today's Gospel from John, is a solemn yet tender expression of love for his disciples. Jesus in effect asks his Father to be father to them, as the Father is to Jesus. As father, God will protect and unify them during the difficult times ahead. As father, God will share God's joy with them, as Jesus knew.

Although asking that the disciples be protected from evil, Jesus also prays that the disciples not hide from the world, but fully engage with the world. During Jesus' ministry, although he spent much time forming a community of disciples and friends, he also regularly reached out to others, especially those at the margins of society.

Jesus' prayer extends to us, that we his followers experience the fatherhood of God. Together with this fatherhood, we experience God's family. We discover brothers and sisters in Christian community. And we serve in the world, in our common human identity as God's children.

Today's Readings: Acts 1:15–17, 20a, 20c–26; Ps 103:1–2, 11–12, 19–20; 1 Jn 4:11–16; Jn 17:11b–19

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# St. Paul the Apostle Church – Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel

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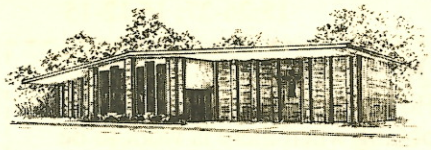

**Mass Schedule**
Weekdays 6:20 a.m.
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 a.m. (GH) and 11:00 a.m.

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Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. and By appointments

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Notify office at least six months (6) in advance

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# St. Paul the Apostle Church/Good Hope Chapel

## Mission Statement

***We, the members of St. Paul/ Good Hope Church are grateful and proud of who God made us to be---His children, African-American Catholics, followers of our Lord and Brother Jesus Christ.***

***We will walk together with faith in Our Lord's footsteps, joining hands with all our sisters and brothers, speaking and acting for peace and justice.***

***We will teach, witness, and give service to others, with a special concern for the poor as good stewards of God's generous gifts to us.***

***As we worship, so shall we live giving praise and thanks to God and seeking to build up his Kingdom in our families, our church and in our community.***

## St. Paul /Good Hope History

***Our Church was founded in 1911 by a Black people wanting to worship in dignity and style. The Chapel of Good Hope was established in 1950 as an annex to St. Paul's. The Lord enabled the church to flourish under the ministry of the Holy Ghost Fathers and continues through the shepherding of the Divine Word Missionaries. Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lafayette was founded in 1934 from St. Paul Church.***

## Family Registration

We are asking each person/family who attends mass here at St. Paul/ Good Hope and would like here to be your home parish to **please** fill out a registration form. .

**Everyone needs to register!!!!!!!**

**Offertory--May 5-6, 2018**

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| Actual | $3,550.35 |
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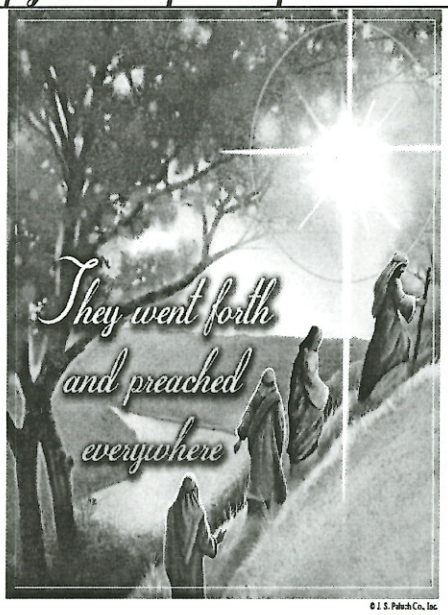


**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday:** Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

## Question of the Week?

Ho often do I just stand around looking when there is work to be done, when there is injustice occurring, or when there is someone in need? What can I do so that I am spurred to act day in and day out?

***Saturday, May 12 4:00pm***
†Clara Nell Jack George, Octavia Despanie, Vernis Marie Leopold ( 14thA), Adam Constantine (30thA)
***Sunday, May 13 7:00am***
**Living & Deceased Mothers**
***9:00am***
**Living & Deceased Mothers**
***11:00am***
**Living & Deceased Mothers**
***Monday, 6:20am***
*Celebrant's Intent*
***Tuesday 6:20am***
*Celebrant's Intent*
***Wednesday 6:20am***
*Celebrant's Intent*
***Thursday 6:20am***
*Celebrant's Intent*
***Friday 6:20am***
*Celebrant's Intent*
***Saturday, May 19 4:00pm***
†Clarence Wiltz, Theresa/Percy Matthews, Linda/Irene & Phillip Richard, Sr., Terrie Hebert Renfro (3rd A)
***Sunday, May 20 7:00am***
**People of the Parish**
***9:00am***
†Albert/Jeanette/Clyde & Coleska Joseph
***11:00am***
†Helen "Jocklean" Celestine

**MOTHER**

Mother is the name for God on the lips and in the hearts of little children.
—William Makepeace Thackeray

**FAMILY OF THE WEEK**

**7:00--Ushers Choice**
**9:00--Virginia Fisher**
**May 6-13**
**Lillian Benoit**
**May 13-20**
**Shirley Wiggins**
**May 20-27**
**Rose Helen Woods**
**May 27-June 3**
**Anita Alfred**
**June 3-10**
**Nona Cormier**
**June 10-17**
**11:00---Usher's Choice**

The Liturgical year of the Catholic Church is divided into six seasons - Advent, Christmas, Lent, Holy Week, Easter and Ordinary Time. In addition, the Church observes memorials, feasts and solemnities. The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is one of the great solemnities. It occurs on the fortieth day after Easter Sunday, which always falls on a Thursday, and often passes unnoticed by the majority of Christians. So, many churches move the Ascension Day to the following Sunday to ensure more people participate in the celebration.

The Ascension of the Lord is important for two reasons.

1. With the Ascension Jesus decisively ended his time on Earth and entered into God's heavenly domain, so that his own words should be fulfilled. John 3:13. He ascended to heaven not only to return to where he came from but also to prepare a place for those who believe in him. Yes, the Ascension of the Lord is a great consolation to all who are afraid of death or afraid of dying.

2. Jesus Christ, having entered heaven once again, intercedes constantly for us for the power of the Holy Spirit which is very essential to the life of faith in Christ: John (16:7).

## Centennial News

*Fourth Bishop Installed—On May 13, 1989, Pope John Paul II accepted the retirement of Bishop Gerard Frey who had overseen the Diocese for 16 years. Bishop Harry Flynn succeeded Bishop Frey and became the fourth bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette. Bishop Flynn, a native of the Diocese of Albany, New York, had served as Coadjutor Bishop in Lafayette for almost three years. His episcopal motto was "Come Lord Jesus" from Revelation 22:20. He served as Bishop of Lafayette until 1994 when he was appointed Coadjutor Archbishop of*

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

**Psalm** — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

**Second Reading** — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or *Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13].*

**Gospel** — The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven. (Mark 16:15-20).

## Church Directory

We will be taking pictures for a Church Directory on **May 23, 24, 25, and May 30-31.** There is a sign up Sheet on the Website and someone will be in the back of Church to help you sign up. Get the family together and get your smile on!!!

## Memorial Day Prayer Service

Lafayette Memorial Park Cemetery on Pinhook will host a Memorial Day Prayer Service at 3:00pm on **Monday, May 28.**

**DEEP DEBT**

All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother.

## Prayer Corner

**Please keep these people in Prayer:**

Elton Isadore, Donatile Boatman, Marjorie Carmouche, Verna Hebert, Loretta Glover, Margaret Coleman, Rita Sinegal, Alton Malveaux, Jr., Geralyn Lewis, Katelyn Benoit, Elsie Pickney, Bea Francis, Martha Carmouche, Gustavia Thibeaux, Thomas Jack, Jr. & III, Frank Chaisson, Jr., Patricia Williams Francis, M/M Austin Lawyer & Children

***All Homebound Parishioners***
***All Nursing Home Parishioners***

### NEXT WEEKS LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

***May 19-20 , 2018***

| | |
|---|---|
| **4:00** | **Elizabeth Constantine** |
| | Laura Constantine |
| | **Claudia Guidry** |
| | Loretta Davis |
| | Lynda Young |
| **7:00** | **David Zehner** |
| | Emma Simon |
| | **Bessie Thibeaux** |
| | Clifton Thibeaux |
| | Lou Wilda Arceneaux |
| **9:00** | **Joseph Glaude** |
| | Denise Chaisson |
| | **Caroline Moore** |
| | Verdie Domingue |
| | Rose Helen Woods |
| **11:00** | **Rose Helen Woods** |
| | Melovi Jacob |
| | Teryn Handy |
| | **John Sinegal** |
| | Ruby Williams |
| | Takara Phillips |

**If you cannot serve or find a replacement call the office @ 235-0272.**

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*Come Lord Jesus Bible Study-every Wednesday at 6pm*

*May 16—HFS Ring Ceremony—1pm*

*May 18—HFS 8th Grade Graduation—8:00am*

*May 21—4th Degree Ladies of Grace—5:30pm*

*May 24-30—Fr. Tony out of Office*

*May 23-25, 30-31-Church Directory*

*May 28—office closed—Memorial Day*

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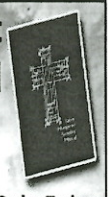

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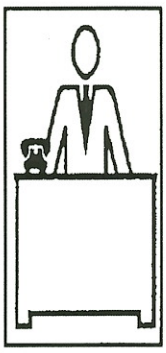

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