



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed My sheep." He says the same to each of us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters."

MONDAY Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
TUESDAY Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
WEDNESDAY Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
THURSDAY Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
FRIDAY Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59
SATURDAY Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
SUNDAY Acts 13; 14,43-52; Rv 7-9,14b-17; Jn 10: 27-3

Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



Attn: Mission Participants: Please be sure to check out St. M's website (www.smlj.org) for important information and dates. Do not forget to "Submit E-mail Information Form" at the same time. The next mandatory meeting is April 25th at 12:15 in the Family Life Center.



Attn: Graduating Seniors: The Graduation Mass and Luncheon will be on May 16th – 11:00 am Mass with Luncheon to follow. Look for invitations in the mail. An important planning meeting will take place on **Sunday, May 2nd at 1:45pm** in the Family Life Center.



Summer Camp Meeting on May 2nd at 12:30-1:30pm in the Hall. All forms and fees are due at this time.



The Compassionate Friends, Inc. will meet on Sunday, April 25, 2:00pm at 321 Linden Lane. Please come and share with us...bring a picture or memento of your child.

Grandparents and Siblings are always welcome.



Morning of Prayer for those discerning their call to Religious life will be held at Incarnate Word Convent, 3400 Bradford Place, Houston, Tx 77025, on May 2 at 8:15am to 1:00pm. For further information, call Sister Carmel O'Malley, 713-668-0423.



Art & Environment would like to thank ALL those who helped with Holly Week, especially Fr. Leo, Clarence Filip & the following Confirmation students, Alyssa Solis, Stephen Curtis, Lisa West, and Joseph Castro.



*I will praise you,
L O R D
for you have rescued me.*

APRIL 27 THROUGH MAY 2

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	†Jorge Lerma
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	In Thanksgiving
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	†Jeff Kao
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	†Mary Latino
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	†Stanley Kornowicz
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	†Lucille Fourrier
	9:30A.M.	†Felix Centeno
	11:00A.M.	†Jeanine Gerkin

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Claude Sooter, father of Sharon Breaux.



Ed Ahlrich, Nick Alfano, **Brad Armintor**, Weldon Bailey, Bennie Paul Bono, Don Brawley, John Buettner, David Butler, Jennifer Cary, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, James Christie, Ruth Cleaver, Dorothy D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Terry Ditges, Lenora Duval, Marcella

Ezell, Linda Felsing, Clark Fournoy, Marcia Fournoy, Emily Garcia, Craig Garrison, Muriel Gates, Kathy Goolsby, Barbara Grant, Arthur Haas, Brandon Habis, **Belia Hardesty**, Dorothy Harnden, Lorraine Hayes, Wanda Henry, Vickie Kaatz, Angeline Klekar, David Kubala, Jerry LaCoume, Mary LaCoume, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Tristan Cade Lawson, Sarah Marcotte, Mary McClintock, **Eileen McDonald**, Irene McGaughey, Karen Moran. Jean Newport, Adrian Nye, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, **Pat Prebys**, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Joe Reyes, Jr., Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Billie Stricklin, Pat Van Dragt, "Vinnie", Amelia Volz, Allen Williams, Patricia Williams.

(**Bold** denotes new on prayer list this week)

Protecting God's Children Workshop for Adults

Preventing child sexual abuse is the goal of a new program selected by the Diocese of Galveston-Houston.

"Protecting God's Children for Adults" educates clergy, staff and volunteers who work with children. The 3-hour session includes videos and facilitated discussions. All Clergy, staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children and youth are required to attend training. The session does start promptly so please be on time. The session will be held on the following date:

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, in the hall of the Family Life Center 6:15-9:30p.m.

Tuesday, August 24, in the hall of the Family Life Center 6:15-9:30p.m.

Please go to www.virtusonline.org to register; the password is "trust". Call Marsha Jacklitsch, 297-3043, for more information.



**YOUTH MINISTRY
APRIL CALENDAR
25 LAST CLASS –
Praise/Worship w/ “The
Rock” from TX A&M**



**TIME for
VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL**



Time is running out! Vacation Bible School will be the week of June 21. Register for Camp Creation VBS 2004 before the deadline of Friday, May 14! No late registrations! We still need volunteers! Call the Religious Ed Office at 297-3043

WE NEED YOUR HELP – E-MAIL INPUT!!

We're excited about building the team of missionaries for MISSION 2004! We plan to use e-mail as an integral part of building community, keeping you informed of news, and otherwise staying in touch. In order to build this communications network we need each of you to go to the St. Michael's website and input your e-mail address and that of your parent or spouse (for adult missionaries). To do this we need ALL MISSIONARIES to go to the St. Michael's home page (www.smlj.org) and follow the link to the Mission 2004 page, then the link to "Submit E-Mail Information Form". Please fill out the form and (we hope) you will allow us to share your e-mail address with our other missionaries.



Jesus called us to "love one another". Our Lord's example and words demand care for the "least of these" from each of us. Yet they also require action on a broader scale. Faithful citizenship is about more than elections. It requires ongoing participation in the continuation political and legislative process.

--USCCB Administrative Committee
Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility, p.3



GIRL SCOUTS



Girl Scout Spiritual Day: Sunday, May 2nd, 12noon to 6:15p.m. Registration forms are out; contact one of the following if you need to register. Natalia Montanez, 297-

1011; Janice Rodrigue, 292-0501 or check the bulletin board in the Family Life Center.



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Chrism

by Paul Turner

Chrism is the most special of all the oils used for Catholic Sacraments and rituals. Traditionally, it is olive oil enhanced with balsam, a perfume. Today, other oils and perfumes may be used, especially in regions where the traditional ingredients are difficult to obtain. No matter the formula, chrism should have a pleasing aroma. Chrism is the oil used for the three Sacraments that may be received only once in a lifetime: Baptism, Confirmation, and Ordination to the Priesthood. It carries a strong association with the Holy Spirit, Who consecrates the faithful for service according to the Sacrament they receive.



Only the Bishop may consecrate chrism. If the parish supply begins to run low, the local Priest may not create more. He must obtain it from the bishop. The Bishop consecrates this oil only once a year at the chrism Mass, shortly before the paschal Triduum begins. This tradition began so that chrism could be fresh and abundantly available for the celebration of the Sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. After the chrism Mass, portions of the oils are distributed to parishes for their use throughout the year. Oils are typically stored in bottles bearing the year of consecration.

When a new altar is dedicated for a church, the bishop smears its top with chrism. When a new church is dedicated for the purposes of worship, its interior walls are anointed with chrism in the form of many crosses. A church and altar are thus consecrated by the Holy Spirit for forms of service. As with the Sacraments, once chrism is used on an altar and walls, its effects are permanent.

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Pregnancy Help Center Annual Bar-B-Q, Saturday, May 1 11:00-2:00pm at Clute Municipal Park. Donation \$10 Will deliver 10 plate lunches or more to one location. BBQ ticket required to pick up each plate. More info? 297-3622.



MORE EASTER FLOWERS-- IN MEMORY OF:

**Joe Dale Psencik
Alfred Psencik
Victor Lux
Mr. & Mrs. J.W. Christie, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Phil Shay**

