RCIA? Why didn't I learn what they teach in RCIA?

A good friend of mine is converting to Catholicism. She's learning things that I, a cradle Catholic, never knew. Why wasn't I taught these things? I'm embarrassed that a convert knows more than I do

Catholics receive most of their religious education as children. Even at the high school level, teachers are not able to explore religious topics with the same breadth and depth that occurs during the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process. The Bible, for instance, is taught to children as stories, but adult faith requires us to read and

understand Scripture as more than a story.

Adults learn differently from children; adults ask different questions. The facts and contents remain the same, but it's not possible for your early religious education to have the same content and depth as that of an adult who is converting to Catholicism.

Most Catholic parishes need a faithformation program for adults who want to take their faith to a deeper level. If yours doesn't offer adult-education programs, many publishers offer programs that can be used for individual study. Let your own interest and curiosity be your guide.

> FR. RICK POTTS, CSSR sundaybulletin@liquori.org

## Monday MAY 26 Saint Philip Neri, Priest Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26-16:4a



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22-18:1
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# Sixth Sunday of Easter



# May 25, 2014

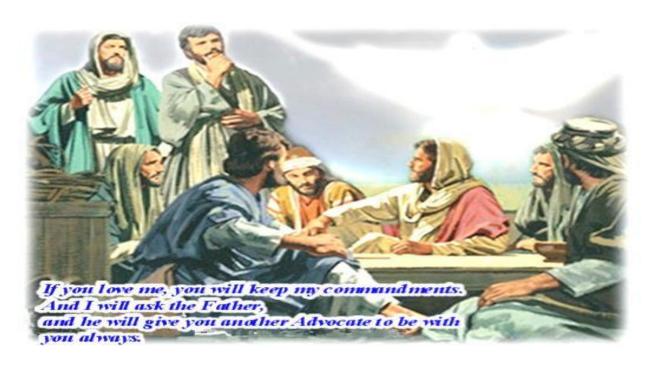
# St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Friday Adoration 8:30am to 9:30a.m

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Both Before Mass and by Appointment. *Mass Schedule Week of May 10–16* 

#### Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family

#### St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat 5:30 pm Our Parish Family Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family Mon 8:00 am +James Smith Tues 8:00 am +Fr Pete (special intention) Wed 6:00 pm +Fr Pete (special intention)

Thursday 8:00am +Fr Pete (special intention)

## From Father Khoa's Desk...

# Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On this Memorial Day Weekend, we remember all who have died in service to our country. We honor them this weekend. Let us also pray for the families of those who have died.

Today's Scripture passages mark a turn in the celebration of the Easter Season. We begin to focus on the promise of the Holy Spirit. In the selection from Acts, after the people of Samaria are baptized "in the name of Jesus" and accept the word of God, apostles are sent to pray over them so they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Three elements are indicated as necessary for living lives of faith: hearing and accepting the word of God; baptism with water; and the prayer for the Holy Spirit. In John's Gospel, Jesus promises to send the apostles (and community) the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide them on their Christian journey and strengthen them in time of adversity. Jesus continues to encourage us to love. He tells us that we can show love by following the commandments that were given to us. Sometimes we might think that the commandments are hard to follow or they might be an ancient set of laws that don't apply to us in 2014. However, we cannot let the voices of society tell us that. We need to hear the voice of Jesus telling us that we need to love and we need to be open to His spirit working in our lives. One of the ways that we will continue to follow the commands of Jesus is by serving and loving the poor in our midst. Let us lift our prayers for those as they begin the new ministry to serve the poor the outcast and the voiceless, and may we as a parish family continue to bring the Gospel to all people!

May God pour out His blessings upon you and your families.

...Fr. Khoa

**ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP**\*\*: 71 Identifiable: \$1,406.00; Loose: \$1,323.00; Total: \$2,711.00; Children: \$7.00. Building Fund: \$189.18.

# **OUR LADY OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: \$292.00; Loose: \$394.00 Total: \$686.00.

\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84

Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Council: Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Parish Council prayed greatly and voted these officials: President: **Tim Brogdon**, Secretary: **Ellen West**, and Treasurer: **Kevin McGill**. For Financial Council, the President is **Kevin McGill**, and the Secretary is **Ellen West**. For Project Hope and Compassion, the Coordinator is **Jodi Trosclair**, and the Assistance Coordinator is **Douglas Ladner**. Please keep the Parish Council in your prayers as we serve the parish for the coming years.

# Memorial Day Observance

This Monday, may 26th, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday, a day of remembrance for those who have died in service to our nation, please keep in your prayers all those who have perished in service to our country and its ideals of freedom and justice for all!

<u>Catfish Festival:</u> This weekend is the Catfish Festival. Please come and invite friends to this joyful event of our parish and the whole community. Please contact **Monica Robinson** for more information.

**Blood Drive**: This Sunday, there will be a community blood drive at our parish in memory of Fr Pete's Mockler and in honor of Justin Holley from 10am to 3pm. Please contact **Jodi Trosclair**.

<u>Project Hope and Compassion:</u> We need volunteers to help us serve dinners for students on June 22-28, July 6-12, July 16-23, July 26-August 3. For more information, please contact **Jodi Trosclair**.

<u>Bible Study:</u> We will start the Book of Acts of the Apostles on May 28. Please join us. In this 4-part DVD series Mark Hart provides comprehensive teaching and commentary on the Acts. We will learn about the heroic

moments, powerful testimonies, and daring adventures of the first Christians. So far, we have 12 people signed up. The classes take place on **Wednesdays 6:30 pm-8 pm. at CCD Building**. For more information, please contact **Ruth Schonewitz**.

3 Year New Wine Groups to Begin September 2014

The Catholic Diocese of Biloxi will again offer a 3 year program called "New Wine" beginning in September of this year. The program provides education and formation for adults interested in being involved in lay ministry. Interested individuals should contact their Pastor, Principal, DRE or Parish Religion Coordinator no later than June 6, 2014 for more information.

## ST. ANN ACTIVITIES

Religious Ed: K-11th Sunday 10a.m.—11a.m.

DRE: Robert Lizana

RCIA: Wednesday 6:30pm at Parish Day

Chapel/Meeting Room. Please contact Tim Brogdon.

<u>Baccalaureate</u> (<u>Graduation</u>) <u>Mass:</u> Congratulations to our High School Seniors. Thank you Robert Lizana for this event.

Altar Society: Meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month after 9am mass. All women of the parish are automatic members of the Altar Society and are encouraged to join us. It takes a lot of heart and hands to make our Altar Society successful and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in participating, please contact Lenell King.

Lizana Light: Fridays 9am-12 noon.

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: Thank you, Marilyn Fairley, for cleaning the church on May 24. Keesha Palmer will clean the church on May 31.

<u>CYO:</u> Weekly meeting on Sunday 6:00pm. Visit us on www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo or contact Katelyn Moran and Danielle Ladner.

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK:</u> Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560 or in emergency, 234-6005.

# SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u> Those who are ill: Leslie Cuevas, William (Shorty) & Sherrie DeMello, Greg Garstka, Deacon Jack Hunter, Julia Lizana, Kathy Squillante, June Evelyn Cuevas, Darlene Billingsley, Annette Moran.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTICMIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFTB.
Sat May 24	Richard Dunlap	W.C. King, Lenell King,	Katelyn Casey,	Doug Ladner	Patricia Lizana
5:30pm		Doris Snowden	McKenna Ladner	Ira Necaise	
May 25 7:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun May 25	Katelyn Moran	Dale Sabin, Carolyn	Kaison McGill	Robert Lizana	Jason & Lisa
9am		Brewer, Kim Wood	Carson Leverett	David Crabtree	Necaise Family
Sat May 31	Kathy Brogdon	Mike & Ellen West, Kay	Katie Ladner	Doug Ladner	Helen O'Neal &
5:30pm		VanPelt	Boots Moran	Tim Brogdon	Glora Armand
June 01 7:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun June 01	Chantel	Marlow Ladner, Helena	Lilly Bradshaw	Robert Lizana	David Crabtree
9am	Crabtree	Barrilleaux, Derek Trosclr	Conner Ladner	Pat Leimer	Family