



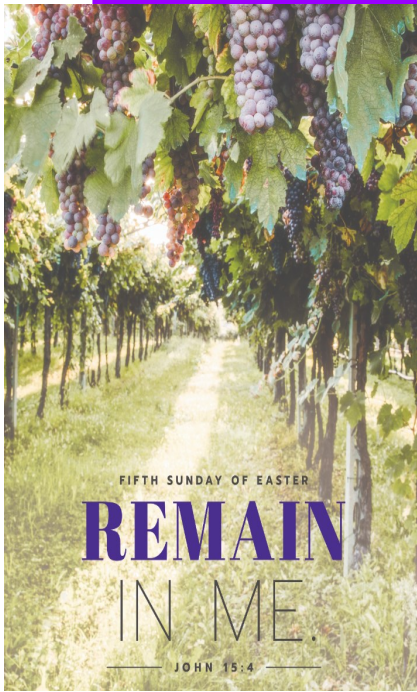
Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor
Rev. Donbosco, Associate Pastor
Deacon Bill Vrazel

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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**Sunday
April 28th**

The Painful Pruning in Life is Leading Us to Somewhere Beautiful



My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly, overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, “Jesus would never prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you.”

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week’s Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, “**He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit**” (John 15:2) I don’t mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps ignorant of arboriculture. But I’d wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God’s love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn’t it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it’s not his work at all. In the moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ’s body. Jesus’ rising is the brand-new growth. It is God’s promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth. — *Father John Muir*

**TODAY’S
READING**

First Reading: Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him. (Acts 9:27)
Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (Ps 22)
Second Reading: And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. (1 Jn 3:23)
Gospel: “I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.” (Jn 15:5)

**READINGS
FOR THE
WEEK**

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

**Events
of the
Week**

Monday, April 29, 2024 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am Mass - Church - 10:00 am HFC Prayer Group - Chapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Adoration - Church - 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Reconciliation - Church - 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel
Tuesday, April 30 -	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - CHURCH - 6:00 pm Mass - CHURCH 	
Wednesday, May 1 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6:30 am Java and Jesus Men’s Group - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am Mass with Moms - Church - 9:00 am Bible Study - Parish Hall - 10:00 am Altar Society Meeting - Multipurpose Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Parish Eucharistic Revival Team Mtg. - Parish Hall - 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Youth Core Team Program Program - Parish Hall
Thursday May 2 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7:15 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am Mass - Chapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel
Friday, May 3 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 8:30 am Mass - Church - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society - Parish Hall - 3:00 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy - Chapel 	
Saturday, May 4 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall - 5:00 pm Vigil Mass - Church Reconciliation offered 30 minutes prior to Mass 	

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Lois Audley, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Bruce Carver, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Cecil Creel, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Morton Davis, Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Charles Grey, Hannah Gest, Gerry Gough, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Fay Hogan, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Butch and Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Sally James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, John Knight, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Dustin Leochner, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Jimmy Wetzal, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker

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In Memoriam

Please contact the Parish Office at 228-452-4686 to add or take some off the Prayer List. Thank you.

Weekly Operating Report

April 22, 2024

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection:

\$14,576

Building Fund: \$206

Youth Ministry: \$2,293

Masses: \$355

Cemetery: \$5

Memorials: \$5

Direct Debit—Electronic Transfers

Forms are available in the back of

the church or by calling the

office at 228-452-4686

Weekly Fixed Expenses

Schools: \$3210

Salaries and Benefits: \$4750

Diocese Support Tax: \$917

Utilities: \$1187.50

Janitorial, Maintenance, Grounds:

\$1189.75

Insurance: \$584

TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY EXPENSES:

\$13,075.00

"These are just the fixed expenses. There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly.

God Bless!" Fr. Mike

Pray For a Priest Each Day

"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen".

Sun., April 28: For Father Our Deacons and Deacon Candidates and Those Discerning

Mon., April 29: For Our Parish Priests

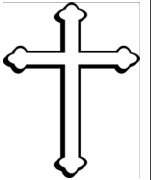
Tuesday, April 30: For Our Deceased Bishops, Joseph Howze and Roger Morin

Wed., May 1: For Father Satish Adhav

Thur., May 2: For Father Vincent O. Ajayi

Fri., May 3: For Most Reverend (Bishop) Louis F. Kihneman III

Sat., May 4: Please Pray for an Increase In Vocations



May 4 and
May 5,
2024

5:00 pm - Saturday,
5/4/24 Vigil

Lectors

Ken Austin

EEMs

Lee Ayuso, Gayle Nolan and Lauri Wood

Altar Servers

Cooper W. Ferrell, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

8:30 am - Sunday,
5/5/24

Joe Spence

Mary T. Boudreaux, Ken Braud, Phylis Carlton, Carol Church and Tracy Patridge

Dave Bernadas, Anna Ladner, Zoey Mileham and Finley Pace

11:00 am - Sunday,
5/5/24

Jean Smith

Sharon Lowe, Gretchen Mayeaux, Gayle Parker, Meg Payment and Sid Petagna

Caleb M. Brenneis, Charlotte Payment and Emily Payment

5:00 pm - Sunday,
5/5/24

Laurie Huck

Richard Bohn, Michelle Hoskins and Jo Johns

Matthew G. Jenkins, Carleigh Russo and Lilyana Starita

Holy Family
Mark your
Calendars!

Altar Society



**Holy Family
Altar Society Meeting**
Wednesday, May 1st, at 10:00 am
in the Church Multi Purpose Room

New members are welcome.

Please join us every
FIRST and THIRD
FRIDAY
of the month for the



**CHAPLET OF
DIVINE MERCY**

The next Chaplet is
Friday, May 3rd 3:00 pm
St. Paul's Chapel

*For the sake of His sorrowful passion,
have mercy on us and on the whole world.*



**Monday Morning
Fellowship, Coffee
& Donuts!**

Start your first Monday morning of the month
with Mass at 8 am followed by
Fellowship, Coffee, and Donuts after Mass

HFC Parish Hall

Our next gathering is Monday, May 6th.

Hope to see you there!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 27	5:00 pm	† Dickie Moran Healing for Jim Bradley Healing for Wayne Wooley
Sunday, April 28	8:30 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	† Frank and Patricia Schmidt † Courtney Smith † Norma Sinuefield † Dickie Moran Healing for Deacon Karl Koberger Healing for Father J. T. Trinh † Lynne Bohn
Monday, April 29	8:00 am	† Knost Family † Edward Taconi Healing for Ashley Hoselle
Tuesday, April 30 (Church)	6:00 pm	† Teresa Hoi Thi Vu Healing for Patricia Taconi Healing for Deacon Karl Koberger
Wednesday, May 1	8:00 am	† Brenda Valles Healing for Wayne Wooley Thanksgiving to St. Jude
Thursday, May 2 (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Knost Family Healing for Patricia Taconi Special Intentions for Patty Felder
Friday, May 3	8:30 am * † The Repose of the Soul	† Patricia Kelly Healing for Ashley Hoselle Healing for Deacon Karl Koberger



*The flowers on the Altar
are given today in celebration of the
children who will be receiving their
First Communion this weekend.*



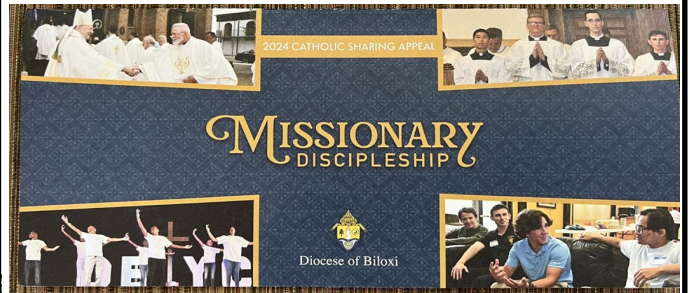
If you would like to commemorate loved ones with a donation of Altar flowers, please call the Parish office at 228-452-4686.

**APRIL 30th MASS
TIME &
LOCATION
CHANGE**



Please note that **MASS** on **Tuesday, April 30th** will be at **Holy Family Church** (NOT St. Paul Chapel) at **6:00 pm** (not 7) AND **NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP** will be at **5:30 pm** (not 6:30 pm) at the **Church** (not the Chapel).

2024 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL



Scan QR code to make donation, or go to <https://www.biloxidiocese.org/donate>.
Select Holy Family Parish.
Thank you for your generosity! God Bless!

*Celebration of
Holy Baptism*



Congratulations to
Rylin Lane Jenkins, child of
Amy and Christopher L. Jenkins

who received the
Sacrament of Baptism
on April 11, 2024

*"Let the children come to me,
because the kingdom of God belongs
to such as these."* Mark 10:14



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Special Collections**

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| April 27-28 | <i>Catholic Home Missions Appeal</i> |
| May 4-5 | <i>St. Paul Cemetery</i> |
| May 11-12 | <i>Catholic Communications</i> |
| June 1-2 | <i>St. Paul Cemetery</i> |
| June 15-16 | <i>Special Father's Day Collection for
Diocesan Priest Supplemental</i> |
| June 29-30 | <i>Peter's Pence</i> |

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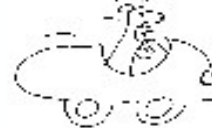


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