

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CHURCH

May 1, 2022/Third Sunday of Easter

WORSHIP

MASS TIMES

Daily Mass

M-F 6am, 9:15am; Sat. 9:15am
Rosary before daily 9:15 Mass

Sunday Masses

4pm Vigil (Sat)
7am, 9am, 11am, 6pm (Sun)

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 6:30am and 8:45am
Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm
Or by appointment.

HOLY HOUR PROGRAM

Adoration:

Thursdays 10am-7:00 pm

Perpetual Help Novena

Tuesdays 9:45am

ROSARY

Every Monday evening at the outdoor Mary statue at 6:15pm.
Before daily 9:15am Masses in Church, Mon-Sat.

SACRAMENTS

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of welcoming new members to our faith. Classes are September through May.

BAPTISM

Most Sundays immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please call 737-4537 in advance to register.

MARRIAGE

Consult parish priest at least eight months prior to planned date of marriage.

CONFIRMATION

Through our parish and High School CCD Program. Please call 737-4537.

FUNERALS

Please call 737-4537. Funerals along with wakes and visitations in Church are encouraged.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

We appreciate knowing when a parishioner is in the hospital.

SACRAMENTS AT HOME

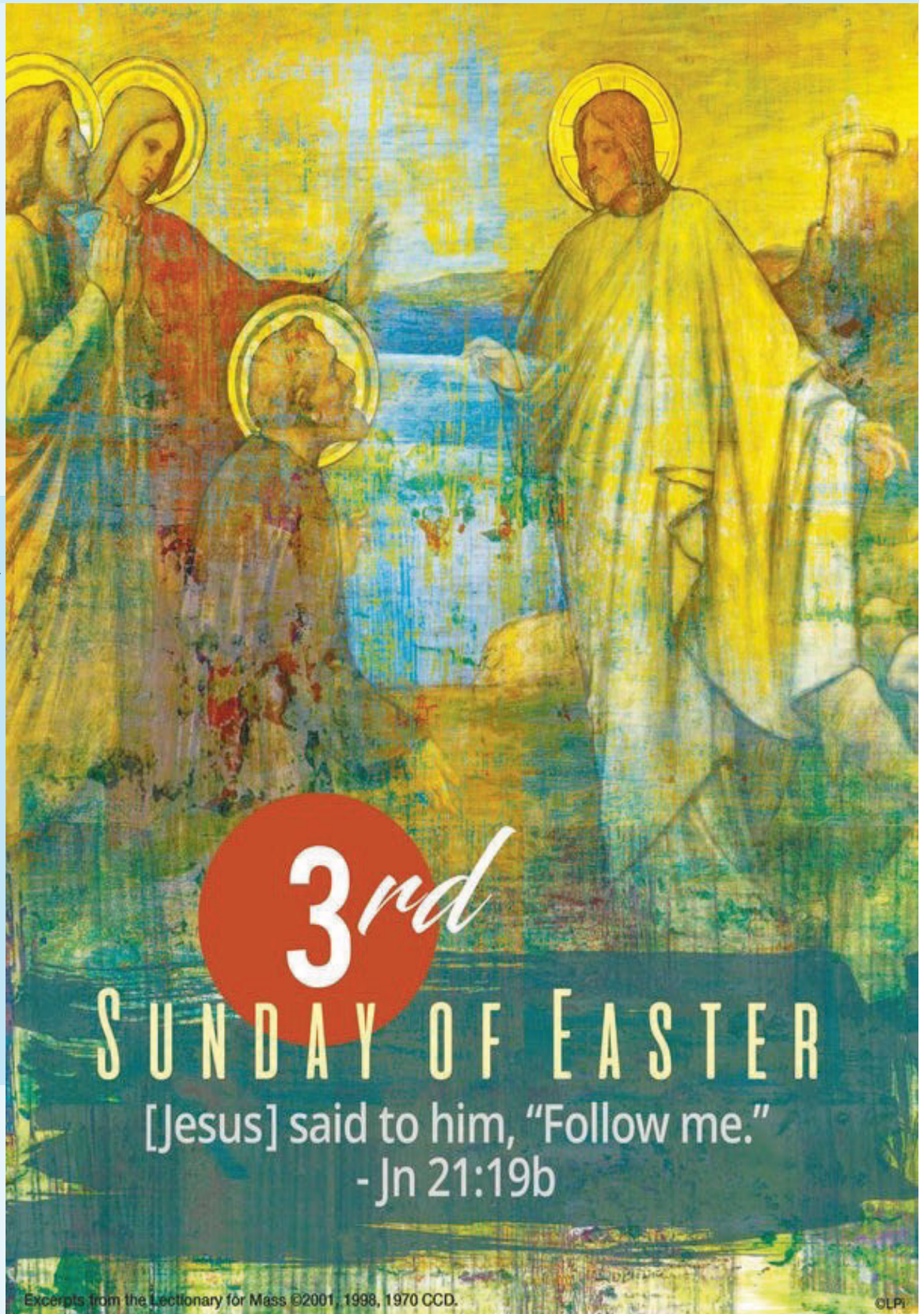
Communion weekly. Sacrament of the sick as requested.

CONTACT

Rectory 737-4537, 737-2662
stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org
School 737-4604/RectoryHours:
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM- 4:00 PM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill out a parish census, found in the church foyer or at www.stmatthewtheapostle.net.



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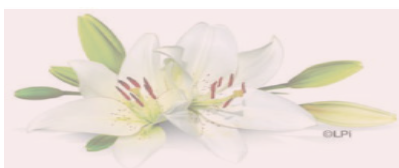
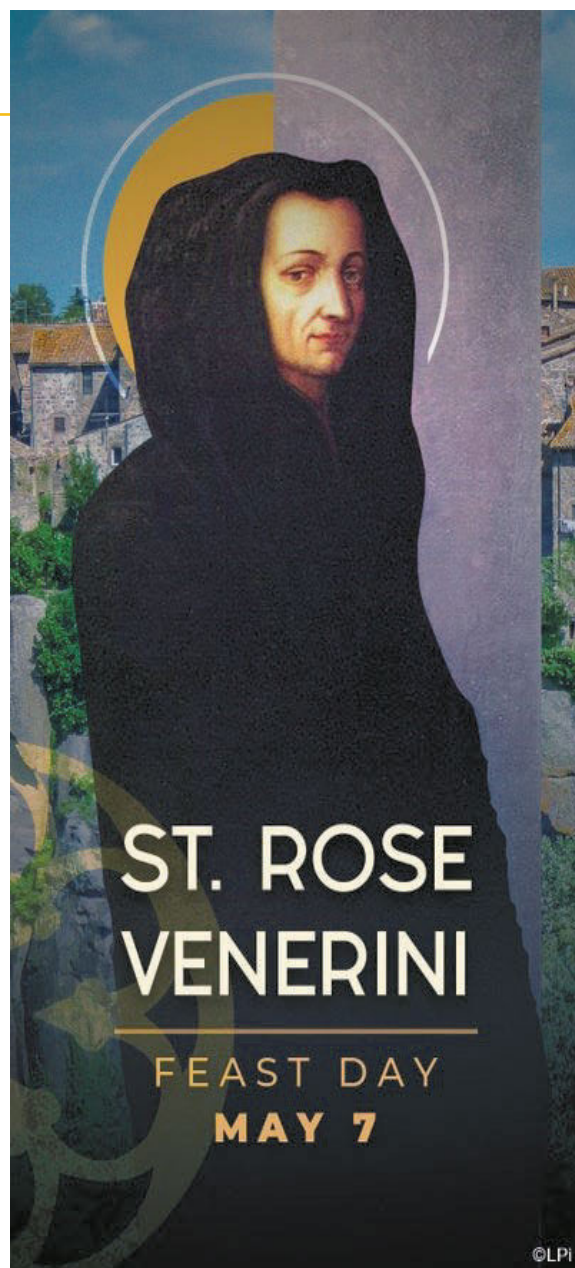
WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1, 2022

SUN	5/1	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
MON	5/2	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24,26-27,29-30/Jn6:22-29
TUE	5/3	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
WED	5/4	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
THU	5/5	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
FRI	5/6	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
SAT	5/7	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15,16-17/Jn6:60-69

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1, 2022

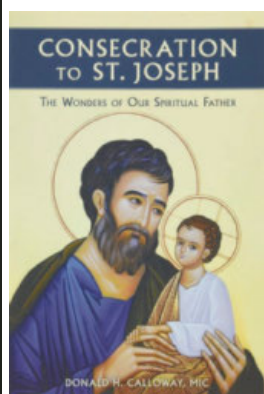
Sunday:	3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker
Monday:	St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday:	Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
Thursday:	National Day of Prayer
Next Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day



Divine Mercy Flowers Given
In Loving Memory Of:

Marie L. DiBella
Joyce Reeser

Join us for a Consecration to St. Joseph



If you are interested in learning more about St Joseph and deepening your love for the foster-father of Jesus and the spouse of the Mother of God, please consider this month long preparation as we learn about our spiritual father, St Joseph.

The book, Consecration to St. Joseph, written by Fr. Donald Calloway, will be the guide for our meetings. There will be 5 sessions which will end with a Consecration to St. Joseph. Contact Mule's bookstore or the rectory for a copy of the book.

The sessions will be weekly (Thursdays), beginning on May 5th thru June 2nd from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the MBC.

For more information, please contact Maxine Rappold 504-875-6063. Register at stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org or by calling the church office at 504737-4537.



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Holy Name Society
Bill Siegel 737-5782
Divine Mercy Alida Wyler 390-6805
Evangelization Brian Comboy 737-4537
Floral Committee 737-4537
Music Glen Ganucheau 466-1475
Ushers 737-4537
Rosary Groups 737-4537
Sacred Heart Ministry Dania 738-6924

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Elem. CCD & VBS Mary Elvir 737-7210
H.S. CCD Jim Donovan 621-7501
RCIA David & Margaret Penick 738-7027
Friday AM Bible Study
Barbara Hebert 737-0328
Come Lord Jesus
A. Arcement 737-6578
Catholic Couples Stiebings 430-5589
Vocations Deacon Jerry Clark

Service Ministries

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Knights of Columbus
Ralph Brandt 737-2732
Missionaries of St. Therese
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Janiene 669-0115, Sheila 352-6184

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Pastoral Council Rep.
Ladies Cancer Ministry 737-4537
CYO-737-4537
Home & School Assoc. 737-4604
Family Life Deacon Nathan Simoneaux
Men's Club 737-4604 or 737-4537
Marriage Enrichment
Chuck & Bridget Stiebing 738-7687
Right to Life S. Kenning 737-9776
Scouting 737-4537
Seniors JOY Ministry - 737-4537
Family Fall Festival 737-4537
Youth Ministry - Matt's Cats 737-4537
Young Adults-Pier Ministry 737-4537

PASTORAL STAFF

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Jerry Clark, *Deacon*
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Disability Advocates:
Ann Lupio 275-7508
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This Week at St. Matthew

St. Matthew Schedule

Rectory Hours 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

SUNDAY 5/1– Third Sunday of Easter

7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM & 6 PM Masses
12 PM - 3 PM MBC Art Show
12:30 PM Choir Church

MONDAY 5/2

6:00 AM & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
8:30 AM - 12 PM Teddy Bear Tea MBC
6:15 PM Monday Patriotic Rosary
6:55 PM Elementary CCD School
7:00 PM Lord Teach Me to Pray KC Hall

TUESDAY 5/3

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Dance Team MBC
6:00 PM KC Rosary
7:00 PM Scouts MBC
7:00 PM CLJ MBC Conf. Room

WEDNESDAY 5/4

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Dance Team MBC

THURSDAY 5/5

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
10 AM - 7:00 PM Adoration Church
6:00 PM KC Rosary
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM St. Joseph Group MBC

FRIDAY 5/6

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
6:30 AM & 8:45 AM Confessions Church
10:00 AM Bible Study MBC Conf. Room

SATURDAY 5/7

9:15 AM Daily Mass
11:00 AM First Communion
3:00 PM-3:40 PM Confessions Church



Third Sunday of Easter

Could it be that God's image has become so soiled and distorted that it is hard for us to see it? Our self-serving agendas have done a great job twisting God's image into what profits us. We want our agenda to be God's agenda and use prayer as the convincing leverage we need. Worse still, our success and egocentric agenda often erases God's image completely, replacing it with our own. St. Oscar Romero instructs us that the Son of Man "dies on the cross to cleanse God's image, which is soiled in today's humanity, a humanity so enslaved, so selfish, so sinful." Striving to preserve control of our destinies at all costs, we fail to see the risen suffering servant, the Christ, standing right beside us.

Jesus, who suffered and died on a cross and was raised from the dead, corrects our soiled image of God. He shows us God as God is, not who we want to make God to be. God is the God of the poor, the weak, and the marginalized. He is the God who tenderly caresses us when we are suffering and hurting, assuring us that all will be safe and well. He is the God of equity, peace, justice, and compassion who wants happiness for each of His children, desiring their wellbeing and success. God goes where men and women are afraid to go, sitting with the lost, the broken, and the sorrowing. St. Oscar Romero challenges us to illuminate with "Christ's light ... even the most hideous caverns of the human person: torture, jail, plunder, want, chronic illness. The oppressed must be saved." The resurrection calls us to be God's microphone, a messenger, and a prophet (St. Oscar Romero).

Using eyes that see beyond the limited constructs and desires of our world, we can see the true and real Jesus standing before us, calling us to transformation and change. Asking us more than once, "do you love me?" We are beckoned to give an answer. Answering in the affirmative, it is now our task to feed the sheep and the lambs who belong to God. In short, equipped with the power of the resurrection and a corrected image of God; our task is to make things better, brighter, holier, more life-giving, and just for all of God's children. Considering our choices, our interactions, our philosophies, and aspirations, how can we do this?

Missionaries of St. Therese



The Missionaries of St. Therese Circle 65 and Circle 68 will meet at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 10:00 AM on May 11th.

For more information, call:
Patricia Schilling, 504-400-3186.



In your charity, please pray for the souls of

Denise Marie Langlois
Vivian Pradat Barilleaux

who died recently, and for all who mourn them.

Ushers Needed

Ushers' Meeting Tuesday, May 10th

7 PM MBC

Come out and see how you can help your parish.

Radio Rosary

The Radio Rosary is being said at St. Matthew the Apostle.

The scriptural rosary, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Union of Holy Name Societies, has been continually broadcast at 6:00 PM on the radio since 1946.

Individual parish Holy Name

societies have taken their turn one day each month reciting the rosary live on station WVOG AM.

Our next scheduled dates are June 3, July 8, August 12, October 19 & December 2. All parishioners are invited to participate. The Radio Rosary is said in the MBC conference room starting at 6:00 PM.

Please arrive no later than 5:45 PM if you want to participate.

BONCO

St. Matthew is hosting an adult Bonco on Sunday, June 5th, in the Msgr. Bendix Center.

Doors open at 3:00 PM.

Bring your own food to share.

\$5 to play.



Images from Holy Week at St. Matthew the Apostle Parish.



Prayer to St. Matthew—May we be helped, Lord, by the prayers of Your Holy Apostle and Evangelist, Matthew. May his intercession obtain for us the graces which we cannot merit for ourselves, through Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Virgin Mother, Amen.

Celebrant and Liturgical Minister Schedule for May 7-May 8, 2022

Sunday		Celebrant/Deacon	Sacristan	Lector	EOMs	AS
5/7	4:00 PM	Fr. Francis/Simoneaux	Knipper	Gardner	Deacon/Centanni/J.Fowler/Montero	9
5/8	7:00 AM	Fr. Lee/Simoneaux	L. Flores	Zimmerman	Deacon/Usner/Reed	10
5/8	9:00 AM	Fr. Lee	Comboy	Berrigan	Comboy/Donovan/Palmisano/Demarest	11
5/8	11:00 AM	Fr. Francis/Clark	Battle	Rubio	Deacon/Gordon/Brandt/Sub	12
5/8	6:00 PM	Fr. Francis	Wyler	Millet	Wyler/Lorenzo/Oubre	7

(Schedule is subject to change)



Easter Flowers

Given in Loving Memory of:

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St. Matthew CYO Events

Faithful Fridays Mass 6 a.m.
stmatthewtheapostle.net/CYO



April 30 – May 7, 2022

SATURDAY, April 30

9:15 AM Hugh "Tim" Rigney
 4:00 PM Roy A. LeBlanc, Jr., Gail Fontenelle Glesener, Joseph, Annie & Mike Ferrara & Family, Bertha Laborde, Jennie Ziegler, Mike Babin, Sr., Bill Beron, Jerry Engel, Vincent Moscono, Mrs. Ezilde Simoneaux, Jacob & Joseph Munsch, Jerry LeCompte, Henry D. Flack, Jr. & Marguerite B. Flack & Their Deceased Descendants, Tammy Lynn Parfait, For A Special Intention, Jeannie Brennan, Thomas Duc

SUNDAY, May 1

7:00 AM: Nick & Yvonne Mutulich
 9:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Matthew the Apostle
 11:00 AM: Mary Fintel, Shirley Donegan & Eulalie Trapani, Doris & Lenny Yochim & Deceased Members of Yochim & Murphy Family, Edna & Miller Jacobs, John, Chris & Angelique Becker, Odessa Elston Burch Pilie, Mr. & Mrs. Percy Soileau, Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Wagner, Rudy Perronne, Mr. & Mrs. James Ramoneda, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Carriere, Sr., Leon K. Poche, Sr., Peter Nam Tran, Francis Thinh, Peggy Fowler, Tim Rigney, James Finan, Manuel Esparza. Jerry LeCompte
 6:00 PM: Tim Rigney

MONDAY, May 2

6:00 AM: Paul Vi Vu
 9:15 AM: Sylvia Keller

TUESDAY, May 3

6:00 AM: Paul Vi Vu
 9:15 AM: Nicole Guerin

WEDNESDAY, May 4

6:00 AM: Leon K. Poche, Sr.
 9:15 AM: Bobbie Burke

THURSDAY, May 5

6:00 AM: Fagel Raltim
 9:15 AM: Bill Beron

FRIDAY, May 6

6:00 AM: Douglas Block
 9:15 AM: Marie DiBella, Joyce Reeser & Bernadette Meyer

SATURDAY, May 7

9:15 AM: Dr. Charles & Rosalie Matassa & Deceased Family Members



Knights of Columbus Knight of the Month for April

Gene Stoltz

For membership information please visit
stmatthewkc.com

CHURCH OFFERINGS

April 17, 2022

Weekly Envelopes	\$14,778.33	Holy Land	
Loose	\$ 3,132.00		\$1,184.00
Building & Maint.	\$ 687.00		
	\$18,597.33	Easter	\$3,896.00

Thank you for your generous offerings. "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." ~ Matthew 6:21

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 for online giving information.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please call the rectory at 737-4537 if you have a prayer request, older than one month.

Fe Bernat, Martha Sierra, Martha Sierra, Maria Colorado, Ruth Fontenelle, Becky Heffner, Beverly Jeansonne, Michael Montero, Greg Ganucheau, Ida Ganucheau, Mary Catherine Wellman, Leslie Simon, Abby Perez, Payton Lambert, Keith Melancon, Hudson Joseph Adams, Andrew Rucker, Smith Family, Woodruff Family, Barbara W. Barrosse, Judith Morter, Adrian Romani, Michael Moffatt, Jr., Clark Family, Emmet Manuel, Denise Balint, Joseph Passalaqua, Adam Peschlow, Infant James David Price, Karl Clark, III, Kimberly Tucker, Hanna Falkenberg, Jai Eschete, Michael Leeds, Christopher Monistere, Millie Zylicz, Susan Galkowski, Kevin & Garrison Schilling, Bryan & Susan Burkenstock, Anna Marie Olivier, Diana Friedel, Kelly & Michael Hebert, Jan Treuting, Chris & Linda Arms, Buddy Brewer, Sharon Miller, Michael & Kelly Hebert, Gerri & Eddie Bergeron, Kathleen Berzas, Jenny Manale, Dan Kehoe, Camille Marino, John Viguerie, Gene Bourg, Paul DiGiovanni, Brent Toca, Herman Dutreix, Blakely Menzel, Darlene Chopin, Michelle Dutreix, Debbie Doll, Holly Clark, Hank Gudlach, Lee Brady, Edward Holmberg, Christopher McCaudle, Janette Fararra, Lauren Rabalais, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Smith, Sr., Mr. Timmy Smith, Jr., Mac Carr, Rene Gibson, James Finan, Stephen Bertram, Lili Archer, Cameron King, Zaine Pechawer, Braeden King, Louella Graves, Gloria Ruiz, Laura King, Capt. William Crawford, Clinton Summers, Jr., Beth Motto & Family, Lee Bourgeois, Sr., John Mancina, Grayce Marino, Ray B., Father Miles, Tony Caminita, Donald Gaudet, Jr., Matthew Birke, Mark Erichson, Jeanette Ploger



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