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Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

Very soon, our Bayou St. John neighborhood will become host once again to the crowds of Jazz Fest fans. This year, we will continue the practice of condensing our weekend Mass schedules to avoid the problem of competing with traffic and crowds for those coming to Mass. On the last weekend of April and the first weekend of May, the only Sunday Masses that will be offered will be at 7:30am and 9:00am on Sunday mornings. There will be no 4:00pm Masses on the Saturdays of Jazz Fest, nor will there be 11:00am or 6:00pm Masses on the Sundays of Jazz Fest. Since May 4th is the First Saturday of May, we will offer a first Saturday Mass, but it will be at 7:00am, instead of 9:00am; and there will not be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass.

As you know, parking cars for Jazz Fest is by far our largest fundraiser of the year. The success of this annual fundraiser depends on the efforts of our parishioners who volunteer their time. We invite you to consider signing up to volunteer for this great fundraiser. Not only is this a great way to support our parish, but it will also be an opportunity to meet other parishioners with whom you are not yet acquainted. (And since many ask... No volunteers will be required to drive the cars of any of our patrons.) There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church for you to sign up for a parking shift (8:30am-12:30pm or 1:00pm-3:00pm). And the parish will provide drinks and a great lunch—cooked by my father—for all who volunteer.

Finally, I ask you to please spread the word to friends and family who may be looking for a place to park for Jazz Fest. The cost is \$40 per car, and we are the closest parking spot to the Fairgrounds. And pray for good weather for this year's Jazz Fest so that our parking fundraiser will be another great success.

To Jesus through Mary,

Fr. Jonathan

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