

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming."
- Lk 3:16a

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays: No Daily Mass
Tuesdays: 6:00 PM Mass
Wednesdays: 8:00 AM Mass/
Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help follows Mass
Thursdays: 6:00 AM Mass
Fridays: 8:00 AM Mass

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sundays: 9:00 AM
11:00 AM

ROSARY TIMES

Tuesdays: 5:20 PM *(Before Mass)*
Saturdays: 3:30 PM *(Before Mass)*



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AED located in the back, west stairwell of the Church.

Vocations Chalice Program



Join our Sacred Heart Parish prayer efforts for an increase in holy vocations in our diocese.

Every Sunday a family will be presented with Father Josh's ordination chalice to take home and pray the entire week for an increase in vocations.

If your family would like to take Father Josh's chalice home, contact the receptionist at the parish office to be put on the schedule: 225-387-6671

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OFFICE HOURS

Mondays–Thursdays: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Fridays: 8:30 AM – NOON

*Parish Office Closed every Wednesday from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM
(Closed Daily for Lunch 12:00 – 12:30 PM)*

ADORATION CHAPEL

Mondays–Sundays: 7:00 AM – 9:00 PM

(The Chapel is in the Church Sacristy and can be accessed from the ramp in the rear of the Church. Call Parish Office for code to enter.)

CONFESSIONS

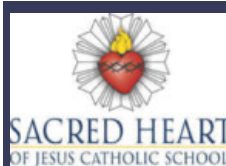
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Wednesdays: 7:30 AM

Thursdays: 6:30 AM

Fridays: 7:30 AM

Saturdays: 3:00 PM



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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 7:15 AM – 3:05 PM,

(Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

EVERY 1ST FRIDAY
OCTOBER - JUNE ONLY

CONFESSIONS: 11 AM
MASS: 12 noon
NOVENA: 12:30 PM

Please call or e-mail your prayer requests to the Parish Office Receptionist at 387-6671 or Receptionist@sacredheartbr.org



WEEK 1: Fasting

WEEK 2: Scripture

WEEK 3: The Rosary

For the Third Week of Advent, we are diving into the third chamber of the Sacred Heart: *The Rosary*.

Tradition recalls that the rosary was given to the Church from Mary to St. Dominic in the early 13th century. The rosary is composed of 5 sets of an Our Father and ten Hail Marys, these 5 decades invite the faithful to meditate on different moments and events of the life of Jesus Christ.

Praying the rosary, in addition to reading Scripture and fasting, allows us the opportunity to build upon the foundation we have created these last two weeks. This practice invites us to intentionally look at the life of Jesus and will help us to imitate Him.

We want to invite you to pray **one decade** of the rosary everyday as we build this practice of prayer. Typically, certain mysteries of the rosary are said on each day:

- † Joyful Mysteries: Mondays & Saturdays
- † Sorrowful Mysteries: Tuesdays & Fridays
- † Glorious Mysteries: Sundays & Wednesdays
- † Luminous Mysteries: Thursdays

Episode 4: Holy Habits of Community

"Everyone is called to the heights of holiness. Come back to the church.
This is the place for you to be, this is your community."

Jennifer Monette



Watch Holy Habits Podcast Here:

<https://franu.webflow.io/holyhabits>



✓ Gather Your Supplies

- Catholic Bible
- Catholic Catechism
- Journal

📅 Plan Ahead

Designate a time for

- viewing, reflection, prayer & family discussion

♥ Prepare Your Heart

- Read and pray with the selected scripture and catechism excerpt before viewing the podcast.

Christmas Season Mass Schedule

<p>Tuesday December 24, 2024 4:00 p.m. MASS OF CHRISTMAS EVE</p>	<p>Wednesday December 25, 2024 12:00 a.m. MIDNIGHT MASS OF CHRISTMAS 10:00 a.m. MASS OF CHRISTMAS DAY</p>
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Photo by Lisa Cassie

Saturday
December 28, 2024
4:00 p.m.
**VIGIL MASS FOR FEAST OF
THE HOLY FAMILY**

Sunday
December 29, 2024
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
**MASS OF THE FEAST OF
THE HOLY FAMILY**

Tuesday
December 31, 2024
4:00 p.m.
**VIGIL MASS OF SOLEMNITY
OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

Wednesday
January 1, 2025
10:00 a.m.
**MASS OF SOLEMNITY OF
MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

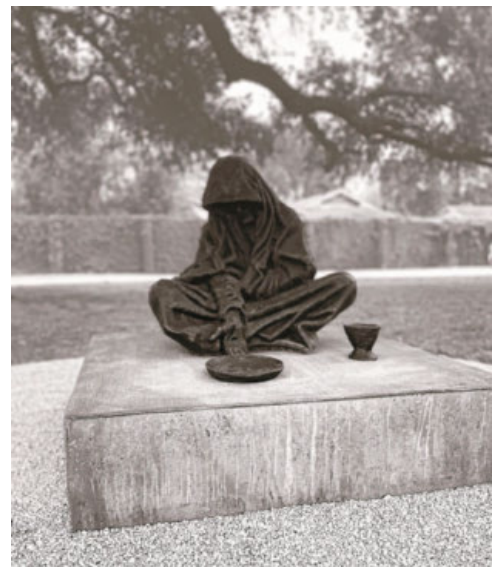
The Parish Office will be closed
December 23, 2024 – January 3, 2025
(Re-opens January 6, 2025)

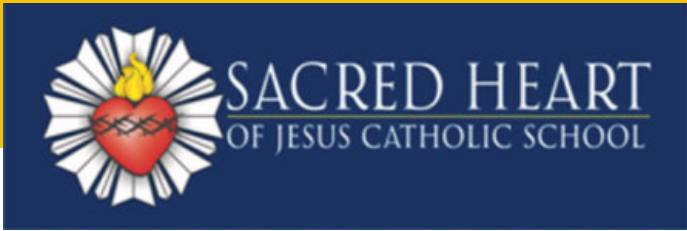
Christ the Beggar statue by Timothy Schmalz

Jesus is present to us in the Blessed Sacrament, the Sacred Scriptures and the Poorest of the Poor. Throughout our walk toward eternity, we will experience seasons of dryness in prayer. Perhaps we are struggling to perceive the face and voice of Jesus when we spend time with the Bible in Eucharistic Adoration. If this is the case for us, we are invited to imitate Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta and daily spend time with Jesus in the poorest of the poor. In Matthew 25, Jesus reminds us that He is present in our neighbors who are hungry and thirsty. In addition to seeking the face and voice of Jesus in the Eucharist and in the Bible, we are encouraged to seek His face & voice in the poorest of the poor.

In the summer of 2023, Sacred Heart of Jesus parish was chosen to receive a gift from the Canadian Sculptor, Timothy Paul Schmalz. What gift did our parish receive? A statue of “Christ the Beggar!” This statue of Jesus was installed over the Thanksgiving break and it is an important reminder to all of us that Christ is not only present to us in the Adoration Chapel or in the Sacred Scriptures! Jesus is also present in the poorest of the poor! Tim Schmalz has sculptures of Jesus in the Vatican and now he also has sculptures of Jesus at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Baton Rouge!

We hope and pray this sculpture helps to form a new generation of disciples in our relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist, the Bible & the Poor!





National Jr. Beta Club Inductions

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 Sacred Heart School inducted fourteen (14) students into the National Jr. Beta Club following the school Mass (pictured top right).

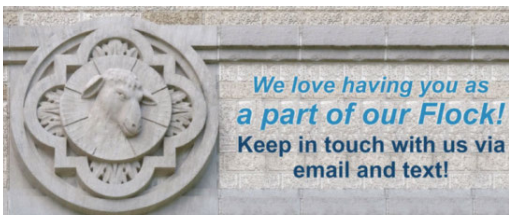
Congratulations to eighth graders Khloe T., Jamie B., and Jaxon M. and to seventh graders Will B., Mathieu B., Konnor B., Daniel C., Finn D., Mark D., Finn E., Sean G., Addison M., Jerrold R., and James R. on their achievement!




Sacred Heart School Choir

Also on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, the Sacred Heart School fourth through eighth grade choir performed at the annual Deanery Luncheon hosted by Sacred Heart Church this year (pictured bottom right). Led by music teacher Rianna Reed and accompanied by De'Terrius Johnson, the students sang *Emmanuel* by Norman Hutchins, *Silent Night*, and *O Come All Ye Faithful*.

Ms. Reed and the school choir lead the congregation in Sacred song at school Mass every week!



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◆ ◆ Sacraments ◆ ◆

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to the desired date and must complete the Marriage Preparation Program.

BAPTISM

Seminar required. Please visit the website or call the Parish Office for information.

CARE OF THE SICK

Visits made regularly to hospitalized and homebound. Contact the Parish Office for Anointing of the Sick or to receive Holy Communion.

FUNERAL PLANNING

Please call the Parish Office prior to scheduling with the funeral home.

◆◆ *Readings* ◆◆

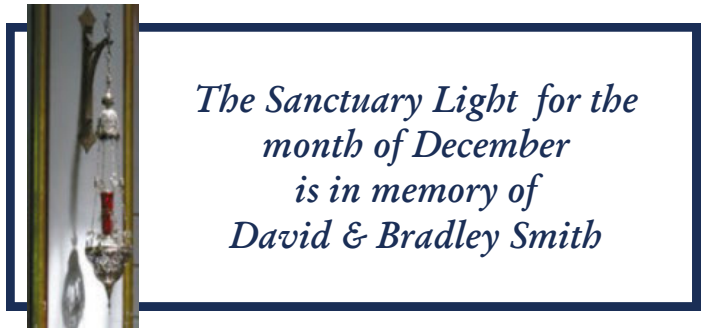
<p>Sunday, December 15 Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18</p>	<p>Tuesday, December 17 Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17</p>	<p>Thursday, December 19 Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25</p>	<p>Saturday, December 21 Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45</p>
<p>Monday, December 16 Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27</p>	<p>Wednesday, December 18 Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25</p>	<p>Friday, December 20 Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38</p>	<p>Sunday, December 22 Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45</p>

◆◆ *Calendar* ◆◆

MON 16	No Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel
TUE 17	Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30PM Daily Mass, 6PM Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel
WED 18	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass/Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena, 8 AM Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel Staff/Team Prayer Meeting—Office Closed, 10:30-12:30 Becoming Catholic, 6:00 PM, AC-Fr. Blasco Rm. Choir Practice, 6:00 PM, Church
THU 19	Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM (Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.) Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel
FRI 20	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass w/ SHS, 8 AM SHS 11 AM Dismissal—Christmas Break Begins Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel SHS Christmas Play, following 8 AM Mass, SHS Gym
SAT 21	Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 4 PM
SUN 22	4th Sunday of Advent Eucharistic Adoration, 7 AM-9 PM, Chapel Masses/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 9 & 11 AM Coffee & Doughnuts following both Masses PSR 1st Eucharist Class, 10 AM, AC-Fr. Smith Rm. Church Christmas Decorating, 12 PM

◆◆ *Mass Intentions* ◆◆

Date	Mass	Intention(s)
Tuesday 12-17-24	6 PM	Bill Chenevert
Wednesday 12-18-24	8 AM	Ryan Spencer Leggio
Thursday 12-19-24	6 AM	Mary & Mike Bourgeois
Friday 12-20-24	8 AM	Bill Chenevert
Saturday 12-21-24	4 PM	Becky Starring; Leon, Elva, & Scooter Rester; Pat Sullivan & Michael Nelson; Lance Walker; Shirlene Cooper; Henri Boudreaux; John H. Horne, Sr.
Sunday 12-22-24	9 AM	David & Bradley Smith; Marion Key; Piero Lastilla Perea; Luana Perea Henderson
	11 AM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart



The Sanctuary Light for the month of December is in memory of David & Bradley Smith

◆◆ *Minister Assignments* ◆◆

December 14– 15: 3rd Sunday of Advent		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Deanna Wilson (1) Lisa Gardner (2)	Denise Williston
Sunday 9:00 AM	Jalynn Matthews (1) Morgan Reece (2)	Denise Williston
Sunday 11:00 AM	Jared Hromadka (1) Tammy Simien (2)	Denise Williston

December 21– 22: 3rd Sunday of Advent		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Clare Coulon (1) Joell Keller (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 9:00 AM	Perry Key (1) Pamela Davis (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 11:00 AM	Franny Comeaux (1) Anthony O'Connor (2)	Melissa Simien

Chant Mass Parts

Kyrie

Kyrie eleison Kyrie eleison
 Christe eleison Christe eleison
 Kyrie eleison Kyrie eleison

Sanctus

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus Dominus
 Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et
 terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.
 Benedictus qui venit in nomine
 Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.
 Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.
 Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 dona nobis pacem.

Mysterium Fidei

Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine,
 et tuam resurrectionem confitemur,
 donec venias.



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