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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS SCHEDULE



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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

CONNECT WITH SACRED HEART CHURCH!



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www.sacredheartbr.org

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays–Thursdays: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Fridays: CLOSED

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

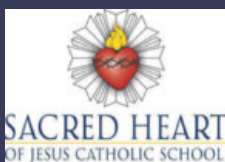
Tuesdays: 5:30 PM

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

What is an ACTS Retreat?

An ACTS Retreat is a parish-based event which offers parishioners an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ. This in turn fosters a desire for intentional discipleship. ACTS Retreats are given by parishioners for parishioners, and in this way, serve to build Christian community at the parish.



THE PILLARS OF THE RETREAT

ADORATION:

Responding through prayer and worship to receiving God's gifts of grace, mercy, and love

COMMUNITY:

Living and participating in the One Body of Christ as Church, beginning with our parish

THEOLOGY:

Deepening our relationship with God through prayerful study to better understand and fulfill His will for our lives

SERVICE:

Answering the call to discipleship by following the model Christ gave us

THE RETREAT EXPERIENCE:

The ACTS Retreat begins Thursday evening at the Tracy Center and ends with Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.

Utilizing prayer, service, and teaching, the ACTS Retreat meets people where they are in their spiritual journey and invites them to experience God in a manner that is both personal and communal.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Women's ACTS Retreat

October 9th - 12th, 2025

Tracy Center, Baton Rouge.



Deadline for applications is
Monday, August 25th by 7PM.

The electronic application form can be found
using this QR Code.

Space is limited to 36 retreatants and the total retreat cost is \$325. If more than 36 apply, the names will be placed in a drawing. If your name is selected, the retreat fee made payable to Sacred Heart Church (Women's ACTS in memo) will be required in order to hold your spot.

"Parishes have been revitalized, diaconate classes have been filled, and all seek to deepen their relationship with Christ through prayer and service.." ~ACTS Missions .org



An Intergenerational Brotherhood
of Spiritual Fathers, Sons, and
Brothers Seeking Faith, Courage,
Purity, Sacrifice, and Love

ADULT INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Following 6:00 pm Mass, Tuesday, August 19, 2025
Sacred Heart Parish Hall

This brotherhood of disciples of Jesus Christ at Sacred Heart includes men, young adults in college, teens in high school, and boys in middle school.

Whether you're a young man learning to pray, a teen discerning your vocation, a college student seeking direction, or a man called to mentor the next generation or seeking brotherhood, we invite you to join us.

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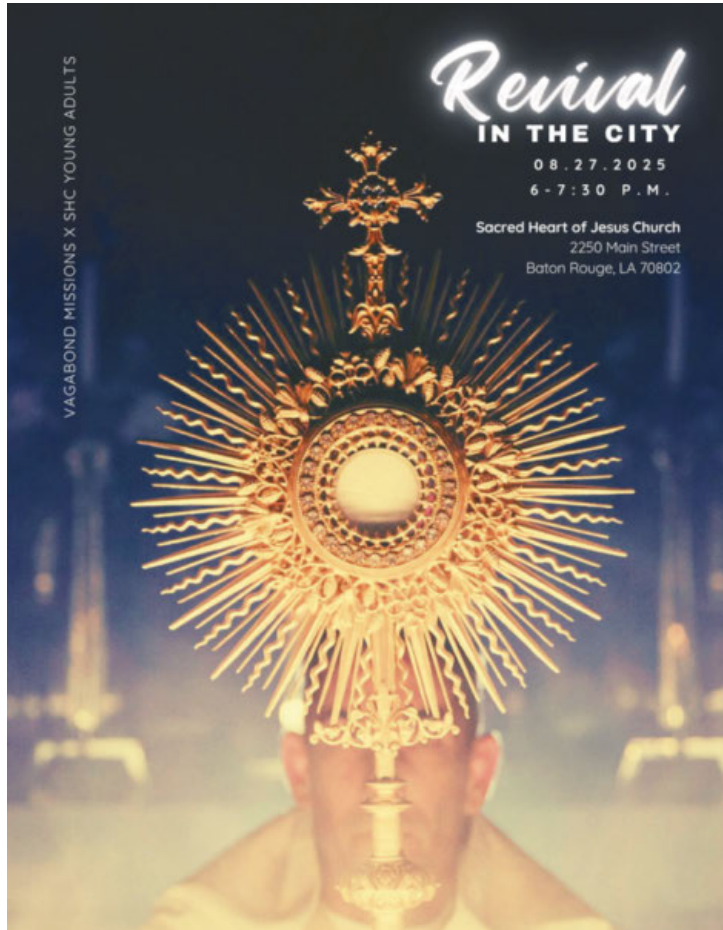
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UNDERGROUND

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AND CONTRIBUTING WITH US PLEASE FILL OUT OUR INTEREST FORM.

SCAN HERE!

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND/OR CONCERNS:
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First day
of
School



◆ ◆ 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 ◆ ◆

<u>Sunday, August 17</u> Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53	<u>Tuesday, August 19</u> Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30	<u>Thursday, August 21</u> Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14	<u>Saturday, August 23</u> Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12
<u>Monday, August 18</u> Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22	<u>Wednesday, August 20</u> Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16	<u>Friday, August 22</u> Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40	<u>Sunday, August 24</u> Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

◆ ◆ Calendar ◆ ◆

MON 18	No Daily Mass
TUE 19	Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Daily Mass, 6 PM Vagabond Vol. Orientation, 4:15 PM, Underground Hub Cor Jesu Information Meeting, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall
WED 20	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass, 8 AM Staff/Team Prayer Meeting-Office Closed, 10:30-12:30 Women's ACTS Team Meeting, 6 PM, Parish Hall SVdP Meeting, 6:30 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.
THU 21	Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM <i>(Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.)</i> SHS July & August Birthday Free Dress Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall
FRI 22	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass with School, 8 AM
SAT 23	Diocesan Catechist Convocation, 7 AM, Church/Parish Hall Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 4 PM
SUN 24	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 9 & 11 AM Coffee & Doughnuts following both Masses Sober Heart: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Chapel Hours
7AM - 9PM Daily



◆ ◆ Mass Intentions ◆ ◆

Date	Mass	Intention(s)
Tuesday 8-19-25	6 PM	CJ Pontiff
Wednesday 8-20-25	8 AM	Ryan Spencer Leggio Special Intention of John Ross Garbarino
Thursday 8-21-25	6 AM	Michael DiVincenti III
Friday 8-22-25	8 AM	Patti Ragusa
Saturday 8-23-25	4 PM	Shirlene Cooper; Charlotte Sanchez Keller; Lizzie M. Metoyer; Juanita Holden McGregor; Mary & Mike Bourgeois; Vincent Cannatella
Sunday 8-24-25	9 AM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
	11 AM	Ryan Spencer Leggio; Euline Joseph; David & Bradley Smith; Madison French; Peter & Nelda Polozola; Sam & Virginia Messina



◆ ◆ Minister Assignments ◆ ◆

August 16-17: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time			August 23-24: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Mass	Readers	Cantor	Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Mark LeBlanc (1) Philip O'Neill (2)	Melissa Simien	Saturday 4:00 PM	Deanna Wilson (1) Joell Keller (2)	Denise Williston
Sunday 9:00 AM	Pamela Davis (1) Lisa Gardner (2)	Melissa Simien	Sunday 9:00 AM	Veronique Le Melle (1) Pamela Bennett (2)	Denise Williston
Sunday 11:00 AM	Anthony O'Connor (1) Sid Bowden, Sr. (2)	Melissa Simien	Sunday 11:00 AM	Jackie Culotta (1) Franny Comeaux (2)	Denise Williston

A Prayer for Protection in Hurricane Season



"Christ in the Storm on the Sea of Galilee"
Ludolf Backhuysen, German, 1695

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of Your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your Son's command when He calmed the stormy waters and delivered the disciples from fear and harm.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Lord, for your mercy is without end. Should it be your will, we ask that we be spared from tragedies like those of the past and that you keep us safe in Your loving care.

O Virgin Mother, Star of the Sea, we seek your powerful help. Plead for us with Your Son that we might be spared all harm, whether natural or made by human hand, and walk safely in His footsteps until we reach our heavenly home. Should this not be His will, we pray for strength to grow closer to Him through these and other hardships we face.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us!



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