

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH MESSENGER



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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



2nd Sunday

O F L E N T

"Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." Mt 17:1-2

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays: No Daily Mass
Tuesdays: 6:00 PM Mass
Wednesdays: 8:00 AM Mass/
Divine Mercy Novena 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: 3:20 PM *(Before Mass)*



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via cell phone
with our
QR code.

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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

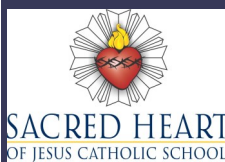
Tuesdays: 5:30 PM

Wednesdays: 7:30 AM

Thursdays: 6:30 AM

Fridays: 7:30 AM

Saturdays: 3:00 PM



SACRED HEART OF JESUS SCHOOL

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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

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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.

Amata CHRISTI High School Girls Ministry



Beloved is a six-lesson Bible study that lays the foundation for our true identity as beloved daughters of God. Come join our small group community!

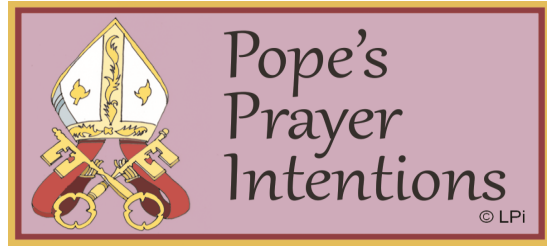
Register Here



Cost \$25.00

**COME JOIN
OUR
GROUP!**

Sundays in Lent Starting February 22nd
4:00pm - 5:30pm in The HUB
Sacred Heart of Jesus Church



Pope's Prayer Intentions

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION for March 2026

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Join us this Friday for the First Friday of the Month Mass & 5th Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday, March 6, 2026



11:00 a.m.	Confessions
12:00 noon	Mass
12:30 p.m.	Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

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 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 Men's ACTS Retreat

March 26 - 29, 2026

Tracy Center, Baton Rouge.



Deadline for applications is Monday, March 9th by 9PM.

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 (Men's ACTS in memo) will be required in order to hold your spot.



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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

"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

THIS SUMMER



JOIN SACRED HEART

at Steubenville South!



STEUBENVILLE SOUTH



REGISTER NOW!

JUNE 26-28 | ALEXANDRIA, LA

**OPEN TO CURRENT
8TH-12TH
GRADE STUDENTS**

\$295

INCLUDES: BUS COST, MEALS AND HOUSING

**\$50 DEPOSIT & REGISTRATION
IS DUE TO SACRED HEART
CHURCH OFFICE
BY MARCH 5TH
SPACE IS LIMITED!!**



*A night at
Steubenville South*

St. Alphonsus is teaming with several parishes to attend as a large group:
SJV, SACRED HEART, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, ST. MICHAEL & ST. JOHN PRAIRIEVILLE. Students
can register with their home parish and be included in the same group!

Stations of the Cross



Fridays of Lent ♦ 5:30 p.m.

February 20 ♦ February 27 ♦ March 6 ♦ March 13 March 20 ♦ March 27



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Phases of the Moon

First grade students in Mrs. Bertrand's class combined snack time with a science lesson. Using Oreos to represent the moon, students created the 4 lunar phases; full, new, phase I and phase II. The best part was eating their project when they finished!





Join us to support *Sacred Heart of Jesus School*

2026 SPEAKEASY AUCTION

SACRED HEART PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER SATURDAY, MARCH 21
5:30PM

**DANCING, GAMES, ON-SITE ARTIST, SILENT
& LIVE BIDDING, PHOTOBOOTH, & MORE**

Come dressed in your best 1920s attire!

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Novena of Divine Mercy

Wednesday March 4, 2026

8:00 AM Mass
9:00 AM Novena Prayers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
led by Fr. Miles Walsh

Please join us for the nine Wednesdays leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday on April 12, 2026.

Divine Mercy Portrait | Sacred Heart of Jesus Church | east transept - oil on canvas by Katherine Borgatti © 2019

◆◆ *Readings* ◆◆

<p>Sunday, March 1 Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 3 Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12</p>	<p>Thursday, March 5 Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31</p>	<p>Saturday, March 7 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32</p>
<p>Monday, March 2 Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 4 Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28</p>	<p>Friday, March 6 Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46</p>	<p>Sunday, March 8 Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42</p>

◆◆ *Calendar* ◆◆

MON 2	<p>Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass w/ SHS, 8 AM Walking with Purpose, 5:30 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm. Men's ACTS Formation, 6 PM, AC-Fr. Blasco Rm. Knight's of Columbus Rosary/Mtg, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall</p>
TUE 3	<p>Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30PM Daily Mass, 6PM Vagabond Teen Open Underground, 4 PM, Underground HUB Baptism Seminar, 6 PM, AC-Fr. Dugas Rm. Cor Jesu, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall/AC-Fr. Blasco Rm.</p>
WED 4	<p>Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass, 8 AM <i>(Divine Mercy Novena following 8 AM Mass)</i> Staff/Team Prayer Meeting-Office Closed, 10:30-12:00 Vagabond Teens Bible Study, 4 PM, Underground HUB O.C.I.A. Class, 6 PM, AC-Fr. Blasco Rm. Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Choir Rm. SVdP Meeting, 6:30 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.</p>
THU 5	<p>Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM <i>(Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.)</i> Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall SoulCore, 7:55 AM, AC-Gym Vagabond OPEN Holy Hour, 9 AM, Church</p>
FRI 6	<p>No 8 AM Daily Mass SHS Spirit Shirt Day 1st Friday Mass/5th Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Confessions, 11 AM, Mass/Novena, 12 Noon Stations of the Cross, 5:30 PM, Church</p>
SAT 7	<p>1st Saturday Mass, Meal, & Mission Confessions, 7:30 AM, Mass, 8 AM, Fellowship 9 AM, Service 9:30 AM Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for SH School, 4 PM</p>
SUN 8	<p>3rd Sunday of Lent Masses/2nd Collection for SH School, 9 & 11 AM/School Mass at 11 AM Mass Coffee & Doughnuts following 9 am Mass PSR 1st Eucharist Class, 10 AM, AC-Fr. Smith Rm. Vagabond Teen Jesus Class, 12 PM, Underground HUB Amata Christi, 4 PM, Underground HUB Sober Hearts: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.</p>

◆◆ *Mass Intentions* ◆◆

Date	Mass	Intention(s)
Monday 03-02-26	8 AM	Melissa Riley-Byrd
Tuesday 03-03-26	6 PM	Caroline Martin
Wednesday 03-04-26	8 AM	Ryan Spencer Leggio
Thursday 03-05-26	6 AM	Michael DiVincenti III
Friday 03-06-26	12 PM	First Friday Mass Bradley Smith
Saturday 03-07-26	8 AM	First Saturday Mass Clyde LeBlanc
	4 PM	Marion Romano
Sunday 03-08-26	9 AM	Clyde LeBlanc; David & Bradley Smith; Ryan spencer Leggio; Mollie Barbara Helm
	11 AM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart

◆◆ *Minister Assignments* ◆◆

February 28 - March 1: Second Sunday of Lent		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Philip O'Neill (1) Veronique Le Melle (2)	Denise Williston
Sunday 9:00 AM	Pamela Bennett (1) Risa Mueller (2)	Alana Buckley
Sunday 11:00 AM	Tammy Simien (1) Anthony O'Connor (2)	Alana Buckley

March 7-8: Third Sunday of Lent		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Jacquelyn Dawson (1) Deanna Wilson (2)	Natalie Overall
Sunday 9:00 AM	Morgan Reech (1) Bill Bryan (2)	Natalie Overall
Sunday 11:00 AM	SHS Student 1 (1) SHS Student 2 (2)	Natalie Overall

Chant Mass Parts

Kyrie

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

Mysterium Fidei

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

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.



Open Daily
Monday - Friday*
7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Volunteers Needed**



*Café closure schedule follows the Parish Office schedule.

**Volunteers donating packaged bars and muffins can drop items off during café hours.

