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PARISH MESSENGER



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THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



6th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Jesus said to his disciples: 'I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Mt 5:20

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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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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 participate, call the parish office: 225-387-6671

DOROTHY DAY CAFÉ

Monday through Friday

7:30–9:30 a.m.
in the Underground Hub



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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

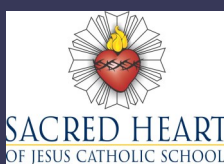
Tuesdays: 5:30 PM

Wednesdays: 7:30 AM

Thursdays: 6:30 AM

Fridays: 7:30 AM

Saturdays: 3:00 PM



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Assistant Principal
Mother Mary Rosario

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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

Ash Wednesday

MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

8:00 am

Mass & Distribution of Ashes
followed by the Novena of Divine Mercy

12:00 pm Noon

Mass & Distribution of Ashes

6:00 pm

Mass & Distribution of Ashes

Stations of the Cross



Fridays of Lent ♦ 5:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

February 20 **February 27**

March 6 **March 13**

March 20 **March 27**

All are welcome.

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.



SACRED HEART
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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

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.



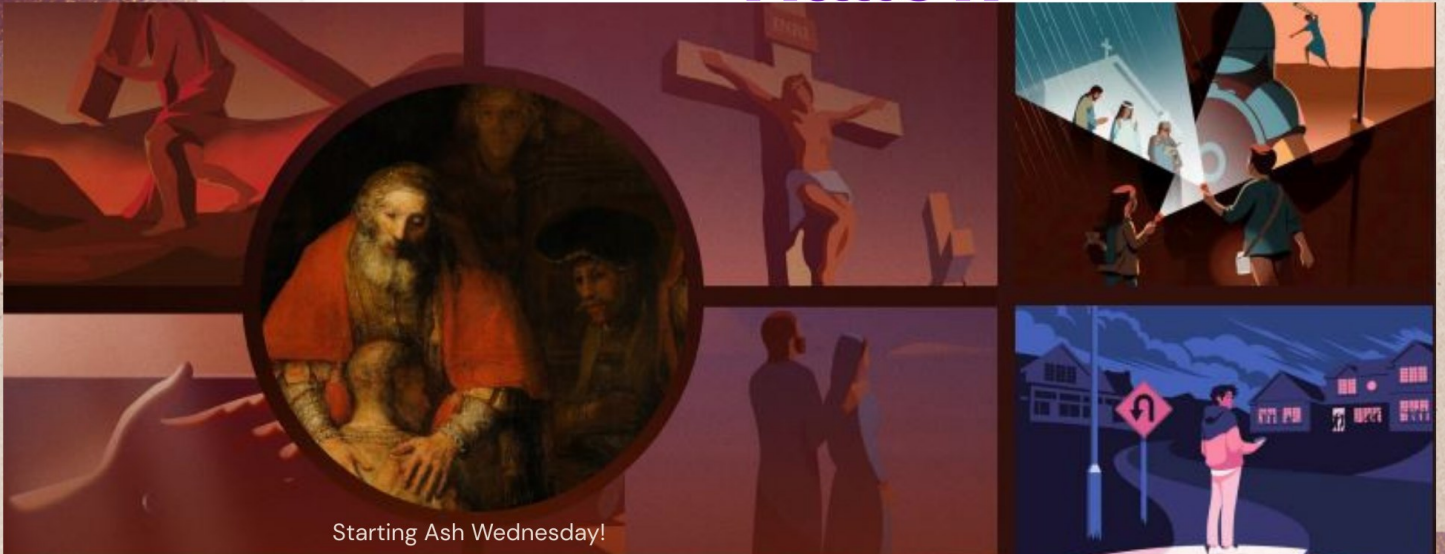
**Deadline for applications is
Monday, March 9th by 9PM.**

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.

"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

Join Sacred Heart on **Hallow** this Lent



Starting Ash Wednesday!

LENT PRAY40: THE RETURN

Join Johnathan Rومية, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Mark Wahlberg, Chris Pratt, Mother Olga, Sister Miriam, Jeff Cavins, and more this Lent for Pray40 – a journey back home to the Father with *The Brothers Karamazov* and the *Return of the Prodigal Son* by Fr. Henri Nouwen. We'll see how Dostoevsky's famous novel brings the Parable of the Prodigal Son to life like never before, showing us how we're all farther from God than we need to be.

TEEN LENT: THE 180

Join Mark Hart, Sr. Josephine, Fr. Frankie Cicero and more for The 180, a Lent challenge for teens presented by Life Teen. Designed for busy schedules, this challenge features short, 180-second sessions all designed to help you make a 180-degree turn towards Christ.

KIDS LENT: MIRACLE HUNTERS

Join the Kids' Lent Challenge: Miracle Hunters! Follow Mia, Paul, Brad and Grace as they set out to discover the truth about miracles and how God is always at work in our lives. Throughout the series, families will meet new friends, dive into Saints Alive-style saint stories, hear inspiring vocation journeys, play games, pray together, and enjoy episodes from the hit game show Holy Moly! Together we'll see that even when miracles don't happen the way we want or expect, God is still at work in His love for us.



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Use our zip code 70802 on this QR code to join!



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!



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Sundays Starting 2/22/26 to 3/29/26
4:00pm - 5:30pm in The HUB
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and you will set the world on fire."*

SACRED HEART SUPPER CLUB

Spring 2026
February through July



Sign-up is open
February 8 – 18.

Scan the QR code or
visit SacredHeartBR.org

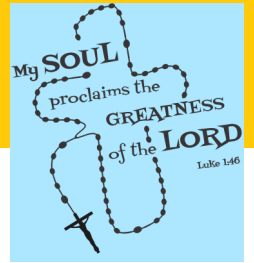


Kick-off Recipe Exchange & Social
Saturday, February 21
5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Sacred Heart Parish Hall
(light refreshments provided)

For more information, contact Chloe LeBlanc in the Parish Office at receptionist@sacredheartbr.org or 225-387-6671



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Join us to support *Sacred Heart of Jesus School*

2026
SPEAKEASY AUCTION



SACRED HEART
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Novena of Divine Mercy

Wednesday February 18, 2026

8:00 AM Mass & Distribution of Ashes
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, February 15 Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37</p>	<p>Tuesday, February 17 Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21</p>	<p>Thursday, February 19 Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25</p>	<p>Saturday, February 21 Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32</p>
<p>Monday, February 16 Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 18 Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18</p>	<p>Friday, February 20 Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15</p>	<p>Sunday, February 22 Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11</p>

◆◆ Calendar ◆◆

MON 16	No Daily Mass Church and SHS Offices Closed—Mardi Gras Holiday
TUE 17	Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30PM Daily Mass, 6PM Church and SHS Offices Closed—Mardi Gras Holiday
WED 18	ASH WEDNESDAY—Day of Fasting and Abstinence Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Masses, 8 AM, 12 PM, 6 PM <i>(Divine Mercy Novena following 8 AM Mass)</i> SHS Office Closed—Mardi Gras Holiday Staff/Team Prayer Meeting—Office Closed, 10:30-12:00 Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Choir Rm. SVdP Meeting, 6:30 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.
THU 19	Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM <i>(Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.)</i> SHS Office Closed—Mardi Gras Holiday Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall SVdP Count Your Blessings Mass, 6 PM, Church/P-Hall
FRI 20	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass, 8 AM SHS Office Closed—Mardi Gras Holiday Stations of the Cross, 5:30 PM, Church
SAT 21	Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 4 PM Young Adults Coffeehouse Social, 9 AM, Café Supper Club Spring Kick-off, 5 PM, Parish Hall
SUN 22	1st Sunday of Lent Masses/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 9 & 11 AM 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 see pg. 4 Sober Hearts: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.

◆◆ Mass Intentions ◆◆

Date	Mass	Intention(s)
Tuesday 02-17-26	6 PM	Sandra Fisher
Wednesday 02-18-26	8 AM	Ash Wednesday Ryan Spencer Leggio; Charmaine Carrere
	12 PM	Ash Wednesday Parishioners of Sacred Heart
	6 PM	Ash Wednesday Susie Hotard Heroman
Thursday 02-19-26	6 AM	Special Intention of Tammy Simien
Friday 02-20-26	8 AM	Melissa Riley-Byrd
Saturday 02-21-26	4 PM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
Sunday 02-22-26	9 AM	Clyde LeBlanc; Ryan Spencer Leggio; Jocelyn Joseph; Charmaine Carrere
	11 AM	Joy Marie Bolger; David & Bradley Smith

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Chapel Hours | 7AM - 9PM Daily



The Sacred Heart Sanctuary Lamp for the month of February is lit for the intentions of Deacon Chris Landry and Family and A La Carte Foods Properties LLC.

The Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel Lamp for the month of February is lit in memory of Richard and Rose King

◆◆ Minister Assignments ◆◆

February 14 - 15: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Joell Keller (1) Phyllis Territo (2)	Davis Hotard
Sunday 9:00 AM	Ghedy Matus (1) Lisa Gardner (2)	Davis Hotard
Sunday 11:00 AM	Franny Comeaux (1) Sid Bowden, Sr. (2)	Davis Hotard

February 21 - 22: First Sunday of Lent		
Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Mark LeBlanc (1) Dana Barton (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 9:00 AM	Perry Key (1) Tamekia Jones (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 11:00 AM	Sara Smith (1) Jackie Culotta (2)	Melissa Simien

MARRIAGE

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

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.

BAPTISM

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

FUNERAL PLANNING

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



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