

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

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PARISH MESSENGER



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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



4th Sunday

O F L E N T

"Jesus answered, 'Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.'" Jn 9:3

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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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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

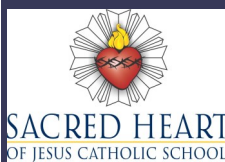
Tuesdays: 5:30 PM

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.

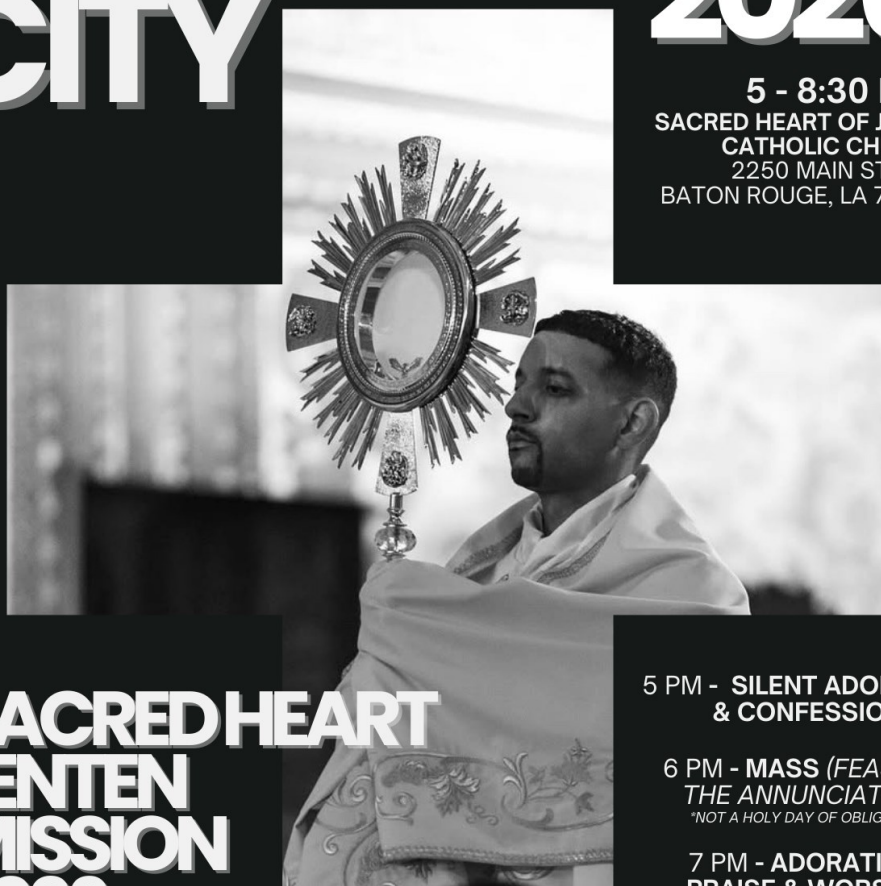
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SACRED HEART LENTEN MISSION 2026

JOIN US A NIGHT OF
RECONCILIATION & RENEWAL!

5 PM - SILENT ADORATION
& CONFESSION

6 PM - MASS (FEAST OF
THE ANNUNCIATION)
*NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

7 PM - ADORATION,
PRAISE & WORSHIP
CONFESSION,
& INTERCESSORY PRAYER

8 PM - FOOD +
FELLOWSHIP



Novena of Divine Mercy

Wednesday March 18, 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

Stations of the Cross



Fridays of Lent ♦ 5:30 p.m.

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

In loving memory of
**SR. PATRICIA
ANNE SULLIVAN, CSJ**

OCTOBER 17, 1933 - FEBRUARY 20, 2026



*Friends and family are welcome
to attend the memorial service.*

MAY 2, 2026
10 a.m.
SJA Chapel



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ADORATION NIGHT

*When we encounter the glory of the Lord we are "transformed into
his likeness from glory to glory." (2 COR 3:18)*

MARCH 19, 2026

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Praise & Worship
Adoration & Exposition
Benediction

FEATURING

**FR. JOSH
JOHNSON**



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MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER PROCESSION

Inviting children of all ages to join us for a special procession at the
Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Join us on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
at Sacred Heart Church for the celebration of the Lord's Supper.
Mass will end with a procession led by the children.

Please fill out the form below and return to the Parish Office, School Office or drop it in the
offertory collection if you are interested in having your children participate.

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email Address: _____



8th Grade Retreat

The theme for this year's 8th Grade Retreat was Gratitude. It was inspiring to see the 8th graders come together as a class for team building, adoration, praise and worship, games, and reflection. A big thank you to the fantastic retreat leaders the Mercedarian Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and their teachers.



PRAISE AND *Worship*



Sacred Heart of Jesus School will begin the Feast day of St. Joseph on March 19th with Adoration at 8 am on the baseball field then students will construct a St. Joseph Altar in the school gym at 9 am.

Students in grades PreK - 8th will participate with assorted class projects as well as non-perishable food donations.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO WEAR RED ON Thursday, March 19





SUPPORT THE SACRED HEART SPEAKEASY AUCTION

March 21, 2026 | 5:30pm
Parish Activity Center

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ATTEND THE AUCTION



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◆◆ Readings ◆◆

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| <p>Sunday, March 15 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38</p> | <p>Tuesday, March 17 Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16</p> | <p>Thursday, March 19 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a</p> | <p>Saturday, March 21 Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53</p> |
| <p>Monday, March 16 Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54</p> | <p>Wednesday, March 18 Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30</p> | <p>Friday, March 20 Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30</p> | <p>Sunday, March 22 Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45</p> |

◆◆ Calendar ◆◆

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| MON 16 | <p>No Daily Mass Walking with Purpose, 5:30 PM, Parish Hall Men's ACTS Formation, 6 PM, AC-Fr. Blasco Rm.</p> |
| TUE 17 | <p>Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30PM Daily Mass, 6PM Vagabond Teen Open Gym, 4 PM, AC-Gym Cor Jesu, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall/AC-Fr. Blasco Rm.</p> |
| WED 18 | <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. SVdP Meeting, 6:30 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm. Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Choir Rm.</p> |
| THU 19 | <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 St. Joseph's Day Adoration, 8 AM, Ballfield St. Joseph's Altar, 9 AM, SHS Gym</p> |
| FRI 20 | <p>Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass w/ SHS, 8 AM SHS 6th-8th Gr Conferences (No School 6th-8th Gr) Stations of the Cross, 5:30 PM, Church</p> |
| SAT 21 | <p>Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 4 PM Sacred Heart Speakeasy Auction, 5:30 PM, AC-Gym</p> |
| SUN 22 | <p>5th 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. Auction Item Pick-up, 12 PM, AC-Gym Vagabond Teen Jesus Class, 12 PM, Underground HUB Amata Christi, 4 PM, Underground HUB Sober Hearts: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, Parish Hall</p> |

◆◆ Mass Intentions ◆◆

| Date | Mass | Intention(s) |
|--------------------|-------|--|
| Tuesday 03-17-26 | 6 PM | Clyde LeBlanc |
| Wednesday 03-18-26 | 8 AM | Ryan Spencer Leggio |
| Thursday 03-19-26 | 6 AM | Tammy Simien |
| Friday 03-20-26 | 8 AM | Sandra Fisher |
| Saturday 03-21-26 | 4 PM | Thomas Darensbourg Jr; Laurie Molesini; Warren Knobloch; Clyde LeBlanc; Sam Politz |
| Sunday 03-22-26 | 9 AM | Parishioners of Sacred Heart |
| | 11 AM | David & Bradley Smith; Al Eggart; Ryan Spencer Leggio; Tammy Simien; Peter & Nelda Polozola; |

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Chapel Hours | 7AM - 9PM Daily



The Sacred Heart Sanctuary Lamp
for the month of March is lit for
Laurie Molesini

The Sacred Heart
Adoration Chapel Lamp
for the month of March is lit in memory of
David & Bradley Smith

◆◆ Minister Assignments ◆◆

| March 14-15: Fourth Sunday of Lent | | |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Mass | Readers | Cantor |
| Saturday 4:00 PM | Franny Comeaux (1) Perry Key (2) | Alana Buckley |
| Sunday 9:00 AM | Lisa Gardner (1) Tamekia Jones (2) | Melissa Simien |
| Sunday 11:00 AM | Kristin Smith (1) Cyril Yannitell (2) | Melissa Simien |

| March 21-22: Fifth Sunday of Lent | | |
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| Mass | Readers | Cantor |
| Saturday 4:00 PM | Phyllis Territo (1) Dana Barton (2) | Davis Hotard |
| Sunday 9:00 AM | Pamela Davis (1) Ghedy Matus (2) | Davis Hotard |
| Sunday 11:00 AM | Tammy Simien (1) Charlotte Bertrand (2) | Davis Hotard |

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.



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Volunteers Needed**





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