

St. Rita Catholic Church

November 13, 2022

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4401 Bayou Rapides Road

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Closed on Fridays

Alexandria, LA 71303



St. Rita

CATHOLIC CHURCH

the hands and heart of Christ

Church Office: 445-7120; FAX: 448-0704

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St. Rita Website



Dial Direct to Extensions: 445-7141

Rev. Anthony Dharmaraj, MSFS., Pastor (ext 212)

Rev. David Braquet, Sacramental Assistance

Deacon Kenny Sayes, Permanent Deacon

Mrs. Debbie Brown, Parish Manager (ext 214)

Ms. Etta Ohrt, Director of Finance & Personnel (ext 210)

Mrs. Courtney Brinkman, Director of Youth Religious Education (ext 217)

Miss Brittany Nugent, Director of Music Ministry

Mr. Maxwell Moreau, Director of Buildings & Maintenance

Miss Kathryn Velotta, Director of Youth Ministries

BAPTISMS:

Contact Debbie Brown, 445-7141 ext 214

MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Contact Debbie Brown, 445-7141 ext 214
(6 months prior to desired wedding date)

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Ask in the sacristy before or after any
Mass or contact Fr. Dharmaraj

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays, 3:30 - 3:55, or 15 minutes
before any Mass or by appointment.

2022 PARISH MINISTRIES BOOKLET

can be found in the hymnal racks or in the foyer on the round table.

*Please take one and consider volunteering for one
of our many ministries.*

LIVE STREAMED Masses every week are 4:00 pm Saturday and at 8:00 am on Wednesday. The 8:00 am Wednesday Mass can also be heard on Radio Maria at 580 AM.

Please join us on FaceBook or at www.strita.org. You can also view all our Live Streamed Masses anytime on our website, www.strita.org.

Saturday, November 12

4:00 -Mass for Adelaide Carlin, J.C. Carlin, Steve Carlin, Leon & Myrtis Daigre, Don Feduccia, Richard Love, Mary Margaret Matassa, Johnny Mathews, Dan Schmidt, Eric Spangler, Jake Spangler, Dan Weitzel, Jerry Wietzel, Tom Wietzel

5:30 -Mass for the Ardoin family

Sunday, November 13

8:00 -Mass for George & Edna Rabalais

9:30 -Mass for Peggy Berlin

11:00 -Mass for the people of St. Rita parish

12:30 -Spanish Mass for Wanda Burrows

5:30 -Mass for Phyllis Cheek

6:30 -High School Youth Group (HFC)

Monday, November 14

8:00 -Mass for Gene Noel

Tuesday, November 15

8:00 - Mass for Josephine DeKeyzer

10:00 -Mass at Lexington House for Johnny Mathews

6:30 -Choir Practice (Choir Room)

6:00 -RCIA (Moreau Room)

6:00 -ACTS Men's Team Retreat Meeting (HFC)

6:00 -Spanish Bible Study (KC Meeting Room)

Wednesday, November 16

8:00 -Mass for Wayne Salard

4:30 -Wednesday Evening Meal (HFC)

6:00 -Faith formation - CCD Thanksgiving Mass

6:00 -6th, 7th & 8th Thanksgiving Mass

6:00 -11th Grade Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday, November 17

8:00 -Mass for Gerald Leglue

5:30 -Catholic Daughters Meeting (HFC)

Friday, November 18

8:00 -Mass for Joyce Bordelon, Chad Leavines, Benjamin Lolan, Mary Margaret Matassa, John Mathews, Al

Schexnaider, Mable Vead

Saturday, November 19

8:00 -Mass for Tunk Andries, Stanley Desselle, Tommy Dyson, Alex Ekermeyer, Gerald Leglue, Paul & Peggy Marcotte, Jennifer Marien, Joseph Marien, Jr., Natalie Mendel, Mary Margaret Matassa, Gene Noel, Jean Reed, Sadie Jean Shores

5:30 -Mass for Kaleb Clark, Freddy Lavespere

Sunday, November 20

8:00 -Mass for Paul Miletello

9:30 -Mass for Marvin Finney

11:00 -Mass for the people of St. Rita Parish

12:30 -Spanish Mass for Rivers Wilson

5:30 -Mass for Michael Turner

ALTAR FLOWERS were provided in memory of Foster & Earline Wilson by Leonard & Ona Wilson. If you are interested in donating fresh flowers for the altar, call the church office at 445-7141 ext 214. **Flowers are \$75 for both arrangements.**

ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMPS were provided in loving memory of Earlene Baillio by Bobby Baillio. If you are interested in having a loved one remembered by providing the sanctuary lamps, call the church office at 445-7141 ext 214. Cost is \$7.50 per candle.

BEREAVEMENT CANDLE this week is in memory of Alice Kristine "Kris" LeJeune. The Bereavement Blue candle is located next to the Blessed Mother Statue. Each week the candle will be in memory of deceased parishioners who have died in the previous weeks.

ADORATION CHAPEL: The Blessed Sacrament is reserved for adoration by all the faithful in the St. Pius X Chapel located in the rear of the Church building. Hours are 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM. To obtain the combination for the chapel stop by the church office at 3822 Bayou Rapides Road, during office hours. **We remind you not to give the code to anyone, and please do not open the door for anyone.**

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: 162: 2 Sm 5:1-3 Ps 122:1-5 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL 4:30 - 6:00 PM in the Holy Family Center, this week's menu: Turkey, Dressing, Sweet Potato Casserole, English Peas, Roll, Dessert, and Tea. Cost is \$6.00 for dine in or take out. **Nelda Lavespere Cook Team; Alan & Brenda Daenen, Rodney Feazell, Gerard Labbe, Tammy Woodington, Wayne & Sharon Yarbrough and Servers this week are; Mike & Barbara Barham, Lisa Labbe, Martin & Ann Masden and Phyllis Vilar.** For more information call 445-7141 ext 214. Please join us for delicious food and fellowship!

OUR OFFERTORY GIFTS

Collection for October 30, 2022

<i>Regular Collection</i>	
Sunday Gifts the week of October 30	\$ 14,921.51
Online & EFT Gifts October 30	\$ 4,350.99
Contributions for October 30	\$ 19,272.50
BLDG/Maintenance Fund October	\$ 1,300.00
BLDG/Main Online & EFT October	\$ 1,625.00

Collection for November 6, 2022

<i>Regular Collection</i>	
Sunday Gifts the week of November 6	\$ 16,312.00
Online & EFT Gifts November 6	\$ 8,025.00
Contributions for November 6	\$ 24,337.00
All Saint's Day Collection	\$ 2,702.00
BLDG/Maintenance Fund November	\$ 400.00
BLDG/Main Online & EFT November	\$ 755.00

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES: Glyndene Frederick, Alice Kristine "Kris" LeJeune

OURSICK: Danny Belaire, Debbie Brown, Marge Harrington, Clyde Lasseigne, John Morovich, Donna Robinson, Kayla Spangler

RECOVERING, CONVALESCING OR ONGOING TREATMENT: Pierce Babineaux, Phillip Brouillette, Dale Delacerda, Lillian Deville, Stacy Ford, Cynthia Franks, Eric Gormsen, Billie Jeansonne, James Ray Lachney, Jeanne Lannoye, Paul Medica, Jr., Laura Murchison, Jonathan Rhea, Mary Robichaux, Karen Schrock, Eutan Suire, Kara Franks Thomas, Cyndee Whittington, Patti Williams, Ronnie Wyble, Wayne Yarbrough

OUR SHUT- INS: Joan Andries, Victor Beaudoin, Taylor Bernard, Lela Bordelon, Nellie Bordelon, Vergie Clay, Aline Cicardo, Elise Coco, Donald Coco, Doris Constance, Frank Crooks, Benny David, Deborah Davidson Odean Deville, Elizabeth Drake, Cecilia Dunn, Ebron Dunn, Jennifer Dunn, Regina Dunn, Mary Ducote, Frances Finney, Philip Frank, Linda Gauthier, Irma Gonzaque, Jessie Griffin, Elizabeth Holmes, Patti Holmes, Barbara Johns, Leta Juneau, Audrey Jusselin, Marie Koelling, Gerald Lachney, Iris Ruth LeJeune, Josephine Marcotte, Zadi Marcotte, Helen Mathews, Gladys Morris, Yvonne Perrin, June Peterson, Bettie Piazza, Beverly Polk, Rose Ponthieux, Felicia Rachal, Nanette Redman, Mark Reitzell, James Schoolcraft, Frances Severance, Bobby Thevenote, Francis Lee Thiels, Mary Vanderlick, Virginia Verzwylt, Willie Voorhies, Veronica Walters, Betty Wilmore, Marilyn Ruth Wilson, Pamela Wilson, Anita Wooley, Barbara Wynn

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: CW02 Brad Canrak, CW3 Ron Cole, Staff Sgt. Robert Crawford, Lance Cpl. Amy Fogleman, Major Mike Frazier, 2nd Lt. Jackie E. Mathews, Sgt. 1st Class Jeremy McKnight, PO2 Nicholas Peralta, Sgt. Cole Pleche, PFC Brandon Rashall, Capt. Rachel Salpietra, Capt. Sean P. Turner, Capt. Timothy C. Turner. If you have members of your family who have been called to active military duty, or are already on active duty, please call 445-7141 ext 214. or e-mail us at dbrown@strita.org. Please keep all military and their families in your prayers.

WELCOME TO St. Rita Parish, new parishioners, Gabriel and Hunter Robin; and Sarah McDougal and their families. Please join us in welcoming them to our parish family.
— Fr. Raj

PARISH OFFICE will be closed ½ day Tuesday, November 22 and Wednesday, November 23 through Friday, November 25 for the Thanksgiving Holidays. **ST. VINCENT de PAUL THRIFT STORE** will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, November 22 thru November 25.

ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA: This week our parish will take up a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS is the Archdiocese **for** the Military Services, not of the Military Services. This is an important distinction, because the AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – including those from our own parish. Please give generously.

ATTENTION all parishioners: If you are interested in becoming a lector or have a child who is interested in becoming an altar server, please stop by the table in the foyer and sign up!!

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE FOR THE POOR on Thanksgiving Day at the 8:00 AM Mass. There will be a collection of non-perishable foods and monetary gifts for the poor during the offertory. For monetary gifts you may use the poor box envelope in your monthly packet or a clearly marked pew envelope and drop in the collection basket at any time during the month of November. Baskets for food donations will be placed in the foyer of the Church the weekend before Thanksgiving. **All monetary and food donations will be donated to the Manna House.**

FAITH FORMATION (CCD), 7 & 8 GRADE YOUTH GROUP & CONFIRMATION THANKSGIVING MASS: On Wednesday, November 16 we will have our annual Faith Formation (CCD) Thanksgiving Mass at 6:00 PM in Church for all Faith formation (CCD) students in grades PK-6 and 7&8 grade youth and Confirmation. The children will assemble in the church foyer and process in. Again this year, we would appreciate the children bringing one or more non-perishable food items for those less fortunate. We invite parents and friends to join us for the Mass.

—Mrs. Courtney Brinkman

ALTAR WINE will be available at the Altar & Rosary Sale the weekend of December 3 & 4. If you would like to purchase a case of wine in advance, we have some at the office. Cases of wine are available for a \$144 donation or \$12 a bottle. Office hours are 7:00 am - 2:45 pm, Monday - Thursday.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT BISHOP DESMOND will meet on Thursday, November 17 at 5:00 pm in the Holy Family Center. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us.

—Mrs. Ona Wilson, Regent

ACTS MEN'S RETREAT: Registration is now open for our St. Rita ACTS Men's Retreat, to be held January 5-8, 2023 at Maryhill Renewal Center. Registration forms are available on the table in the church foyer or on website at www.strita.org. Applications will be limited, so we encourage you to submit your registration form as soon as possible. For more information about the retreat, please contact one of the following, Mike Barham at 318-446-4116, George Hardy at 318-446-5597 or Chris Armstrong at 225-931-5495.

KC COUNCIL #1134 GUN RAFFLE: 30 Day Gun Give A Way. \$30 per ticket, ticket good for the entire month. Rifles, Shotguns, Pistols, etc.... Winner determined by "Pick 3" drawing every day during the month of December, except Christmas Day. For more information contact or to purchase a ticket call, Phil (613-2111), Al (201-0191) or Donnie (613-6187).

**ATTENTION ALL
Public & Private School Students
JR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP**

grades 6th, 7th & 8th

Wednesdays 6-00-7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 16

Thanksgiving Mass

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

grades 9 - 12th

Sundays, 6:30 PM

November 13

Life Teen Lesson: Wealth, Power
Pleasure, Status

**Both Groups will meet in the
Holy Family Center**

For more information contact:
Miss Kathryn Velotta, 623-5337