

St. Rita Catholic Church

June 11, 2023

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Corpus Christi

4401 Bayou Rapides Road

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

Closed on Fridays

Alexandria, LA 71303

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

Religious Education: 445-7141 ext 217

St. Vincent de Paul: 473-0887

Sacristy: 448-9599

EMERGENCIES: 445-7141 ext 4

Website: <http://www.StRita.org> Check our website for individual email addresses.

Download our parish app by visiting [myparish](#) on your Smart Phone's app store.



St. Rita

CATHOLIC CHURCH

the hands and heart of Christ

*Code QR for
OnLine Giving
St. Rita Website*



Dial Direct to Extensions: 445-7141

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

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.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING

For all Eucharistic Ministers

Monday, June 12, 6:00 PM in church



REGISTRATION OPEN ONLINE

please register your child/ren as soon as possible

CCD grades Pre-K - 5,

6th, 7th, & 8th grade Youth Group

CONFIRMATION 11th Graders

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, June 10

4:00 -Mass for Rayland Beurlot, Charlene Coco, Leon & Myrtis Daigre, Darlene Koury Gremillion, Ronnie Hair, Bob & Leah Leonard, Richard Love, John Tyler Lyles, Mary

Margaret Matassa, Missy Metrejean, Wally Metrejean, Mary Robichaux, Michael Robichaux

5:30 -Mass for Earleen Baillio

Sunday, June 11

8:00 -Mass for Marvin Finney

9:30 -Mass for Laura Murchison

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

12:30 -Spanish Mass for all deceased members of the Spanish Community

5:30 -Mass for Eugenia Ricaud

Monday, June 12

8:00 -Mass for Shirley Sayes

Tuesday, June 13

8:00 -Mass for Howard & Sadie Shores

10:00 -Mass at Lexington House for Henry Ardoin
6:30 -Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Wednesday, June 14

8:00 -Mass for Ronnie Hair

Thursday, June 15

8:00 -Mass for Mary Snow

Friday, June 16

8:00- Mass for Billie Jeansonne, Mary Margaret Matassa,
August "Buck" Mathews, Dan Schmidt, Janice Smith

Saturday, June 17

4:00 -Mass for Leon & Myrtis Daigre, Bernadine Forest,
Billie Jeansonne, Gerald Leglue, Bob & Leah Leonard,
Richard Love, John Tyler Lyles, Mary Margaret
Matassa, Mary Robichaux, Shirley & Rickey Sayes,
Barbara Estes Smith, Living & deceased members of the
Paul Jerome & Lillie Mae Andries Thiels family

5:30 -Mass for Paul & Peggy Marcotte

Sunday, June 18

8:00 -Mass for all living & deceased Fathers

9:30 -Mass for all living & deceased Fathers

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

12:30 -Spanish Mass for all living & deceased Fathers

5:30 -Mass for all living & deceased Fathers

ALTAR FLOWERS : If you are interested in donating
fresh flowers for the altar, call the church office at
445-7141 ext 214.

ALTAR SANCTUARY LAMPS were provided in
loving memory of Earleen 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
Andy Beaubouef. 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.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Ex 19, 2-6a Ps
100:1-2, 3, 5 Rom 5:6-11 Mt 9:36-10:8 Catechism
1554-1571

OUR OFFERTORY GIFTS

<i>Regular Collection</i>	
Sunday Gifts the week of June 4	\$ 20,447.06
Online & EFT Gifts June 4	\$ 4,277.00
One Time Yearly Contribution	\$ 6,000.00
Contributions for June 4	\$ 30,724.06
BLDG/Maintenance Fund June	\$ 220.00
BLDG/Main Online & EFT June	\$ 125.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:

St. Rita 2023 Goal: \$89,743.00
Pledged to date: \$103,571.00
Paid to date: \$95,812.80
WE ARE OVER OUR GOAL! Thank you! -Fr. Raj

OUR SICK: Barbara Alewine, Theresa Basco, Lillian Costa, Alyssa Dunn,
Bettie Jeansonne, Tina LaBorde, Cynthia Parker

RECOVERING, CONVALESCING OR ONGOING TREATMENT: Pierce
Babineaux, Jean Brunson, Lillian Deville, Sandra Deville, James Ray Lachney,
Paul Medica, Charlotte Pearson, Jonathan Rhea, Donna Robinson, Karen
Schrock, Chad Scroggs, Eutan Suire, Kara Franks Thomas, Cyndee
Whittington, Patsy Wilmore, Mary Winn

OUR SHUT- INS: Joan Andries, Sadie Blakesley, Lela Bordelon, Joseph
"Napp" Brouillette, Shirley Brouillette, Vergie Clay, Aline Cicardo, Elise Coco,
Donald Coco, Doris Constance, Bennye David, Deborah Davidson Pat
Despino, Odean Deville, Juanita Dodd, Elizabeth Drake, Nathan Ducote,
Cecilia Dunn, Ebron Dunn, Emalae Dunn, Jennifer Dunn, Regina Dunn, John
Duplan, James Dupont, Grace Ellis, Brenda Evans, Micki Faraldo, Mary
Fontenot, Philip Frank, Linda Gauthier, Celia Gilmore, Irma Gonzague,
Elizabeth Holmes, Patti Holmes, Barbara Johns, Leta Juneau, Audrey Jusselin,
Gerald Lachney, Marvin Lee, Deanna Lemoine, Josephine Marcotte, Zadie
Marcotte, Patty Marian, Helen Mathews, Mildred McCarthy, Nettie Medica,
Gladys Morris, Constance Nasello, Cleta Perry, June Peterson, Bettie Piazza,
Rose Ponthieux, Lee Procel, Anita Ray, Nanette Redman, James Schoolcraft,
Bobby Thevenote, Susan Turner, Jenny Valley, Virginia Verzwylt, Anna
Villemarette, Willie Voorhies, Veronica Walters, Betty Wilmore, Marilyn Ruth
Wilson, Pamela Wilson, Anita Wooley, Barbara Wynn

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: CW02 Brad Canrak, Major Brian J.
Clayton, CW3 Ron Cole, Staff Sgt. Robert Crawford, Lance Cpl. Amy
Fogleman, Major Mike Frazier, 1st 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.

**ATTENTION ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
and anyone who would like to become a
Eucharistic Minister:** If you have served as a
Eucharistic Minister at St. Rita in the past, please
continue to do so whether you attended the Diocese
Training or not. We will have a training class for all
Eucharistic Ministers and anyone who would like to
become a Eucharistic Minister on June 12, at 6:00
PM in church so that everyone will be trained and
commissioned. This meeting will last no longer than
1 hour.

If you cannot attend the meeting on Monday, June
12, or if you wish to be removed from the Eucharistic
Ministers list, call Etta Ohrt at 445-7141 ext 210.

Thank you for your service.

Fr. Raj

ATTENTION: Please **DO NOT** prop open the glass
foyer doors or the double doors by the rockers when
leaving Mass. The doors are being left open, which
causes the AC to run more to cool the church. Please
help us to conserve electricity during the summer
months.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION supports the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. You may use the envelope in your monthly packet or a pew envelope clearly marked and drop in the collection basket. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP:

The next workshop(s) for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be held at the St. Joseph Catholic Center in Alexandria on Wednesday, June 14. The day will offer two options for attendance. **The same information will be presented at each session.** The first workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. and the second will start at 6:00 p.m. The average time for the workshop is about three hours so please plan accordingly. If you would like to sign up for the workshop, please visit the website for the Diocese of Alexandria or contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext 207 or by email at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION: If you would like to participate in the offertory procession by bringing up the gifts of bread and wine at Mass, then let an usher know before Mass! Our ushers don't always know who would be willing to participate in this way, so volunteer!

TRAVELING VOCATIONS STOLE: Please consider signing up for the St. Rita Parish Traveling Vocations Stole! We ask that you volunteer to take the Priest Stole home with you for one week, and to pray daily for vocations with those in your house. The stole and sign up sheet are located in the church foyer. Please call the church office, for more information, 445-7120.

FAITH FORMATION - CCD Registration for the 2023-2024 School Year! Registration is now OPEN!! You can register on our website, www.strita.org for grades PK thru 5th grade! Classes will start on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

FAITH FORMATION - 6th 7th & 8th GRADE YOUTH: Registration is now OPEN!! You can register on our website, www.strita.org. Classes start on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

ATTENTION ALL 11TH GRADERS CONFIRMATION 2024 Registration is due NOW!

Our confirmation program is a ONE year program for students that are entering their JUNIOR year. Classes will begin on September 6, 2023. Classes include BOTH Menard and public school students. Please visit our website and register today!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE newly elected and reappointed KC Council #1134 officials: Donnie Bolton, Grand Knight; Rev. Athony Dhmaraj, Chaplain; Gene Prevot, Deputy Grand Knight; Eugene Alford, Chancellor; Ross Mathews, Recorder; Scott Speir, Treasurer; Chris Cancienne, Lecturer; Charles Thiels, Advocate; Wayne Alford, Warden; Hunter Andries, Inside Guard; Alan Daenen, Outside Guard; Edwin Hadley, 1 year Trustee; Peter Mahfouz, 2 year Trustee; Philip Chatelain, 3 year Trustee and Philip DeVaine, Financial Secretary. All have been appointed to these positions for 1 year.

2023 WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: If you are celebrating a 25, 40, 50, 60, 65 or 70th wedding anniversary in 2023, and you are a parishioner of St. Rita, we would like to honor you on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at the 11:00 Mass and present you with a Papal Blessing in honor of your marriage from the Holy Father, Pope Francis. If you would like to participate, please call the Church Office at 445-7141 ext 214. We have to order the blessing early. Deadline for calling is July 1, 2023.

ST. RITA PRAYER GARDEN LEGACY BRICKS:

Didn't get your legacy brick for your loved one who is living or deceased? We have had several requests to purchase a brick. We have 125 bricks available and the bricks are \$125 each. To order your brick call the church office at 445-7120, or stop by the church office. There are also order forms on the round table in the church foyer. For more information call, 445-7141 ext 214.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS such as rosaries, baptism items, car visor medals, holy water bottles, women's religious jewelry, large home crucifixes, etc... are available for sale at the church office. Proceeds benefit the Altar & Rosary Society.

STEUBENVILLE VOLUNTEERS needed to help serve the meals. The conference will be held June 23 - 25. New and returning volunteers need to contact: George Simms, 201-0356 or Belinda Guillory, 290-7709.