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Monday

Tuesday - Friday

Look inside for our Summer Hours!

MISSION STATEMENT

Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Monroe of the Diocese of Shreveport is a loving, nurturing family of faith and prayer with the Eucharist as the center of parish life. With diverse gifts, we proclaim God's healing love and presence in the world through the Word, worship and service.

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MASSES

Sunday Anticipated:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30; 11:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m.

Nursery for 1 year - 4 year olds 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Masses

Weekdays:

Monday & Wednesday 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 5:30 p.m.

Friday: (School Mass) 8:10 a.m.

Saturday: 7:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:10 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Meets every Sunday in the school cafeteria at 9:40 a.m. Grades K-12 during the school year.

RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays: 4:00 –5:00 p.m. Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment

ADORATION:

Family Adoration on Mondays 6:30-7:30 p.m. Every Tuesday until Benediction at 5:20 p.m. See inside bulletin for additional information.

BAPTISM: Please call the office to schedule. Baptism preparation class is required.

MATRIMONY: Please call the office at least six months prior to wedding date.

Annulment Procedure: Lay Advocate Contact Mary Ann Sims, 325-0264

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Attitude is Everything!

This past week we celebrated Memorial Day, the end of school and the beginning of summer. What an awesome time for students and teachers! Congratulations!

What are your plans this summer? Before you answer, I want to share something I discovered several years ago that changed my summers forever. I came home one night in early June several years ago to a wife and two teenagers who were not happy. We all had to work, the weather was sweltering already and we didn't have an out of town vacation scheduled until late July. I'm sure you know the drill; everyone was depressed about having to work and not have fun like we used to have when the kids were out for the summer. I came home one night with a Johnny's Pizza, Popcorn and a couple of movies. I burst through the door and yelled, "Happy Vacation everybody"! The excitement came and went, once I told them I hadn't rented a beach house for the rest of the summer. As we ate pizza, I explained my new mind set with them. I had come to the realization that we were missing the boat with this summer thing. I reminded them that we get about 3 to 3 1/2 hours of extra daylight ever day during the summer, and I want us to declare vacation as an ongoing state of mind in this household to make the most of this summer time. It took a few days, but eventually everyone bought in; we all agreed that it was going to be vacation at our house that summer and that's what it became. The only thing that changed was our attitudes. We committed to make the most of the activities available to us and the invaluable time we had to spend with each other, and we did just that.

The moral of this true story is this; Attitudes make all the difference in the world, and positive attitudes can change our world from the inside out! This can change your family for the better as well. It's the same way about our faith; about going to Mass, reading scriptures and making the most of our relationship with God. Our attitudes make a difference in the world. Summer is a great time to take advantage of the extra time you have with the kids, your spouse and friends. It's also a great time to spend growing your relationship with God or teaching your faith to others. Learn or show others how satisfying it can be to have God as your best friend, your confidante and your most ardent lover and supporter. There's Bible School for the kids and for Adults who want to help; daily bible study groups for adults, all listed in the bulletin; Daily Mass; special events at the church and a world of wonderful Catholic books, audio books and movies at your local library or book store. This summer, commit to a positive attitude about growing and sharing your faith! It can change your life and the lives of those around you.....forever!

Blessings,
Deacon Tom

Deacon Tom Deal

Summer Faith

The Most Holy Trinity



Sunday, May 31 *The Most Holy Trinity*
Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 / Rom. 8:14-17 / Mt 28:16-20 (165)
8:30 A.M. For the Parish
11:00 A.M. Denise Jabour
5:00 P.M. Fr. David Richter

Monday, June 1 (St. Justin, Martyr)
Tb 1:3; 2: 1b-8 / Mk 12:1-12
6:30 A.M.Marian Slavent

Tuesday, June 2 (Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs)
Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17
5:30 P.M.Ralph Funderburg

Wednesday, June 3 (St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs)
Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12: 18-27
6:30 A. M. Jason Jones

Thursday, June 4
Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcd, 9-17; Mk 12:28-34
5:30 P.M. Lillian Marx

Friday, June 5 (St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr)
Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37
8:10 A.M. No Mass

Saturday, June 6 (St. Norbert, Bishop)
Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44
7:30 A.M. Fr. David Richter
4:30 P.M. Al Elias & Albert Elias

Sunday, June 7 *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*
Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
8:30 A.M. Jason Jones
11:00 A.M. William Russell
5:00 P.M. For the Parish

ADORATION

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Mondays 6:30pm-7:30pm

Traditional Adoration
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:20 pm. We will have the Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:20 p.m. followed by the Holy Mass at 5:30 pm.

Thursday Adoration
Thursday Adoration will continue from 6:00-8:00 a.m.

COLLECTIONS	
Weekly Revenue Budget	\$15,211.53
Collection May 10	\$12,093.00
Variance	\$ 3118.53

JGS PARISH OFFICE
Our Church office will be closed
Fri., May 22 and Mon., May 25.

SUMMER HOURS
Starting Mon., June 1 - Fri., Aug. 7
9:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m.

JGS SCHOOL OFFICE
SUMMER HOURS
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WELCOME BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, JUNE 14 BETWEEN SUNDAY MASSES
Please join us to greet our new JGS members! Enjoy a full breakfast or just come for coffee if you are short on time!

FATHER KEITH’S INSTALLATION AS PASTOR
SUNDAY, MAY 31 11:00AM MASS
He’s OFFICIALLY ours! Please join us for a reception to celebrate Father Keith’s installation as Jesus the Good Shepherd’s new Pastor as well as the one year anniversary of his Ordination after Mass in Moore Hall.

DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS FUND 2ND COLLECTION
MAY 30 & 31 ALL MASSES
Next week our worship family will conduct a special collection to benefit the retired priests of our diocese. In our diocese alone, over one dozen various priests of retirement age are receiving much needed and deserved assistance from the Church and this number is sure to increase in the upcoming years. Remember that ALL funds received for this special collection will stay within our area, benefitting only the retired priests that have served us in The Diocese of Shreveport. Please use the coming week to prayerfully consider your donation to help those who have given their life to faithfully serving God and leading us. Let JGS Parish do our part in this important effort.

LIFE CHOICES BABY BOTTLE
Please continue to fill your Life Choices Baby Bottles with your monetary donation, and return to church the weekend of June 20-21. You may also return them to the church office, or the center at 2007 Roselawn. Thanks so much for your generous support for gift of life!

ST. PASCHAL’S FLEA MKT / ARTS & CRAFTS SALE
SATURDAY, JUNE 6 8:00AM-2:00PM
ST. PASCHAL’S GYM (WEST MONROE)
The SPCC Ladies Auxiliary will hold their annual flea market and arts and crafts sale at the church gym located at 711 North 7th St. in West Monroe. This is the single fundraiser the group holds each year and your support is greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Althea Dayton at 388-8847.

PARISH POOL PARTY
SUNDAY, JUNE 28 7:00PM-10:00PM
MONROE ATHLETIC CLUB
If you would like more information or would like to volunteer to help, please call Andi Holyfield at andi@eattoloseinc.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER MEETING
SUNDAY, JUNE 7 2:00PM
PARISH HALL
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ANDY TRAHAN FUNDRAISER
SATURDAY, JUNE 13 7:00A.M. –2:00 P.M.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL (1201 OLIVER RD)
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We are in the process of revamping the Bereavement Committee and are needing volunteers for Funeral and Comfort Sub-Committees. Volunteers for the Funeral Sub-Committee will be asked to occasionally help with funerals, while the Comfort Sub-Committee will be asked to help with food for grieving families, as well as comfort and prayer ministry. Please contact the church office (325-7549), Laura Cooper (323-4826) or Elaine Elias (323-3144) if you are interested in becoming involved in this very meaningful, and much needed, ministry.

LIVE IN THE SPIRIT: RETREAT FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS
SATURDAY, JUNE 6 9:00AM-1:00PM
CATHOLIC CENTER, SHREVEPORT
This retreat is for Readers, Ushers, Musicians, Sacristans, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Registration is \$10 and includes lunch. Please contact Brandy Boudreau at The Catholic Center, 3500 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport; bboudreau@dioshpt.org; (318) 368-4441 ext: 311

24 HOUR PRAYER, ADORATION, & FASTING
SUN., JUNE 7 - MON., JUNE 8 1:00PM -1:00PM
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Our specific intentions for this time with our Lord are for: thanksgiving for our blessings, spiritual renewal, sick and suffering people, all loving caregivers, our personal spiritual growth and fight against evil, and protection during the upcoming hurricane season. Please join us! For information, please email Fr. Job at fatherjobgpsc@gmail.com or call 318-547-6401

Stephen Ministries, a Christian caregiving ministry with a presence in some 12,000 churches across North America, is coming to JGS. Stephen Ministers are laypeople who become trained to minister with God’s love to people who are hurting as a result of a crisis or difficulty in their lives in a caring and confidential manner. More information will be coming soon. In the meantime, we are looking for individuals interested in being part of the steering committee that will help implement the program at JGS. If you are interested or need more information, please contact J. Randolph (Randy) Smith at 387-6496 or 387-9118 or the church office. For additional information you can also go to www.stephenministries.org.

A SILENT RETREAT
Any gentleman desiring to attend a silent retreat over the **July 4 weekend (July 2-5)** at the Manresa House of Retreats on the Mississippi River in Convent, Louisiana, please contact Tobie McKown, director, at 318-348-2428, or J. Randolph (Randy) Smith, a co-director, 318-387-6496. For more information go to www.Manresala.org.

MARRIED COUPLE’S RETREAT
The Community of Jesus Crucified is hosting a silent retreat for Married Couples. The retreat aims at a more profound living of the marriage sacrament. Fr. Michael Champagne is the retreat director with married couples also giving talks. The retreat will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center (103 Railroad Ave., St. Martinville) beginning at 7pm on **Fri., June 5** and ending with a Corpus Christi procession at 3pm on **Sun., June 7**. There is no cost for the retreat but couples must register in advance by calling Cheryl Moss at (337) 453-2385.

May 31, 2015

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PART OF TEAMS OF OUR LADY?
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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 1 6:00PM
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FATHER DAVID RICHTER MEMORIAL FUND
To honor Father Richter’s memory, we have established the “**Father Richter Fund**” at JGS Church. Donations made to the fund will go directly to paying off the balance of the new building at the school. Diminishing the debt of the new school building was a very important goal of Father Richter’s. The remaining balance is approximately \$150,000. We want to honor his memory by accomplishing this goal by his birthday next year – March 27, 2016. If you would like to make a contribution to the Father Richter Fund, please make a note in the memo section of your check or drop a fund envelope in the office mail box in the gathering space. Fund envelopes are available by the mailbox in the gathering space or in the Church office. There are also classroom naming opportunities available thru the school. Please contact the school at 325-8569 for more information.

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