



July 30, 2023

Sacred Heart Of Jesus Catholic Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish of Sacred Heart, are committed to enriching the Spirituality of the parish family, the Christian community, and all brothers and sisters created in God's divine image and likeness. We are called by the Holy Spirit, under the leadership of our Bishop and Pastor, to assist others through the development and promotion of various ministries. We pray for Divine guidance that we may serve others with truth, courage, forethought and compassion.
Parish Council 1998

BAPTISM: Call the office three months prior to anticipated birth to schedule a preparation class after which a Baptism date can be scheduled.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: Please contact Aga Chandler, Coordinator of Religious Ed.

MARRIAGE: Contact the office six months prior to anticipated wedding date. Pre-Cana is required for all engaged couples and should be attended at least three months before the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & MINISTRY OF CARE: If you or someone you know is seriously ill, hospital or home bound, and would like the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Church office to make arrangements to have a priest come and visit. The Eucharist can also be brought to homebound parishioners by an Extraordinary Minister.

WE WELCOME YOU AND INVITE YOU

to fill out a form to become a member of our special Little Church with the Big Heart. The green census forms are located in the back of the Church. You may put the completed form in the collection basket, mail it to the office, or bring it in during office hours. We welcome you to our family.

MASSES ARE AS FOLLOWS

Saturday — 6:00 p.m. and Sunday — 10:30 a.m.
with Rosary recited 30 minutes before Saturday Mass

WEEK DAY MASS

Wednesday — 10:00 a.m. in the Church
9:00 a.m. Adoration and Benediction
Anointing of the Sick is the First Wednesday of Each Month

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES

12:05 p.m. Day of the Holy Day

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:10 a.m. before 10:30 am Mass
Wednesday: 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. before 10:00 am Mass

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday — 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Pre K 3 through High School — Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
September — May

O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in exploring the Catholic Faith
Sunday at 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. September — May

BULLETIN NOTICE DEADLINE

— **MONDAY 1:00 PM for the following Sunday's bulletin** —
Please email your request to libbyac@sacredheartshreveport.org You can drop it off at the church office or place your written announcement in the collection basket on Saturdays or Sundays.

Thank you.

BIENVENIDO A LOS RECIÉN LLEGADOS!

Por favor rellene un formulario de censo situado en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. Usted puede poner el formulario en la cesta de la colección, enviarlo por correo a la Oficina o llamar a su información a la Oficina de la parroquia durante las horas de oficina.

Nosotros le damos la bienvenida a nuestra familia.



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 30, 2023

"The Kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field"

Matthew: 13:44

07/29 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY OF THE PINES	
07/30 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	AMY LANDRY (IN HONOR OF HER BIRTHDAY)	by: Libby Campbell
07/30 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	† MARY KAY JONES	by: Lea Jones
07/30 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	† JIM HEARD	by: The Family
08/02 WED.	9:00 a.m.	ADORATION, BENEDICTION AND CONFESSION	
08/02 WED.	10:00 a.m.	† FR. PATRICK HEWITT	by: Yen Khang Van
08/05 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	† ASCLIA METOYER	by: Severine Rachal
08/05 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	† RAYNETTE SEPULVADO & AUBREY BAILES	by: Manuel Sepulvado
08/06 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	† LE THI HAO (MARIE)	by: An Cao
08/06 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	† MARY FRANCES CHRISTINE BEQUETTE	by: Tim & Elaine Smith

SAT., JULY 29 - 6:00 PM

SUN., JULY 30 - 10:30 AM

SAT., AUG. 05 - 6:00 PM

SUN., AUG. 06 - 10:30 AM

Reader 1
Reader 2

Bea Cernigliaro
Richard Guzman

Marlyn Pangatngan
Joseph Tillman

Roberta Moses
Mardie Brosset

Marlyn Pangatngan
Rey Pangatungan

EMHC1
EMHC2

Deacon Clary
Walt Recker

Patricia Terrell
Jennie Taylor

Deacon Clary
Michael Krieg

Jennie Taylor
Patricia Terrell

Altar Server A
Altar Server B

Michael Krieg

Annabelle Callicoatte
Alyssa Wanjeri

Larkin Krieg

Samantha Pangatngan
Bianca Chandler

PSR (PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION)

Calling all Parish School of Religion Catechists and Substitute Teachers. Our Annual Planning Meeting will take place on Sunday, August 20th at 11:30 am in Gabriel Hall. A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Aga Chandler at (318)344-1185 or achandler@sacredheartshreveport.org. Parish School of Religion is always looking for new substitute teachers. If you hear the calling to share our Catholic faith with the youth of Sacred Heart please contact Aga Chandler or join us for the Planning Meeting.

Parish School of Religion will begin a new year on September 10th. Registration will open on August 27th after the morning mass. Please stop by the Gabriel Hall to fill out the registration form and meet your child's teacher. As always Parish School of Religion is free of charge for all our students. Donations to defray the cost of materials are welcome. Suggested donation is \$10 per child or up to \$25 per family. For questions please contact me at achandler@sacredheartshreveport.org. I look forward to seeing all our students back in the classrooms.

With Blessings, Aga Chandler, PSR Coordinator



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

July 30 thru August 5, 2023

For Repose of the Soul of

"V. J. Conner"

by: Claudia LaRoux

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul....we want to help! We can be reached Monday - Friday between the hours of 9 am to 11 am & between 1 pm to 3 pm at 318-865-7807.

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If you are out of town and would like to find a mass near you. Go to www.MassTimes.org or call 734-794-2100.

Homily – The Treasure in the Field

By: Fr. Mark Watson, Pastor

In 1984 Jeremy Levin was the Bureau Chief of the Beirut Office of CNN. On Ash Wednesday of that year, he was kidnapped by Shiite Muslims. His kidnappers blindfolded him and brought him to a small, dingy house in the Bekka Valley.

Jeremy was chained to the wall in such a way that he could only sit down or lay down. He stayed that way for the next four weeks. He felt great loneliness and wanted to speak to anyone. In that situation Jeremy began to think about God. At the time he was an avowed atheist. He kept thinking of God and finally he wondered if he could speak to God. First he would not give in to speaking to God. Finally, he began to think about phrases such as, "God loves you." On Tuesday, April 12, he woke up and made an act of faith in God. He next prayed for his wife and his family and asked that they would one day be reunited. He next forgave his captors and asked God to forgive them.

On Christmas Eve one of his captors asked him what he wanted for Christmas. He asked for a Bible. Two days later he received a Bible. He constantly read the Bible. He was especially moved by Jesus' words, "All that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours" (Mk 11:24). From that moment on Jeremy prayed for an opportunity to escape. On the night of February 13, 1985, due to the carelessness of a guard, Jeremy was able to leave the house and run down the mountainside barefoot to safety.

Jeremy understood that although his captors meant to harm him God brought good out of the challenging situation. In the second reading St. Paul writes, "All things work for good for those who love God." The story of Jeremy shows us that even tragedies can work for good for those who love God. God can also bring good out of the tragedies of our lives. The above story is taken from the December 1986 edition of Guideposts.

In the Gospel a man by surprise finds a treasure. The man then hides it by reburying it in the field. The treasure is so valuable that he sells everything to obtain the treasure. In the same way during his captivity, Jeremy Levin found the treasure of God and then gave his whole life to following God. In the finding of the pearl the focus is on the deliberate search for something of great value. Encountering the Kingdom of heaven should elicit a single-minded response. In the same way we are to give our whole lives to God. What would our lives be like if we gave our entire lives to God?

The third parable describes a net which brings in many different animals from the sea. The good are kept in buckets and the others are thrown away. We are not to judge but instead let God judge and set things straight at the final judgement. This speaks of trust in God's judgment and patience and tolerance in the present. This is an important message for us today as we experience such division in our world.

Jesus ends his teaching by saying that a scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old. We are such a scribe when we study both the old and the new testaments.

May we be people who give our entire lives to the risen Christ, and may our faith shape the way we live.



Sacred Heart Church Calendar August 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Don't miss the fun!</p> <p>Deacon Clary & Fr. Mark will be callers at</p> <p>Bingo on the Bayou Aug. 4th—</p> <p>Make Reservations NOW</p> <p>Parish Fall Fair September 24th after Mass</p>	1)	<p>2) 9:00 Hour of Adoration</p> <p>9:35 Reconciliation</p> <p>9:45 Benediction</p> <p>10:00 Mass</p> <p>10:30 Anointing of the sick</p> <p>11:30—2:00 Joint Staff Meeting with SMOP in Gabriel Hall</p>	3)	<p>10:00 Radiant</p> <p>Yoga- Gabriel Hall</p> <p>6:00 Community Council Meeting in Gabriel Hall</p>	4)	5)
<p>6) 10:30 Mass</p> <p>9:30 Choir Practice</p>	7)	8)	<p>9) 9:00 Hour of Adoration</p> <p>9:35 Reconciliation</p> <p>9:45 Benediction</p> <p>10:00 Mass</p>	10)	11)	12)
<p>13) 10:30 Mass</p> <p>9:30 Choir Practice</p>	14)	<p>15) 12:05 Mass</p> <p>Assumption of Mary</p> <p>Senior Outing after Mass to Johnny's Catfish for lunch</p>	<p>16) 9:00 Hour of Adoration</p> <p>9:35 Reconciliation</p> <p>9:45 Benediction</p> <p>10:00 Mass</p> <p>11:30: July/August Parish Birthday Luncheon sponsored by Ladies Guild at Earnestly Tooties</p>	17)	18)	19)
<p>20) 10:30 Mass</p> <p>9:30 Choir Practice</p> <p>Catechists' and Substitute Teachers Meeting after Mass</p>	21)	22)	<p>23) 9:00 Hour of Adoration</p> <p>9:35 Reconciliation</p> <p>9:45 Benediction</p> <p>10:00 Mass</p> <p>12:00 Finance Mtg</p> <p>6:00 Fuller Center Presentation @ SMOP in Vandegaer Hall</p>	24)	25)	26)
<p>27) 10:30 Mass</p> <p>9:30 Choir Practice</p> <p>Back to School PSR Registration starts today in GH</p> <p>Drawing for LCN \$250 Visa Gift Card</p>	28)	29)	<p>30) 9:00 Hour of Adoration</p> <p>9:35 Reconciliation</p> <p>9:45 Benediction</p> <p>10:00 Mass</p>	31)		



Aug 01—14—Slattery Library Open House—Books & shelving free
 Aug 04—Bingo on the Bayou, East Ridge Country Club from 6 pm to 9 pm
 Aug 15—Assumption of Mary Mass-12:05 pm (Holy Day)
 Aug 15—Senior Outing after the Assumption Mass at Johnny's Catfish
 Aug 16—July/Aug. Birthday Luncheon @ 11:30 am. Earnestly Tooties on Lakeshore Dr.
 Aug 20—Catechists & substitute teachers meeting after Mass in G.H.
 Aug 26—Youth Group Meet and Greet
 Aug 27—Drawing for LCN 2024 for Visa Gift Card
 Aug 27—Back to School—PSR Registration after Mass
 Sep 10—9:00 am—First Day of PSR
 Sep 13—Ladies Guild 1st Mtg in Fall at 10:30 am—Gab. Hall

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time A Truly Wise Person

The ending of today's Gospel speaks about "the new and the old." Jesus is saying that a person "instructed in the kingdom" has wisdom both old and new; in other words, that person learns from the past as well as from the present. Let's look at each of those.

We learn from the past by studying it. So the wisdom of the Kingdom comes first from the scriptures. The more familiar we are with the word of God, the more wisdom we possess. Along with studying the scriptures, we must pray over them and ask the Spirit to show us how they apply to our lives. We can also learn from the lives of the saints and writings of the Church. The saints may have lived extraordinary lives, but they all began as ordinary people who gave their lives to Christ. The writings of the Church, though sometimes very technical, contain the wisdom of centuries of living the faith. If you only have time to go to Mass on Sunday, just listening to the homily can help to apply the scriptures to your life.

One way we can learn from "the new" is to learn from our mistakes. That includes learning from our sins. When we are truly sorry, we make an effort to change our ways. You might say we have to learn a new way to respond to that situation. In the Bible, the word repentance itself means a change of heart, a new way of seeing and doing things.

We can also learn from the mistakes and the successes of our friends. As we share our faith with them, we share the stories of our lives, both good and bad. These stories can teach how to live our faith (or how not to!). One of the advantages of having friends whom we trust enough to confess our faults to is that we do not have to figure out life on our own. God can speak to us through a friend or relative whose advice we seek. A truly wise person is one who has received a lifetime of good advice. Tom Schmidt

JULY/AUGUST BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON



The July/August Birthday Luncheon for the parish will be on Wednesday, August 16th at 11:30 a.m. at Earnestly Tooties on Lakeshore Drive. If you are interested in going please call Elaine Smith 453-4145 or Cherie Breffelh at 780-0009 and let them know, for reservation purposes. Dutch Treat! We will have birthday cake at the luncheon. All are invited!! Come and enjoy!!



YOGA CLASSES ARE EVERY THURSDAY 10 A.M. IN GABRIEL HALL. OUR INSTRUCTOR IS MRS. AGA CHANDLER. EVERYONE IS INVITED.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

*The "Little Church with the Big Heart"
always applies throughout the entire year*

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In the Gospel, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our Life primarily searching for the kingdom of God.

This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish.

SAVE THE DATE: August 4, 2023

Let's Play Bingo! This fun event is for adults only, and a cash bar will be available. A Silent Auction will also take place during the evening. Our very own Fr. Mark Watson and Deacon Clary Nash will serve as one of the bingo callers. Last year was my first time attending Bingo on the Bayou. It was a lot of fun, the silent auction was awesome and the food was delicious.

Save the Date
7th Annual

BINGO
ON THE
Bayou

Friday, August 4, 2023

East Ridge Country Club

6 - 9 pm

Individual tickets are \$60 and include dinner and two Bingo cards. Table sponsorship begins at \$1500.00.

Please see our website CCNLA to purchase tickets or Table Sponsorship, or contact Kathy via phone at (318-865-0200, ext. 109, or email her at development@ccnla.org.

Lucky Calendar Numbers 2023 Winners

July 16 - July 22, 2023

Date	Amt.	No.	Winner	sold by:
7/16 Sun.	\$ 50.00	# 720	No Winner	
7/17 Mon.	\$ 25.00	# 657	No Winner	
7/18 Tue.	\$ 25.00	# 230	Mimi R.	sold by Joe R.
7/19 Wed.	\$ 25.00	# 747	No Winner	
7/20 Thu.	\$ 25.00	# 387	No Winner	
7/21 Fri.	\$ 25.00	# 903	No Winner	
7/22 Sat.	\$ 35.00	# 925	Gerald R.	sold by Joe R.

"The \$250 Visa Gift Card drawing is coming up the last Sunday in August. Right now, we have only sold 85 lucky numbers, which is not many. Since the low number of sales is in your favor to win the Visa Gift Card, consider buying early for Christmas gifts or birthday gifts for the remainder of the year. Indicate what type of gift it is and if their name is pulled to win the Visa Card, Cathy will contact you, not them.

Email Cathy Flynn at cbflynn2586@aol.com or call her at 318-286-6275 to get your LCN prior to this drawing."

OUR FIRST SENIOR OUTING (45 & UP)

Our First Senior Outing will take place Tuesday, August 15, 2023 after the Assumption of Mary Mass at 12:05 p.m. We will meet at the Church and car-pool to Johnny's Catfish on Bert Kouns, or you can meet us there. Put it on your calendar!!

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of July 30, 2023**

Sun: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46

Mon: Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Mt 13:31-35

Tue: Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 13:36-43

Wed: Memorials of Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop, and Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Thur: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

Fri: Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Sat: Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major in Rome

Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sun: Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Weekly Collections

Weekly Collection Needed **\$ 4,772.00**

Regular Collection — July 22 & 23, 2023 \$ 3,379.41
(contains on-line giving)

Attendance: July 22 & 23, 2023 — 140

We have a 2nd collection on August 12 & 13, 2023 for Diocesan Hispanic Ministry. Thank you!



DIOCESAN YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Diocesan Youth Advisory Council is a council of high school juniors and seniors who assist me in providing the vision, direction, planning, and implementation of youth programs for the diocese.

Applications for the 2023-2024 council are live, and the **deadline to apply is Wednesday, August 9th!** The application

can be found at the following link <https://www.dioshpt.org/youth-an>

I would appreciate you encouraging your rising juniors and seniors to apply! To clarify, if you had a junior serve on the council this past year who would like to serve again their senior year, they **DO** need to reapply. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks! Laurie Nick, Director of Youth Ministry