



October 15, 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.

I shall live in the
house of the lord all
the days of my life.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 15, 2023

"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

Matthew 22:14

Masses for the Week

10/14 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	†	MARY KAY JONES
10/14 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	†	CHRIS EBAB & EUNICE EBAB
10/14 SAT.	6:00 p.m.	†	PETER ROQUE
10/15 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	MARY KAY JONES
10/15 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	KIMBERLY S. CARROLL
10/15 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	RAYNETTE SEPULVADO
10/18 WED.	9:00 a.m.		ADORATION, BENEDICTION AND CONFESSION
10/18 WED.	10:00 a.m.	†	MARY & WILLIE PROCELL
10/18 WED.	10:00 a.m.	†	V.P. & THERESA CHELETTE
10/18 WED.	10:00 a.m.	†	B.H. HOLLEY, II & ROSEMARY HOLLEY
10/21 SAT.	6:00 p.m.		PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY OF THE PINES
10/22 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	JUDY RECKER
10/22 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	JIM HEARD
10/22 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	KARLA SEPULVADO & DOUG LEONE
10/22 SUN.	10:30 a.m.	†	VIVIAN CHELETTE

by: Lea Jones
by: The Family
by: Maria Parker
by: The Ladies Guild of Sacred Heart
by: The Schaefer Family
by: The Family

by: Mary Powell
by: Glenda Holley
by: Glenda Holley

by: Walt Recker
by: The Family
by: The Family
by: Glenda Holley

SAT., OCT. 14 - 6:00 PM

SUN., OCT. 15 - 10:30 AM

SAT., OCT. 21- 6:00 PM

SUN., OCT. 22- 10:30 AM

Reader 1
Reader 2

Bea Cernigliaro
Dardanella Powell

Joseph Tillman
Anthony Priest

Andrea Feeney
Dan Feeney

Joe Glorioso
Tim Smith

EMHC1
EMHC2

Cynthia Gould
Deacon Clary Nash

Patricia Terrell
Jean Woods

Sandra Hay
Deacon Clary Nash

Elaine Smith
Barbara Lichtfuss

Altar Server A
Altar Server B

Richard Guzman

Yuri Chandler
Bianca Chandler
Samantha Pangatungan

Walt Recker

Jimmy Willis
Micaella Wambui
Alyssa Wanjeri

TO ALL PARISHIONERS

This is a note to let everyone know that I apologize for postponing the Silent Auction that was to take place at our Annual Fall Fair. We had to make a decision for the benefit of all the parishioners. Since so many would probably not make it to the Fair due to the weather, we wanted everyone to see the beautiful baskets and items, to have an opportunity to bid on them. The horrible storms were going to keep a lot of our parishioners away. Our different committees had created many beautiful baskets and they deserved to be seen by everyone. We did have one live auction on the basket of perishable goodies donated by the Seniors. We could not hold that one for the future. The baskets will be on display again beginning the weekend of October 22nd and available to be bid on through October 29th until 1:30 pm. Thank you for your patience.

Cathy Flynn



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

October 15 thru 21, 2023

For Repose of the Soul of

"Charles Cason"

By: Gwen Cason

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.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - The Wedding Feast

October 15, 2023

By: Deacon Clary Nash

Jesus' parables are all comparisons. The one in today's Gospel says: "The Kingdom of Heaven may be likened to ..." and then Jesus compares it to a wedding feast. But of course, we do have to make the connection to understand what he means. Stories that make a single point of comparison are parables; those that make multiple comparisons are called allegories — and we have both in this story of the wedding feast. What we have here are three independent stories that were later interwoven into the story as we now have it.

1.) First, the overall framework of a story about a king who summons guests to his son's wedding. Our translation says "invites," but everyone knows that when the king invites, you can't refuse ... except these idiots who make excuses, so he summons the common people of the street to take their place. Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of Heaven is as true today as ever (many are invited but few respond) so he warns us through this parable of the wedding feast that despite everything he says elsewhere about God's love and forgiveness, we should not forget that our eternal destiny in heaven depends entirely on how we respond to his offer of love and forgiveness.

2.) Into this framework the author has interwoven an allegory used by early Christians to interpret the meaning of the destruction of Jerusalem. The enemies of the king (the enemies of God) murder his messengers (the prophets, Jesus, and the Apostles) so in anger the King (God) destroys them and burns their city — which the Romans did to Jerusalem in 70 AD.

3.) And then at the end of the text we have the parable of the invited guest who came inappropriately dressed. The central point that unites these three stories is the dreadful destiny of those who do not respond to the king's summons: "He casts them out into the darkness, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth." Jesus says: "Many are invited but few are chosen" but he could just as well have said: "Many are invited but few respond."

All three parts of this parable apply directly also to us and to the people of today.

1.) First, you and I are summoned to the wedding feast of the Son of God, to His eucharistic banquet every single weekend. We say God "invites" us to Mass because people should be eager to come, but everyone knows that when God invites, you can't refuse. But there are many fools today who make lame excuses like the idiots in our parable, saying in effect: "I'm too busy" or "I just don't feel like coming every single week." They prefer to do household chores or make a little extra money or take their kids to sporting events instead of responding to the invitation of the King.

2.) Second, we live in a society that is far more murderous than Jerusalem was in 70 AD. We kill babies in the womb and have laws that trap people in poverty (immigration law) and the policies of our government cause destruction throughout the world, deeds that undoubtedly anger the same God that punished Jerusalem so severely in Matthew's time.

3.) And third, many people come to the banquet inappropriately dressed, so-to-speak, their garments soiled by unforgiven sins, their hearts unrepentant; at Mass only to fulfill an obligation. At least this is better than not coming at all — if they're here there's at least some chance that the words of the Gospel might finally penetrate their hearts, even hearts that at present are far from the Lord. But if not, the consequences of having a soul that is still not properly dressed for this banquet, a heart that is still far from the Lord, is missing the gift of peace and happiness.

Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of Heaven is as true today as ever (many are invited but few respond) so he warns us through this parable of the wedding feast that despite everything he says elsewhere about God's love and forgiveness, we should not forget that our eternal destiny in heaven depends entirely on how we live out his offer of love and forgiveness.

And what is the sad fate of those who fail to respond appropriately to the King's summons? "He casts them out into the darkness, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

Some reflections are from various authors including *Bishop Taylor*.



SACRED HEART CHURCH

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCT 29TH | 11:30AM-2:00PM

COSTUME CONTEST, SILENT AUCTION,
CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT, GAMES, FOOD,
AND FAMILY FUN

SIGN UP FOR CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT - \$10 A TEAM

1ST PLACE WINNERS GET 75% PAYMENT

AND THEIR NAME ENGRAVED ON A TROPHY

2ND PLACE GETS 25%

4736 LYBA ST, SHREVEPORT, LA 71109



Oct 15—Family of Faith Gathering, Gab. Hall, 9 am to 10:15 am
 Oct 21—Falcon Fest, Sat. from 5 pm to 8 pm at S. Joseph School
 Oct 22—9:45 am - Living Rosary led by Youth
 Oct 22—Bingo in G.H. after Mass.
 Oct 22—Bible Study in the Rectory from 9 to 10 am
 Oct 20-22—Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (Healing Retreat)
 Oct 28—Inscription Promise Mass—SMOP—4:00 pm
 Oct 29—11:30 am—Trunk-or-Treat - Silent Auction/Cornhole and food
 Nov 01—All Saints Day Mass at 12:05 pm (Holy Day of Obligation)
 Nov 02—All Souls Day Memorial Mass at 5:00 pm (remember your picture)
 Nov 11—Magnificat Brunch—10:30 am—1:30 pm—Catholic Center

ALL CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF SHREVEPORT

I invite all Catholic parishes of the Diocese of Shreveport to attend our annual Falcon Fest! The event will be held on Saturday, October 21st, 5 PM - 8 PM at St. Joseph Catholic School. We will have carnival rides, games, live music, concessions, and fellowship! All proceeds go to benefit our school which is made of students from church parishes all over the western deanery. To buy kids all-access wristbands in advance, please go to our website, www.sjsfalcons.org. We look forward to seeing you there! *Thank you, Principal Clayton*



BOO BAGS FROM SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

Dear Sacred Heart Parishioners: This year the Youth Group is making and selling **Boo Bags** as a fundraiser for the Youth Group. The way they work is that you can pay \$1 for us to send a bag full of candy and all sorts of other goodies to another person of your choosing. We will then give the bag to them at the Annual Trunk-or-treat as a gift from you. You can start ordering the Boo Bags this Sunday Oct. 15th for just \$1 a piece. All proceeds go toward opportunities for the Youth Group. So, buy yours now for anyone and everyone you care about.

- The Sacred Heart Youth Group



REMINDERS

Please bring a picture of your deceased loved one to put on our Memorial Table by Oct. 29th for the November 2nd (All Souls Day Mass) to be held at 5 pm.

PASTOR AND/OR DEACON APPRECIATION MONTH OF OCTOBER

Also, on the table in the Narthex is a basket for Fr. Mark and for Deacon Clary for cards that you might want to drop in for them as the month of October is Pastor and/or Deacon Appreciation Month.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen."

To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. 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 St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

Lucky Calendar Numbers 2023 Winners October 1 - 7, 2023

Date	Amt.	No.	Winner	Sold by:
10/01 Sun.	\$ 50.00	# 114	No Winner	
10/02 Mon.	\$ 25.00	# 459	No Winner	
10/03 Tue.	\$ 25.00	# 397	Lolanda T.	sold by Richard G.
10/04 Wed.	\$ 25.00	# 095	No Winner	
10/05 Thu.	\$ 25.00	# 378	No Winner	
10/06 Fri.	\$ 25.00	# 920	No Winner	
10/07 Sat.	\$ 35.00	# 792	Sandra M.	sold by Sharon B.

Congratulations to the winners of the week!



MAGNIFICAT BRUNCH AND MEETING — NOVEMBER 11, 2023

Magnificat invites all women to the Catholic Center on Saturday, November 11th at 10:30 a.m. for our next brunch which includes a meal, praise and worship and a speaker. Our November speaker is Mary Trevino, a member of Magnificat Ministries Grapevine TX Chapter. Mary lives in Denton, TX with her husband of 49 years, Manuel. She has 4 children and 18 grandchildren. She has served the Catholic Church as Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Sacristan, Catechist, Prayer Group Leader, Confirmation Coordinator, and Parish Council. She has served on teams with Cursillo, ACTS, Marriage Encounter and as Recording and Financial Secretary for Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

Come hear her beautiful testimony and see how the Lord is working in her life.

Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Checks should be mailed to Magnificat Nowela Chapter, P. O. Box 4293 Shreveport, LA 71134 prior to November 7, 2023. Please include the name of attendees with your check. You can now pay online by going to our webpage at: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/la-bossier-city/>



BINGO—OCTOBER 22ND

Time for Fun, Food and Fellowship. After Mass in G.H. Come join in the fun.

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of Oct. 15, 2023**

- Sun: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10
- Mon: Memorial of St. Hedwig, Religious, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin**
Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32
- Tue: Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**
Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41
- Wed: Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist**
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
- Thur: Memorial of Saints John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs**
Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
- Fri: Memorial of St. Paul of the Cross, Priest**
Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
- Sat: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12**
- Sun: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21



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

Weekly Collections

Weekly Collection Needed	\$ 4,772.00
Regular Collection — Oct. 7 & Oct. 8, 2023	\$ 2,174.75
Children's Collection—Oct. 7 & Oct. 8, 2023	\$ 27.00
Total Collection — Oct. 7 & Oct. 8, 2023	\$ 2,201.75

Attendance: Oct. 7 & Oct. 8, 2023 — 183

There is a Second Collection on October 21 & 22 for "World Mission Sunday."

PSR NEWS AND ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT

Our PSR Students will pray the Living Rosary on Sunday October 22th at 9:45 am. If weather allows we will pray outside in the picnic area, or inside the church if the weather does not cooperate. All are invited to join us in the prayer.

Mark your calendars for Oct. 29th to participate in Our Annual Trunk or Treat Event. Vehicle line up will begin before morning Mass (around 10:00 am) and the event will run from 11:30 until 2:00 pm. You do not have to decorate your trunk to participate, however the best decorated trunk and the most creative trunk will be chosen by the children to win a prize. There will also be food, games, costume contests, cornhole tournament and silent auction! We are planning to have fun rain or shine.

Children remember to bring your costumes and change AFTER the mass. Invite your friends and families to join us for this SWEET event.

*** If you would rather skip Trunk-or-Treat but would like to show support to PSR events, feel free to donate peanut-free candy and small prizes to the Halloween Baskets in the Narthex of the church and in Gabriel Hall. Those donations will be used as prizes for games and contests. Thank you for your continuous prayers and support of Parish School of Religion. **Aga Chandler**