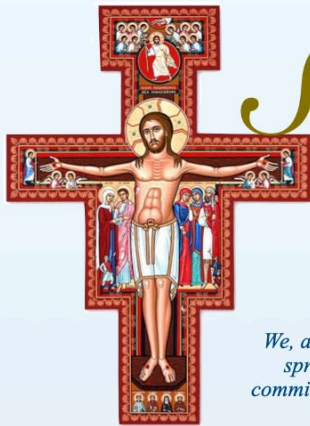


JUNE 5TH, 2022 | PENTECOST SUNDAY



St. Thomas Aquinas

CATHOLIC CHURCH & STUDENT CENTER

The Diocese of Shreveport

MISSION STATEMENT

We, as members of the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Community of faith in the Diocese of Shreveport, affirm our mission to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to both the local and Catholic college community in the Ruston, Louisiana area. We commit ourselves to God and to this community through a spirit of welcoming and service in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00PM Vigil
Sunday: 9:30AM
1:30PM (Spanish)
7:00PM (Sept. - May)

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 9:00PM (Sept. - May)
Thursday: 8:00AM
Friday: 12:00PM

BAPTISM

Please call the Church Office to schedule

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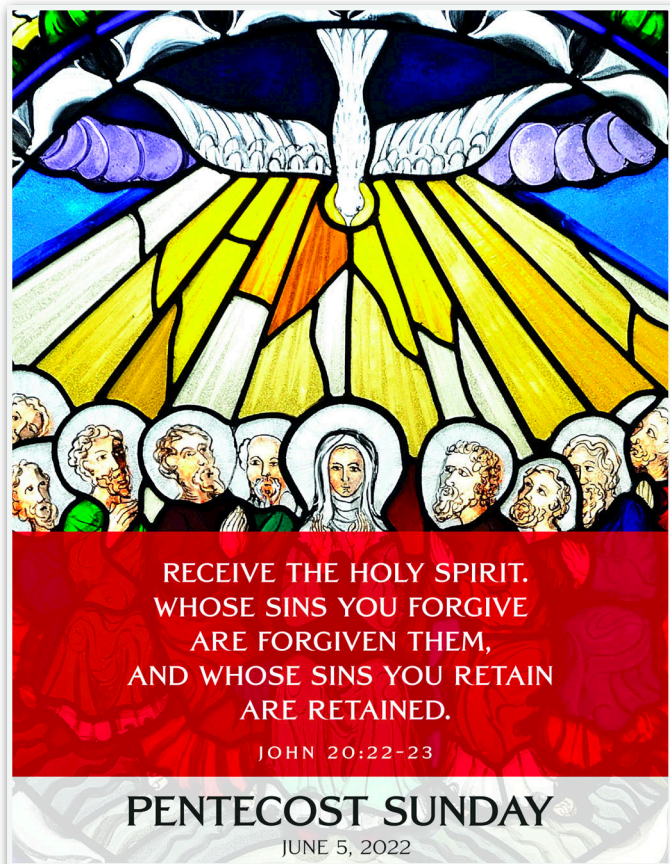
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CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00PM to 4:45PM

STAFF/TELEPHONE EXT.

Fr. Kevin Mues (318) 255-2870 *Pastor*
Br. Mike Ward, OFM (318) 251-0793 *Campus Minister*
Deacon John Serio
Deacon Robert Ransom
Marcie Tucker (318) 255-2870 *Business Manager*
Elise Reis (318) 310-4009 *Religious Education Director*
Martin Aviles (318) 265-2992 *Youth Coordinator*
John Denny *President of Pastoral Council*
Thurston Allen *Chairman of Finance Council*
St. Vincent de Paul Society (255-8090)



RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.
WHOSE SINS YOU FORGIVE
ARE FORGIVEN THEM,
AND WHOSE SINS YOU RETAIN
ARE RETAINED.

JOHN 20:22-23

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NEW PARISHIONERS

“May the Church be a place of God’s mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the Church must be with doors wide open so that all may enter. And we must go out through these doors and proclaim the Gospel.” - Pope Francis

Please contact the office to register your membership if you are new in our community.

PARISHIONERS BIRTHDAYS

<u>June 1st</u>	Slade Richard Kelly Stuff Cuahutemoc Negrete Magdalena Gonzalez
<u>June 2nd</u>	Peter Serio
<u>June 3rd</u>	Luis Turrubiarres
<u>June 4th</u>	Dolly Hurtig Emily Corcia Robert Corcia
<u>June 8th</u>	Emily Becker Bill McCumber
<u>June 9th</u>	Jennifer Velazquez
<u>June 10th</u>	Patrick Gillum Juan Navarro Mary Lanning
<u>June 11th</u>	Stella White
<u>June 12th</u>	Herman Manuel
<u>June 14th</u>	Joshua Adams Kyle White Rodolfo Landaverde, Jr.
<u>June 15th</u>	Amelia Roger
<u>June 16th</u>	Josh Rabb Banion Conroy Wynn Rogers
<u>June 17th</u>	David Castillo
<u>June 18th</u>	Omar Ramirez, Jr.
<u>June 20th</u>	Amanda Berg Sandi Adams Lorelei Freling
<u>June 21st</u>	Courtney Reger Shay DeCerbo
<u>June 23rd</u>	Yolanda Medrano
<u>June 27th</u>	Nathaniel Freeman
<u>June 28th</u>	Greg Bimle
<u>June 29th</u>	Georgia Rogers Petra Salazar
<u>June 30th</u>	Pablo Tepole

If I've missed your birthday, please email me at starbulletin@suddenlinkmail.com so that I can add you to the master list.

THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**Sunday, June 5th**

9:30AM - Sunday Mass
Children's Liturgy Melissa Jackson
1:30PM - Misa en Español

Monday, June 6th

9:00AM - 3:00PM - Church Office Open
5:30PM - Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Tuesday, June 7th

8:00AM - Daily Mass
9:00AM - 3:00PM - Church Office Open
10:00AM - Lectio Divina

Wednesday, June 8th

9:00AM - 3:00PM - Church Office Open
7:00PM - Daily Mass

Thursday, June 9th

9:00AM - 3:00PM - Church Office Open
8:00AM - Daily Mass

Friday, June 10th

9:00AM - 3:00PM - Church Office Open
12:00PM - Daily Mass

Saturday, June 11th

5:00 PM - Vigil Mass



If you would like to donate flowers in the church, please sign up at the bulletin board in the church vestibule. Please call Carol Mercier at **(318)254-8826** for more information.

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

Weekend of May 14/ May 15
General Sunday Collection \$4,837.00
Catholic Life Center. \$1,450.00

Thank you for continued and generous support!

Ministry Schedule

June 4th, 2022

Lector: Bre Ausbon & Larry Mullens

June 5th, 2022

Lector: Bruce Hampton & AJ Barbiero

Altar Servers: Brad Denny, Ava & Olivia Good

Eucharistic Ministers: Thomas Rogers & Rodney Manning

Lectores: Imelda Ramirez y Ana Ambrosio

June 11th, 2022

Lector: Samantha Groce & Christie Weeks

June 12th, 2022

Lector: Thomas Rogers & Stacey Denny

Altar Servers: Charlie & Maggie Rogers, Mary Adams

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Mercie & Emily Chartier

Lectores: Sergio Ruiz y Luz Martinez

ST. THOMAS' PRAYER LIST

Please contact the parish office to have names added to our prayer list.

Miriam Bishop	Kelly Morgan
Charles Bourgeois	Cynthia Murry
Bill Buske	Katherine Ned
Frankie Career	Don Olivier
Judy Darcey	Pearline Robey
Jill Denys	Lometa Rorie
Layten Davis	Mary Russo
Adrien "Butch"	Gloria Saldana
Doiron	Laura Leigh Saleese
Sean Dwyer	Jo Mary Smith
Emmely Gay	Nicole Smith
Bernice Harrison	Holly Hollis Star
Harvey Hayes	Willie Tannerhill
Magnolia Johnson	Joanne Thompson
Jeffery Judice	Toni Troiano
Chris Letendre	Kathleen "Kathy"
Mary Manuel	Walter
Ken Martinez	Stephen Webre
Tobie McKown	Janice Williams
Rueben Moreno	

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday June 2nd

Mary Manuel +
(by Sandra Gass)

Gary & Jan Luffey Anniversary
(by Barbara Lewis)

Tuesday June 7th

Margaret Oatis +
(by Barbara Lewis)

Friday June 10th

Mary Manuel +
(by George & Carmen Trevison)

Friday June 2nd

Mary Manuel +
(by Sandra Gass)

You may have Masses offered for your intentions, or for the intentions of your loved ones, both living and deceased. Please call the parish office for more information and available dates.

Fiesta de Pentecostés: Hoy, mientras celebramos Pentecostés, el Espíritu Santo nos llama a ser defensores de la presencia de Dios para traer una nueva vida a otros, y en especial manera para aquellos que no conocen el amor de Dios en sus vidas. **Tu regalo a la Caja Pobre de nuestra Conferencia de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl ayudará a los más pobres en nuestra parroquia aprender a creer en el misterio que es el amor de Dios por ellos.**



Pentecost Sunday: Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives. **Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.**



BEING CATHOLIC

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7 PM MASS SCHEDULE



Mass Schedule

The last "College Student Mass" for this school year was May 15. The next one will be the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend.

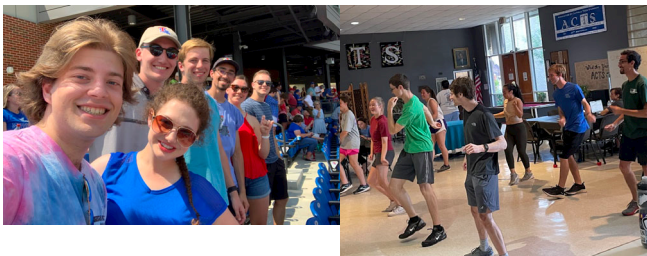
THANKS GRADUATING LEADERS

In the E. Donn Piatt Catholic Student Center (EDP) you will find a plant name "Rufus". This plant was given to the students by Sr. Edith in 2003 upon her transfer. She gave it to the leadership team as a reminder of the service that they are to the ACTS community. In 2014, ACTS decided to "share" Rufus with leadership team members upon graduation. Hence, on the last Wednesday night Mass of each quarter, graduates who served on the Leadership Team receive a "Ruflette" — a cutting from the larger plant, "Rufus". This serves as a thank for their service on the team and as a reminder that even after graduation, they are still members of ACTS and that ACTS needs their support in different ways. Thank you to our graduating leadership team members!



BUCKET LIST

Typically, ACTS seniors have a bucket list of items they want to accomplish before graduation. Some of these items include, eating peach ice cream at Mitchums, going to a Tech ballgame, or doing a Zumba class in the EDP.

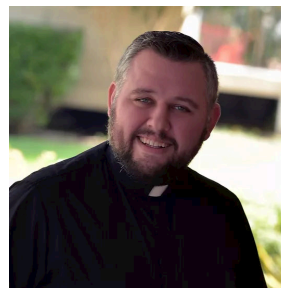


ACTS 25th ANNIVERSARY



To clear up some misunderstanding about our anniversary celebration, we are celebrating the name "ACTS" that happened in 1997. Catholic campus ministry has been a part of our parish since its founding in 1941

WELCOME "REV-KEV"



This will be the first weekend that Fr. Kevin Mues will be our new pastor and campus minister! A big ACTS welcome goes out to him! The students have given our new "younger" priest the nickname, "Rev-Kev" as a sign of affection and support! ACTS members are excited to begin this new journey with him.

ORIENTATION SESSIONS

Each summer the university hosts 4 orientation sessions for the incoming freshmen class. ACTS always participates in these events at the "Organizational Browse" on Thursday afternoons. It is here where current ACTS members are able to introduce themselves to the freshman class. The orientation sessions this year will be June 8-10, June 22-24, July 13-15, and July 27-29. If you are out and about on campus them, stop on by!



REACHING RUSTON +



Nine ACTS members committed to the "Reaching Ruston +" mission this year. The team wrapped up its "trip" on June 3. Thanks to the students who participated and thanks to all the resident parishioners who supported them. Thanks, also to graduate, Ben Meleton for coming up with the idea in 2021.

Confirmation Certificates are available in the PSR office. Please call or pick up.
Office Line: 318-310-4009. Office Hours: 8:15 AM - 1:45 PM.

Church Directory Update: The church directory should be available to us in 4 weeks. The delay in print has been caused by a toner manufacturer supply issue. Thank you for your patience!

VBS Registration

June 20 - 24 from 8:00 am - 11:30 am daily.

Scan the QR code to register your child as a participant or to register as a volunteer. Several adult and teen volunteers are still needed to make VBS a success! Call 318-310-4009 with any questions about being a volunteer.

Adult volunteers are still needed: Bible Story Station - Snack Station - Games Station - Drama Leader - Check and Check Out Desk

VBS Supplies Needed

If you can donate natural items like rocks, large sticks, bark, pine cones, jute string, nature and animal print stamps, and more, the VBS art station will appreciate you! Please bring these items to the PSR office anytime between now and June 19th. Thank you!



Children's Liturgy of the Word: Children as young as toddlers to rising 2nd graders are welcome to come to Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30 am Masses. CLW will not be held on May 29 but will resume in June.

ADULT FORMATION: There will be opportunities for adult formation all summer at St. Thomas Aquinas! The Sunday morning group will be studying the book *Our One Great Act of Fidelity* by Ronald Rolheiser. Copies of the book are available for purchase for \$15, cash or check only. Please contact Elise Reis at 318-310-4009 to purchase a book. **Sunday Adult Formation Summer Schedule:** **May 22** Part 1 Chapters 1-3 - **May 29 No Class, Memorial Day Weekend** - **June 5** Part 2 Chapters 4 – 6 - **June 12** Part 2 Chapters 7 – **9 June 19** Part 2 Chapters 10 – 12 - **June 26** Part 2 Chapters 13 – 15 - **July 10** Part 3 - **July 17** Part 4 - **July 24** Part 5

Tuesday Adult Formation Summer Schedule: An adult small group will continue to reflect with Lectio Divina on Tuesdays at 10:00 am in the Joe and Roger Luffey Youth Room.

Youth Parent Planning Meeting – STAY Summer Socials: Parents of 6th-12th graders (included parents of kids who just finished 5th grade) are invited to meet and plan for summer socials for the youth. Please come to the Joe and Roger Luffey Youth room on Wednesday, June 1 to share your ideas of fun and how you may can help make this summer a success for STAY! The meeting time will be 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

Confirmation is over...So WHAT? All high school students are invited to connect with their FAITH in this new group that will be held on Sundays from 10:45 am - 11:45 am. Slade Richard, Mary Barrilleaux, and Joshua Perot will be leading this small group. Location: Joe and Roger Luffey Youth room. High School **Youth Small Group Summer Schedule:** June 5 and June 12, July 10, 17, 24, 31

June 5, 2022 Pentecost Sunday

THE SPIRIT'S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as “the second person of the Trinity,” but referring also to the Spirit as a “person” comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today’s reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a “person” in recognizable human form. Today’s readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit’s active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul’s letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and “workings.” Finally, in John’s Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) *or Romans 8:8-17*.

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) *or John 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Pentecost Sunday

At the Mass during the Day

O God, who by the mystery of today’s great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

With which gifts of the Holy Spirit do I feel particularly

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In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a

5 de junio de 2022 Domingo de Pentecostés

EL PODER ACTIVO DEL ESPÍRITU

El misterio de la Trinidad se refiere a un Dios en tres personas. Con frecuencia reconocemos a Jesús como “la segunda persona de la Trinidad”, pero también referirse al Espíritu como una “persona” parece menos natural. En el arte religioso cristiano, el Espíritu Santo a menudo se le representa como una paloma, o como en la lectura de hoy de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, como lenguas de fuego. Son menos frecuentes las imágenes del Espíritu como una “persona” reconocible en forma humana. Las lecturas de hoy no resuelven el tema de cómo representar al Espíritu, pero ciertamente dan forma al poder activo del Espíritu en el mundo y en cada corazón humano. En los Hechos de los Apóstoles, el Espíritu hace posible que las personas hablen y entiendan diversas lenguas. La carta de Pablo a los corintios alaba al Espíritu por todo tipo de dones espirituales, servicios y “obras”. Por último, en el Evangelio de Juan, Jesús llama al Espíritu nuestro abogado y nuestro maestro divino.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Llenos del Espíritu Santo, los apóstoles empezaron a hablar en lenguas (Hch 2:1-11).

Salmo — Envía tu Espíritu, Señor, y repuebla la faz de la tierra (Salmo 104 [103]).

Segunda lectura — Fuimos bautizados en el Espíritu para formar un sólo cuerpo (1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13) *o Romanos 8:8-17*.

Evangelio — Jesús se aparece a los discípulos y los envía en su misión con el poder de perdonar o retener los pecados mediante el Espíritu Santo (Juan 20:19-23) *o Juan 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Domingo de Pentecostés

Misa del día

Dios nuestro, que por el misterio de la festividad que hoy celebramos santificas a tu Iglesia, extendida por todas las naciones, concede al mundo entero los dones del Espíritu Santo y continúa obrando en el corazón de tus fieles las maravillas que te dignaste realizar en los comienzos de la predicación evangélica. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

Pregunta de reflexión:

¿Con qué dones del Espíritu Santo me siento bendecido de manera especial?

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Hemos sido bautizados en un mismo Espíritu para formar un solo cuerpo.

— 1 Corintios 12:13a



The Devotion to the Divine Mercy is based on the private revelations of Jesus to Polish Saint Faustina in the 1930's. It recognizes God as infinite mercy and involves a decision to accept God's mercy with thanksgiving, to trust in Him, and to be merciful as He is merciful. One element of the devotion is the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a form of prayer using Rosary beads. The Recitation of the Chaplet is prayed each Monday evening from 5:30 to 6:00 PM in the small chapel. All are welcome!

Ministry to the Homebound

Please contact the church office or Dc. John Serio (318-278-3600) if you need communion brought to your home. If you are aware of someone that needs communion brought to them please contact us. We do have a team of parishioners ready to assist.

If you are a Eucharistic Minister and would like to help with this ministry please contact Dc. John.



Greetings from the Welcome Committee! Saint Thomas Aquinas has always tried to be a welcoming church. Sometimes we are not as welcoming as we would like to be. For Lent 2022, let us recommit ourselves to be a welcoming church.

Some ideas are:

- meet people at the door,
- reach out to someone you don't know,
- pray for each other.



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"The Spirit gave them ability." Is the Holy Spirit preparing you to share the Lord's mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 318-868-4441 or email: FatherMangum@yahoo.com

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"El Espíritu les dio capacidad." ¿Te está preparando el Espíritu Santo para compartir la misión del Señor como sacerdote, diácono o en la vida consagrada? Comuníquese con la Oficina de Vocaciones al (318) 868-4441 o envíe un correo electrónico a: FatherMangum@yahoo.com

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