

JUNE 4TH, 2023 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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 Christ.

SUNDAY MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday: 8:15AM
Wednesday: 8:15AM
Thursday: 8:15AM
Friday: 12:00PM

BAPTISM

Please call the Church Office to schedule

MARRIAGE

Please call Church Office SIX MONTHS in advance to schedule

PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

Tuesday-Thursday 7:30AM-8:00AM
Friday 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM
Saturday: 3:30PM to 4:45PM

STAFF/TELEPHONE EXT.

Fr. Kevin Mues (318) 310-4007 **Pastor**
Deacon John Serio
Deacon Robert Ransom
Marcie Tucker (318) 255-2870 **Business Manager**
Elise Reis (318) 310-4009 **Religious Education Director**
Elaine Johnson **President of Pastoral Council**
Thurston Allen **Chairman of Finance Council**
St. Vincent de Paul Society (318)255-8090



Father/Padre

ONE GOD and Father of all. *Ephesians 4:6*
Un solo Dios y Padre de todos. *Efesios 4, 6*

Son/Hijo

THE WORD became flesh. *John 1:14*
La Palabra se hizo carne. *Juan 1, 14*

Holy Spirit/Espíritu Santo

THE ADVOCATE, the holy Spirit. *John 14:26*
El Espíritu Santo; el Intérprete *Juan 14, 26*

THE HOLY TRINITY
LA SANTISIMA TRINIDAD

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.

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<u>June 1st</u>	Slade Richard Audrey Warren Kellie Stuff Cuahutemoc Negrete Magdalena Gonzalez Peter Serio
<u>June 2nd</u>	
<u>June 3rd</u>	Garner Johnson Peter Serio
<u>June 4th</u>	Dolly Hurtig Emily Corcia Robert Corcia Lwini Bambele
<u>June 5th</u>	Rylie Ann Martin Victor Langiulli Ninfa Michel
<u>June 8th</u>	Emily Becker
<u>June 9th</u>	Jennifer Velazquez
<u>June 10th</u>	Patrick Gillum Juan Navarro Mary Lanning Stella White
<u>June 11th</u>	Meghan Lainez
<u>June 12th</u>	Carleigh Reger Esperanza Negrete
<u>June 13th</u>	James Ned Joshua Adams Kyle White Rodolfo Uriel Landaverde, Jr.
<u>June 14th</u>	Amelia Roger Josh Rabb
<u>June 15th</u>	Wynn Rogers
<u>June 16th</u>	David Castillo Hunter Smith
<u>June 17th</u>	Omar Ramirez, Jr.
<u>June 18th</u>	Amanda Berg Sandi Adams Lorelie Freling
<u>June 20th</u>	Courtney Reger Ashlei Martin Shay Decerbo
<u>June 21st</u>	Yolanda Medrano
<u>June 23rd</u>	Nathaniel Freeman
<u>June 27th</u>	Greg Bimle
<u>June 28th</u>	Georgia Rogers
<u>June 29th</u>	Petra Salazar Pablo Tepole

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

THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 4th

9:30 AM Sunday Mass
1:30 PM Misa en Español

Monday, June 5th

9:00 AM - 4:00PM - Church Office Open
5:30 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Tuesday, June 6th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM Daily Mass
9:00 AM - 4:00PM - Church Office Open
10:00 AM Lectio Divina
6:30 PM El Manto de Maria

Wednesday, June 7th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM Daily Mass
9:00 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open

Thursday, June 8th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM Daily Mass
9:00 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open

Friday, June 9th

9:00 AM - 1:00PM Church Office Open
11:15 AM - 11:45AM Penance & Reconciliation
12:00 PM Daily Mass

Saturday, June 10th

3:30PM - 4:45AM Penance & Reconciliation
5:00 PM Vigil Mass



*Altar Flowers donated by John & Suzy
Broussard in honor of their 53rd Wedding
Anniversary*



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.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday June 3rd 2023

Lectors: John Allen, Tom Garza

EMHC: John Ryan Serio, Mary Carol Vidrine

Altar Servers: Cedric, Kevin & Peter Serio

Sunday June 4th, 2023

Lectors: Thomas Rogers, Carmen Bishop

EMHC: Tom Bishop, Paul Jackson, Jim Martin, Rodney Manning

Altar Servers: Hannah & Brooklynn Bryant

Saturday June 10th 2023

Lectors: George Trevison, Bob Rorie

EMHC: Pam Allen, Samantha Groce

Altar Servers: Jack, Jessie & Julie Groce

Sunday June 11th, 2023

Lectors: Ryan Freling, Lorelei Freling

EMHC: Emily Chartier, Thomas Rogers, Elaine Johnson, Gary Kennedy

Altar Servers: Brennan & Matthew Jackson



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

Quintana Atkins
Miriam Bishop
Judy Bower
Frankie Career
Judy Darcey
Sean Dwyer
Becky Ferrell
Mary Lou French
Emmely Gay
Bernice Harrison
Harvey Hayes
Maureen Hinton
Johnnie Hogan
Magnolia Johnson
Jeffery Judice
Roserita Lefevre
Chris Letendre
Ken Martinez
Tobie McKown
Claudia Michel
Leopoldo Michel

Rueben Moreno
Cynthia Murry
Katherine Ned
Don Olivier
Tristen Roberts
Pearline Robey
Laura Leigh Saleese
Jennie Schutte-Patrick
Diane Singletary
Jo Mary Smith
Nicole Smith
Polly Smith
Tyler Sorrels
Holly Hollis Star
Willie Tannerhill
Delore Taylor
Ken Taylor
Diane Theriot
Pam Turner
Kathleen "Kathy" Walter
Janice Williams

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

May 20/ 21

General Sunday Collection \$9,696.00

Thank you for continued and generous support!

The Diocese has created an electronic newsletter for news and events around the diocese, as well as educational content about our Catholic faith. Please subscribe to it by scanning the QR code in the bulletin or by visiting the diocesan website.



Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity, we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise. 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.



Solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad

Mientras celebramos el misterio de la Trinidad, también nos damos cuenta de otro misterio, el de lo mucho que Dios nos ama y nos cuida cada día. Teniendo fe en esto, nuestras vidas pueden desbordarse en agradecimiento y alabanza.

Tu regalo a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul ayudará a los necesitados tener fe en el misterio del amor que Dios tiene por ellos.



Saturday June 3rd

Arthur Trevison +
(by George & Carmen Trevison)

Sunday June 4th

Bobby Ortego +
(by Karen Ortego)

Consuelo Anguiano +
(by Ninfa Michel)

Por los feligreses de la parroquia
Santo Tomas Aquino

Tuesday June 6th

Charles Janssen Family +
(by Ed & Karen Jacobs)

Wednesday June 7th

Charles Janssen Family +
(by Ed & Karen Jacobs)

Thursday June 8th

Charles Janssen Family +
(by Ed & Karen Jacobs)

Friday June 9th

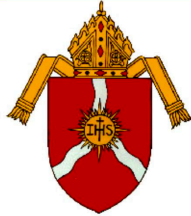
Dennis C Kennedy +
(by Gary & Selene Kennedy)

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 or you can now check our website <https://stthomasaquinasruston.com/calendar/>

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING
TO ALMIGHTY GOD
THE DIOCESE OF SHREVEPORT
ANNOUNCES THE PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS OF

Deacon Gabriel Cisneros Campos

Deacon Kelby Reece Tingle



JUNE 24, 2023

*Cathedral of St. John Berchmans
10:00 am*

Save
the Date

AUGUST 4, 2023
7TH ANNUAL
BINGO
ON THE
Bayou
SHREVEPORT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! It's time to celebrate with Bingo on the Bayou once again. Catholic Charities of North Louisiana announces our 7th Annual Fundraiser, "Bingo on the Bayou". Our fundraising event will be held at East Ridge Country Club on FRIDAY, August 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Since 2016, Bingo on the Bayou has been something to look forward to and this sellout event brings together people who love to have fun while benefiting the Family Strengthening programs of CCNLA. Table sponsorships begin at \$1500, and tickets are \$60 each



VBS VOLUNTEER TEAM MEETING

Volunteer team meetings will be June 7 and June 14 @ 6 pm – 8 pm. We will meet in the Luffey youth room. Bring your own supper; but desserts will be provided!

All volunteers will need to attend either June 7 or June 14, whichever date is most convenient for you. *You do not need to attend both team meetings.*

Team Meeting Agenda

- Go over safe environment rules for VBS.
- Discuss daily schedule, check in/out, group rosters.
- Discuss allergy list.
- Fill out all volunteer forms for emergency contact and allergy/medical information.
- Decorate/make props/make copies/gather remaining supplies for your station.
- Address any other volunteer questions.

DECORATE WITH US!

The decoration team will start decorating the two weeks before VBS. Decorating times are the following days and times:

Sunday, June 4 10:45 am – 12:30 pm
Monday, June 5 – Thursday, June 8 8:15 am – 1:45 pm
Sunday, June 11 10:45 am – 12:30 pm
Monday, June 12 – Thursday, June 15 8:15 am – 1:45 pm
Weekend before VBS: June 16,17,18 building can be opened as needed for volunteers.

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SUPPLY LIST – DONATIONS REQUESTED

Check out the VBS supply list in the church vestibule. Please pull some item cards, purchase, and donate if you can. Please bring all supplies back to the church vestibule or to the PSR office no later than June 14th. Thank you!



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.



The Catholic faith, rich with traditions and devotions, will embark on a three year Eucharistic Revival in the United States. The Diocese of Shreveport will offer events throughout 2022-2023 that will encourage growth in understanding and devotion to Christ in the Eucharist, complemented by online formation and resources that will raise up Eucharistic Missionaries at all levels of the Church. The first step is to increase our adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. It is through Eucharistic Adoration that we give thanksgiving to God for Christ's True Presence in our lives. Christ, in the Eucharist, is our very sustenance that we are reminded of in John 6:53 (NABRE): "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." To learn more about the Eucharist and the Eucharistic Revival, go to <https://www.dioshpt.org/eucharistic-revival> or scan the QR code below. Let's reenergize our faith and approach the throne of grace with clearer understanding of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Jesus, the Source and Summit of the faith, is calling each Catholic to come, adore, and experience his Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.



There is now a desktop computer station available in the Joe & Roger Luffey Youth Room that is designated for completing Virtus bulletins and Protecting God's Children online training. If you need internet access to complete your monthly Virtus bulletins, you are encouraged to use this computer station. Directions on how to set up your online account will be in a binder. All adults are highly encouraged to complete a Protecting God's Children session one time and then to stay up to date with the safe environment guidelines by completing a monthly bulletin through the online Virtus personal account.

Ahora hay una estación de computadora disponible en la Sala de Jóvenes Joe & Roger Luffey que está designada para completar los boletines de Virtus y la capacitación en línea de Proteger a los niños de Dios. Si necesita acceso a Internet para completar sus boletines mensuales de Virtus, le recomendamos que utilice esta estación informática. Las instrucciones sobre cómo configurar su cuenta en línea estarán en una carpeta. Se recomienda encarecidamente a todos los adultos que completen una sesión de Protección de los Hijos de Dios una vez y luego se mantengan al día con las pautas de ambiente seguro completando un boletín mensual a través de la cuenta personal en línea de Virtus.

Diocese of Shreveport
CAMP LITTLE FLOWER
A full week of fun at Camp Bethany in Bethany, LA!
Register Now!
We invite all kids aged 8-13 years old to join the much-awaited NEW summer camp by the Catholic Diocese of Shreveport!
FUN FILLED with swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, and more!
July 24-28 2023
Scan the QR code below to register!
Register for Camp online: www.dioshpt.org/camp-little-flower
Email us at camplittleflower@dioshpt.org OR email Fr. Raney at rjohnson@stmaryshreveport.org for more information!

SUMMER camps
AGES K3-8TH GRADE
AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS OFFERING A FULL LINEUP OF CAMPS THIS SUMMER OPEN TO ALL KIDS AGES K3 - 8TH GRADE
SCAN THE QR CODE TO SEE A FULL LIST OF CAMPS AVAILABLE AND TO REGISTER, OR VISIT SJSFALCONS.ORG/STUDENT-LIFE/#SUMMER_CAMPS
CAMP THEMES INCLUDE: COOKING ARCHERY and more!
SPORTS ART
DRAMA MYSTERY
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL EST. 1951



EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration

Weekly Adoration
Friday 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer. Mother Teresa



Piano Lessons

Evan Simon (985)789-0623
epsimon3652@gmail.com

DRE meeting in the Eastern Deanery

Location: June 1st at St. Paschal's in West Monroe

All catechists and anyone interested in being a parent volunteer or catechist is welcome to attend this meeting. It will be a good time to pray together, reflect, plan, and share. Lunch will be provided so please email Elise Reis at DRE@StThomasAquinasCatholicC877.onmicrosoft.com to request the RSVP link.

Novena for Corpus Cristi

The novena starts on June 2. Pick up a guide for the novena in the church vestibule. These are available in both English and Spanish.

Sophia Institute for Teachers – Summer Activities

A ready-to- use Sunday Gospel resource for June, July, and August.

Link: <https://sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/teaching-the-liturgical-year>

If you are looking for summer religious education activities for your family, download the free resources that go along with the weekly readings and liturgical year.

Adult Education

The group will continue to view the Angels video on June 4. Father Kevin will lead the *Book of Revelation from A Catholic Perspective* starting Sunday, June 11. The group will meet in the E. Donn Piatt Student Center at 10:45 am – 11:45 am on Sundays throughout the summer.

I S T R O P S E A D
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E O C I U L F R S E
J L I D C O H E H N
T F A V Y H R E I D
V A C A T I O N R G
W K J Z S H O R T S

Summer Fun!



Swimming	T-shirt
Sunny	Vacation
Holiday	Flowers
Shorts	Garden
Humid	Green
Sports	Heat



*There shall be eternal summer
in the grateful heart.*



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Dollar Lunch

The St. Thomas Aquinas Parish \$Lunch Program has wrapped up another successful year of feeding & serving our LA Tech Students! Thank you to all the teams that cooked & the countless volunteers that donated food, sent desserts & served in any way. With over 1700 meals served, we couldn't do it without you! We will be back again in the fall to continue this wonderful ministry! If you are interested in helping and would like to volunteer, please contact Christi Faulkner at 318-278-4904.



BEING CATHOLIC

at Louisiana Tech University



School's Out for Summer!



Mary Garden blooming in the spring to send off our students!

School is out for the summer! ACTS members will be going their own ways until we can meet up again in the fall. From Utah to Mississippi, we will have members working and living all over the U.S! We are sad to see our wonderful seniors leaving us this year but are hopeful for their futures and the chance to see them again soon!

Summer ACTStivities

Everyday:

* Summer Vacation

Orientation Sessions:

* June 7-9

* June 21-23

* July 12-14

* July 26-28

Back to School Events:

* 9/3 – College Mass

* 9/7 – Classes Begin

For more information, please visit: stac-acts.com

Job Openings

Catholic Center

The Diocese of Shreveport is looking to fill the following positions:

Director of Marriage & Family Life

Information Technology "IT" Technician

For more information, follow the link:

<https://www.dioshpt.org/job-opportunities>

Send resumes to:

Diocese of Shreveport

Attn: Human Resources

3500 Fairfield Ave

Shreveport, LA 71104

Or email Deacon Michael Straub at mstraub@dioshpt.org

The Diocese of Shreveport Child Nutrition Program is accepting applications for school foodservice workers. If you interested in applying for a position as a full-time cafeteria worker at JGS, please pick up an application at Jesus the Good Shepherd School's office, 900 Good Shepherd Drive, Monroe, LA or contact Sr. Ann Middlebrooks, SEC, at (318) 219-7297 or email amiddlebrooks@dioshpt.org

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH DIRECTOR

The Parish of St. Mary of the Pines is in the process of hiring a **Youth Director**. The Youth Group currently meets each Wednesday evening. In addition to these weekly youth group meetings I would also like the Youth Group to participate in fun trips away from the parish, Mission Trips and diocesan programming. Qualifications include experience and ability in working with High School students. The youth group leader will also form a parent support group to assist him/her in implementing the program. There will be a stipend paid every two weeks. Please send a resume to mwatson@stmaryshreveport.org. Please call the St. Mary of the Pines Church office at (318) 687-5121 in order to schedule an interview.

ORGANIST/ KEYBOARD POSITION

The Parish of St. Mary of the Pines is in the process of hiring an Organist/Keyboard Player to play at the Saturday Evening Mass at 4 pm. Qualifications include ability and experience in playing the Organ or Keyboard. The individual will be responsible for both choosing music which fits the Mass of the day and for practicing with a cantor. There will be a stipend paid for each Mass at which the musician plays. Please send a resume with musical education and experience with playing Organ/Keyboard, especially with church related musical experience, to mwatson@stmaryshreveport.org. Please call the St. Mary of the Pines Church office at (318) 687-5121 in order to schedule an interview.



Are you looking for something to do where you make a difference in people's lives? Volunteer at Mary's House – Friday mornings 8:30 – 12:30 as our receptionist. You'll be the first smiling face our patients meet, and you'll work with a great team of ladies on the same mission – to make a difference for moms and babies. Call L'Anne at Mary's House to find out more – 318-220-8009.