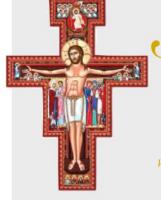
AUGUST 4TH, 2024 | 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Thomas Aquinas

ATHOLIC 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 (<i>Sept May</i>)

DAILY MASSES

Monday:	8:15AM
Tuesday:	8:15AM
Wednesday:	8:15AM & 8:00PM
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

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

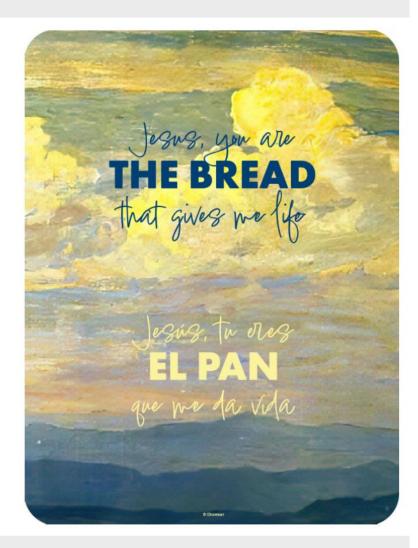
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Pastor **Parroquial Vicar**

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Business Manager Interim PSR Director President of Pastoral Council Chairman of Finance Council



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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August 2 nd	Paola Torres
August 3rd	Danny Nash
August 4th	Anna Kate Jackson
	Heidi Morphew
	Gilberto Espinoza, Jr.
	Elizabeth Salazar
	Seth Nichols
August 7th	Damian Nash
	Javier Ramirez
August 8th	Landry Tucker
August 10 th	Maria Elena Mendez
August 11th	Stephanie Viator
	Rosilynn Gillum
	George Smith
August 12th	Beth Buske
August 13th	Esma Smith
August 15 th	Almario Manlutac
August 16 th	Jonathan Roger
	Heather Jach
August 17 th	Jerry Drewett
August 18 th	Ginger Manuel
	Michael Gillum
	Jonathon Rodriguez
August 19 th	Ed Jacobs
	Karen Jacobs
August 20th	Cristina Mariano
ruguot 10	Fredy Lopez
	Nicole Hinton
August 21st	Theresa Nichols
ruguot 21	Allie Jo Martin
August 23rd	Leonardo Rodriguez
August 24 th	Trisha Pangilinan
	Jose Hernandez
August 25th	Traci Maier
	Frank Cordaro
	Merlene Morris
August 26th	Bill Tubre
	Carmen Bishop
	Kadie Frost
	Donna Serio
August 27th	Gene Mariano
	Larry Gomez
	Adriana Aviles-Vazquez
August 28th	Cynthia Murry
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	Eliza Rust
August 29th	Camilla Derosa
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August 20th	Thomas Hanna
August 30 th	Dale Brumett
A	Joseph St. Clair
August 31st	Ronald Barron
	Diana May
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THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 4th 9:30 AM 1:30 PM 7:00 PM

Monday, August 5th 7:30 AM - 8:00AM 8:15 AM 8:30 AM - 4:00PM 5:30 PM

Tuesday, August 6th 7:30 AM - 8:00AM 8:15 AM 8:30 AM - 4:00PM

Wednesday, August 7th 7:30 AM - 8:00AM 8:15 AM 8:30 AM - 4:00PM 6:00 PM - 8:00PM 8:00 PM

Thursday, August 8th 7:30 AM - 8:00AM 8:15 AM 8:30 AM - 4:00PM 6:00PM

Friday. August 9th 8:30 AM - 12:00PM 11:15 AM - 11:45AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM

Saturday, August 10th 3:30PM - 4:45AM 5:00 PM Sunday Mass Misa en Español NO Sunday Mass

NO Penance & Reconciliation NO Daily Mass Church Office Open Divine Mercy Chaplet

Penance & Reconciliation Daily Mass Church Office Open

Penance & Reconciliation Daily Mass Church Office Open STAY NO Mass

Penance & Reconciliation Daily Mass Church Office Open Choir Practice

Church Office Open Penance & Reconciliation Daily Mass Adoration

Penance & Reconciliation Vigil Mass

NO MONDAY DAILY MASS IN AUGUST. Normal Mass schedule will resume in September.





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a people rejoiced over the offerings, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord.

1 Chronicles 29:9

August 4th, 2024

Ministry Schedule

Saturday August 3rd 2024

Lectors: Samantha Groce, Tom Garza

EMHC: Bob Rorie, George Trevison

Altar Servers: Jack, Julie & Jessie Groce

Sunday August 4th, 2024

Lectors: Jim Martin, Ryan Freling

EMHC: Thomas Rogers, Emily Chartier, Mary Ghongkedze, Tom Bishop

Altar Servers: Maggie & Georgia Rogers, Ramona Bishop

Misa en español: Marichuy Torres, Kimberly Landaverde

Saturday August 10th 2024

Lectors: Chalotte Wilkerson, John Allen

EMHC: Trish Carter, Joan Mullens

Altar Servers: Cedric, Kevin & Peter Serio

Sunday August 11th, 2024

Lectors: Josie Bishop, Thomas Rogers

EMHC: Carol Mercier, Todd Wasson, Elaine Johnson, Paul Jackson

Altar Servers: Brad Denny, Liam Taylor, Elliott Frost

Misa en español: Abel Lainez, Dulce Aviles

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

July 27/28 General Sunday Collection \$4,180.00

Thank you for continued and generous support!



Altar flowers donated by Rhonda Reed in loving memory of Norleta & Gene Cresson

If you would like to donate flowers in the church, please call Marcie Tucker at (318)255-2870 for more information.



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

Patti Hooper Allen Quintana Atkins Miriam Bishop Jackie Bolden Frankie Career Bruce Cowan Judy Darcey Laurie Duvall Sean Dwyer Becky Ferrell Robert Frasier Mary Lou French Roxana Gamero Emmely Gay Bernice Harrison Harvey Hayes Maureen Hinton Charles Jacobs Karl Johnson Magnolia Johnson Jeffery Judice Mary Lanning Emily Landry

Chris Letendre Ken Martinez Tobie McKown Claudia Michel Leopoldo Michel Larry Miller Cynthia Murry Katherine Ned Don Olivier Matthew Reichert Tristen Roberts Pearline Robey Laura Leigh Saleese Jennie Schutte-Patrick Nicole Smith Polly Smith Tyler Sorrels Willie Tannerhill Karen Taylor Diane Theriot Pam Turner David & Kim St. John Kathleen "Kathy" Walter Janice Williams



Saturday August 3rd Samuel Hornsby + (by Ed & Karen Jacobs) Sunday August 4th Tom & Becky Garza (by Barbara Lewis) For the parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas Tuesday August 6th Billie Desser + (by Terry Buboltz) Thursday August 8th Oscar Hannibal + (by Gary & Selene Kennedy) Friday August 9th Anthony Martino + *(by George & Carmen Trevison)*

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/

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During the summer, after VBS has concluded, the Luffey gym and the smaller youth room are open for parishioners to reserve to use during regular office hours times. During office hours are the hours the doors are unlocked. The office manager, however is not babysitter or "in charge" of your chosen activity. All minors must have supervision. All events with minors must have two adults present to follow protecting God's children guidelines. The goal of activities should be St. Thomas Aquinas community building through shared interests or activities. Be prepared to share spaces: if one group is in the youth room, another might be in the gym. Label any food or drinks placed in the refrigerator. Wash dishes after use see and run a load of laundry if you use towels. Dump food trash, and sweep food or craft crumbs.

1. https://stthomasruston.shelbynextchms.com/ This link will allow you to log in to the calendar to sign up for a room or space. When you get logged in you can view the parish calendar.

2. All areas of the facility and bathrooms must be used with respect and cleaned up after use. Any after hours use requests should be made to the office. No children may be left unattended. "leave all areas better than when you arrived" is the goal.

3. If you would like to facilitate a regularly scheduled meeting/club or activity, make sure the office manager (Marcie Tucker) has okayed the space and time.

Ideas: walking club, yoga, crafts, crochet, knitting clubs, bible study, prayer group, and the like.

Use of church owned property such as basketball goals need brief instruction as to how to move them in the gym. They should be returned to their current place by the rolling door. The church owns two pickleball nets which also need instruction for use how to set up and return to closet.

If you would like to host an event or open time and need something announced, Marcie Tucker, Mindy Bryan or Marina Bishop can be contacted for sending messages to the parish.

Happy planning!



PSR Registration is Open!

Registration for Children: PSR registration for the 2024-2025 is OPEN. Please use the below QR code to register and pay (for books) for your child. Using this QR code, you are registering for classes on SUNDAY mornings. PSR will immediately follow 10:00am (Sunday morning) mass and be taught from 11:00am-12:00noon. Books this year are \$35 per child (no cap for families). If you have questions or need financial assistance, please contact Mindy Bryan (PSR Director) at 318-525-4906 or melinda@latech.edu.

Sunday Morning Volunteers: We will also be looking for a few volunteers to teach or substitute teach on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please contact Mindy at your earliest convenience.



Inscripciones para niños: Registro para el PSR para el curso 2024-2025 están ABIERTAS. Utilice el código QR a continuación para registrarse y pagar (por los libros) de su hijo. Con este código QR, se está registrando para las clases de los DOMINGOS por la mañana. PSR empezará inmediatamente después de la misa de las 10:00 a.m. (domingo por la mañana) y se será de 11:00 a.m. a 12:00 del mediodía. Los libros de este año cuestan \$35 por niño (sin límite para las familias). Si tiene preguntas o necesita asistencia financiera, comuníquese con Mindy Bryan (Directora de PSR) al 318-525-4906 o melinda@latech.edu

Use la cámara de su celular para escanear este código y registrar sus niños y pagar.



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On Wednesday Sandi Adams brought some crafting supplies to share with our youth. She provided for us a breakfast casserole and the yeast did some painting and visiting thank you for her generosity.



The Diocese of Shreveport hosted a retreat for Directors of Religious Education and Faith Formation. Thank you to all who participated! We love seeing all our hard-working parish representatives filling their spiritual cups to better share the Good News!!

Blood Dríve



Plan to join us Sunday August 25th, 2025 after 10:00 am Mass.

We will have a community brunch and welcome the new PSR school year!



St Thomas Aquinas Men's Club strives to create and foster a spirit of fellowship among our members. **Upcoming meeting August 14, 2024 at 6:00pm** All men are welcome! If you have any questions contact Joshua Adams (318)548-6686.



All women of St. Thomas Aquinas are invited to the Women's Guild meetings in the Luffey Center. Please join us for lunch and fellowship. If you are new to St. Thomas Aquinas parish, please know that we would love to meet you and welcome you to our church! For more information call or text Rhonda at 318.548.7127. **Bring a sack lunch**.

Upcoming meeting August 13 2024 at noon.

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Happy Summer

The 2023-2024 school year has wrapped up and many of our ACTS members have headed home for the summer. However, there is still lots happening at the center!

Throughout the summer, students will be coming and going for our freshman orientation sessions. At each of the four sessions, a new group of incoming freshmen will be visiting Louisiana Tech's campus to get a taste of college life. Current ACTS members will be setting up booths for freshman to visit. We appreciate your prayers as we work to spread the word of God and expand our community.

On August 31, Welcome Week will begin! Current ACTS members have been working hard to create fun activities to greet the freshmen. We will also be helping students move in during Dog Haul. We can't wait for another amazing year!

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

Summer ACTS tivities

Orientations:

June 5-7 June 19 – 21 July 10-12 July 24-26

Dog Haul: Aug 31- Sept 6

Welcome Week: Starts Aug 31



LINCOLN ROTARY CLUB

SUMMER COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE 2024

pre-packed bags at Super I Ruston for purchase all bags will go to CCA please help us with this on-going summer food drive CCA Needs Your Help

please buy a bag and place in the bin at Super I Foods Lincoln Rotary members will deliver all bags to CCA Thanks in Advance!

Pictured is Victoria Sullivan, Lincoln Rotary President along with some of the club members delivering a load of purchased bags to CCA and Stephanie Matthews, Director of CCA.





Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The Gospel tells us "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." By "listening" we are able to live the gospel. Gospel living is something so simple as taking the time to listen to those who need to spill out their hearts when seeking help. Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you enable the members of the Society to become a "listening heart" to the hungry, the homeless and the struggling poor.

Décimo Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:

En el Evangelio de hoy los discípulos piden por una señal, como el pan que Moisés había recibido en el desierto. Jesús les dice que Él es el verdadero Pan de vida. Por medio de tu regalo a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl, haces posible que los miembros de la Conferencia Parroquial de SSVP, le traigan pan al hambriento como signo del amor de Dios.



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With thanksgiving to God, the Diocese of Shreveport joyfully announces the acceptance of two new seminarians. Please join us in praying for our newest seminarians, Brett Reggio and Alan Landeros. Brett and Alan will enter seminary in August, God willing.

Brett currently resides in San Antonio, TX but grew up in Haughton. While living in Haughton he was a parishioner at St. Pius X. He graduated from LA Tech and served in the United States Air Force.

Alan currently resides in Bossier City. He and his family are parishioners of St. Mary of the Pines. Alan graduated from Parkway High School this May.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 4, 2024

"The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven." Reflect upon the sacred nature of the divine bread and contemplate if He is calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to Director of Vocations

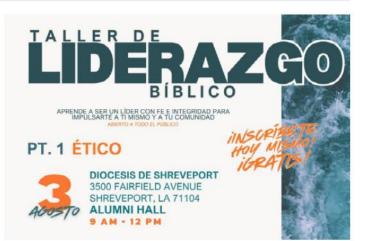
Father Raney Johnson at rjohnson@sjbcathedral.org



Decimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario – 4 de agosto de 2024

"El pan de Dios es el que desciende del cielo". Reflexiona sobre la naturaleza sagrada del pan divino y contempla si Él te está llamando al sacerdocio o a la vida consagrada. Hable con su sacerdote o comuníquese con la Father Raney Johnson Oficina de Vocaciones por correo electrónico:

rjohnson@sjbcathedral.org





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2024 Catholic Service Appeal Report

Parish and Location	Parish ID	# of Parish Families	# of Families Participating 2024 (to date) 52	Participation Percentage	2024 Parish Goal		Account Piedged 3034 (In date) \$6,612	% Coel Pledged	Amount Contributed 2024 55,812
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St. Joseph, Bastrop	8	83	14	17%	5	9,000	\$3,180	35.3%	\$2,830
Mary, Queen of Peace	10	322	81	24%	5	69,000	\$55,530	80.5%	\$50,540
Christ the King - Bossler City	11	435	58	3.4%	\$	28,000	\$16,855	60.2%	\$14,060
St. Jude Church - Bossler City	12	1,094	196	18%	5	144,000	\$82,406	57.2%	\$70,101
St. Ann, Elizeb	25	84	30	MN	.5	17,000	\$10,375	61.0%	\$8,145
St. Benedict the Black	31	26	6	23%	5	3,000	5950	31.7%	\$850
St. Lucy - Hudge	33	48	10	21%	\$	12,000	\$4,200	35.0%	\$4,075
St. Margaret, Homer	34	21	12	57%	\$	12,000	\$4,965	41.4%	\$1,315
R. Patrick - Lake Providence	36	50	-11	22%	5	9,000	\$5,075	20.4N	\$4,975
St. Joseph, Mansfield	41	- 97	36	37%	\$	70,000	\$28,497	40.7%	\$19,927
R. John the Baptist - Many	44	360	37	23%	5	23,000	\$15,098	65.6%	512,200
St. Terence	45	54		15%	\$	6,000	\$4,325	72.3%	\$4,250
Blessed Sacrament, Ringgold	46	19	6	32%	s	3,000	\$1,250	41.7%	\$1,250
St. Paul - Minden	47	80	19	24%	5	14,000	\$4,270	30.5%	\$3,145
lesus the Good Shephend	48	600	100	18%	\$	91,000	\$68,833	75.6K	\$65,202
Little Flower of Jesus	49	145	32	22%	s	5,000	\$4,360	87.2%	\$3,640
Our Lady of Patima	50	182	32	185	\$	27,000	\$19,255	71.3%	\$19,150
9. Matthew	52	383	44	15%	\$	36,000	\$13,400	37.2%	\$12,775
Sacred Heart, Clak Grove	58	55	7	13%	5	3,000	\$775	25.8%	\$775
St. Theresa - Delhi	55	27	2	75	8	5,000	\$600	20.0%	\$600
St. George, Coushatta	62	30	14	47%	5	12,000	58,540	69.5%	58.050
Sacred Heart, Rayville	64	40	Ģ	15%	5	6,000	\$1,190	19.8%	\$1,090
St. Thomas Aguinas - Buston	65	267	34	19%	5	32,000	\$20,210	63.2%	518,785
soly Trinity	68	675	77	115	5	75,000	\$54,128	72.2%	547,983
Our Lady of the Bicased Sacrament	60	340	28	20%	\$	11,000	\$5,920	53.0%	\$4,640
Sacred Heart of Jesus - Shreveport	70	132	40	305	s	13.000	58,638	86.4%	57,888
Cathedral of St. John Derchmans	72	645	123	19%	5	189,000	\$104,377	35.2%	582,867
St. Joseph Church - Shreveport	73	729	184	25%	\$	240,000	\$195,768	56.6N	\$115,76
St. Mary of the Pines	74	714	98	14%	5	55,000	\$54,224	62.2%	527,619
0t. Pisas X	75	152	58	88%	\$	34,000	\$22,290	65.6%	\$18,250
St. Clement - Visian	82	44	19	435	s	11,000	\$5,785	52.4%	54.290
R. Paschal - West Monroe	83	409	80	17%	\$	59,000	\$35,897	67.7%	\$31.515
St. Joseph, Zwolle	86	636	119	19%	5	80,000	\$50,630	63.3%	587,240
R. Lawrence - Swartz	90	73	7	275	5	5,000	5675	13.5%	\$675
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	91	182	14	254	8	9,000	\$3,545	35.4%	\$2,795
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	93	913	166	185	5	176,000	\$117,787	66.9%	\$108.42
R. Ann, Stonewall	94	110	20	185	5	15,000	\$7,200	48.0%	\$5,350
TOTAL (DIOCESE)		9,960	1.873	19%	1.	1,600,000	\$967,345	60.5%	\$823.94



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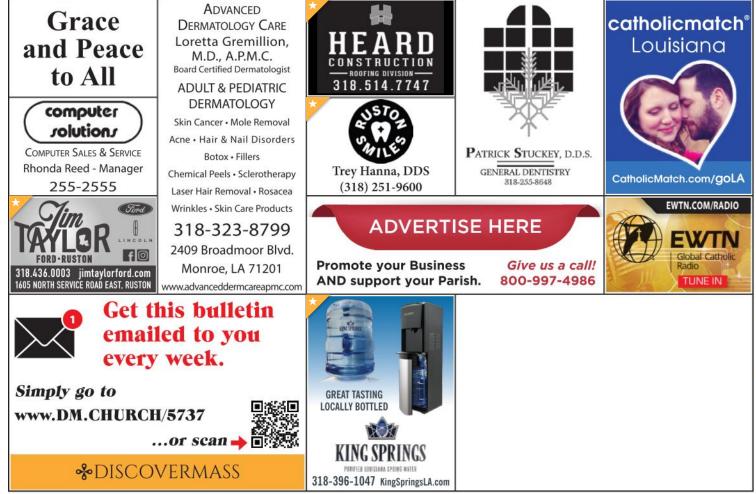
Whether you're coping with the death of a parent or grandparent ... a spouse ... a child ... a relative ... or a close friend ... we invite you to come and be comforted through a unique support group here at JGS entitled SEASONS OF HOPE. This program, rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God's consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing of faith. We will meet every Thursday beginning September 12 for six weeks from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Call the Church Office (318-325-7549) for further information or to sign up.



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