FEBRUARY 9TH, 2025 | 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Thomas Aquinas Ruston CATHOLIC CHURCH & STUDENT CENTER

St. Lucy Hodge

The Diocese of Shreveport

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00PM Vigil Sunday: 8:30 AM (Hodge)

10:00AM

1:30PM (Spanish) 7:00PM (*Sept. - May*)

DAILY MASSES - RUSTON

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 Friday 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM Saturday: 3:30PM to 4:45PM

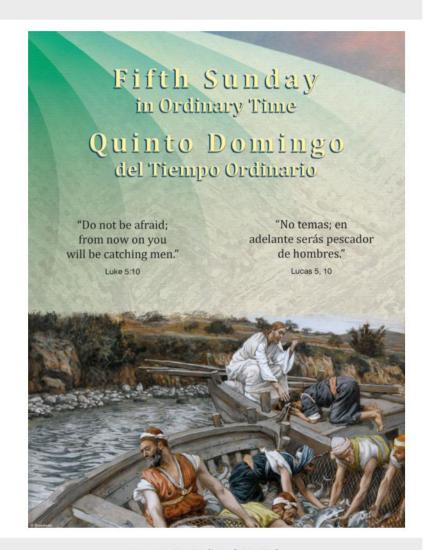
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NEW PARISHIONERS

"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.

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<u>February 1st</u> Michael Hinton - Jackie Duos

February 2nd Libby Manning - Aylmer Rainwater

February 3rd Hattie Katherine Broussard

February 4th Jessica Johnson - Lesbia Lizeth Maradiaga

<u>February 6th</u> Iris Reis - Kaijha Stewart

February 5th Evelyn Burson

February 7th Ralph Pettijohn - Francisco Negrete

Audrey Skinner

February 8th Charlie Rogers - Cathy Riggin

February 9th Christi Faulkner - Martin Aviles

Dawna Keys

February 11th Charles Stanfield - Reed Allen

February 12th Margaret Stanton - Roan Sutherland

Britney Aguirre - Gail Lindsey

February 13th Matthew Bryan

February 15th Roland Baudioin

February 17th Elizabeth Rodriguez - Karen Newsome

February 18th Margie Strickler

February 19th Melissa Hernandez

February 20th Linda Viator - Samantha Shuff

February 21st Jesus Salazar - AJ Trevison

Russell Woodard - Romona Vidrine

February 22nd Gwen Barron - Michelle McCumber

<u>February 25th</u> Mary Kate Cortez - Cesario Gonzalez

<u>February 28th</u> Edgar Nunez - Brandy Sadler

If I've missed your birthday, please email me at

starbulletin@suddenlinkmail.com o that I can add you to the master list.



THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 9th

8:30 AM Sunday Mass (Hodge) 10:00 AM Sunday Mass 1:30 PM Misa en Español 7:00 PM Sunday Mass

Monday, February 10th

7:30 AM - 8:00 AM Penance & Reconciliation

8:15 AM Daily Mass

8:30 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open 5:30 PM - 6:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet

Tuesday, February 11th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM Penance & Reconciliation

8:15 AM Daily Mass

8:30 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open

Wednesday, February 12th

7:30 AM - 8:00 AM Penance & Reconciliation

8:15 AM Daily Mass

8:30 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open

11:30AM - 1:00 PM Dollar Lunch

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM STAY

8:00 PM Student Mass

Thursday, February 13th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM Penance & Reconciliation

8:15 AM Daily Mass

8:30 AM - 4:00PM Church Office Open

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM OCIA

Friday, February 14th

8:30 AM - 12:00PM Church Office Open

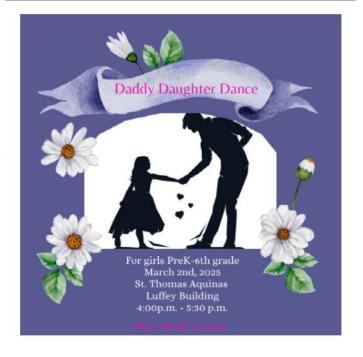
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM Penance & Reconciliation

12:00 PM Daily Mass 6:00 PM Adoration

Saturday, February 15th

3:30PM - 4:45AM Penance & Reconciliation

5:00 PM Vigil Mass





Saturday February 8th 2025

Lectors: Charlotte Wilkerson, Dolly Hurtig

EMHC: Bob Rorie, Slade Richard Altar Servers: Jessie & Julie Groce Ushers: Josh Adams, Slade Richard

Sunday February 9th, 2025

Lectors: Josie Bishop, Frank Reger

EMHC: Gary Kennedy, Jim Martin, Elaine Johnson, Paul Jackson

Altar Servers: Brennan, Matthew & Anna Kate Jackson Misa en español: Ana Ambrosio, Gabriel de la Cruz

Ushers: The Rogers

Saturday February 15th 2025

Lectors: Katherine Austin, John Allen EMHC: Joan Mullens, Bob Rorie

Altar Servers: Cedric Serio, Mary Virginia Adams

Ushers: Dolly Hurtig, Benny Grafton

Sunday February 16th 2025

Lectors: Paul Jackson, Sheila Mariano

EMHC: Emily Chartier, Mary Ghongkedze, Jim Martin, Chris Kennedy

Altar Servers: Ramona Bishop, Maggie & Georgia Rogers Misa en español: Marichuy Torres, Veronica Ramirez

Ushers: The Nashes



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

Joshua Adams Kim Lowe Mallary Adams Ken Martinez Patti Hooper Allen Tobie McKown Carol Mercier Laloni Amos Quintana Atkins Larry Miller Miriam Bishop Sue Moreland Jackie Bolden Katherine Ned Frankie Career Odi Okeke Donald Colvin Don Olivier Gerald Cosentino Breck Owens Bruce Cowan Matthew Reichert Judy Darcey Tristen Roberts Butch Doiron Pearline Robey Laurie Duvall Laura Leigh Saleese Becky Ferrell Hudson Smith Robert Frasier Nicole Smith Mary Lou French Polly Smith **Emmely Gay** Eloise Solis Donald Guillote Tyler Sorrels Willie Tannerhill Bernice Harrison Harvey Hayes Karen Taylor Johnnie Hogan Diane Theriot Connie Howard David & Kim St. John Charles Iacobs Kathleen "Kathy" Walter Janice Williams Karl Johnson

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY February 1/2

General Sunday Collection \$6,879.00

Thank you for continued and generous support!



Altar flowers

Flores del altar donadas por Angel y Maria Ventura en memoria de Gabriel Ventura

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



Saturday, February 8th For the parishioners of St. Thomas

Aquinas

Sunday, February 9th Theresa Robinson

(Mary Jane Allen)

Kelly Williams

Rodney Wood

Monday, February 10th Breck Owens

Magnolia Johnson

Jeffery Judice

(by Gabby & Russell Woodard)

Tuesday, February 11th Breck Owens

(by Gabby & Russell Woodard)

Wednesday, February 12th Cyro S Lampo

(by Phyllis Lampo)

Thursday, February 13th Breck Owens

(by Gabby & Russell Woodard)

Friday, February 14th Breck Owens

(by Gabby & Russell Woodard)

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/

PSR News

PSR for Dates for February - May, 2025:

- February 9th: PSR all grades (Confession during PSR)
- February 16th: No PSR Lincoln Parish Schools out for Presidents Day.
- February 23rd: PSR all grades (Confirmation Retreat Year 1 Team Building)
- March 2nd: PSR all gradesMarch 9th: PSR all grades
- · March 16th: NO PSR Spring Break
- March 23rd: PSR all grades
- March 30th: PSR all grades
- · April 6th: PSR all grades
- April 13th: PSR all grades
- April 20th: NO PSR Easter
- April 27th: PSR all grades
- May 4th: PSR all grades (Confirmation Retreat Year 2)
- May 11th: May Picnic (End of the Year PSR Celebration) or Last day of PSR (2nd grade excluded).

Save the Dates

- First Holy Communion: Saturday, May 10th during the 9:00pm Mass (Remember practice that morning 9:00 am).
- · Confirmation: Saturday, May 17th during the 5:00pm Mass.

Upcoming Deadlines for Confirmation

- Turn your sponsorship form in your teacher/DRE if you have not.
- Time to choose a Saint & work on Saint paper new deadline for Saint paper February 16th.





Camp Little Flower is a summer camp for youth organized by the Diocese of Shreveport. Our mission is to provide families with the opportunity to experience a Catholic outdoor education and recreation program in North Louisiana.

Campers aged 8 to 13

June 23 - 27, 2025

Scottsville Camp

400 Harkins Lane

Marshall, TX 75672

Contact Information:

If you have any questions, please email us at camplittleflower@dioshpt.org or rjohnson@sjbcathedral.org.

Refund Policy:

100% Refund if canceled 60 days or more prior to the camp 50.% Refund if canceled between 59 and 30 days prior to the camp. No Refund if canceled 29 days or less before the camp.

If you are unable to cover the full amount for one camper or multiple campers, please email us at camplittleflower@dioshpt.org to inquire about camperships for financial assistance. If the camp is fully booked, please contact us to be placed on the waitlist. Camp Little Flower Registration Fee 1 \$125.00.

https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/c529f830-e5c9-4900-b24c-b0f9ce22ade0





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.



Leace Makers Sewing Club

All are welcome to join us as we sew with a mission. All items made will be donated (baby items, pillow cases and rosary bags. Donations will be made to Mary's House, DART and NIC unit.

Luffey Catholic Life Center Youth Room 9:15 am - noon. For more information call Cathey Barron (318) 548-3097, Sandi Adams (318) 245-0832. Weekly meetings Thursday

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 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!





A.C.T.S stands for for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. These four themes are the focus of activities for the three-day retreats, which are patterned after the description of the early church in Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47: "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to communal life, to the breaking of bread and to prayers...And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

The February 2025 Men's ACTS Retreat Registration is now open.

The retreat date is February 20-23 at Maryhill Retreat Center.

For any questions, please give me a call. John Matherne 318-376-7496



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All women of St. Thomas Aguinas 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 Aguinas 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. Lunch provided for a \$5.00 donation.

Upcoming meeting February 11 2025 at noon.

Do not be afraid; FROM NOW ON YOU WILL BE CATCHING MEN.



St Thomas Aguinas Men's Club strives to create and foster a spirit of fellowship among our members. All men are welcome! If you have any questions contact Joshua Adams (318)548-6686. Upcoming meeting February 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm.



Happy Sunday everyone! We hope you all had a great first week of February. Our ACTS members are doing their best to stay warm as it is still pretty chilly here in Ruston.

At the student center, our members are participating in lots of activities. Last week, students hosted our monthly Hospitality Dinner.

This week, students will be busy again at the center. We will again be hosting Dollar Lunch, several meetings, and a Bingo Night social!

Bingo Night will be Saturday, 2/15 at 6:00pm. All students and parishioners are encouraged to attend. Dinner and prizes will be provided so bring your best game! We would love to see you at any of our events! Please pray for our students as they work hard through winter quarter. Have a great week!



Winter ACTStivities

Feb 10 – General Body Meeting 6pm

Feb 12 – Dollar Lunch 11:30-1:00pm

Simple House meeting 6pm

Feb 14 - Adoration 6pm

Feb 15 – Bingo Night 6pm



ST. LUCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Intentions Sunday February 9th

Geneva Nomey (by Ike & Sue Nomey)

For the parishioners of St. Lucy

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

Lectors

February 9 - Rachel Cheatwood February 16 - Randy Buller February 23 - Mary Cryer March 2 - Chuck Allen

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

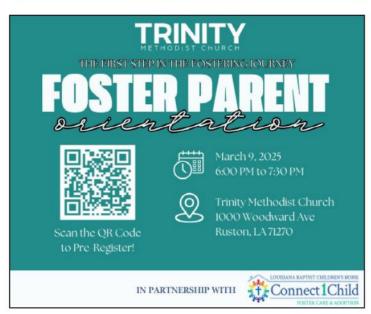
Kathy Allen Chuck Allen Mary Cryer Randy Buller Rachel Cheatwood

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STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY February 2 TBA

General Sunday Collection **TBA**

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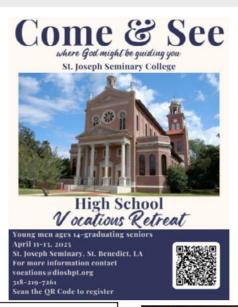






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NOWELA Chapter Meal

Saturday, March 8, 2025, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. @ The Catholic Center, Speaker: Dani Laurion

Come here Dani's story about the power of prayer and of not one but the two miracles she received at a parish mission for healing!

Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Please purchase your ticket by mailing a check with each attendees name and email address to:

> Magnificat NOWELA Chapter Mail to: P.O. Box 4293, Shreveport, LA 71134 For questions contact Sandy at: 318-222-0007



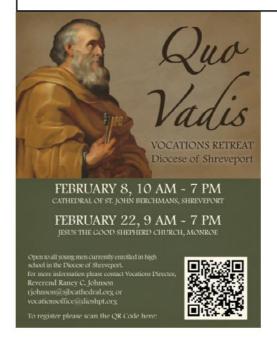


Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 9, 2025

World Marriage Day & National Marriage Week

"They left everything and followed him." (Luke 5:11)
As we celebrate World Marriage Day, we honor the beauty and commitment of married couples who follow Christ together. Just as the apostles left behind their former lives to follow Jesus, couples are called to embrace their vocation of marriage with faith and trust, journeying together toward holiness. Take this opportunity to renew your marriage vows in your heart.







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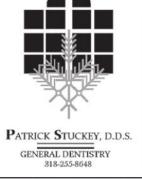
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