

MARCH 30TH, 2025 | 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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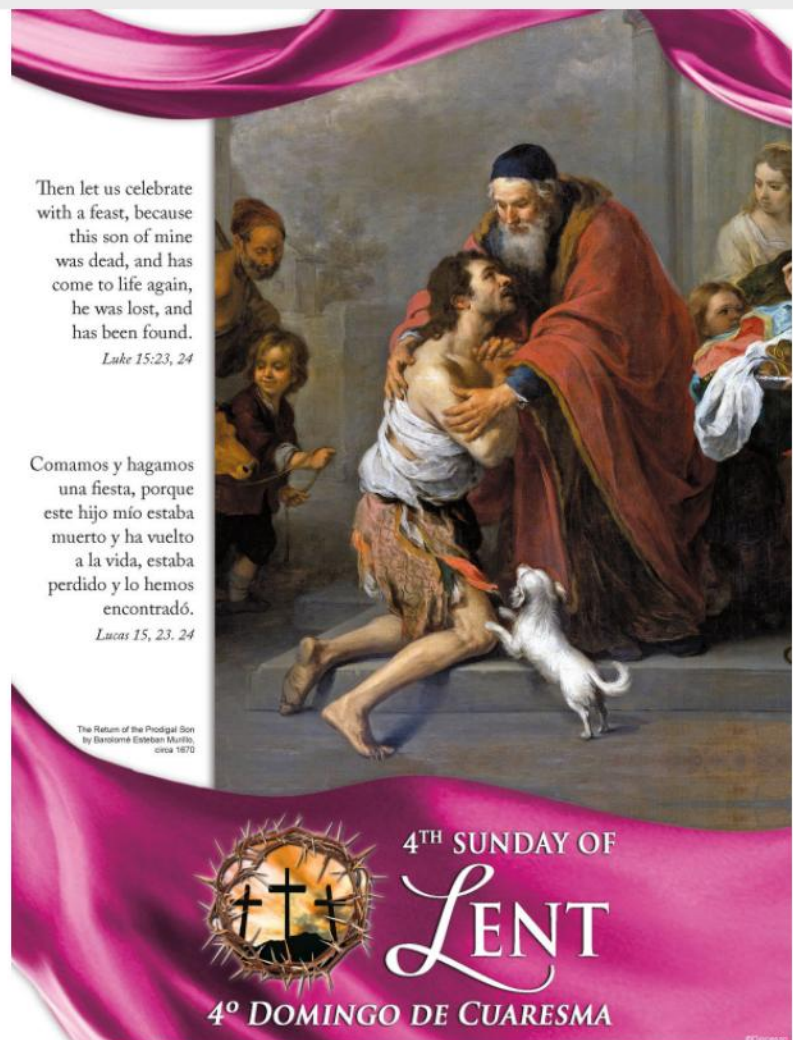
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“May the Church be a place of God’s mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the Church must be with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

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**April 1st**

Robert Ransom
Beverly Raymond
Cristopher Perez
Trey Martin

April 2nd

Karley Broussard

April 3rd

Ilda Ajanel Solis
Elliott Frost
Barbara Ramos
Cedric Serio
Camila Carranza
Joshua Bourgeois
James Ethan Williams

April 4th

Richard Hooper
Bill Schodlatz

April 5th

Teresa Richard
Teresa Buboltz
Wade Watson
Saul Salazar

April 6th

Marlene Nammour

April 7th

Brandon Parrie

April 8th

John Serio
Emmanuel Gomez

April 9th

Lexie Keys

April 12th

Braydyn Lopez

April 14th

Hannah-Claire Bryan

April 15th

Jimmy Shuff

April 16th

Tony Jurkus
Julia Guerrero

April 18th

Patricia Plata
Paige Denny
Julie Richard

April 19th

Sofia Carranza

April 20th

Gracie Frederick

April 21st

Margie Skipper
Taylor Coulter
Hudson St. Clair

April 22nd

Jonathan Lopez

April 23rd

Sofia Ulloa
Jorge Aguirre

April 25th

Sharon Pettijohn

April 27th

Carol Mercier

April 28th

Bailey Reger

April 29th

Mallory Taylor

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

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that I can add you to the master list.

THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**Sunday, March 30th**

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

Monday, March 31st

7:30 AM - 8:00AM	Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM	Daily Mass
8:30AM - 4:00PM	Church Office Open
5:30 PM - 6:00PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet

Tuesday, April 1st

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

Wednesday, April 2nd

7:30 AM - 8:00AM	Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM	Daily Mass
8:30AM - 4:00PM	Church Office Open
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Dollar Lunch
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	S.T.A.Y.
8:00 PM	Mass

Thursday, April 3rd

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, April 4th

8:00 AM - 12:00PM	Church Office Open
11:15 AM - 11:45AM	Penance & Reconciliation
12:00 PM	Daily Mass
6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross & Adoration

Saturday, April 5th

3:30PM - 4:45PM	Penance & Reconciliation
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Diocesan Youth Summit (Shreveport)

LENT: PRAYING, FASTING,
ALMSGIVING

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SCHEDULE**

LEADERS

YOUTH & FAMILIES [MARCH 7 6PM](#)

MEN OF PARISH [MARCH 14 6PM](#)

WOMEN'S GUILD [MARCH 21 6PM](#)

OCIA [MARCH 28 6PM](#)

PSR [APRIL 4 6PM](#)

CATHOLIC BULLDOGS [APRIL 11 6PM](#)

HISPANIC COMMUNITY [APRIL 18 3PM](#)
[BILINGUAL](#)

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS RUSTON



**Saturday, March 29, 2025****Lectors:** Charlotte Wilkerson, Tom Garza**EMHC:** Joan Mullens, Slade Richard**Altar Servers:** Cedric Serio, Mary Virginia Adams**Ushers:** Josh Adams, V. Sae**Sunday, March 30, 2025****Lectors:** Paul Jackson, Josie Bishop**EMHC:** Todd Wasson, Elaine Johnson, Tom Bishop, Jim Martin**Altar Servers:** Hannah, Brooklynn & Olivia Bryan**Misa en español:** Emelina Lopez, Karin Lopez**Ushers:** The Nashes**Saturday, April 5, 2025****Lectors:** Tom Garza, Larry Mullens**EMHC:** Slade Richard, Joan Mullens**Altar Servers:** Jessie & Julie Groce**Ushers:** Dolly Hurtig, Benny Grafton**Sunday, April 6, 2025****Lectors:** Frank Reger, Jim Martin**EMHC:** Gary Kennedy, Todd Wasson, Tom Bishop, Emily Chartier**Altar Servers:** Matthew & Anna Kate Jackson**Misa en español:****Ushers:** Brad Denny, Jack Groce

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

Joshua Adams
Mallary Adams
Patti Hooper Allen
Laloni Amos
Quintana Atkins
Miriam Bishop
Jackie Bolden
Frankie Career
Donald Colvin
Bruce Cowan
Judy Darcey
Butch Doiron
Laurie Duvall
Becky Ferrell
Robert Frasier
Mary Lou French
Marty Gallagher
Emmely Gay
Donald Guillote
Ronnie Harris
Bernice Harrison
Harvey Hayes
Johnnie Hogan
Connie Howard
Charles Jacobs
Karl Johnson
Magnolia Johnson
Jeffery Judice

Mary Lanning
Kim Lowe
Ken Martinez
Tobie McKown
Carol Mercier
Larry Miller
Sue Moreland
Katherine Ned
Don Olivier
Breck Owens
Matthew Reichert
Tristen Roberts
Pearline Robey
Laura Leigh Saleese
Hudson Smith
Nicole Smith
Polly Smith
Eloise Solis
Tyler Sorrels
Willie Tannerhill
Karen Taylor
Diane Theriot
David & Kim St. John
Kathleen "Kathy" Walter
Janice Williams
Kelly Williams
Rodney Wood



STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

MARCH 22 & 23

General Sunday Collection TBA

Thank you for continued and generous support!**Saturday, March 29th**Carol A. Dumont +
(by Phyllis Lampo)**Sunday, March 30th**

For the parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas

Monday, March 31stVita Lauga +
(by Roland & Lolita Baudoin)**Thursday, April 3rd**

Andrew Johnson

Friday, April 4th

Victor Gutierrez

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:

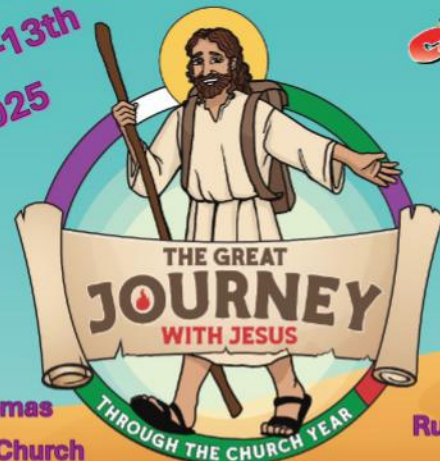
- March 30th: PSR all grades
- April 6th: PSR all grades
- April 13th: PSR all grades
- April 20th: **NO PSR - Easter**
- April 27th: PSR all grades
- May 4th: PSR all grades (**Confirmation Retreat - Year 2**)
- May 11th: PSR all grades except First Holy Communion class
- May 18th: **NO PSR / May Picnic / End of the Year Celebration**

Save the Dates

- First Holy Communion: **Saturday, May 10th during the 5:00pm Mass** (Remember practice that morning - 10:00 am).
- Confirmation: **Saturday, May 17th during the 5:00pm Mass.** Confirmation practice on Wednesday, May 14th at 6:00pm.
- Vacation Bible School: **VBS will be the week of June 9-13, 2025**, at the St. Thomas Luffey Center from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Registration to follow.

ARE YOU EXCITED?

June 9-13th
2025



St. Thomas
Catholic Church

Ruston, LA

SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS

DYS '25



Saturday, April 5, 2025

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

3500 Fairfield Ave. Shreveport

Keynote Speaker

Musical Artist



Kathleen Higgins



Josh Blakesley

Register with your parish youth minister

All youth at St. Thomas and St. Lucy 7-12th are invited. Please email Marina Bishop at bishopmg@gmail.com or text (504)940-8997 with names and contact information to get registered.



St. Thomas Youth

Come be a part of the Catholic youth community in Ruston.
Wednesday gathering begins at 5:30, dinner at 6. Meeting till 7:30

6-12TH
GRADES

FOOD, GAMES,
SMALL GROUPS



Peace 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!



Fourth Sunday of Lent

This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

If you are in need of assistance, please leave us a message on our hotline #318-255-8090 or fill out a request form: <https://form.jotform.com/242107582082048>. Please note this number is a voicemail box not a regular phone line, and when we contact you over the phone it will typically be from a blocked number.

St. Thomas Parish Council
invites you to the annual

FAMILY PICNIC GATHERING

05. 18. 2025

11 AM | ST. THOMAS GROUNDS

More Information to Follow

**CULTIVATING THE GARDEN OF YOUR SOUL
WOMEN'S LENTEN DAY
OF REFLECTION**

Offered by **Robin Hebert**
Spiritual Director, Diocese of Lafayette

EVENT DETAILS
April 12, 2025 | 8am - 2pm
Holy Angels | 10450 Ellerbe Road, Shreveport

EVENT INFORMATION
Make plans to join us for a series of reflective talks and music by Sarah Joubert and the Holy Angels Choir. Light breakfast and lunch included.

Seating is limited, register today.
Early bird registration now through 3/31: \$30
Registration 4/1 - 4/11: \$35



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Happy Sunday everyone! We hope you all had a great week. Our Catholic Bulldogs are well into the new Spring quarter and are keeping busy!

It is now the fourth week of Lent and our Catholic Bulldogs are working hard to grow in their faith. Last weekend many of our students went on a pilgrimage to the Blessed Stanley Rother shrine in Oklahoma City. Thank you for keeping them in your prayers as they traveled.

Our next upcoming event is the campus wide Big Event. For this event, many of our students will be working in the community or on campus to clean yards, rake leaves, pick up trash, and more. This is a great way for any student to help out their community.

Have a great week, we will see you again soon!

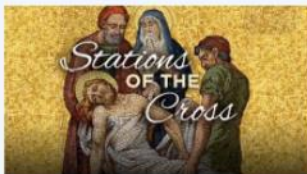
Important Dates

April 2 – Girls' & Guys Groups
6pm

April 4 – Stations of the Cross
6pm

April 5 – Big Event

April 6 – Hospitality Dinner 8pm



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1100 S. Second St., PO Box 100, Hodge, LA 71247 **Penance**

& Reconciliation: By request before Mass Web:

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Mass Intentions

Sunday March 30th

Elisha James

(by Mimi & Rex Johnson)

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

March 30 - Rex Johnson

April 6 - Rachael Cheatwood

April 13 - Mary Cryer/ Chuck Allen

April 17 Rex Johnson/ Rachael Cheatwood

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Kathy Allen Chuck Allen

Mary Cryer Randy Buller

Rachel Cheatwood

Bill Traina

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

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Thank you for continued and generous support!

We Are HIRING

Assistant Director

Requirements :

- Minimum Bachelor's Degree in Mental Health or Administrative Field
- 2+ Years in Helping Profession
- Ability to Provide Leadership in a Dynamic Environment
- Demonstrated Ability to Organize & Execute Events
- Strong Public Speaking Skills
- Excellent Communication and Organizational Skills
- Willingness to Work in Non-profit Development
- Committed Christ Follower

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

10:00 AM April 13 | Palm Sunday

7:00 PM April 17 | Holy Thursday

7:00 PM April 18 | Good Friday

8:00 PM April 19 | Easter Vigil



10:00 AM April 20 | Easter Sunday



Jubilee OF YOUTH

Embark on a Pilgrimage to Italy with the Department of Multicultural Ministries!

The Diocese of Shreveport invites you to celebrate the Jubilee Year of 2025 with an unforgettable pilgrimage to Italy alongside thousands of young adults to rediscover the beauty of our Catholic faith!

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High School Come and See Retreat

The Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows

The Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows invite you to a vocations discernment retreat filled with prayer, reflection, and sisterhood. Open to high school-aged young ladies in the Diocese of Shreveport.

April 5 at 8:30 am - April 6 at 3 pm



Scan the QR Code to Register!
For more information, contact Sister AnnaMaria at annamariampda@yahoo.com or vocations@dioshpt.org

Come & See

where God might be guiding you

St. Joseph Seminary College



High School Vocations Retreat

Young men ages 14-graduating seniors
April 11-13, 2025
St. Joseph Seminary, St. Benedict, LA

For more information contact vocations@dioshpt.org
318-219-7261

Scan the QR Code to register



BINGO ON THE DELTA MAY 2, 2025

Join Catholic Charities of North Louisiana for a night of bingo, raffles, and fun to benefit the Northeast Louisiana community!

FRIDAY, MAY 2

DOORS OPEN: 5:30 | DINNER: 6:30

TOWER PLACE BALLROOM - 1500 N 19th St, Monroe

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AT CCNLA.ORG/DELTA

Camp LITTLE FLOWER

Join Us for a week of Faith, Fun, and Friendship!



JUNE 23-27, 2025

Scottsville Camp in Marshall, Texas

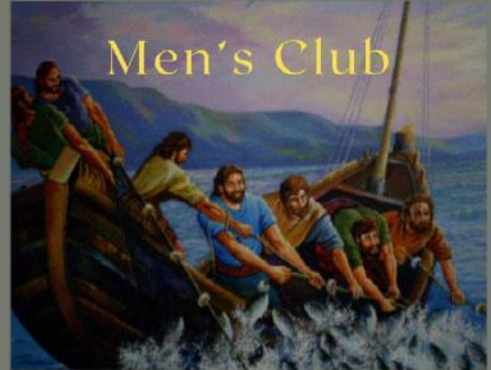
For Ages 8 - 13

For more info, scan the QR code to be taken to our website!

<https://www.dioshpt.org/camp-little-flower>



Men's Club



All men of the parish are invited to Men's Club, which meets every third Monday of the month in the Luffey Center at 6 pm. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 5:30 pm, then join the men for food and fellowship.

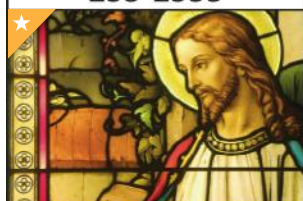


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