

MAY 18TH, 2025 | 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 (**St. Lucy-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

STAFF/TELEPHONE EXT.

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Fr. Charles Ssenynyondo

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Deacon Robert Ransom

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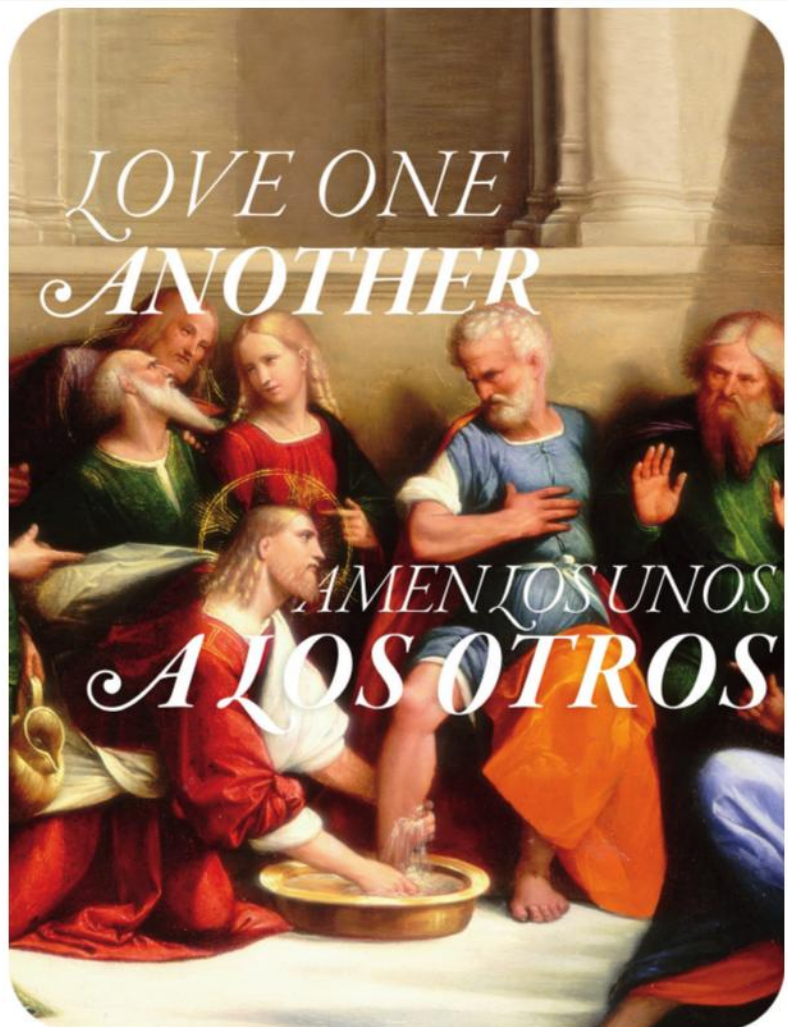
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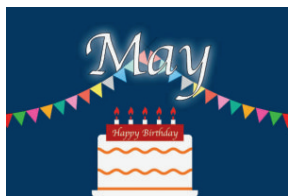


NEW PARISHIONERS

“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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**May 1st**

Karyn Lopez
Emelina Lopez

May 2nd

Samantha Groce
Abraham Priego

May 3rd

Gracie Barrientos

May 4th

Rel Gray

May 5th

Nancy Roger

May 7th

Amanda Serio
Juana Turrubiarres
Sheila Gonzalez

May 9th

Ryan Colvin
Erin Rabb
Thurston Allen
Jovanni Navarro Rodriguez
Alex Lainez
Virginia Danna
Martha Carey

May 10th

Leonor Garcia
Smith Gillum
Edith Gonzalez

May 11th

Daniela Derosa

May 12th

Steven Shuff

May 13th

Don Traina

May 14th

Jack Groce
Erica White
Maria Castillo

May 15th

Olivia Good

May 16th

Madelynn Bryan

May 17th

Elaine Johnson
Diana Perez

May 18th

George Gillum
Cynthia Corcia
Joseph Gray

May 19th

Charles Barron
Annabelle Sadler

May 20th

Bala Ramachandran
Virginia Rainwater
Lanee Cheatwood
Morgan Cheatwood

May 21st

Marina Bishop
Reece Morphew
Joan Danzy

May 22nd

Jason Strickler
Hays Cortez

May 23rd

Vincent Arquero

May 24th

Mindy Bryan
Alexander Moore
Zyrelle Arquero

May 25th

Gregorio Garcia

May 26th

Lorena Lopez

May 27th

Todd Faulkner
Jesus Salazar

May 29th

Bill Traina

May 30th

Molly Rabb

May 31st

Imelda Ramirez
Rosa Ramirez
Steven Montgomery

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

THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**Sunday, May 18th**

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

Monday, May 19th

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, May 20th

7:30 AM - 8:00AM	Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM	Daily Mass
8:30AM - 4:00PM	Church Office Open
6:00 PM	Choir Practice
7:00 PM	Manto de Maria

Wednesday, May 21st

7:30 AM - 8:00AM	Penance & Reconciliation
8:15 AM	Daily Mass
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Church Office Open
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	S.T.A.Y. (Youth)
8:00 PM	Mass

Thursday, May 22nd

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

Friday, May 23rd

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Church Office Open
11:15 PM - 11:45 PM	Penance & Reconciliation
12:00 PM	Daily Mass

Saturday, May 24th

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

**BLOOD DRIVE AT
ST. THOMAS**

**MAY 18TH
7:30AM - 12:30PM**

**PLEASE CONSIDER
DONATING
DURING THE PARISH
PICNIC!**

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 17, 2025

Lectors: Josie Bishop, Maggie Rogers

EMHC: Tom Bishop

Altar Servers: Georgia Rogers and Mary Virginia Adams

Ushers: Slade Richard, Jack Groce

Sunday, May 18, 2025

Lectors: Sheila Mariano, Paul Jackson

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

Altar Servers: Jack Taulli, Elliott Frost

Ushers: Flint Sibayan, Greg Bimle

—Misa en español—

Lectores: Marichuy Torres, Veronica Ramirez

Ministros: Jose Sebastian, Angelica Sebastian

Monaguillos: Denis Ramirez, Yeni Francisco, Nancy Lainez

Saturday, May 24, 2025

Lectors: Dolly Hurtig, John Allen

EMHC: Slade Richard, George Trevison

Altar Servers: Cedric Serio, Mary Virginia Adams

Ushers: Joshua Adams, AJ Trevison

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Lectors: Maggie Rogers, Edward Mariano

EMHC: Tom Bishop, Elaine Johnson, Paul Jackson, Todd Wasson

Altar Servers: Hannah, Brooklyn, & Olivia Bryan

Ushers: The Nashes

—Misa en español—

Lectores: Abel Lainez, Ilda Ajanel

Ministros: Antonio Lopez, Ana Ambrocio

Monaguillos: Ilda Lopez, Anderson Lainez, Meghan Lainez



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
Melissa Castanada
Donald Colvin
Bruce Cowan
Judy Darcey
Karla Davidson
Butch Doiron
Laurie Duvall
Becky Ferrell
Robert Frasier
Mary Lou French
Marty Gallagher
Collin Gallegos
John Gass
Emmely Gay
Donald Guillote
Ronnie Harris
Bernice Harrison
Harvey Hayes
Johnnie Hogan
Connie Howard
Karl Johnson
Magnolia Johnson
Jeffery Judice

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



Monday, May 19th

Bradley Johnson
(by anonymous)

Thursday, May 22th

Matthew Johnson
(by anonymous)

Friday, May 23th

Billie Desser +
(by Linda Viator)

Saturday, May 24th

For the parishioners of
St. Thomas Aquinas

ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers were offered by Mark &
Lucy Thompson in honor of Joanne
& Fred Thompson

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

MAY 4TH & 11TH- TBA

Thank you for continued and generous support!

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 Dates for May 2025:

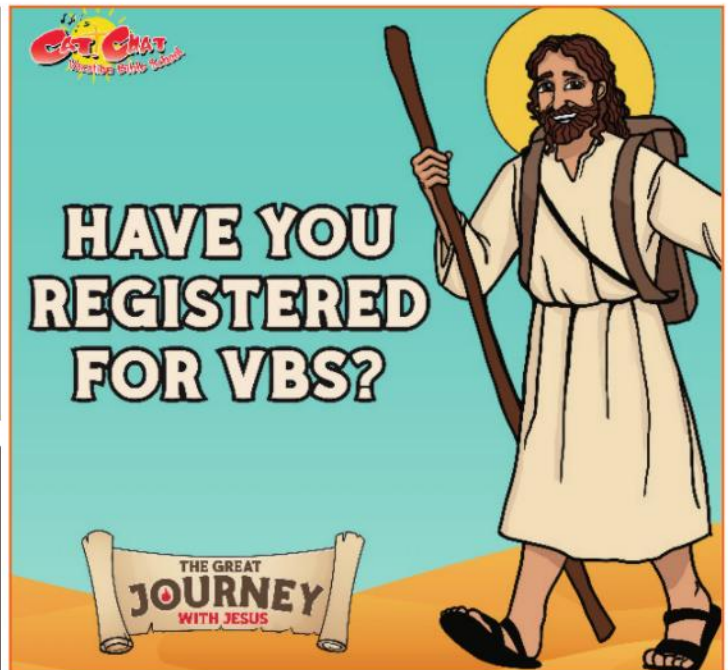
- May 18th: NO PSR / May Picnic / End of the Year Celebration
- Vacation Bible School:
- VBS will be the week of June 9-13, 2025, at the St. Thomas Luffey Center from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.
Registration is open!

JOIN OUR YOUTH ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!



Youth is open to all 6th-12th grade students at St. Thomas Aquinas.

5:30 pm - doors open
6:00 pm - food!
6:30 pm - small groups
7:00 pm - games
8:00 pm - pickup/departure



CHILD REGISTRATION



VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION



Last week, we celebrated Easter and Mrs. Gracie. Join us this week as small groups continue!



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!



Fifth Sunday of Easter

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another.... This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you show that you have love for one another, especially those suffering and poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus.

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.



It's a wrap on a successful year for the Dollar Lunch Program! This ministry of St. Thomas Aquinas offering all LA Tech students a hot lunch & dessert is a blessing for all involved! I want to **THANK** the many Volunteers & Teams who have cooked, served in so many ways, and provided desserts, especially my dessert chair, Diana May! All using their gifts and talents to make this ministry possible! Congratulations to this year's LA Tech Graduates and May God Bless all the students in their endeavors! You are in our prayers! Grace and peace, Christi Faulkner



All men of the parish are invited to Men's Club, which will meet Monday, May 19th at 6 pm. Pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy at 5:30 pm, then join the men in the Luffey Center for food and fellowship.

St. Thomas Parish Council
invites you to the annual

FAMILY PICNIC GATHERING

05. 18. 2025

11 AM | ST. THOMAS GROUNDS

*The Parish will provide food.
Please bring yourself & outdoor games!*



BEING CATHOLIC

at Louisiana Tech University

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Happy Sunday!

We hope you all had a great week. Our Catholic Bulldogs are finishing up the quarter and there are many events going on at the center to round out the year. Today many students will join with the rest of the parish at our annual Parish Picnic after the 10am Mass. This evening after the 7pm Mass, students will celebrate again with the monthly Birthday Bash.

Tomorrow will be the Catholic Bulldogs' last fundraiser of the year; a percentage night with Raising Cane's. If you order at any time between 4 and 9pm and mention "Catholic Bulldogs" a percentage of what you pay will come right back to our group! Please come out and support.

This Friday, May 23, is the Bulldogs' last day of classes! Graduation ceremonies will be held at 9:30 am and 2:30 pm on Saturday. We'd love to see you there!

Important Dates

May 18 – Parish Picnic 11am

May 18 – Birthday Bash 8pm

May 19 – Cane's Fundraiser 4-9pm

May 23 – Last Day of Classes

May 24 – Graduation Ceremonies



ST. LUCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1100 S. Second St., PO Box 100, Hodge, LA 71247 **Penance & Reconciliation:** By request before Mass Web: stlucyhodge.org ▪ Email: stacbulletin@suddenlinkmail.com

Mass Intentions Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 18th

Harry & Edith Hagarman +
(by Chuck & Kathy Allen)

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

May 18 - Mary Cryer

May 25 - Chuck Allen

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Kathy Allen Chuck Allen
Mary Cryer Randy Buller
Rachel Cheatwood
Bill Traina

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY General Sunday Collection

May 11th -TBA

Thank you for continued and generous support!

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH



WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST

"Just as in a physical body, the operation of one member contributes to the good of the whole body, so it is in a spiritual body such as the Church."

– St. Thomas Aquinas

As members of the Body of Christ, we ask that you help out by using your unique talents and gifts to serve God through His Church.

IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SANTO TOMÁS DE AQUINO



WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST

"Así como en un cuerpo físico, la operación de un miembro contribuye al bien de todo el cuerpo, así es en un cuerpo espiritual como la Iglesia".

– Santo Tomás de Aquino

Como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, les pedimos que ayuden utilizando sus talentos y dones únicos para servir a

Let's work together!



¡Trabajemos juntas!





TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

2025

This May, Bishop Malone is inviting us all to pray the rosary daily for special intentions across our diocese. Last year, we surpassed our goal with over 11,000 rosaries! This year, let's aim for 20,000!

Log your rosary here: <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSfz4n9ye4M9M.../viewform>

CAMP LITTLE FLOWER

Are you passionate about working with children, eager to make a positive impact this summer, and grow in your faith?

Camp Little Flower is seeking enthusiastic and dedicated individuals to join our team!
Email rjohnson@sjbcathedral.org for more info.

BEST WEEK
JUNE 23-27, 2025
SCOTTSVILLE CAMP
MARSHALL, TX



The Catholic Diocese
of Shreveport



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.



Prayerfully
Consider a Lenten
Pilgrimage for the
Year of the Jubilee

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JUNE 14 TIP-OFF 11 AM TICKETS \$5.00
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Diocese of Shreveport

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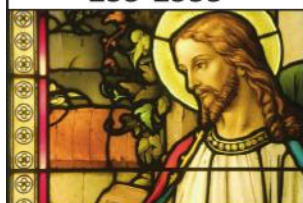


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