

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church

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3rd. SUNDAY OF LENT

Since the Passion of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cards and drove them all out of the temple area.

-John 2:13b-15a

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00A.M.—12:00P.M.,
1:00-3:30P.M. Closed for Lunch Noon—1:00P.M.

24- HOUR ADORATION: Thursdays, 7:00A.M.—
Fridays, 6:00A.M. Held in the Souby Baptistery

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Rev. Brett Lapeyrouse, Administrator
Deacon Larry Callais, Deacon Randall Jennings

LITURGICAL SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 4:30P.M.
Sunday: 8:00A.M., 11:00A.M. & 6:00P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES: *Monday No Mass—*
Tuesday– Friday 6:30A.M. Saturday: 8:30A.M.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 8:30A.M.
Exposition until 10:00A.M. Confession 9-10A.M.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA
Tuesday at 6:30A.M.

CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before all Masses and by
appointment.

ROSARY Wednesdays, 7:00A.M.
Sunday– Saturday 4:00P.M. (Church)

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



March 2-3, 2024

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.— Elaine Williams
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Jeannie Landry, 11:00a.m.—Brenda Besse,
6:00p.m.—Mary Eues

Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Gwen Luc
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. – Angela Kraemer, 11:00a.m.—J. Hebert
6:00pm—Gerrie Bryne

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30 p.m.— Elaine Williams
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.— Jeannie Landry, 11:00 a.m.— Larry Besse,
6:00p.m.— Mary Eues



ABIDE Nights
All Tuesdays during Lent
beginning at 6pm Fr. Brett will
lead us in teachings and reflec-
tions on prayer. Each night will
consist of Eucharistic Adoration,
Benediction and confession.

Lenten Schedule

Daily Mass—6:30a.m. Tuesday– Friday,
8:30a.m. Saturday

Confessions - 6:00a.m. Tuesday-Friday,
4-5:55p.m. Friday, 2-4p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before
all weekend masses.

Eucharistic Adoration – 7a.m. Thursday—6a.m. Friday
(Baptistry), 4—6p.m. Friday (church).

Stations of the Cross 6p.m. Friday

ABIDE nights - “Teach Us How To Pray” 6-7:30pm
Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26

Divine Mercy Chaplet— 6a.m. & 5:45pm Friday

Rosary—4p.m Daily, 6:55a.m. Wednesday

Readings for the Week of March 3, 2024

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19: (Jn6:68c)/
1Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 *Scrutiny:* Ex 17:3-7/
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/
Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

LIVE THE LITURGY—
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK Jesus was not
afraid to confront iniquity wherever he encountered
it, and his zeal for righteousness was so strong it
looked like anger as he drove the moneychangers
from the temple. Pray that, with that same devotion
and care, he will cleanse our hearts from sin.

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

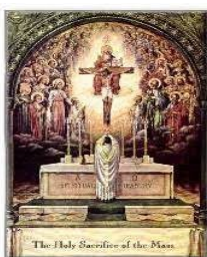
The “10 Commandments” given to Moses at Mount Sinai re-
veal God’s moral and ethical expectations for Israel. Which of
these Commandments do you personally find most challenging
to follow?

Second Reading:

Early in his letter to the Corinthians, Paul speaks of his firm
conviction in the power and wisdom of his proclamation,
“Christ crucified.” What are you confident about in your faith
life?

Gospel:

Jesus’ deep passion (“zeal”) for
the Jerusalem Temple led to his
strong (and violent) reaction to
what he witnessed in the Temple.
What is something you feel pas-
sionate about as it relates to your
faith?



Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary before Mass

O Mother of devoted love and mercy, most blessed Virgin Mary, with all my heart and all my affec-
tion I take refuge in you, though I am a poor and undeserving sinner. You stood by your most dear
Son as he was hanging on the cross. Stand mercifully by me, poor sinner though I am, and by all the
priests who today offer this sacrifice, here and in all our holy Church. With the help of your gracious
presence, may we offer a sacrifice that is right and acceptable in the presence of the most high and
undivided Trinity. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., Weekday, March 2, 8:30am: Anthony Cannata, David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Eloise & Bill Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., John & Stella Mula, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, A.J. Cannata, Harry Raymond Cross, Jeanette Hover.

Sat., Vigil, March 2, 4:30pm: Patrick J. Bergeron, Vera & Charles Dupuis, Frank & Corinne Mula, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Santo & Stella Rousso, Lester & Belle Simoneaux, George & Joyce Melancon, Robert & Maridel LaBouve, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, David Arcemont, Arcemont/Landry Family, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Luda & Eli Fields, Vivian & Eddie Fields, John Robert "Bob" Keeling, Jr., Donald Fields, Sally Anderson, Ruby Miller, Marius Carlos, Martin & Deshotel & Prince Families, Joe & Bet Cefalu, Melvin J. Pitre, Doris B. & J. Darwin Richard, David Duplantis, Sidney Solar, Jr., Joe Parsiola, Agnes Robicheaux, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Eulice, Carol & Steven Adams, James Kullman, Sr., Lionel & Mildred Arceneaux, Bucci/Caballero, Boudreaux/Chauvin Fam. L/D, Debra Madise Myers, Kathryn Shirey, Gene Nezat, A.J. Cannata, Arnold Boudreaux, Carlo Strega, Sr., Classmate of 1973, Maggie Vidos, Jeanette Hover, Maggie Vidos, Blanchard, Fontenot, Leggett Fam., Elmo & Viola Goulas, Troy Fanguie, Joe & Margaret Russo.

Sunday, March 3, 8:00am: Rose H. Percle, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Joe & Bernice Giandelone, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Mark Manfre, Biundo/Bourgeois Families, Luc/Percle Family, Donald Luc, Sr., Steve Luc, Harry Raymond Price, Lois Fryou, **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Hugh & Nell Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, Marian & Richard Romaine, Adam E. & Dorothy Conner, Fred & Edna Williams, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., David Duplantis, Mark Manfre, Beverley Hamer, Conner & Williams Families, Rocco Guarisco, Jr. & Fam. L/D, Betty Theriot Smith, A.J. Cannata, Faron Adams, Sandra Blanco, Rosalie Guidry, Travis Domangue, James Rink. **6:00pm:** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Strega Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Wilbert, Nan, Lois, & Tim Melancon, Conner-Melancon Fam., Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary.

Tuesday, March 5, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Carl & Glenda Strega Fam. L/D, Eloise & Bill Gowland, John & Stella Mula, George & Joyce Melancon, Nellie Blereau, Anthony Cannata, David Duplantis, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Rickey Arceneaux, C. J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Rosemary Cutrera, Howard Thibodaux, A.J. Cannata, Harry Raymond Cross, Dannie Goulas.

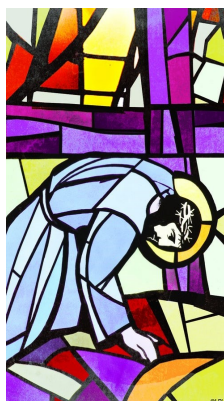
Wednesday, March 6, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Carl & Glenda Strega Fam. L/D, John & Stella Mula, Pauline & Randolph Landry, Bertin/Dupuis Families, Manfre/Grizzaffi Families, David Duplantis, Gerald Blanchard, Bet & Joseph Cefalu, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, A.J. Cannata, Harry Raymond Cross.

Thursday, March 7, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Carl & Glenda Strega Fam. L/D, John & Stella Mula, Bet & Joe Cefalu, Gerald Blanchard, Santo & Stella Rousso, Adam & Dorothy Conner, Fred & Edna Williams, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, David Duplantis, A.J. Cannata, Harry Raymond Cross, Rose Schild Weber.

Friday, March 8, 6:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Strega Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., David Duplantis, Santo & Stella Russo, Anthony, Vincent C. & Fannie Cannata, Patrick Bergeron, Debra Duhon & Fam., A.J. Cannata, Harry Raymond Cross.

~~~ *In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.*

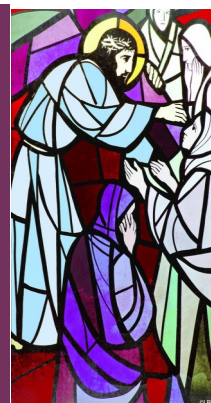
*In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*



The 7th. Station —  
Jesus Fall the Sec-  
ond Time

We may be destined to fall frequently on our journey, but our strength of character and our maturity as a disciple is measured by our commitment.

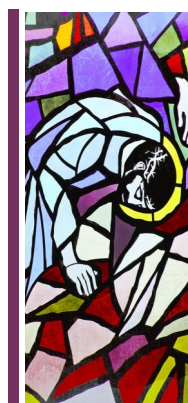
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The 8th. Station –  
Jesus Comforts the  
Women of Jerusalem

Even when we feel spent and battered by the world, we are called to preach the Good News to the world.

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The 9th. Station—  
Jesus Falls the  
Third Time

To tremble in the presence of true love is always more profound than to tremble in the face of fear.

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### Angel of God

my guardian dear to whom His love commits me here  
ever this day be at my side to light and guard to rule  
and guide. Amen.

#### PRAY FOR... PEACE, Protection from Floods and Storms, Caregivers,

Harold Ross, Huan Tran, Kathryn Stadalis, Carol Bergeron, Stephen Giroir, Beulah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verrett, Rodney Frederick, Roger Liner, Donna Henry, Jane Davis, Roger Adams Jr., Ross Rock, Brittany Thomas, Dalton Dupree, Noah Fryou, Tara Trahan, Ashley Ribardi, Deanna Rome, Jimmy LeBlanc, Dale Hubert, Pat Rock, Barbara Breaux, Stacy Giroir, Eston Roger, Drew Clements, Robbie & Kacie Touns, Janet Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Gloria & Jessie Michel, Ida Mae Percle, Lelia Johnson, Nicki Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Beadle, Killian Mabe, Joan Judycki, Mary Ann Trosclair, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Katy Bourgeois, Ina Clarke, William LaPoint, Marilyn Pye, Leonard & Priscilla Scully, Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jean-sonne, Charlie Solar, Sr., Karen Duhon, Barbara Olson, Jahmarla Guidry, Laine Mosher, Aceson Alleman, Catherine Thibodeaux, Scott Barbier, Martha Guillory, Will Lapoint, Edwin Bergeron, Jason Theriot, Evie Herrington, Mac Percle, Yvonne Zweigle, Bryson Plaisance, Betty Ross, Nedra Giroir, Jim Davis, Rachel Adams, Ave Ross, Elijah Carter, Valerie Streety, Larry Guillory, Anna Broussard, Reberta Ford, Margie Aucoin, Gentry Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Percle, Francis Smith, Layla Giroir, Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Patty Fontenot, Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Raymond Daniels, Renee Harper, Warren Landry, Louis Tamporella, Vera Judycki, Mable Lester, Tammy Richard, Elliot Prejean, Kim Hanks, Kattie Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Barbara McCloy, Ashia Starling, Gene Arceneaux, Mary Ann Adams, Kay Olds, Franklin Pierce, Marlene Pierce, Brent Gravois, Ava Carpenter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Jim Mestepey, Ryan, Francis Loupe, Willie Mae Lewis, Earline & David Gastins, Elias Dupree, Peggy Perry, Keely Price, Steve Sealine, Shirley Verdin, Robbie Sword, Mary Price, Austin Courtney, Elijah Allen, Jerry Trosclair, Danny Chiasson, Howard Johnson, Kenneth & Judy Hope, Max Anderson, Steve Morell, Jeanne McCloy, Keelan Arbuckle, Myrtle Verdin, Louis Chaisson, Dr. Conrad Poe, Billy Lamar, Audie Taquino, Sabrina Gaspard, Billy Giordano, Catherine Bourdier, Brenda Landry Lamartiniere, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois, Zachary Daniels, Ron Michel, Christian Smith, Rebeka Cowen, Kim Stansbury, Bernie Percle, Jr., Glenn Ghirardi, Sr., Logan Fromenthal, Cindy Dupuis, Gloria Canova, Karlie Brasseaux, Merlin Boudreaux, II, Debbie LeBlanc, Jim Boudreaux, Lance Richard, Cosmo Christopher, Russell Vicknair, Peter Businelle, Ann Eastburn, Eddie Nope, Jr., Laura Vice, Nolan Bernucho, Anne Murray, Philip Dural, Joe Percle, Lane Cantrelle, Kent Ledet, Jr., Gina Guzzino Crooks, Avery Compton, Claire Smith.



**STEWARDSHIP: 02/18/2024**

**Regular Collection: \$6,280.11**

**Maintenance: \$2,846.00**

*Thank You for your contributions!*

#### On-line Giving

ParishSOFT  
Giving

If you are interested in giving a contribution  
to Sacred Heart Church.

Follow link below.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/sacrpo214>

Thank You for your generosity!



#### First Saturday Mass

March 2 - 8:30 A.M. followed by Exposition of  
the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Confession,  
and Mediation Rosary until 10:00. A.M.

#### MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend, March 2 & 3 is  
for the Parish Maintenance Fund.

Thank you for your continued support of this  
important fund~

#### Children's Corner

**Sharing the Gospel** Imagine coming to your church  
to pray. All around your church, you see people selling ani-  
mals. It smells like a barn. The animals are loud. The people  
are shouting. You cannot even pray with all the noise and  
activity going on around you. That is  
what Jesus found in today's Gospel.  
It broke his heart and made Jesus  
angry. God's house is not supposed  
to be turned into a barn or a store. It  
should be special place where peo-  
ple can meet with God and talk to him. Jesus cleaned out his  
Father's house. He turned it back into a place of prayer.



**Prayer** God, my church is a  
place for prayer. Help me to  
remember that always.

**Something to Draw** a picture of people singing and  
praying in your church.

**Mission for the Week** Read John 2:13-25 with your fami-  
ly. Ask God to help you keep your church clean. Church  
should never be a store or a barn. It should be a special place  
to pray.

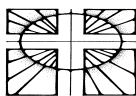
#### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

U.S. Armed Forces and All who serve &  
protect us, Craig Bourdier, Ryan Bourdier,  
Andrew Bourdier, Joseph Johnson, V,  
Mathew Young, Luke Zweigle, Draven  
Smith, Brian Hartman, Ory Arcemont,  
Ryan Hunter, Cameron Case,  
Carson LeBlanc, Matthew Tregle,  
Tanner Richards, Johnathan Villegas,  
Brandon Daigle.



#### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please send your prayer intentions  
to [shsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shsecretary@htdiocese.org) or call the rectory  
385-0770 and we will include them in our daily prayers.



**BAPTISMS:** Second & fourth Sunday of each month, 10:00 AM. BOTH parents AND Godparents MUST attend a baptism seminar held first Tuesday of each month, 6:00PM in the Gallen Room (parking lot entry).  
**WEDDINGS:** Couples should make an appointment with the parish priest at least six months in advance.  
**ANOIDING OF THE SICK:** Call the rectory anytime at 385-0770.  
**COMMUNION IN THE HOME/HOME VISITS:** Call the rectory at 385-0770.  
**HOSPITAL VISITS:** If you or someone you know would like to be visited in the hospital, call the rectory at 385-0770.  
**To request a Parish Registration Form,** call the Rectory at 385-0770 or [shcsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shcsecretary@htdiocese.org)

## Mass at a Glance—Part 17: More Points on Holy Communion

There are a few other quick points that we need to make about how the Church treats the Holy Eucharist and how she asks the faithful to approach the Holy Eucharist. The first is the matter of the Eucharistic fast. The Code of Canon Law (the official law book of the Church) states, “A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before holy communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine.” (Canon 919 §1) This is a practice that is ancient in origin, dating back at least to the 4<sup>th</sup> century A.D. The rationale for this fast is best described by Pope Pius XII in 1953, “Abstinence from food and drink is in accord with that supreme reverence we owe to the supreme majesty of Jesus Christ when we are going to receive Him hidden under the veils of the Eucharist. And moreover, when we receive His precious Body and Blood before we take any food, we show clearly that this is the first and loftiest nourishment by which our soul is fed, and its holiness increased.” (Pius XII, *Christus Dominus*)

A second topic to discuss is the manner in which we receive Holy Communion. The General Instruction states the following:

The Priest then takes the paten or ciborium and approaches the communicants, who usually come up in procession. It is not permitted for the faithful to take the consecrated Bread or the sacred chalice by themselves and, still less, to hand them on from one to another among themselves. The norm established for the Dioceses of the United States of America is that Holy Communion is to be received standing, unless an individual member of the faithful wishes to receive Communion while kneeling (Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Instruction, *Redemptionis Sacramentum*, March 25, 2004, no. 91). When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. The consecrated host may be received either on the tongue or in the hand, at the discretion of each communicant. (160)

The focal point is that Communion is received, not taken. The norm of the Church for many centuries had been for the faithful to receive the Eucharist on the tongue. There is, however, an ancient practice of receiving on the hand, which was taken out of use for pastoral reasons, which was restored as an option after the Second Vatican Council. What is most essential when receiving in either manner is to receive the Eucharist in a reverent manner. If someone receives on the hand, one should present their hands in a manner as to receive the Lord as if on a throne, as one ancient author puts it. Similarly, it is preferable that one actually stick their tongue out of the mouth, far enough so the Eucharist may be gently and reverently placed on the communicant's tongue by the minister. And it is recommended that one receiving on the tongue not chew the Eucharist, but instead allow the sacred Host to dissolve on the tongue.

Finally, let us tackle the question of the frequency someone may or should receive the Eucharist. First, one must not be conscious of anything that would prevent them from receiving Communion, as discussed in the previous article and noted in Canons 915 and 916 of Canon Law. Canon Law also gives the standard for how often the faithful must receive Communion: “After being initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year.” (Canon 920 §1, 2) There are also instructions on how often one can receive the Eucharist: “A person who has already received the Most Holy Eucharist can receive it a second time on the same day only within the eucharistic celebration in which the person participates.” (917) Notice there is only allowance given for a second time in one day. The faithful are asked to not receive Communion more than twice a day, so as to avoid overfamiliarity with the Most Holy Eucharist and a superstitious attitude toward the Eucharist as a magic pill of sorts, among other inappropriate attitudes. There are separate directives that deal with those who are elderly, infirmed, or in danger of death.



### Annual Bishops Appeal

Please join Fr. Brett as Sacred Heart Parish launches our 2024 Annual Bishop's Appeal.

We ask that you pray for our diocese and our appeal and prayerfully consider making a commitment to support the ministries led by the Bishop's Appeal. Use the QR Code

or give online at [www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal](http://www.htdiocese.org/bishopsappeal), return your personalized commitment cards at Mass this weekend, or you may simply mail your commitment to the diocese in the provided envelope.



### Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People

**Reporting Numbers:** To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the LA Department of Children & Family Services (24/7) 1(855) 452-5437. **Outreach line for victims of sexual abuse by church workers.** If you suspect child abuse by clergy, church officials, church employees or volunteers, please also contact the Victims' Assistance Coordinator (985) 850-3172 and Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line (985) 873-0026.