



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church—Est. 1859

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21st Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

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1:00-3:30P.M. Closed for Lunch Noon—1:00P.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays, 7:00A.M.— 6:00P.M.
Temporarily Held in the Church

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: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

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

CONFESSIONS: Tuesday-Friday 6:00A.M.,
Saturday-8:30A.M. & 3:30-4:20P.M., 30 minutes before
all Sunday Masses and by appointment.

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

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Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



August 23-24, 2025

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Niki Fryou,

Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Loretta Landry,

11:00a.m.—Cindy Marino, 6:00p.m.—Jovita Compton

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Niki Fryou

Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Loretta Landry,

11:00a.m.—Cindy Marino, 6:00p.m.—Jovita Compton

Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Barry Dufrene

Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Angela Kraemer, 11:00a.m.—Vera Judycki,

6:00p.m.—Jovita Compton

Readings for the week of August 24, 2025



Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1,
2 (Mk 16:15)/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk
13:22-30

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt
23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/
Mk 6:17-29

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate," Jesus tells us.

"Many will attempt...but will not be strong enough." So let us
never be so foolish that we rely on our own strength. Narrow
does not mean unpassable — not if we ask for help.

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question:

Isaiah reveals to us God's plan to gather and unite all His people and witness His glory in the age to come. What are you hoping for in the future?



2nd Reading Question:

The author of Hebrews offers words of encouragement for community members struggling and discouraged in their faith. Is there a friend or co-worker you could look to support this week?

Gospel Question:

Jesus speaks to the crowds of the dire consequences of rejecting his call to salvation. What could be some effective ways to bring others to faith in Jesus?



Oldest State Chartered Festival

August 28-September 1

MASS IN THE PARK

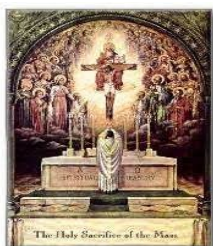
AUGUST 31, 2025

8:30am

A unique Outdoor Mass

celebrated in Lawrence Park at the Gazebo. In case of inclement weather Mass will be moved to Holy Cross Church, 2100 Cedar Street, Morgan City.

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 affection 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

First Saturday, Weekday, Aug. 23, 8:30am: Pro Populo.

Saturday, Vigil, Aug. 23, 4:30pm: Patrick J. Bergeron, Vera & Charles Dupuis, Frank & Corinne Mula, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Santo & Stella Rousso, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Charles Gowland, Sr., Bill & Eloise Gowland, Martin, Deshotel, Prince, & Lacour Families, Joe & Bet Cefalu, David Duplantis, Joe Parsiola, Agnes Robicheaux, James Kullman, Sr., Robert & Maridel LaBauve, Nellie & Dr. Robert Blereau, Chauvin/Boudreaux Family L/D, Caballero/Bucci Family L/D, Rafael Basas, Mary & James Groves, Mary Michael, Jan Covington, James Boudreaux, David Price, Sean Crocker.

Sunday, Aug. 24, 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, Luc/Percle Family, Donald Luc, Sr., Steve Luc, John, Josephine, Johnny, Jeffery, DiMatteo, Hilda & Richard Landry, Sr., Sheldon & Claire Bergeron, Lisa B. Bryan, Mel Bourgeois, Mike Deshotel, Helen Faye Alfred, Glynn Rozas. **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Hugh & Nell Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, A.J. Cannata, Marian & Richard Romaine, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., Mark Manfre, Rocco Guarisco, Jr. Family L/D, Francis X. Bassa, Donald Loupe, Pat McCleary, J.A. Garcia, Jr. Family, Anita Noxan. **6:00pm:** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Streva Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary.

Tuesday, Aug. 26, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Eloise & Bill Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., John & Stella Mula, Anthony Cannata, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C. J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Norbert Duggin, Tom Shannon, Santo & Stell Rousso.

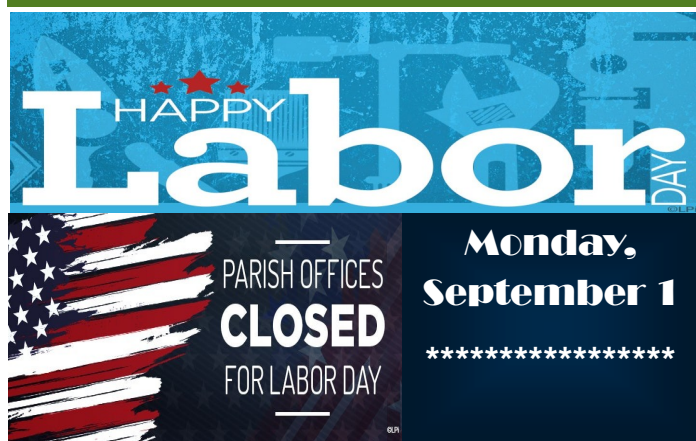
Wednesday, Aug. 27, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Gerald Blanchard, Bet & Joseph Cefalu, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, Jan Covington.

Thursday, Aug. 28, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Streva Family L/D, John & Stella Mula, Bet & Joe Cefalu, Gerald Blanchard, 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, Gerald & Garnette Listi, Listi/Theriot families, Mary Catherine Laughlin, Clarence Delaune, Pat McCleary.

Friday, Aug. 29, 6:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Anthony, Vincent C. & Fannie Cannata, Patrick Bergeron.



~~~~ 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 Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (O.C.I.A.)

*The process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. It can be a method for those seeking the living God to renew their faith and draw closer to God. By God's help you will be strengthened spiritually.*

### Who is it for?

Someone who has never been baptized and would like to join the Catholic Faith.

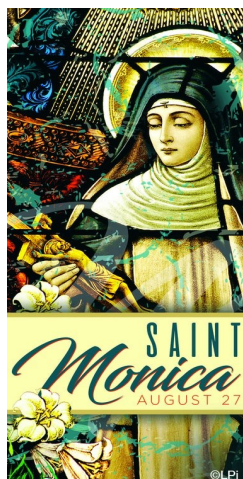
Someone who was baptized Catholic but did not receive instruction in the faith or have not received their sacraments (Holy Communion and/or Confirmation).

Someone who is already Catholic and are interested to learn more about their catholic faith.

### When are the classes?

Classes have begun and will continue once a week on Thursdays at 6:00p.m. in the Gallen Room; now through the fall and winter until the Lenten season. It's not too late to join!

**How do you register?** Please call the rectory to register. 985-385-0770



### SAINT MONICA

#### Reflection

Today, with Google searches, online shopping, text messages, tweets, and instant credit, we have little patience for things that take time. Likewise, we want instant answers to our prayers. Monica is a model of patience. Her long years of prayer, coupled with a strong, well-disciplined character, finally led to the conversion of her hot-tempered husband, her cantankerous mother-in-law and her brilliant but wayward son, Augustine.

## 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,

Huan Tran, Kathryn Stadalis, Stephen Giroir, Beulah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verrett, Rodney Frederick, Donna Henry, 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, Robbie & Kacie Touns, Janet Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Lelia Johnson, Nicki Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Beadle, Killian Mabe, Joan Judycki, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Katy Bourgeois, Ina Clarke, Leonard & Priscilla Scully, Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jeansonne, 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, Rachel Adams, Ave Ross, Elijah Carter, Valerie Streety, Larry Guillory, Anna Broussard, Reberta Ford, Margie Aucoin, Gentry Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Percle, Layla Giroir, Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Patty Fontenot, Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Renee Harper, Warren Landry, Louis Tamporella, Tammy Richard, Elliot Prejean, Kattie Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Ashia Starling, Mary Ann Adams, Kay Olds, Franklin Pierce, Marlene Pierce, Brent Gravois, Ava Carpenter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Jim Mestepey, Ryan, Willie Mae Lewis, Earline & David Gastins, Elias Dupree, Peggy Perry, Keely Price, Steve Sealine, Robbie Sword, Mary Price, Austin Courtney, Jerry Trosclair, Danny Chiasson, Kenneth Hope, Max Anderson, Jeanne McCloy, Keelan Ar buckle, Louis Chaisson, Dr. Conrad Poe, Billy Lamar, Audie Taquino, Sabrina Gaspard, Billy Giordano, Catherine Bourdier, Brenda Landry Lamartiniere, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois, Zachary Daniels, Christian Smith, Kim Stansbury, Cindy Dupuis, Gloria Canova, Karl Brasseaux, Merlin Boudreaux, II, Debbie LeBlanc, Cosmo Christopher, Ann Eastburn, Laura Vice, Nolan Bernucho, Anne Murray, Philip Dural, Kent Ledet, Jr., Gina Guzzino Crooks, Avery Compton, Claire Smith, Betty Keeling, Stephanie Broussard, Rita Duplantis, Sandra Mensman, Ward Mensman, Glenn Thibodeaux, Takeshia Dixon, Russell Vicknair, Lester Beam, Fern Giandelone, Gertrude Prestenbach, Ida Mae Percle, Joseph Mensman, Edmond "Eddie" Guidry, Jr., Spenser Kron, Dr. "Chip" Metz, Everett J. Prestenbach, Dianne Broussard, Annette Landry, April Kindred, Donna M. Credeur, Cynthia A. Wiltz, Mark Landry, Chris Sunseri, Mary Trasclaire, Jason Dugar, Patricia Stelly, Peggy LeBlanc, Jennifer Beckett, DPG., JB, BW, Myra White, Kyle LaCour, Amanda Marie Fitch, Mary Darce, Carol Lajaunie, Keisha Foret, Karen Schaedel, Lawrence Giroir, Candace Canty Foster, Jim Firmin, Mena Leonard, Niece Opperman, Richard Brasseaux, and All those in Nursing Homes.



**STEWARDSHIP: 8/10/2025**  
**Regular Collection: \$6,456.00**  
**Maintenance: \$1,440.00**  
**Online: \$441.88**

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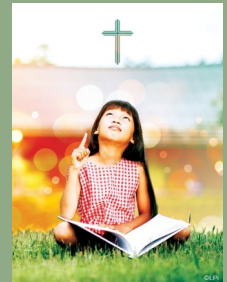
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## Children's Corner

### Sharing the Gospel

Heaven will be wonderful. People from all over the world will be there to enjoy God's friendship. No matter how small you feel now, you will always be important to God in heaven. Once you accept the gift of love from Jesus, you will want to change your life. You will want to spend time with God, and you will want to show love to other people. Then you can look forward to heaven.



**Prayer** Dear God, help me to do all that I can to grow closer to you.

**Draw** a picture of yourself standing next to Jesus in heaven.

### Mission for the Week

Pray to God with your family, and ask God to change your hearts so that you love him more than anything else.



## 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, Brycen Verdin



### 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:** Saturday or Sunday. Church Baptism Application should be turned in before the baptism seminar. BOTH parents AND Godparents MUST attend a baptism seminar held on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:00PM in the Gallen Room. Please register by calling the church office.

**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)

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERY-BODY

**Prayer for Holiness**

Good Shepherd,

Guide me through the narrow gate.

Remove from me anything that

distracts me from You, Your love, Your

invitation, Your mission. Keep me close to You, familiar at

every step. Amen.



## YOUTH FORMATION REGISTRATION

*Grades 1-11*

*Registration forms can be found in the church or the parish office and are due by September 3.*



*Class begins Wednesday,*

*September 10, 2025*

*6:00-7:15p.m.*

*St. Joseph Hall*

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***\*This first class at least one Parent along with your child should attend!***

### PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON

Lord, through the prayers of this faithful community and the intercession of Our Lady Star of the Sea, protect the lives and property of your people from the devastation of hurricanes and storms this hurricane season. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Lady Star of the Sea, help and protect us.



### MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

The **second** collection September 6-7 is for the Parish Maintenance Fund.

*Thank you for your continued support of this important fund!~*

## Our New Bishop Elect

**Fr. Simon Peter Engurait**

SIXTH BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX



The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux joyfully invites you to the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of

**Very Rev. Simon Peter Engurait**

*as Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux*

**David R. Stopher Gymnasium at Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, LA**

**Friday, September 5, 2025 at 2:00p.m.**

**(All seating by 1:30p.m.)**

**A reception will follow at Nicholls State Cotillion Ballroom**

**Live Stream on YouTube @htdioceseLA**

+Let us in a sincere way pray each day for Bishop-elect Simon Peter, that God may grant him all the graces he may need to carry out the will of God.

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

**Question:** According to the Gospel stories, who was the first person to encounter the risen Jesus?

**Answer:** Mary Magdalene.

### 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.

