



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church—Est. 1859

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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake." - Mt 24:43

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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.

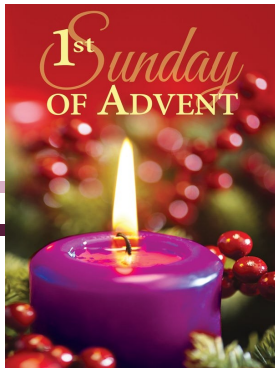
FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

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)

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



November 29-30, 2025

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Susie Myers
Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Jeannie Landry,
11:00a.m.—Lisa Mire, 6:00p.m.—Jackie Conner

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Susie Myers,
Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Jeannie Landry,
11:00a.m.—Barton Blanco, 6:00p.m.—Jackie Conner

Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Gwen Luc
Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Julius Hebert,
11:00a.m.—Leslie Smith, 6:00p.m.—Dean Listi

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question:

The prophet Isaiah envisioned a future with no more wars and nations united in belief and worship of Israel's God. What does a world totally at peace look like?

2nd Reading Question:

Paul encouraged the Romans to live with a sense of urgency in anticipation of their own salvation. What motivates you to live a moral life?

Gospel Question:

Jesus taught his disciples that no one knows when the Son of Man will return, so you must always be prepared. How do you plan to use the season of Advent this year to welcome Jesus into your life?

Readings for the week of November 30, 2025

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8



LIVE THE LITURGY -

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"You do not know on which day your Lord will come," Jesus says. He is reminding us that we do not know the mind of God. But we do know the heart of God, and we know that it is filled with mercy for those who heed the warning: Stay awake!

BE A BLESSING

Ladies Altar Society Annual Christmas Non-perishable Food Drive is ongoing now through December 18.

You can be a blessing to a family from our community by your donations of food items which can be placed in the boxes provided in the vestibule of the Church.

Thank you for your gift, it makes a huge difference in the lives of a family who may be facing difficult times.

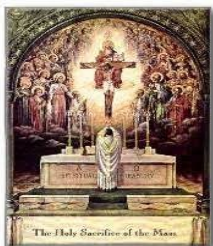


**MAN
OF GOD**

MAN OF GOD CONFERENCE

Sacred Heart Church 6:00p.m.

Thursday, December 4, 2025



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

Saturday, Weekday, Nov. 29, 8:30am: Pro Populo.

Saturday, Vigil, Nov. 29, 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., Chauvin/Boudreaux Family L/D, Caballero/Bucci Family L/D, Rafael Basas, Mary & James Groves, Mary Michael, Albert "Buddy" Collins, Maria Collins, Jeanine Gray, O.J. Luc.

Sunday, Nov. 30, 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, Sheldon & Claire Bergeron, Lisa B. Bryan, Albert "Buddy" Collins, Maria Collins, Shelia Ann Burdick, Bonnie Landry Mashburn, Ronnie Cothron, Freddie Matrejean, Sr. **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, Fara Thibodaux, David Duplantis. **6:00pm** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Strevia Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary, Linda Sue Webster, Charlie Bergeron.

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Strevia 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, Sean Crocker, Helen Faye Alfred, Angelique Melancon, A special & Generous couple, Sterling Fryou, Sr.

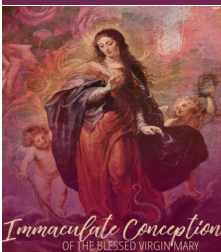
Wednesday, Dec. 3, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, Carl & Glenda Strevia Fam. L/D, Gerald Blanchard, Bet & Joseph Cefalu, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne, Jan Covington, Harley Blanco, Cliff Journey.

Thursday, Dec. 4 6:30am: Carl & Glenda Strevia 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 Fam., Elphie Duplantis, Brenda Dixon, Jim Davis.

Friday, Dec. 5, 6:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Strevia Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Anthony, Vincent C. & Fannie Cannata, Patrick Bergeron, Pat McCleary, Carmen Izaguirre.



~~~ *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.*



### Immaculate Conception

**Question:**  
I've heard people call Jesus' conception by the Holy Spirit being "immaculately conceived." Is that what the Immaculate Conception is?

#### Answer:

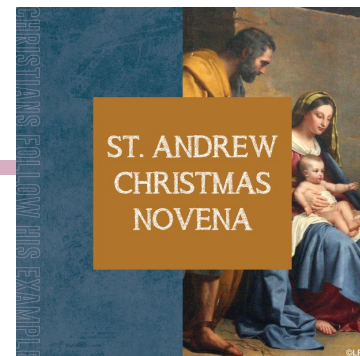
While these two events are often confused, they are not the same thing. We celebrated the conception of Jesus on March 25<sup>th</sup>, the feast of the Annunciation. While that was surely miraculous, it isn't what we refer to as the "immaculate conception." The Immaculate Conception is Mary's conception, and we typically celebrate it on December 8<sup>th</sup>. If the 8<sup>th</sup> happens to be a Sunday, the Church moves the feast to December 9<sup>th</sup>. It is a holy day of obligation. Why does the Church consider it so important to celebrate?

Mary's conception is immaculate because she was conceived without original sin. The angel Gabriel acknowledges this when he hails Mary as "full of grace" (Luke 1:28). Scripture scholars identify several theological ideas that confirm this. In the Old Testament, the sacred, pristine Ark of the Covenant held the presence of God. The presence of God is now held within a new "arc" — the womb of Mary. Genesis 3 also prophesies of a woman who would oppose the devil and whose child would crush the devil's head. Christ is the "New Adam." This passage sets up Mary, then, as the "New Eve." Jesus and Mary are the beginnings of a new creation, one we all can participate in through the grace of our baptism. After all, God's love is more "original" than our sin!

This Day is not considered a Holy Day of Obligation in the year 2025.

### St. Andrew Christmas Novena

The St. Andrew Christmas novena is a prayer said from November 30, the Feast of St. Andrew, through Christmas Eve. Traditionally, it is recited 15 times each day.



"Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen."

### 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 Arbuckle, 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 Thibodaux, 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, Camdyn Besse, Sheryl Doiron, and All those in Nursing Homes.



### 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, Ethan Blanco, Zan Alcino,  
Matthew Domangue.

#### 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.



**STEWARDSHIP: 11/16/2025**

**Regular Collection: \$6,557.00**

**Maintenance: \$125.00**

**Online: \$ 226.25**

**CCHD: \$2,017.00**

*Thank you for your contributions!*

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to Sacred Heart Church.

Follow link below.

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Thank You for your generosity!



## Children's Corner

### First Sunday of Advent



**Sharing the Gospel** Remember  
that when God told Noah to build an ark,  
his neighbors laughed at him. Then one  
day God sent the flood. Only Noah's fami-  
ly was saved because they listened to

God, and they were ready. Jesus has already told you that  
one day he will come back. He wants you to be saved. He  
wants you to be ready. When you read Bible stories, listen  
carefully. Love God like Noah did, and learn to do what God  
asks.



**Prayer** Dear God, help me to love  
you and to be ready for Jesus.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Noah and his family on the ark with all the  
animals.

**Mission for the Week** Make sure the movies, games, and  
music you choose help you grow closer to Jesus.

### 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.



**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 EVERYBODY

### Prayer for Advent – Arise

Bless God's Holy Name!

Prepare our hearts for Your coming, Lord.

Awaken them from any places that have become sleepy or despondent.

Inspire us with new visions.

Be with us as we climb closer to You. Amen.



## A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols



December 15, 2025- 6:00p.m.  
**Sacred Heart Church**

Holy Cross Church and Sacred Heart Church join together in celebration during this Holy season of Advent.

Let us come together to listen to God's Word and join our voices in praise to Almighty God, praying that our hearts be open to the grace of Christ Child, who humbly chose to be born in a poor and lowly stable in Bethlehem for us.

A reception will follow in Sacred Heart, St. Joseph Hall



## #iGiveCatholic—December 2, 2025

#iGive Catholic inspires faithful stewards to "Give Back and Give Catholic" on Giving Tuesday, a global day of generosity and kindness.



### Advent Season

During this season of Advent Fr. Brett will offer "Abide Night" on **Thursdays**, December 4, 11, & 18 from 6-7:30p.m. (church.)

The night consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection talk, prayer, confession and Benediction.

Consider making this part of your journey during this holy season of Advent.

"The Light is On for You," Wednesday, December 17, 6-8p.m. (Church). A time to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation during the season of Advent.

### MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

The **second collection next weekend**, December 6-7 is for the Parish Maintenance Fund.

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



### Baptism

Sunday, November 16, 2025

**Remi Jane Fryou**

Child of Rhett Joseph Fryou & Emily Lacoste Fryou

*In His goodness, may He continue to pour out His blessings upon you.*

### 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.

