

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Bringing Christ to People and People to Christ Since 1909



LOVE YOUR ENEMIES,
THAT YOU MAY BE CHILDREN OF YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER,
FOR HE MAKES THE SUN RISE ON THE BAD AND THE GOOD.

MATTHEW 5:44-45

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

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Catholic Websites Links:

www.diocesealex.org

www.vatican.va

www.masstimes.org

www.usccb.org

www.catholic.com

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Tues-Thurs 5:00 pm - 5:20 pm

And by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Request at least 1 month in advance

Sacrament of Matrimony

At least 6 months in advance

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Feb. 22	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Terrie Poehl	Mar. 14	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Justin Sines
Feb. 23	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Lanie Adkins, Susan Hilton, Mike Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Susie Winston	Mar. 15	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Students will serve at this Mass Altar Servers: Students	Lector: Student
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Coleman, Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman
Feb. 29	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere	Mar. 21	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Terrie Poehl
Mar. 1	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Lanie Adkins, Kathy Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne	Mar. 22	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Susie Winston
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Dyjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Dyjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey
Mar. 7	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens	Mar. 28	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere
Mar. 8	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Beth Prejean	Mar. 29	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Kathy Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Students	Lector: Harold Bayonne
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman

Collection

February 9, 2020 \$4,941.00
Building Fund 501.00

Thank you so much for your generosity!

*Please note that all checks for Special Collections should be payable to Holy Cross Church

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Take no revenge and cherish no grudge; love your neighbor as yourself (Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18).

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — You are the temple of God, and holy (1 Corinthians 3:16-23).

Gospel — Offer no resistance; love your enemies (Matthew 5:38-48).

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† MASS SCHEDULE &

02-22 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
02-23 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
02-23 Sunday	5:00 p.m.
02-24 Monday	NO MASS
02-25 Tuesday	5:30 p.m.
02-26 Ash Wednesday	8:00 a.m.
02-26 Ash Wednesday	5:30 p.m.
02-27 Thursday	5:30 p.m.
02-28 Friday	8:00 a.m.
02-29 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
03-01 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
03-01 Sunday	5:00 p.m.

INTENTIONS

† Vic O'Con & Adam Sims
† Barras, Monette & Vallien families
Our Parish Family

† Blanche & John W. LaCaze, Jr.
Our Parish Family
Intention for M.L.
Intention for Shirley MacLauren

† Mac MacLauren
† John Ty Tatum
† Lana Scott
Our Parish Family

CALENDAR

02-23 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: Will Not Meet
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO- Life Teen: Will Not Meet

02-26 Wednesday

- Adult Bible Study: 2-4 p.m., Hall

02-27 Thursday

- Charismatic Prayer Group: 6:00 p.m.

03-01 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

Electronic Giving

If you'd like to donate with a bank draft or credit card, please go to our website at www.nscatholic.org and click on GIVE.

Have you remembered Holy Cross Campus Ministry in your will?

Altar Society

Charismatic Prayer Group	Joan Gahagan
High School Confirmation	Shelley Mims
Children's Catechism	Janice Ebert
RCIA	Mark Adkins
Maintenance & Grounds	John Denny
Adoration Chapel	Kathy Friday

*** Charismatic Prayer Meeting ***

Are you looking for a deeper conversion, a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and a growth in holiness? Would you like to know more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how you can better serve the Lord and His people? If interested, please come to our Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. held at Holy Cross Church. For more information, please call Joan Gahagan at 318-352-8701.

Safe Environment

The Protecting Our Children—Understanding, Reporting and Preventing Child Abuse flyer, which includes *Resources and Contact Numbers* is available for those who wish to take one.

Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors and the diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct for Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Ministers, Administrators, Staff, and Volunteers can be accessed under the Documents and Links in the Safe Environment section of the diocese website: www.diocesealex.org and a hard copy may be requested of the Safe Environment Office.

VIRTUS™ Protecting God's Children

Every adult who works/volunteers with children/youth in the Diocese of Alexandria's churches/schools must attend the VIRTUS™ *Protecting God's Children* sexual abuse awareness training. "Ongoing-training" will be part of the training component. A background check must be conducted and, the results received before an adult may volunteer/work with children/youth.

VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CHANGE. Those who are active Virtus users now have a video recertification module to complete through your on-line account. This is in addition to the monthly Virtus bulletins that must be read each month. For more information contact Pam Delrie at pdelrie@diocesealex.org or 318-445-6424, ext. 213



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, 2020

Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.
— Leviticus 19:2b

Upcoming Virtus Sessions

- February 20, 6:00 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria
- March 31, 6:00 p.m., MB of Immaculate Conception church hall, Natchitoches

Please pre-register. Go to www.virtus.org; and, click on **First-Time Registrant** and complete all requested information.

Pre Cana Day for Engaged Couples

Pre Cana Day for Engaged Couples is scheduled for **Saturday, Feb. 29 at St. Frances Cabrini Church's Ducote Hall**. Cost is \$25 per person; \$50 a couple. To register please call Ashley at 318-445-4588.

Day of Lenten Reflection • March 14, 2020

Join us for a Day of Lenten Reflection on March 14, 2020 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Natchitoches. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for a continental breakfast. Day of Reflection is open to men and women and begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends in time for the Vigil Mass at St. Anthony's Church. **Lunch is included in the \$35 registration fee.** Speakers will be Joan Gahagan and Mary Wilson. For more information, email dianearldoin@yahoo.com. The Day of Lenten reflection is sponsored by CENLA Magnificat and Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Louisiana (CCRC).

MAN: From Deep into Deeper Catholic Men's Conference • March 27-29

MAN: From Deep into Deeper is a Catholic Men's conference for men ages 18-100 who are seeking a deeper encounter with our Lord! Location: Randolph Riverfront Center, Alexandria. Join us as speaker Jake Khym talks Godly manhood, Bishop Emeritus Sam Jacobs will challenge us to rise to our true calling and take our place as priests, prophets and kings. Our host Paul George from the Diocese of Lafayette will guide us as we journey together building a community of MEN. Grae McCullough will lead us in worship through prayer and song. **Register by Feb. 21 \$135; after \$155; no charge for clergy.** For more information or to register, visit: www.dioceseman.com

Life Teen - High School Youth Ministry

- February 23: No Life Teen. Mardi Gras Break
- March 6: Date to turn in ALL fundraiser tickets
- March 8: Life Teen 6-8pm Don't forget daylight savings time starts today!
- March 11: Smoked Pulled Pork BBQ Fundraiser @ Holy Cross 10:30-2:00
 - Deliveries will be made for orders of 10 or more.
 - Volunteers are needed to make deliveries & help plate. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the Church
- March 13: FULL BALANCE DUE FOR ALL ATTENDING COVE CREST
- March 15: Life Teen 6-8pm
- March 22: NO Life Teen Spring Break
- March 29: Life Teen 6-8pm

Emergency Response Team

Several months ago we put up a sign up sheet for those interested in being part of the Emergency Response Team here at Holy Cross Church. If you are still interested, **please plan on attending one of these meetings: Note: Dates were changed.**

- Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 7th at 9:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Study for Lent Covenant Love

Wednesdays, February 26 - April 1
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Holy Cross Church Parish Hall

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. This means that we do not eat meat and we have only one full meal.

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The obligation to abstain from meat binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. The obligation to fast, limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals in the course of the day, binds Catholics from the age of 18 to 59. Those who are younger or older may freely embrace these disciplines. But Lenten disciplines should never endanger your health.

It is obvious that abstaining from meat is meaningless for vegetarians, who must choose some other form of abstinence. It is equally obvious that replacing meat with a gourmet seafood meal is not in keeping with the spirit of Lent.

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry students will serve as Lectors, Extra Ordinary Ministers & Altar Servers at the following 11 a.m. Sunday Masses:

Feb. 16 • March 15 • April 9

- March 4: Wednesday Night Mass & Meal & Faith Formation: How do I know God's will?
- March 6: Hiking @ Longleaf Vista Trail. Leave CSO @ 1:00
- March 11: Wednesday Night Mass & Meal
- March 13: Spring Cleaning @ the C.S.S. Cheese Pizza will be served

Please check out all of the updates on our church website www.nscatholic.org

Follow us on Instagram @nscatholic 

Words from Our Adoration Chapel • Just One Hour Can Change Our World

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Neighborly Prayer (Please review this list. If there any names that need to be removed, please call or email the office.)

Carrie Aaron, Mark Adkins, Judy Armstrong, Beth Atkins, Theresa Bayonne, Buster Beaudion, Darlene Bell, Mike Bell, Brian K. Benefield, Sr., Carol Bennett, Lisa Boydston, Mar Lou Brasher, Betty Sue Brewton, Delbert Broadway, Emma Jean Bynog, Dwayne Carter, Jesse Chambers, Jenny Choate, Jonah Crotchet, Darlene Cloud, Donnie Cockrell, Eloise "Mickie" Colquitt, Christopher Conant, Dale Cooper, Davina Cotton, Aziza Coutee, Darren Coutee, Josephine Coutee, Raameses Coutee, Linda Crooks, Ted Cross, Stoney Crow, Mary Darby, Susan Dowden Davis, Francis Deloney, Rosa Del Toro, Lillian DeJean, Beverly Dodd, Stephen Edwards, Talia Epidendio, Beau Louis Fair, Jessica Fontenot, Linda Frey, Ashley Friday, Mike Friday, Buddy Gahagan, Audrey Gallen, Jerry Lynn Garcia, Sr., Clarice Gamer, Jerry Garza, Andrew Gilbert, Sandra Giska, M. Jude Glass, Jerry Glover, Karen Glover, Amanda Gomez, Natassia Lynn Gomez, Jada Grace, Mary Lynn, Alex Haddad, Steve Hamilton, Charles Hampton, Jr., Lacie Harper, Donald Harris, Kenneth Heard, Ralph Hernandez, Sonia Hester, Mike Hinds, Sam Holden, Emelle Howell, Doris James, Laura Jardine, Mary Jardine, Nora Jardine, Larry Johnson, Darrella Jones, Emery Jones, Thelma Jordan, Alina Karpinski, Daunta Karpinski, Jerica Kelly, Paul Keyser, Paula Kimberly, Aubrey LaCaze, Bubba LaCour, Florence LaCour, Glenn LaCour, Herman LaCour, John LaCour, Nazy LaCour, Aaron Michael LeBlanc, Lauren Leone, Janice Licak, Thelma Little, Jean Llorence, John Lodrigue, Jacie Logan, Gwen Lynch, Shirley MacLauren, Bob McGill, Randy Mayeaux, Holly Maynard, Linda McCain, Lynn McCain, Dennis McClung, Brenda Melder, Ralph Mercado, Carolyn Merrell, Owen Monette, Wayne North, Andrew Odum, Diane Osborne, Jessie Parker, Karen Pichon, Burt Poche, Hannah Possioit, Dale Presson, Alton Rachal, Jr., Archie Rachal, Jr., Crystal Rachal, Jimmy Rachal, Jr., Holly Rafidi, Eddie Richard, Greg Reed, Larry Rister, Dewey Roberts, Carol Ann LaCaze Rose, Maria C. Ruiz, T.M.S. Genevieve Santana, Debby Saville, Tony Schneider, Buzz Scott, Dot Scott, Jensen Sessums, Phillip Shilling, Mike Smith, Donald Smith, Macie Smith, Vickie Spillman, Kay Sprung, Mark Sylvie, Jr., Amy Tobin, Elizabeth Trichel, Cleo Tyler, Gary Tyler, Mason Tyler, Paulette Tyler, Theresa Vallien, Jenelle Van Calsem, Glenda Sue Vanhook, Ronnie Vasocou, Billie Vercher, Clara Vercher, Cynthia White, Shirley White, Mandy Whitehead, Linda Wilkerson, Johnny Williams, Sammentha Williams Cordie Wilson, Rev. Willie Wilson, Rose Wilson, Melinda Zoizer. *May God grant healing and comfort to the sick and purification through those who suffer for the sake of the Kingdom! Amen.*