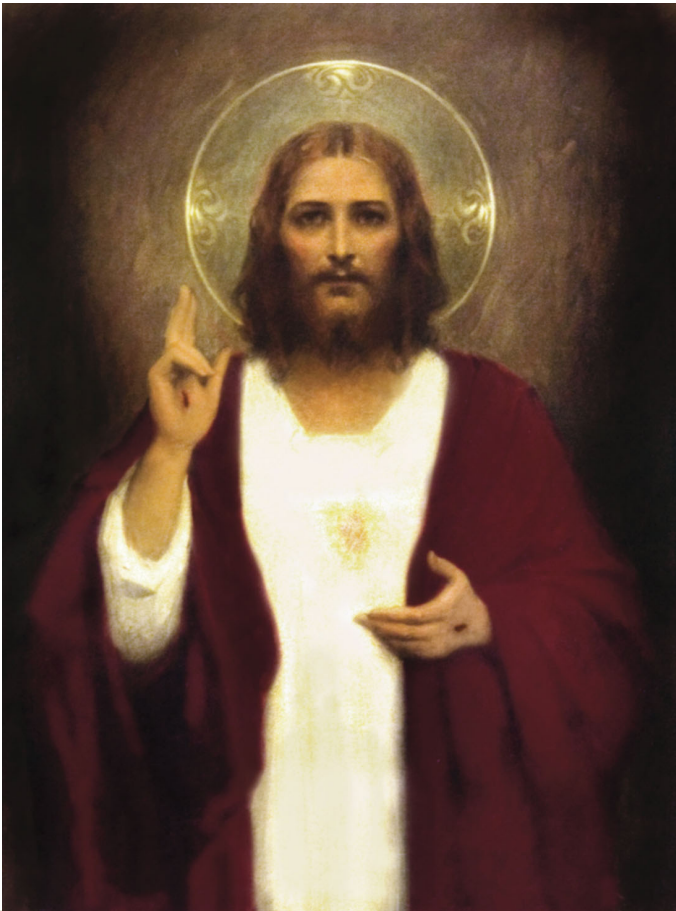


# Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Mary Church

## December 8, 2019



**Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
 407 Saizan Avenue  
 P.O. Box 129  
 Port Barre, LA 70577  
 (337) 585-2279 office

**Office Hours:** Mon.—Thurs.9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

**In case of an emergency,**  
 please call the office at St. Joseph's Hall:  
 (337) 585-2279.

Please visit our website:  
[www.sacredheartstmary.org](http://www.sacredheartstmary.org).

**St. Mary Church**  
 4827 Hwy 103  
 P.O. Box 338  
 Port Barre, LA 70577  
 (337) 585-2315 office

**Office Hours:** Wednesday & Thursday 3:30 pm—5:30 pm

**Email:** [smc\\_pb@yahoo.com](mailto:smc_pb@yahoo.com)

### Mass Schedule:

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before every Mass.

	<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>
Tuesday	12:05 p.m.	
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	
Thursday		7:00 a.m.
Friday	7:00 a.m.	
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	
Sunday	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.

### Pastoral Staff

*Fr. Clint Trahan* Pastor  
*Rose Nelams Decou* Office Manager -Sacred Heart  
*Cegie Leger* Safe Environment Coordinator  
*Kathy Collins* Secretary - St. Mary

**Baptisms/ Weddings/ Annulments/ Bulletin/ Cemetery/ Mass Intentions:** Please call Rose at (337) 585-2279 for more information.

**Website/ Facebook/ Safe Environment/ CCD:** Please contact Cegie Leger at (337) 692-4722.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Contact Cynthia Perron at 658-6816.

**St. Mary Church:** Religion Classes contact Shirley Rene at 281-788-1899.



**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**DECEMBER 8, 2019-DECEMBER 15, 2019**

**Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 12:05 p.m.:** Gantt Wade Wyble

**Wednesday, December 11, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 6:00 p.m.:** In Thanksgiving, Roy Dwayne and Velva Mae Council and Family

**Thursday, December 12, 2019, St. Mary Church, 7:00 a.m.:** Diane Ryder Wyble

**Friday, December 13, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 7:00 a.m.:** Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Perron and Family

**Saturday, December 14, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 4:00 p.m.:** Donald L. Andrus, Garland Badeaux, Una Mae Miller, Kearns and Desi Kennison and Family

**Sunday, December 15, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 7:00 a.m.:** Mary Linda Soileau, Living and deceased members of the Hebert and Devillier Families, Herman John, Alec Hayden and Kenneth J. Olivier, Placide and Emily Moran, Larry Gauthier

**Sunday, December 15, 2019, Sacred Heart of Jesus, 9:00 a.m.:** Parochial Mass for all Parishioners

**Sunday, December 15, 2019, St. Mary Church, 11:00 a.m.:**

**First Saturday Mass will be on Saturday, January 4, 2019 at Sacred Heart at 9:00 a.m.**

**The Knights of Columbus meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Collections**

**November 24, 2019**

Offertory:  
\$3,079.00

December 1, 2019  
3,065.00

**St. Mary Church  
Collections**

**November 24, 2019**

**\$693.38**

**Mass Intention Envelopes** are at the back of Church and must be received in the church office at least 2 weeks in advance of the date to be printed in the bulletin. Each intention or name is \$5.00 and should be paid at the time of recording. You may include the money in the collection but please put it in a Mass Intention Envelope and include dates & times masses are to be said as well as your name and phone number in case we need to speak to you.

### HE LONG-AWAITED ONE

As the Sundays of Advent unfold the scriptures shift focus from the final coming of the Lord to his historical birth. Today's scriptures blend the two. Isaiah's disillusionment with the kings of his own day led him to envision an ideal king who would rule with divine approval and be led by divine wisdom. For centuries the Jewish people anticipated the arrival of that Messiah, who would usher in a blessed age when the whole world would finally dwell in justice and peace.

After centuries of such growing expectation, the preaching of John the Baptist about the imminent arrival of the Messiah could not help but provoke intense interest. The Baptist's message about preparation for "the one who is coming" (Matthew 3:11) makes clear that Jesus is, in fact, the long-awaited one who is ushering in the new age foretold by Isaiah and all the prophets.

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### SAINT JUAN DIEGO (1474-1548)

#### December 9

How well Mary's own words describe Juan Diego: "God has cast down the mighty from their thrones and lifted up the lowly" (Luke 1:52). Through him, for the diverse peoples of the Americas, indigenous and immigrant, the Mother of God became known as their Mother, too. Cuauhtlatzin, his given name, means "One Who Speaks Like an Eagle," and Juan Diego faithfully delivered the Virgin's request that a church be built at Tepeyac where she had appeared to him. To the skeptical bishop's request for a sign, Our Lady showed Juan Diego roses blooming through stony ground, despite winter's cold. When he unfolded his *tilma* to present them to the bishop, imprinted there was Mary's image! Her blue sash and the flower over her womb were traditional Aztec symbols of pregnancy and new life. But her features were those of a *mestiza*, indicating mixed Aztec-European heritage. Thus to peoples too easily prone to a "clash of cultures," Our Lady of Guadalupe remains the enduring icon of unity-in-diversity, the fruit of our one baptism into Jesus, her Son.

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### OPELOUSAS COMMUNITY CHOIR

Directed by Jamie Green

Performances:

Friday, December 13, 2019 - 6:30 p.m.

Hope Presbyterian Church, 434 South Main St.

Saturday, December 14, 2019 - 6:30 p.m.

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany 1103 South Union

Sunday, December 15, 2019 - 2:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church 3835 I-49 Service Road

Free admission—Donations accepted

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN 2019

The obligation to attend Mass is dispensed because December 8 falls on Sunday.

## December 8, 2019 Second Sunday of Advent

### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

In addition to the regular schedule of Confession listed on the front of the bulletin, Fr. Clint will be available for Confession on Wednesday evenings during Advent following the 6:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart. CCD students are especially encouraged to receive reconciliation during this time.

### SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

The Christmas Social will be next Sunday, December 15, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Hall. Everyone is invited and asked to bring a dish. Santa will be there.

### SACRED HEART GENERAL CHURCH CLEANING

Parishioners of Sacred Heart are invited to give a general cleaning to the Church on Saturday, December 14, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

### CHRISTMAS FLOWER INTENTIONS

Christmas Flower Intention Envelopes are available at the entrance of Church. If you would like to make a donation for Christmas Flowers please use the envelope provided and list the intention. Flower Intention will be taken through December 12, 2019.

### MONETARY CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Envelopes have been placed at the entrances of both churches if you would like to give Fr. Clint a monetary gift for Christmas. These envelopes will be presented to him at Christmas Eve Mass. Place your gift in the envelope and **seal it**. You can put the envelope in the collection basket or drop it off at the Church Office.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council #3496 of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church for the Catholic Calendars. The calendars will be available at the entrance of the church beginning the weekend of December 14th and 15th.

### NO RELIGION CLASSES ON THESE DAYS

No religion classes at Sacred Heart on Sunday, December 22 and Sunday, December 29, 2019. Due to Christmas Holidays.

### OFFICE CLOSED

Sacred Heart Church Office will be closed on December 11th and will reopen on the 17th. If you have an emergency call the church office at 337-585-2279 and the answering service will take your information.

**CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS**

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