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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish of Sacred Heart, are committed to enriching the Spirituality of the parish family, the Christian community, and all brothers and sisters created in God's divine image and likeness. We are called by the Holy Spirit, under the leadership of our Bishop and Pastor, to assist others through the development and promotion of various ministries. We pray for Divine guidance that we may serve others with truth, courage, forethought and compassion.

Parish Council 1998

BAPTISM: Call the office three months prior to anticipated birth to schedule a preparation class after which a Baptism date can be scheduled.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: Please contact Aga Chandler, Coordinator of Religious Ed.

MARRIAGE: Contact the office six months prior to anticipated wedding date. Pre-Cana is required for all engaged couples and should be attended at least three months before the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & MINISTRY OF CARE: If you or someone you know is seriously ill, hospital or home bound, and would like the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Church office to make arrangements to have a priest come and visit. The Eucharist can also be brought to homebound parishioners by an Extraordinary Minister.

WE WELCOME YOU AND INVITE YOU

to fill out a form to become a member of our special Little Church with the Big Heart. The green census forms are located in the back of the Church. You may put the completed form in the collection basket, mail it to the office, or bring it in during office hours. We welcome you to our family.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE MASSES ARE AS FOLLOWS

Saturday — 5:30 p.m. and Sunday — 11:00 a.m.

WEEK DAY MASSES

Wednesday & Thursday — 8:30 a.m. in the Church
Anointing of the Sick is the First Wednesday of Each Month

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES

12:05 p.m. Day of the Holy Day

Confessions

By Appointment, except for Mondays

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday — 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Pre K 3 through High School — Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
September — May

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in exploring the Catholic Faith
Sunday at 9:30 a.m. September — May

BULLETIN NOTICE DEADLINE

— MONDAY 1:00 PM for the following Sunday's bulletin —

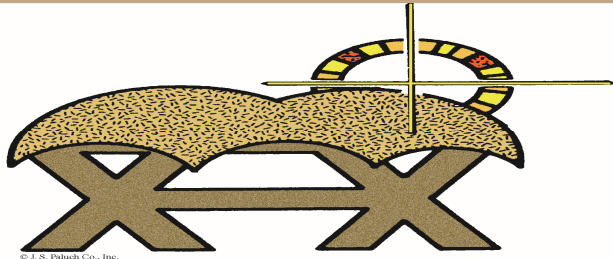
Please email your request to libbyac@sacredheartshreveport.org. You can drop it off at the church office or place your written announcement in the collection basket on Sundays. Thank you.

1-888-411-1333

Free. Confidential. 24 Hours

SUICIDE HOTLINE — 1-877-994-2275

If you are on vacation or just out of town on business and would like to find a mass near you. Go to www.MassTimes.org or call 734-794-2100.



**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
December 27, 2020**

My eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared
in the sight of all the peoples.

— Luke 2:30-31

Masses of the Week

12/26 SAT
12/27 SUN
12/27 SUN
12/27 SUN

5:30 p.m.
11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

† OTTO MILLER & VICENTA SAMSON
† JIM HEARD
† EUNICE & CHRIS EBARB
† MAYBELLE ROSCOE

by: Mary Dupuis
by: Mr. & Mrs. Rupert Sepulvado
by: The Family
by: Claudia LaRoux

12/30 WED

8:30 a.m.

† NATIVIDAD FLORES

by: Grace Flores

12/31 THU →

NO MORNING MASS

12/31 THU (NEW YEAR'S EVE)

4:00 p.m.

PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART

01/01 FRI (NEW YEAR'S DAY)

12:00 Noon

PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART

01/02 SAT

5:30 p.m.

† NGUYEN HAI

by: Song Nghi

01/03 SUN

11:00 a.m.

† JAMES WOOD, JR.

by: Claudia LaRoux

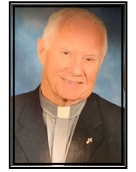
01/03 SUN

11:00 a.m.

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS'S SAFETY & HEALTH

by: Sacred Heart Staff

We pray your Christmas was wonderful and we wish you a wonderful New Year. Pray for our "Little Church With the Big Heart" and for our Country. Stay safe and healthy. We all enjoyed serving you in 2020. Thank you to all our volunteers that keep the church and us going. You are greatly appreciated.
Your Sacred Heart Staff



**OFFICE SCHEDULE FOR
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S**

The office is closed from:

**December 23rd Noon thru January 3,
2021. We will see you on the 4th.**

**(Money counters should be in the
Rectory to count on Dec. 28th and
Jan. 4th, 2021).**

Thank you and see you in 2021.



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

Dec. 27 2020 thru Jan. 2, 2021

In Honor of

*"Sacred Heart Church
Family"*

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul...we want to help!
**We can be reached Monday - Friday between the hours of
9 am to 11 am & between 1 pm to 3 pm at 318-865-7807.**

Our bulletins are back. We will be receiving a limited number of bulletins to cover those that will be attending Mass. There is a weekly bulletin on the website at (www.sacredheartshreveport.org) to read it on-line.

Thank you!

New Horizons
Holy Family 2020
Fr. Mark Watson, Pastor

One of the cherished memories that I have of my father happened when my family lived in Spain. Our parish sponsored a series of presentations about Spanish saints which took place after Sunday Mass. My father was the Master of Ceremonies for each speaker. Before one of the talks, I remember sitting in the back of the room and listening to Dad introduce that day's speaker. I remember thinking to myself, I want to do what he is doing. I wanted to imitate Dad's leadership. It also seemed to me that Dad had no idea that I was in the back of that room watching him. That simple event speaks to me about the truth that parents don't always know that their children are watching their actions and the effect that their actions have on their children. In the back of my mind that event has stayed with me through my Social Work and priestly studies. In a similar way we reflect on the effect that the faith of Mary and Joseph had on the faith of Jesus.

The first reading focuses on the faith of Abraham. In the reading Abraham and Sarah are presented as being too old to have children, Sarah is 90 years old and Abraham is 100. While God's promise seems impossible, Abraham has faith in the word of God. Sarah bears Isaac. Salvation history passes through the lives of Sarah and Abraham through their children and throughout the generations of his family to the birth of Jesus. In the same way faith and the promise of salvation is passed on in our families.

The Gospel is the story of the Holy Family bringing Jesus to the temple for the circumcision and naming of Jesus and later for the presentation of Jesus and the purification of Mary. These actions show the faithfulness of Joseph and Mary to their Jewish faith and the importance of passing on this faith to Jesus.

When Joseph and Mary entered the temple with the child Jesus, the Holy Family was met by a just and holy man named Simeon. Simeon took Jesus in his arms and declared that Jesus was the Savior. Simeon says that the people of Israel will be divided over Jesus; some will rise in faith and others fall in unbelief.

The Gospel reminds us that life was not ideal even for the Holy Family. The life of Jesus, Mary and Joseph was one of familial and individual sacrifice. Simeon reminds us in the Gospel that **Jesus will be a sign that will be contradicted**. Though Jesus always brings God's truth to others and presents God's will he was often contradicted even to the point of death on a cross. The life of the Holy Family teaches us the importance facing the challenges of life with faith in God's protection and presence.

A second powerful message in the Gospel is that Mary and Joseph passed on their faith to Jesus. Jesus then passed that faith on to his disciples. We receive that faith through our families. Christian families continually pass on that faith.

As members of a family this feast challenges us to live holiness as a Mother, Father, Husband, Wife, Child, Brother and Sister. In the family do parents communicate the faith through the lives that they live and through teaching truths of the faith? Do children respect and love their parents and do brothers and sisters love one another? In a world that is often hostile to the faith families are of primary importance as centers of living, radiant faith. The Second Vatican Council teaches that the family is to receive the sacraments, pray, give thanks, live a holy life, practice self-denial and be active in charity. I would add that family relationships should lead to self-confidence and inner peace in their members.

May the Holy Family pray for our families as we live out and pass on the faith!



Dec. 27—PSR & RCIA will not meet due to Christmas Break
 Dec. 31—**No 8:30** a.m. Mass
 Dec. 31—Mass at 4:00 pm
 Jan. 01—Mass at 12 Noon
 Jan. 03—PSR & RCIA will not meet due to New Year's Break
 Jan. 13—Ladies Guild Meeting @ 10:30 am in Gabriel Hall

WE ARE GOD'S HOLY FAMILY

The scriptures of Israel are filled with many stories of barren couples who were miraculously granted the gift of children by God. Surely the best known among these is the first reading from today, from which Luke took inspiration when he recounted the miraculous birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah and Elizabeth, and the more miraculous birth of Jesus to Mary and Joseph. In each instance, we are given examples or role models of those who trusted in God. More than examples of those who trust, they are models of self-surrender. They abandoned their own presuppositions and prejudices about the workings of the world and turned their lives over to belief in a God who can make life grow where none ought to; a God who can turn death around into a new and unimagined life; a God who can, today, take a tiny child of humble parents in an insignificant town and make him into a light for all the world. This is what we, as God's holy family, are called to do each day: to trust not in ourselves and the way we think things should be, but to open ourselves and surrender ourselves in faith to a God of endless promise. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

FEAST OF FAITH

Processions

Why does the liturgy begin with a procession? It is not just a practical matter of getting the ministers of the liturgy from the sacristy to the sanctuary. The procession is a powerful sign of who we are as Christian people. We are not static, staying in one place. We are going somewhere. Our procession leads us to the altar, sign of Christ's presence in our midst. We move, we process, because we recognize our need for what Christ is preparing for us at that table. We go forward eagerly, because we are hungry for that heavenly food.

This procession is an orderly one: servers, deacon, priest presider. Each is set apart by distinctive vesture: albs for the altar servers, dalmatic for the deacon, chasuble for the priest. The procession is an image of the hierarchical structure of the Church. On a deeper level it is an image of unity in diversity. We are all on a journey to the heavenly city, but each of us is clothed with different gifts. We all receive the call to service, but not in the same way. Only by coming together in all our wonderful variety can we achieve the work of the kingdom.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins (Sirach 3:2-6,12-14) *or* *Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.*
Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) *or* *Psalm 105.*
Second Reading — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) *or* *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.*
Gospel — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt:13-18
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Friday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Monday: The Holy Innocents
Tuesday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket
Wednesday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Thursday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Friday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day; First Friday
Saturday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Saturday

READERS OF THE WORD

The Workbooks for Lectors are in the Narthex. The books have your name on them, so if you are a reader please pick up your book and take it home.

Thank you.

DO YOU USE ENVELOPES?

If you use envelopes for Sunday Collections, they are in the Narthex. Please look for your name and number and take them home. If you would like to start using envelopes, let the office know (635-2121). Thank You!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The "Little Church with the Big Heart" always applies throughout the entire year

December 27— Fourth Sunday of Advent:

Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. During our New Year may our families "grow in wisdom and have the favor of God upon them."

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought light into the darkness surrounding the heart of those living in poverty bringing them the real, lasting, and deep joy of Christmas.

CONGRATULATIONS TO "MAGNOLIA BASCO"

She won the beautiful afghan. Thank you for supporting St. Vincent de Paul.

Bea Cernigliaro and SVdP Staff

MASSES FOR SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Thur., Dec. 31st—New Year's Eve 4:00 p.m.
Fri., Jan 1st — New Year's Day 12:00 Noon

There is a Collection for the Solemnity of Mary and a Collection to help defray the Cost of Envelopes.

CHILDREN OF ETERNITY

You are children of eternity. Your immortal crown awaits you, to reward your duty and love. You may indeed sow here in tears, but you may be sure there to reap in joy. —St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



PSR NEWS



No Classes on:

December 27, 2020 Christmas Break
January 3, 2021 New Year's Break

We hope you all were able to see the Christmas Pageant either online or in person. It was wonderful and we want to thank everyone for the great job they did. A very special group of children, teachers, and parents made this beautiful pageant a reality. Thank you for your hard work. Also, Sacred Heart wants to thank Aga Chandler for her hard work.



COVID - UPDATES

Dr. Fauci says Santa is immune to the Coronavirus, so the children don't have to worry about him.



Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- ◆ Fever or chills
- ◆ Cough
- ◆ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- ◆ Fatigue
- ◆ Muscle or body aches
- ◆ Headache
- ◆ New loss of taste or smell
- ◆ Sore throat
- ◆ Congestion or runny nose
- ◆ Nausea or vomiting
- ◆ Diarrhea
- ◆ Falling down

Look for emergency warning signs for COVID-19. If someone is showing any of these signs, seek emergency medical care immediately.

- ◆ **Trouble breathing**
- ◆ **Persistent pain or pressure in the chest**
- ◆ **New confusion**
- ◆ **Inability to wake or stay awake**
- ◆ **Bluish lips or face**

Call your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Thank you to everyone that donated to the Christmas Flower Memorial Fund. We are sorry if you did not get your names to the office in time, so that your loved ones could be put on our flower insert. If you still would like to get your loved ones on the memorial list, just place their names along with your name in the collection basket and I will add them into the next bulletin. If you need an envelope please get one out of the small white basket in the Narthex and use that envelope. It has a poinsettia on it. List your loved ones and whom you want to say it is from. Return the envelope as soon as you can by placing it in the collection basket or dropping it off at the office. Thank You!

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of. —Benjamin Franklin



**\$500 VISA GIFT CARD DRAWING
DECEMBER 20TH AFTER THE
11 A.M. MASS**



The \$500.00 Visa Gift Card Drawing was last Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. The winner will be announced in the next bulletin.

You can still get your Lucky Number by calling Cathy Flynn (318-286-6275), thru December 31, 2020.

Have fun and play along. You'll be glad you did! Thank you for your support for The Little Church with the BIG Heart.

Your Sacred Heart Pastoral
Council



OFFICE CLOSED

**December 23rd at Noon until
January 4, 2021**



Happy Anniversaries



Dr. John & Loreta Leavitt	12/02/1972
Rey & Marlyn Pangatungan	12/18/2004
Carven & Sandra Hay	12/31/1963



Happy Birthdays



12/01 Christian White	12/15 Charles Wilson
12/02 Kenneth Jackson	12/22 Dennis Chauvin
12/04 Ronald Bowman III	12/22 Angelica Roque
12/04 Samantha Metoyer	12/23 SheaShawna Frank
12/04 Jayce Mitchell	12/23 Jeannette Guastella
12/06 Cody Basco	12/25 Courtney Britnell
12/06 Joe D. Callicoatte	12/25 Melissa Moore
12/07 Ava Candler	12/26 Larkin Krieg
12/10 Christopher Harris	12/27 Michael Hernandez
12/10 Ed Kocmich, III	12/28 Albert Butscher
12/12 Youlounda Rachal	12/30 Michael Cernigliaro, Jr.
12/14 Randy Jones	12/30 Jessica Metoyer
12/14 Nate Maudlin	12/30 Ellyse Suarez
12/14 Azuneth Suarez	12/30 Mary Williams
12/15 Samuel Mack	12/31 Jean Woods

Our Birthday List is generated from our Shelby Program. If you wish your name and your family's name to appear in our Birthday List and you are a parishioner of Sacred Heart. Please pick up a Census Form in the Foyer of the Church fill it out and place it in the basket at any Mass.

Weekly Collections

Weekly Collection Needed	\$ 4,772.00
Actual Weekly Collection—Dec. 12 & 13, 2020	\$ 4,425.00
Actual Weekly Collection—Dec. 19 & 20, 2020	\$ TBA
(Actual Weekly Collections Includes On-Line Giving)	
2nd Collection—National Retirement for Religious	\$ 52.00
Attendance — Dec. 12 & 13, 2020	— 121
Attendance — Dec. 19 & 20, 2020	— TBA

We have the Regular Collection and Cash Drive Collection

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

New Requests

Deanna D.
Emma Parson
Helen Alverdo
Sr. Andre' Aycocck, D.C.
Gary Bailes
Donald Benson
Tanyau Bracey
Huck Bradshaw
Michele Brosset
Joseph Brown, Jr.
Kathleen Candler
Jennifer Cernigliaro
Chauvin Family
Michael & Micki Chin
Wendy Clark
James Coghlan
Grace Collins
V.J. Conner
Paige Comer
Dale Cormier
Dalton & Elnora Corner
Sharon Cothran
Tracy Cowan
Diane Dapier
Mary Davenport
Darren Davis
Joe Davis
Pam Dixon
Phoenix Dufour
Jeff Fisher
Linda Fuller
William & Erin Gardner
Kate Gauthier
Cheryl Geneux

Robert Gillespie
Joyce Goins
Milagros Goncer
Vincente Goncer
Stephanie Grimes
Jeannette Guastella
Sherry Harper
Phyllis Harris
Sr. Emma Hendricks
Carolina Hrdlicka
Jim Hull
David Jackson
Billy Johnson
Kelly Jones
Terry Jones
Marilyn Joynor
Dr. Mortt Junine
Mark Kapera & Family
Brandi Kennington
Gloria Kerry
Wendy King
Sophia M. Larsen
Matt Lookenot
Sarah McIntyre
Leona Mandina
Judy Maranto
Sr. Gilbert Martin, D.C.
Mary Matthews
Thomas Medlin
Lawson Merick
Josephine Miller
Otto Miller
Juanita Minch
Dennis Mitchell
Sylvia Mobley
Margaret Moore

Moore Family
Frances Munoz
Dorothy Parker
Miranda Parker
Piper Rae Pate
Anthony Priest
Baby Boy Proctor-Looi
Brian Reed
Tammy Rhodes
John Roberson
Marilyn Robbins
Judy Rosso
Frances Rost
Mary Ruesch
James Russom
Billy Samuels
Dess Schaefer
Adele Serio
Jude Shillings
Shillings Family
Al Simpson
Betty York Stratton
Billy Samuels
Lloyanda Teneyuque
Michael Thompson
Joetta Waterman
Braylan Welch
Linda Wicker
Ryan Wicker
Bruce Williams
Linda Williams
Richie Williams
Lyn Zammaripa
Sam Zamora

Continued Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN:

Maj. Jennifer Herron, Stf. Sgt. Kelly Conner, Sgt. David Duncan, Corp. Adam C. Henson, Lt. Sgt. Joey Martinez, GL6 Shannon Martinski Montes, Sgt. Andrew Montes, Sgt. Terrance Laborde, Capt. Nicholas Smith, Darnell Gillie, Erik Restevio, Aaron Schmidt, and PFC Charles Gilmore, Cobey West, 2nd Lt. Adam Messinger, Pvt. 1st Class Jaxon Wright, Basic Cadet Jameson Feeney and men and women who are serving our country, here and abroad, and for their families awaiting their safe return.

Mary Powell (318-621-0022) is the contact person to add or remove someone from this prayer lists. Let her know when the name should be removed from our prayer list. Names will be removed after four (4) weeks. If you need an extension, also contact Mary Powell.