

Saint Pius X Catholic Church



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Telephone 318-222-2165 • Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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Ted Kapera

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Joann Witkowski

Youth Directors

Erin LeBrocq, Joy Dykes

Bereavement

Ladies Guild

Minister Scheduler

Bettie Shelton

Altar Society

Earline Davis

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass	9:00 a.m.
	11:00 a.m.
First Friday & Saturday	8:00 a.m.
Daily Mass	
Tuesday - Friday	8:00 a.m.

Sacraments

Baptism/Matrimony	Contact Office
Reconciliation	3:30 Saturday
	and by appointment

R.C.I.A. Tuesday 6:30
September - Pentecost

Care of the Sick

Fr. Joe	Pat McDowell
222-2165	221-6321

Welcome New Parishioners

Please register with the Parish Office

St. Pius Child Development Center

Fully Licensed Facility

Accepting children ages 1 year through 5 years
Susan Lanier, Director. 318-425-2192

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 20, 2017

Isaiah 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15,29-32;
Matthew 15:21-28

The readings of today's Mass should stir us to concern for the salvation of our neighborhood, our community, and our world. God chose a people through whom he would reveal himself to the world. The Hebrew people are his first choice. He gave them his Holy Torah or Law; he sent them prophets; he called them to be a priestly nation, a royal people. Unfortunately, they often became smug and self-satisfied; they thought that the rest of the world was damned, and that they were the only righteous people in the world.

The last part of the book of Isaiah (chapters 56-66) give a different outlook. God reminds the Hebrews that he calls all people to salvation. He intends all peoples to come and worship him, the one true God. Today's first reading is taken from this section.

In the second reading (from Romans) Paul laments the fact that his people, the Jews, have not recognized Jesus as Messiah. But he says that this is for a purpose: in order that God may show mercy to the Gentiles (the pagans, the non-Jews, that is to us!)

The Gospel tells the story of a pagan woman who asks Jesus to cure her daughter. Jesus ignores her. He says that his mission is only to save Israel. He tells her that it is not right to take children's food and give it to dogs. (Jews called Gentiles "dogs.") She matches wits with Jesus and says, "Yes, but even the dogs get the scraps which the children sneak to them under the table."

Jesus has not really been as brutal as our translation makes it seem. The Greek word used for "dog" here really means something like "puppy" or "house pets." It is an affectionate term. In doing this, the woman is given an opportunity for faith; and she expresses it!

Putting all the readings together, we see that we must have a concern for our neighbor's salvation. We would surely take food to our neighbor if he is hungry. We must provide the bread of truth for our neighbor who is starving for the Lord. The Responsorial Psalm sums up the message: "O God, let all the nations praise you!" But the nations cannot praise God unless you and I reach out to bring them to faith!

--Msgr. William Carr

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God in St. Pius X Church, Shreveport, LA., choose to serve God faithfully in our commitment to evangelize, to catechize, and to build community with the people of North Shreveport. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to build God's Kingdom by living and learning more deeply the Word of God and regularly participating in the Sacraments. We cherish the Traditions of the Roman Catholic Church. We shall promote peace and justice, as we strive to develop leadership who will continue the ministry of Jesus Christ. By accomplishing this, we build up the Body of Christ, the Church.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

- Monday** * 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus meet in Rm 10 on 2nd & 4th Mondays
 * The Prayer Quilt Group meets every 1st & 3rd Monday @ 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday** * 9:00 a.m. Rosary in the church
 * PSR from 6:30-7:30 pm- begins Sept. 13, 2017
 * Ladies Guild Meeting-2nd Wed. of the month @10:00 a.m. in Rm 9
 *RCIA @ 6:30 pm in Room 9 Sept. 13, 2017 thru April, 2018
- Thursday** * 9:00 a.m. Altar Society
 * 6:10 p.m. Choir Practice
 * Parish Council meets the third Thursday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. in Rm 10
 *LEGS Meeting every 2nd Thursday @ 6:00pm
- Friday** * Men's Prayer Breakfast after 8:00 am Mass
- Saturday** * 3:30 pm Reconciliation
 * First Saturday of every month-Marian Devotional Mass @ 8:00 am / Rosary@ 8:30 am
- Sunday** *Children's Liturgy @ 11:00 a.m. Mass
 *Youth Council meets every 1st & 3rd Sunday at noon

Mass Intentions

- Sat. 8-19 4:30 pm Joe Bill Davis, Larry Vickers
- Sun. 8-20 9:00 am - C. W. Smith, Charles Pasquier
- Sun. 8-20 11:00 am - Rita Methvin, Virginia Juneau, Frances Morris, Angie Manno
- Mon. 8-21 8:00 am - No Mass
- Tues. 8-22 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Tues. 8-23 6:30 pm - Celebrant's Intentions
- Wed 8-24 8:00 am- Celebrant's Intentions
- Thurs. 8-25 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Fri. 8-26 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions

ATTENDANCE ~ 282

COLLECTION WEEK ENDING 8-13-17 \$ 5,362.00



August Sanctuary Candle

Roger Bryant

Readings

Mon. Jgs 2:11-19	Mt 19:16-22 (419)
Tues. Jgs 6:11-24a	Mt 19:23-30 (420)
Wed. Jgs 9:6-15	Mt 20:1-16 (421)
Thurs. Rv 21:9b-14	Jn 1:45-51(629)
Fri. Ru 1:1,3-6, 14b-16, 22	Mt 22:34-40 (423)

RCIA is a ministry that reaches out to Catholics wanting to renew their faith, and non-Catholics who have an interest in what we believe in and how we pray. If you or someone you know is interested in joining, please call the church office at 222-2165. The first class will be **Wednesday, September 13,**

COMING SOON!!

Annual Knights of Columbus #1108 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser \$7.00 per plate

St. Vincent de Paul will receive donations after Mass on Sunday, August 27, 2017. A collection basket will be in the Narthex of the church. God bless you for your kindness!



Coffee, Donuts and a Whole Lot

Come join us on Sundays between the masses for coffee and refreshments. It's a great opportunity to "catch-up" with other parishioners and meet new ones. Please help us keep this ministry "cookin" by volunteering to host a weekend. It can be as simple as donuts or as elaborate as you wish to provide.

- August 20 Feast Day & Fr. Joe's Welcome Dinner
- August 27 Joe & Larry

If you are interested in sponsoring hospitality on Sunday, please call Ed Antici @ 425-7113.

HELP WANTED!

PSR Catechist: Looking for volunteers who want to teach religious education through catechesis. Curriculum and materials are provided. Training and support will be offered through St. Pius and the Diocese of Shreveport. You will need to attend the Protecting God's Children class and online monthly training. Please call the office if you are interested.



A Taste of Louisiana

Saturday, August 26, 2017 at North Shreve Baptist Church at 4930 Old Mooringsport Rd., Shreveport, LA 71107 ~ 5-8 pm
Kids 11 & under \$6.00 ~ 12 & up \$10.00

RCIA will have their first class on **Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm** in Room 9. PSR will also begin their first class at **6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 13, 2017.**

Everyone please join us for **St. Pius X Feast Day and Father Joe's Welcome Dinner on August 20, 2017 at noon** in Parish Hall! Bring your favorite dish (chicken provided) and join us to celebrate **Fr. Joe Martina as our new pastor!!**

16th Annual Blue Mass

The **16th Annual Blue Mass** honoring all law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency personnel will take place on **Friday, August 25 at 9:30 am** at St. Mary of the Pines Parish located at 1050 Bert Kouns. For more information, call 687-5121.

****2017 Western District St. Vincent de Paul Banquet****
If you missed last year's banquet, do not miss this year's **"Not Too Far From Here...ENCORE!"** banquet. Make plans to join **Bishop Duca and Fr. Matthew Long and the Centenary Choir on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017 at the Bossier Civic Center at 6:30 pm** with dinner provided by Savoie's. Speakers are **Bishop Andrew Randall, Jr. and Dr. Brad Jurkovich.** Register at www.svdpsshreveport.org and click on "Learn More" on the home page.

MARY'S HOUSE RAFFLE

September 1st ~ 4 tickets LSU vs. Syracuse on 9-23-17

October 1st ~ Big Green Egg ~ Mini Max

November 1st ~ Cajun Fryer and Stand

Get your ticket today!!

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=1aaefa>



Please Pray For The Health Of: Michael Chin,

Ken Treadway, Leonard Micinski, Margaret Lucas (Bettie Shelton's sister), Leola Baker, Anita LeMoine, James Melvin Adkinson, Terry Coe, Fr. Richard Norsworthy Patrick Cunningham, Roy Morris, John Cole, Bonnie Beaubouef, Jack Zeutzius, Andrew Evers, Gayle Cotton, David Trueblood, Dale Petrick, Kenny Smith, Jacquelyn Abrams McCray, Elida Morris, Ed McGowan, Robert Edwards, Stephanie Grimes, Dalton Huddleston, Claudine Hart, Bill Barrett, Johnny Ray Johnson, Don Richie, Nancy Cimino, Cynthia Edwards, Carol Trahan, Ted Kapera, Billy Turnage, Glenn Petrick, Andrea Yogi, Bobby Little, Evelyn Cunningham
Pray for the Repose of the Soul: Tom Digilormo (Tony Digilormo's uncle) Joan Cascio-Varner, Katherine Dowden, Larry Vickers

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Ladies of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

will host the luncheon and meeting of the Catholic Women's League on **Tuesday, September 12, 2017.** Registration will start at 9:30 am and the meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 am. Cost of luncheon is \$6.00. Canned goods and clothing items will be collected for SVDP. We are still saving Campbell Soup labels. Please bring your "White Elephant" gift items in a gift bag or paper bag. These items will sell for 50 cents. We will have our regular meeting and the guest speaker will be Father Timothy Hurd, the new pastor at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. There will be door prizes!! Ladies, please call in your reservations to Linda MacKinnon at 393-3056 by September 9, 2017.

The **Catholic High School and Middle School youth of the Diocese of Shreveport** are gathering together for **Encounter Jesus 3 ~ a day of fun, faith and learning on September 16 at Loyola College Prep** and we want you to be part of the fun! Talk to your church youth minister today to learn more and to register. You can also visit the Diocese of Shreveport website for more information! (www.dioshpt.org).

FOOD PANTRY

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Items needed are: Canned fruit & any other non-perishable items. The pantry is open on **Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm.** Call Mary Jane Terry at 425-7663 if you are interested in volunteering.

Schedule

<u>Tuesdays</u>		<u>Thursdays</u>	
1st	Cynthia McCord	1st	Linda MacKinnon
2nd	Barbara Morgan	2nd	Open
3rd	Donna Howard	3rd	No Worker Needed
4th	Earline Davis	4th	Ann Raymond
5th	Mary Jane Terry	5th	Open