

Saint Pius X Catholic Church



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 Website: www.stpiusx.net

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Rev. Joseph Kallookalam	Deacon Jeff Chapman
Director of Religious Education Susan Lanier	Grand Knight, K of C Ted Kapera
Secretary/Bookkeeper Ruby Zeutzius	Ladies Guild Earline Davis
Music Director/Organist Marc-Andre' Bougie	Youth Directors Erin LeBrocq, Joy Dykes
Parish Council President Ron Witkowski	Bereavement Ladies Guild
Trustees Buddy McDowell, David Pigott	Minister Scheduler Bettie Shelton
Finance Council Johnny Addison	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 934-4146 Pat McDowell 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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 29, 2017

Zephaniah 2:3,3:12-13; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31;
 Matthew 5:1-12a

Matthew's Gospel is the most "Jewish" of the Gospels. It is structured around five great sermons or discourses of Jesus. The reason: There were five scrolls or books of Moses; Matthew shows Jesus as the "new Moses." The first of the sermons is the Sermon on the Mount. Moses went up on the mountain to receive the Holy Torah; Jesus goes up the mountain to proclaim the "new Law."

If we add the infancy story of Jesus and the Passion-Death-Resurrection narrative to the five sermons, we have seven units. The perfect number to the Jews was seven! These are but a few examples of the "Jewishness" of Matthew. Matthew wants to show Jesus as the fulfillment of all the promises made to the Jews.

Today's Gospel contains the opening words of the very first sermon recorded of Jesus, the Sermon on the Mount. The Beatitudes can be considered in many different ways. They may be an entirely new "value system": Jesus blesses humility; the world blesses pride. Jesus blesses the meek; the world extols the self-assertive. Jesus blesses those who are sorry for sin ("mourn"); the world never wants to admit a mistake. Jesus blesses the clean of heart; the world cherishes the risqué, the bawdy, and the immoral.

The Beatitudes might also be considered as the process of conversion: "Poor in spirit" means those who have nothing else to rely on; they must turn to God. Unless we realize our need for God, we won't turn to him. "Sorrowing" really means those who are sorry for sin. We must realize our sinfulness and want to turn away. We must hunger and thirst for holiness in order that the Lord may fill us with his saving grace. Then, in turn, if we show mercy to others, God will show us mercy.

The first reading, from Zephaniah, urges us to seek humility and justice. The second reading tells us that we aren't too sophisticated or wise; but no matter! God chooses those who are nothing to show his own powerful grace. Realize your need of God, your need to reform; hunger for holiness. The Lord will fill you.

--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 AM
- Tuesday** * RCIA @ 6:30 pm in Church Cry Room- Sept. 20, 2016 thru April 2017
- Wednesday** * 9:00 a.m. Rosary in the church
 * PSR from 6:30-7:30 PM on Sept. 14, 2016
 * Ladies Guild Meeting-2nd Wed. of the month @10:00AM in Rm 9
- Thursday** * 9:00 a.m. Altar Society
 * 6:10 p.m. Choir Practice
 * Parish Council meets the third Thursday of the month @ 6:00 PM 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 @ 11:00AM Mass
 *Youth Council meets every 1st & 3rd Sunday at noon

Mass Intentions

- Sat. 1-28 4:30 pm - Jane Cassels, Sandra Fuller Wally Gordon Bennett, Jr.
- Sun. 1-29 10:00 am - Francis James Hoang
- Sun. 1-29 11:00 am - Giacobe Nguyen Ngoc Hai, Rita Methvin, Ronald Ploesch, Sandra Fuller
- Mon. 1-30 8:00 am - No Mass
- Tues. 1-31 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Wed. 2-01 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Thurs. 2-02 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Fri. 2-03 8:00 am - Sandra Fuller, "Oilfield Eddy" Ellers, Rita Methvin

ATTENDANCE - 246



January Sanctuary Candle Roger Bryant

Readings

Mon. Heb 11:32-40	Mk 5:1-20 (323)
Tues. Heb 12:1-4	Mk 5:21-43 (324)
Wed. Heb 12:4-7, 11-15	Mk 6:1-6 (325)
Thurs. Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18	Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 (524)
Fri. Heb 13:1-8	Mk 6:14-29 (327)

We will take up a collection for Capital Campaign/Building Fund next week.

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

www.stpiusx.net

St. Pius X Child Development Center has a new curriculum. It is approved by the Louisiana Dept. of Education. The State has a new grant to pay for part of the curriculum but we are needing help with the balance. We will be selling chocolate candy bars after Mass. We thank you for your support!

St. Pius X **St. Vincent de Paul** is needing volunteers to answer the hotline. There are two shifts to choose from: morning or afternoon and you may work out of your home. If you are interested, please call the church office at 222-2165.



Coffee, Donuts, and a Whole Lot More!!

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

Jan. 29 Ed Antici

Feb. 5 Greg & Stephanie King

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

The Church: Now let us see how the Magisterium helps us, faithful to accept dogma (a proclaimed doctrine) infallibly. The Latin word magister means teacher and magisterium comes from that word and it means teaching authority of Catholic Church. Pope Paul VI in his "Mysterium Ecclesiae" says, "The faithful need the assistance of the magisterium when internal disagreements arise and spread concerning a doctrine that must be believed or held, lest it loses the communion of the one faith in the one body of the Lord." We could see how the infallibility worked while the Church exercised her decision-making from the beginning of Christianity. But the term and its understanding was in its development. The first significant clarification came in the early fifth century when Nestorius questioned the dogma promulgated by Pope Celestine I. At the request of Nestorius, Emperor Theodosius II convoked a council at Ephesus. There, Papal legate read the statement, "There is no doubt, and in fact, it is known in all ages, that the holy and most blessed Peter, the head of the Apostles, pillar of the faith and foundation of the Catholic Church, received the keys of the kingdom from our Lord Jesus Christ, the Savior and Redeemer of humanity. To him was given the power of losing and binding sins, who even now and always, lives and judges in his successors. It was further clarified when the protestant reformers claimed that all the faithful are priests and, therefore, the hierarchy is no more divinely authorized to teach infallibly and all baptized Christians are same. But the council of Trent insisted that the bishops are successors of the apostles who were considered having a special rank in comparison with other believers since "they have been placed to rule the Church by the Holy Spirit" Acts 20, 29. St. Paul questioned, "Are they all apostles? All prophets? All evangelists? All pastors? All teachers? St. Proves that the hierarchy exist in Christ's way of the formation of his Church and Jesus protects the Church from error. Father Joe



Please Pray For The Health Of: Michael Chin, Monica Clevenger, Rose Patton, Judy Winer, Ken Treadway, Doretha Bustamento, Clyde Benson, Billie Van Hoose, Ann Dykes, June Foster, Sharon Smith, Jan Miyamae, Sue Stout, Carly Santone (Granddaughter of John Santone), Ruth Erlinger, Yvonne Micinski, Virginia Juneau, Angie Manno, Pat Oliver, Wally Burdges, Mindy Sellers, Margaret Lucas (Betty Shelton's sister) Johnienne Varwig (Brenda Bryant's sister), Joe Bill Davis, Joe Jones, Raye Rhodes, Jean Pastado (friend of Buddy McDowell), Charlie Mikesell

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of: Edward Felan, Ronald Ploesch, Sandra Bryant Fuller, Rita Methvin (Cynthia Edwards mom)

St. Joseph Catholic School located at 1210 Anniston Avenue in Shreveport has scheduled their **Spring Open Houses** as follows:

- Sunday, January 29 - 10:30 am - 2:00 pm
- Tuesday, January 31 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- Thursday, February 2 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

"Calling Catholics Home" for non-practicing Catholics who may be considering a return to the Church, begins Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

Please pray for the victims & volunteers of the numerous tornadoes!

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CATHOLIC STUDENTS

Application packets for tuition assistance from the Theresian Endowment, the Daughters fo the Cross Educational Fund, and the Bishop's Tuition Assistance are now available for the 2017-2018 school year. Partial tuition assistance is available on a needs-basis for Catholic students in the Diocese of Shreveport. Parents may contact any Catholic school office for application packets, or may apply online at www.tuitionaid.com. **Deadline for application is March 31, 2017.** For more information, contact the Diocesan Catholic Schools at 219-7253.

FOOD PANTRY

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Items needed are: Canned potatoes, mixed vegetables, and fruit. 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 Erin LeBrocq
3rd Donna Howard	3rd No Worker Needed
4th Carol Ann Able (sub)	4th Ann Raymond

Save the Date!

Bishop Michael Duca's 7th Annual Pro-Life Banquet on March 8, 2017 at Shreveport Convention Center