

Saint Pius X Catholic Church



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Earline Davis

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
934-4146 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

Second Sunday of Lent

MARCH 12, 2017

Genesis 12:1-4a; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10;
Matthew 17:1-9

Remember that Lent is devoted to baptism and baptismal renewal. Last week we saw that baptism does not mean freedom from temptation. As the Lord was tempted, so will we be tempted. We must daily struggle to overcome.

This week we see the profound meaning of our baptism: Through baptism, we are transformed into the image of Christ himself! But don't expect that everything is "glory."

Only once during his earthly life did Jesus allow his divinity to shine through his humanity. He was transfigured before three of the apostles. At all other times he looked like an ordinary human being. We may not "see" our divine baptismal dignity, but it is there; and we must reverence that image with humility and gratitude.

Our first reading tells of the call of Abraham. All nations and peoples will be blessed through a descendant of his. Abraham's call was great; our call to baptism is greater. We share in the blessing promised to him.

Our second reading tells us that the Gospel will also mean hardship. Jesus was divine; yet he suffered and died on the cross. We share his divine life; and we, too, must carry our crosses in union with him. Let us not rebel against our daily crosses; let us bear them joyfully.

The experience of the Transfiguration was intended to strengthen the disciples for the ordeal of the cross. It was to help them to see that the Messiah was not the triumphant and over-powering person expected, but was a suffering Messiah. If we want to follow Christ, we must follow him in his cross as well as in his resurrection.

--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. 3-11 4:30 pm - Jane Cassels
- Sun. 3-12 9:00 am - Francis James Hoang
 Jim Ramsey
- Sun. 3-12 11:00 am - Giacobe Nguyen Ngoc Hai, Rita
 Methvin, Ronald Ploesch
 Charles Eddie Ellers
- Mon. 3-13 8:00 am - No Mass
- Tues. 3-14 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Wed. 3-15 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Thurs. 3-16 8:00 am - Marvin Carney
- Fri. 3-17 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions

ATTENDANCE - 236



March Sanctuary Candle

Lane Remedies

Readings

Mon. Dn 9:4b-10	Lk 6:36-38 (230)
Tues. Is 1:10, 16-20	Mt 23:1-12 (231)
Wed. Jer 18:18-20	Mt 20:17-28 (232)
Thurs Jer: 17: 5-10	Lk 16:19-31 (233)
Fri. Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a	Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 (234)



It's time to order Easter flowers in memory/honor of your loved ones. See insert!

Wrapped Easter candy is needed to stuff the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 2nd. Please put the candy in the box in the Narthex or take it to the church office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH & SHRIMP FRY

5p to 7p, Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday).
 Fried fish or shrimp plates, with sides, for \$8.00, dine in or take out!

OPERATION RICE BOWL

MARCH 1 THROUGH APRIL 16
 ASH WEDNESDAY ~ EASTER SUNDAY
 RICE BOWLS NOW AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 22, 2017 AT 6:30 PM

RCIA CANDIDATES

Please continue to keep Samantha Duncan, Amanda Nicholas, and Raye Rhodes, as well as their spiritual leaders, in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

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.

- Mar. 12 Youth Group
- Mar. 19 St. Joseph's Altar



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

The Church: Now, let us think about a crucial subject, the Church and State. In ancient times, the king was also the president of pagan religion. In Jewish religion, the Sanhedrin held the civil power as well. They were supposed to have equal competence in the field of religion and the secular domain. Jesus introduced an essential change to this system. He transferred everything about religion and moral to the Church independent of the power of the State. There are two categories we should consider. There are immutable elements because they come from divine designs and divine laws. And there are elements that are adaptable to different times and/or to different circumstances. It was when the Pharisees tried to trap Jesus, He made His significant statement. They asked Him if it was lawful to render tribute to Caesar. Jesus dealt with the trap saying, since the coin had come from Caesar, justice requires that it be returned to him. "Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God" Lk 20,25. Rome, at that time, hindered a man's duties to God. In the normal sense, there should be no clash. In tune with the teaching of Jesus, Peter admonished the early church, "Accept the authority of every social institution. Honor the emperor and fear God" 1Peter 2,13-17. St. Paul's exhortation to the Romans remains to this day an epitome of the obedience that a Christian owes to civil rulers. "You must all obey the governing authorities, since all government comes from God. "Rom 13,1-6. All subsequent teaching on the duties of Christian citizens has appealed to this saying of St. Paul that there exists no authority that has not been authorized by God. Early church clearly distinguished between the spiritual allegiance they owed the Church and the civic loyalty that is due to the State. Right after the Edict of Constantine, Catholicism had become recognized and civil authorities found in religious unity their strongest support for political solidarity. But, in subsequent centuries, both Church leaders and Political leaders stepped onto the toes of each other which affected mutual relationship. Father Joe



St. Joseph's Altar is almost here: Sunday, March 19th!! WE NEED YOUR HELP! Sign up sheets and recipes are in the Narthex. Please sign up to help! We need everyone!!!



Please Pray For The Health Of: Michael Chin, Rose Patton, Ken Treadway, Clyde Benson, Ann Dykes, June Foster, Ruth Erlinger, Pat Oliver, Virginia Juneau, Wally Burdges, Mindy Sellers, Joe Jones

Margaret Lucas(Betty Shelton's sister) Johnienne Varwig(Brenda Bryant's sister), Raye Rhodes, Jean Pastado (friend of Buddy McDowell), Charlie Mikesell, Brenda Cotton, Johnnie Tupper, Mary Lee Flash, Brother Steve Carroway, Sue McNease, Roxanne Douglas, Gene Micinski (Leonard's brother)

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of: Angie Manno

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

A new film on the **life and conversion of St. Ignatius** is a full length movie that is suitable for high school and middle age students. The movie will be shown in the **Holoubek theatre** in the Catholic Center at 3500 Fairfield Ave., Shreveport at the following times: **March 22 at 2 pm, March 23 at 6 pm, and March 24 @ 8:30 am** for students at Loyola & St. John & St. Joseph Middle Schools. There is no admission but we welcome donations at the time of showing.



The Ladies of Sacred Heart of Jesus of Shreveport will host the luncheon/meeting of the **Catholic Women's League** on **Tuesday, March 14, 2017**. Registration will start at 9:30 am and the meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 am. It will be held at the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Gabriel Hall at 4736 Lyba St., Shreveport, LA 71109. Cost of luncheon is \$6.00. Canned goods and used 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. **Ladies, please encourage everyone to wear their "Green" to the luncheon/meeting since this is a St. Patrick theme for this meeting.**



FOOD PANTRY

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Items needed are: Canned potatoes and tomato sauce. 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	Open