

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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PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Martina

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Music Director/Organist

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Parish Council President

Ron Witkowski

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Johnny Addison

Grand Knight, K of C

Ted Kapera

Ladies Guild

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

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9;
Matthew 18: 21-35

The Gospel selection is taken from "the Sermon on the Church." How many times should you forgive an offense? In the time of Jesus, the Scribes argued about this. Most of them said that we might forgive a person three times; they said that only God could forgive four times and that was the most.

Peter, then, thinks that he is being big-hearted when he asks Jesus if they should forgive "seven" times. Jesus replies, "Not seven times; but seventy times seven times!" This was unheard of. But it gives us one of the basic roots of our faith; it tells us how our faith is different from all other religions of the world.

Our faith is based on forgiveness. God is infinitely merciful. He forgives the unforgivable. He constantly calls sinners to repentance. He reaches out to those who do not deserve forgiveness. *And he expects us to do the same!* No other religion in the world has such a belief in the merciful forgiveness of God.

The "huge amount" which is forgiven in the Gospel is actually a specific figure: "10,000 talents." A talent was a measure of silver or gold; 10,000 talents would be worth about \$18,000,000.00! The "mere fraction" was also a specific figure: "100 Denarii." This would be worth about \$15.00! The lesson, of course, is that God has forgiven us infinitely, and he expects us to be forgiving of others.

The first reading tells us that we must not hang on to our anger or it will consume us. We cannot be unforgiving of others and expect God to forgive us. A paraphrase of this is in this Lord's Prayer, where we pray that we shall be forgiven only if God forgives us.

The second reading tells us that we are not our own. We belong to the Lord and are responsible to him. Let us reflect his forgiveness in our lives.

--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. 9-16 4:30 pm - Joe Bill Davis, O. L. Harper
- Sun. 9-17 9:00 am - Larry Vickers, Anna Truong
- Sun. 9-17 11:00 am - Rita Methvin, Sam Thomas Cimino, Leo & Emma Fetsch
- Mon. 9-18 8:00 am - No Mass
- Tues. 9-19 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Wed 9-20 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Thurs. 9-21 8:00 am - Peter Truong
- Fri. 9-22 8:00 am - Peter Truong

ATTENDANCE ~ 264

COLLECTION WEEK ENDING 9-10-17 \$5,527.00



September Sanctuary Candle

Monroe Ebarb

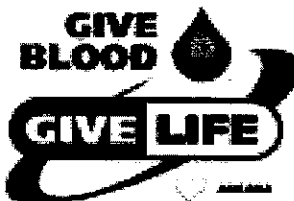
READINGS

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| Mon. 1 Tm 2:1-8 | Lk 7:1-10 (443) |
| Tues. 1 Tm 3:1-13 | Lk 7:11-17 (444) |
| Wed. 1 Tm 3:14-16 | Lk 7:31-35 (445) |
| Thurs. Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 | Mt 9:9-13 (643) |
| Fri. 1 Tm 6:2c-12 | Lk: 8:1-3 (447) |

St. Vincent de Paul will receive donations after Mass on Sunday, September 24, 2017. A collection basket will be in the Narthex of the church. God bless you all!!

Ladies Fall ACTS Retreat is Sept. 28 thru Oct. 1, 2017. The retreats are held in a special, peaceful and quiet environment which allows you to relax and focus on your faith journey. Please contact **Jo Ann Witkowski** for an application & information at 929-9803 home & 422-9803 cell.

THE LADIES GUILD representatives will be selling Style Show tickets after all masses.



**BLOOD DRIVE on Sunday,
 September 24 in
 Multipurpose Room from
 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.**



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.

- Sept. 17 Ladies Guild
 Sept. 24 Ed Antici, Don Fuller

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

Catechetical Sunday, 2017

Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign is here!! Please join us for our second event: Kickoff Rally at St. John Berchmans on September 23 at 6:00 pm.

1st Annual Pro-Life Mass

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church
Sunday, October 22, 2017~Procession at 2:45 pm
Time 3:00 pm
Reception in Gabriel Hall after Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone who donated to our monthly collection! We were able to deposit \$435. We helped three families with their electric bill and two families with their rent!

AUTUMN BEGINS FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

The 10th Annual St. Pius X Ladies Guild Style Show & Luncheon

Saturday, October 7th, 2017, Noon to 2
Trinity Heights Baptist Church in the ROC
3820 Old Mooringsport Rd., Shreveport

Fashions provided by Dillard's, Mall St. Vincent
Lunch is served by "JIMBEAUX & SONS"

Tickets are \$25 purchased from any Guild member
or by calling 318-929-9803

Lots of DOOR PRIZES to be given away!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1108 SPAGHETTI DINNER

FUNDRAISER will be Saturday, October 28, 2017.

Pick up meals in the kitchen at St. Pius X Church, 4300 N. Market (behind Parish Hall-follow signs.) The dinner consists of pasta with meat sauce, meat balls, salad with dressing and garlic bread. Tickets are \$7 per plate sold in advance. Get your tickets from any KC and after Mass. Pick up meals on Saturday, October 28 from 10 am to 2 pm. Present your pre-purchased tickets at time of pickup. Group sales minimum of 10 includes free delivery.



Please Pray For The Health Of:

Michael Chin,

Ken Treadway, Leonard Micinski, Margaret Lucas (Bettie Shelton's sister), Leola Baker, James Melvin Adkinson, Fr. Richard Norsworthy, Ron Remedies, Roy Morris

John Cole, Bonnie Beaubouef, 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 Yogt, Bobby Little, Evelyn Cunningham, Blanche Neal, Vivian Bagley

Pray for the Repose of the Soul: Katherine Dowden, Terry Coe

Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga will be hosting a showing of his new film, ***Forgiveness--The Secret of Peace***, at the Holoubek Theatre at the Catholic Center, 3500 Fairfield Ave., Shreveport, LA 71104 on October 1 at 6:45 pm. The movie documentary will last approximately one hour and Fr. Ubald will be available for questions and answers. The event is free to the public, however, donations will be accepted on behalf of the Center for the Secret of Peace. Souvenir bookmark/ticket can be picked up ahead of time at the receptionist's desk at the Catholic Center. ****There will also be a Mass with healing prayers offered at the Cathedral of St. John Berchmans the following evening, October 2, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

PRAY FOR PEACE!



Join Mike Van Vranken as he takes you through St. Mark's Gospel on Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the main Sanctuary on September 20 & 27. Christ the King is located at 425 McCormick St. in Bossier City. The Gospel of Mark is the first gospel to be written. It is also the most action-packed of the four gospels. Jesus' ministries are vivid, told simply and engaging to the heart. For more information, call 318-221-0238.

FOOD PANTRY

MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Items needed are: Canned fruit & peanut butter and jelly. 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

Tuesdays

1st Cynthia McCord
2nd Barbara Morgan
3rd Donna Howard
4th Earline Davis

Thursdays

1st Linda MacKinnon
2nd Open
3rd No Worker Needed
4th Ann Raymond