

Saint Pius X Catholic Church



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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-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24,27a;
Matthew 20:1-16a

Remember that a parable is a riddle, a story with an intriguing or strange twist. Parables usually have something out-of-the-ordinary or unexpected. The conclusion of today's parable is very unexpected: Those who are hired late in the day get the same pay as those who worked all day long!

This is not a lesson on social justice; it is a lesson on God's gracious invitation to all people to be saved. God called the Hebrews (Israelites, Jews) to be his special people; he called them early. He called the Gentiles (non-Jews) last of all. But he offers all the reward of eternal life.

Very likely, Matthew wrote this parable in the context of his Church community in which there were many Jewish Christians. They were "first," so they thought that they should always have the place of honor and prestige – the important posts in the Church.

The parable reminds everyone that we are equal in God's eyes; God is generous to all; those who come last will enjoy the same joy as those who enter first; no one can claim a special place from God.

The first reading reminds us that God's ways are not like our ways. We operate on the profit motive and on merit. God operates out of his infinite lovingkindness and mercy. God is merciful to all.

Today we begin using Philippians as our first reading. This is a friendly letter written by Paul from his imprisonment at Ephesus around 58 A.D. He thanks the Philippians for sending him aid. He is not discouraged over his imprisonment; he says that it does not matter where he is – alive or dead – as long as he serves the Lord.

--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. 9-23 4:30 pm - Joe Bill Davis, O. L. Harper
- Sun. 9-24 9:00 am - Peter Truong
- Sun. 9-24 11:00 am - Rita Methvin, Sam Thomas Cimino, Larry Vickers
- Mon. 9-25 8:00 am - No Mass
- Tues. 9-26 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Wed 9-27 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Thurs. 9-28 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions
- Fri. 9-29 8:00 am - Celebrant's Intentions

ATTENDANCE ~ 220

COLLECTION WEEK ENDING 9-17-17 \$3669.50



September Sanctuary Candle

Monroe Ebarb

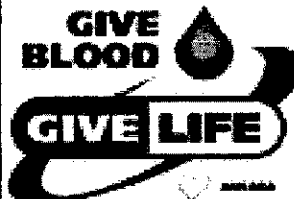
READINGS

Mon. Ezr 1:1-6	Lk 8:16-18 (449)
Tues. Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20	Lk 8:19-21 (450)
Wed. Ezr 9:5-9	Lk 9:1-6 (451)
Thurs. Hg 1:1-8	Lk 9:7-9 (452)
Fri. Dn 7:9-10, 13-14	Jn: 1:47-51 (647)

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!!

Welcome Emma Claire Cascio born September 18, 2017, 6 pounds 14 ounces!! Proud parents are Paul and Angelle Cascio & proud grandparents are Mark & Renee Cascio!

RCIA lesson this week will be "Catholic Practices and Prayers" by Pat McDowell.



BLOOD DRIVE is this 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. 24 Ed Antici, Don Fuller
 Oct. 1 Volunteers Needed

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

St. PIUS X ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

will begin at noon on Sunday, October 22 with a blessing in the Parish Hall. Hot dogs, pulled pork sandwiches, chips, drinks, popcorn and Counter Culture yogurt will be provided for your enjoyment at no cost! There will be games and prizes, balloon animals, cake walk, face painting, crafts, and a picture corner and a whole lot of fun!! All are welcome-bring a friend!



The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign is this week! The Prayer Vigil will be outside the Shreveport abortion facility at the corner of Kings & Centenary on Sept. 27 - Nov. 5 from 7 am to 7 pm each day.

Father Joe will be out of the office from Monday, October 2nd through Friday, October 6, 2017.



**LADIES, LADIES,
LADIES!!
LAST CHANCE
TO BUY A
TICKET IS SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 1ST!**



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
Tickets are \$25 purchased from any Guild member

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, 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 Yogy, Bobby Little, Evelyn Cunningham, Blanche Neal, Vivian Bagley, Erick Richard, Wally Bridges

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. 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.*

Remember ladies! The Knights of Columbus choice of potluck supper is Monday, October 25.

Blessing of the animals is Sunday, October 8th at 3:00 pm.

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 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 meat. 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