

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

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Serving our Community Humbly
Loving our Families Joyfully
Worshipping God Boldly

The Baptism of The Lord
January 11, 2026



NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to Sacred Heart!

We are so delighted you have chosen our Church to be a part of your family!

Parish Registration & Gift donation forms are located at front entrance of church.

Fr. Dale Meade, Pastor
318.445.2496
frdmeade@diocesealex.org

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Parochial Vicar
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frdkuza@diocesealex.org

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318.445.2497x5

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Sandy Corley, Parish Manager
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scorley@jesusinpineville.com
Sherry Rabalais, Bookkeeper
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Mass Times
M-F 7:00 am
Saturday, 4pm
Sunday 8, 10, 11:30 am
Holy Days as announced

Confessions
Saturdays 3:30-3:55pm;
Sundays 7:30-7:55am,
9:30-9:55am & 11:00-11:25am
or at any time requested.

Adoration
Every Tuesday & Thursday prior to
mass (except for first Thursday)
Adoration 6:25 am, Mass 7:00 am
unless otherwise specified.

Exposition/Benediction
before Mass on First Friday.

Adoration Chapel 24/7/365
Call office for door code

Saturday, January 10

C 3:30 Confession (3:30-3:55)
 C 4:00 **Mass** –For Maria Terrell
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00pm)

Sunday, January 11

C 7:30 Confession (7:30-7:55)
 C 8:00 **Mass** –For Holy Name Society; John L. Lacaze, Jr. & Michael Lacaze
 O 9:00 Coffee & Donuts
 C 9:30 Confession (9:30-9:55)
 C 10:00 **Mass** –For James Saucier
 O 11:00 Coffee & Donuts
 C 11:00 Confession (11:00-11:25)
 C 11:30 **Mass** –For the People of the Parish
 N 3:00 AA-New Freedom (3:00-4:00pm)

Monday, January 12

C 7:00 **Mass** – For Paul Howard
 O 6:15 Sisters in Sobriety AA Recovery Meeting
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00pm)

Tuesday, January 13

C 7:00 **Mass** – For James Saucier
 S 9-12 St. Nicholas Thrift Shop
 E 10:00 **Mass at The Oaks** – For people of nursing home
 O 12:45 Insights Prayer Group
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00pm)

Wednesday, January 14

C 7:00 **Mass** – For Sonya Davis
 S 9-12 St. Nicholas Thrift Shop
 E 9:30 **Mass at St. Christina** – For Michael Rachal and Chez Sanchez
 A 5:00 **Wednesday Night Supper**
 E 6:00 **Movie Night**
 A 6:00 **CCD**
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00 pm)

Thursday, January 15

C 7:00 **Mass** - For Gregory Lawrence
 S 9-12 St. Nicholas Thrift Store
 E 10:00 **Mass at Hilltop** – For Carol Nguyen
 O 6:00 OCIA – Meeting
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00pm)

Friday, January 16

C 7:00 **Mass** – For Maria Terrell
 E 7:00 AA-New Freedom (7:00-8:00pm)

Saturday, January 17

C 3:30 Confession (3:30-3:55)
 C 4:00 **Mass** – For Maria Terrell
 N 7:00 AA-New Freedom

Sunday, January 18

C 7:30 Confession (7:30-7:55)
 C 8:00 **Mass** – For Mr. & Mrs. Morgan Bagley
 O 9:00 Coffee and Donuts
 C 9:30 Confession (9:30-9:55)
 C 10:00 **Mass** – For the People of the Parish
 O 11:00 Coffee & Donuts
 C 11:00 Confession (11:00-11:25)
 C 11:30 **Mass** – For Suk and James Saucier
 N 3:00 AA-New Freedom (3:00-4:00pm)

C=Church H=Chapel O=Community Center A=Activities
 Bldg. Y=Youth Center S=St. Nicholas Society
 R=Rectory E=Elsewhere N=Social Action Center, K=Knights
 of Columbus (old school cafeteria)

LAMP BURNS – If you are interested in having a loved one remembered by providing for the sanctuary light, please use a pew envelope.



PLEASE PRAY FOR



OUR SEMINARIANS: The Diocese of Alexandria has 10 men in priestly formation. *Matthew Bonner, Jacob Cass, Gabe Dowden, Blaine Phillips, and Graham Descant* all attending Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans, and *Blake Bernard, Will Brittain, Matthew Kramer, Cullen Phillips, and David Rubio* attending St. Joseph's Seminary College in St. Benedict.

THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF: *Keith Bertalotto* and for the consolation of their family and friends.

ACUTELY ILL: *Kevin Ardoin, Elizabeth Battalora, Debbie Patterson Bertalotto, Jason Chumley, Katelyn Coburn, Sandy Daniels, Susan Gagliano, Linda Gaspard, Rowena Guillot, Lyon Hebert, Marie Hilt, Waylon Johnson, Dorothy*

Kanaka, Mark Koestler, Phillip Lee, Shirley Leonard, Kay Lowery, Stacy Mayeaux, Charles Mayer, Steve Meche, Terry Millien, Debbie Nugent, Diane Rabalais, Megan Roule, and Phil Soileau.

SICK, RECOVERING OR CONTINUING TREATMENT: *Cayden Bardwell, Connie Bartlett, Muriel Beach, Damian Brinson, Raelynn Churchman, Mary Carmouche, Katelyn Coburn, Byron Constance, Darlene Deselle, Samuel Gasper, Jr., Kenny LaCaze, Mike Moll, Randy Nugent, Sharron Parker, Sue Rodgers, Charles Rogé, Faith Sibley, Janet Simon, and Nikki Sluss.*

SHUT-INS: *Diana Ardoin, Thomas Atkinson, Janice Clark, Mary Ann Deville, Larry Dupré, Jessica Elliott, Patricia Ferguson, Ida Jeansonne, JoAnn Keneson, Shirley Lachney, Bernadine Lee, Mary Ann McNeal, Evelyn Martin, Anita Normand, Ed Price, Edward Simms, Johnnie Smith, Betty Teasley, and Joe Bill Warren.*

OUR MILITARY, ESPECIALLY THOSE OVERSEAS: *Abbi Aldecoa, Charles Austin, Blake Best, Cody Best, Bradley Bryant, Sam Cannon, Micah Cobb, Evan Cree, Dale Daniel, Liam Daniel, Aaron Deville, Patrick Downs, Devin Gay, Joe Herrera, Chad Hines, Brian Laborde, Francis Melomo, John Louis Methe, Dalton Miller, Ethan Miller, Dustin Morrow, Todd Moulder, Phi Joseph Pham, Zachary Prejean, William Purdion, Jr., Rebekka Thompson, and Elijah Winfrey.*

THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 3RD – 4TH

Income needed for month of January	\$ 47,866.08
Total Gifts Collected For January	\$ 21,300.50
New Year's Collection	\$ 1,860.00
Last week's Collection	\$ 19,440.50
Amount needed in January	\$ 26,565.58

SPECIAL COLLECTION DATE: JANUARY 11 - THE CHURCH TODAY The week of January 11, we will be taking up a special collection for the Church Today. Every month, this 20-page newspaper is mailed FREE to every Catholic household in the diocese. All donations to this special collection go directly to the Church Today to help defray the cost of printing and mailing. Your donation also defrays the cost of our digital outreach via the diocesan website www.diocesealex.org. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive the Church Today FREE each month, call 318- 445-6424, ext 209 to request it or sign up at <https://www.diocesealex.org/the-office-of-communications/>



TRANSITIONAL DEACON ORDINATION OF MATTHEW BONNER - JANUARY 10 Matthew Bonner will be ordained a transitional deacon on Saturday, Jan. 10 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. We hope to see you there.

Deacon Bonner will preach at his First Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus on SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH at 10:00 A.M. followed by a parish meal reception in the Activities Building in his honor. A table will be set-up to receive cards and monetary gifts. Please join us with this special celebration!





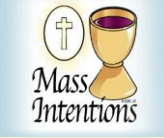







COMBINED CHOIR MASS – January 11th at 10:00 am Practice instructions will promptly start at 9:10 am in the Church prior to the 10 am Mass. ALL choir members are invited to participate. Contact Denise Daniel at 318-451-2029 with any questions.



Menu: Spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, side salad and roll. All Adult, Senior, and To-Go meals are \$5. Children under 12 are \$2.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN – JANUARY 22 The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

CENLA LIFE MARCH - JANUARY 31 Join us marching for unborn babies and their mothers on Saturday, Jan. 31 at the annual Cenla Life March. We will gather at 10:00 a.m. at **Louisiana Christian University in Pineville.**

 <p>MEN'S RETREAT - Men, if you have not attended an ACTS Retreat now is your chance. What is ACTS you ask? Come spend a weekend with God and be filled with the Love of Jesus Christ. Call Ryan Myers at 318-787-4044 for more information. The Men's retreat will be held at Mary Hill on March 26th – 29th. Applications are available at the front lobby of church.</p>	 <p>CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT BISHOP GRECO #2072 Typically meet first Monday of the month at 12 PM in the Activities Bldg. located at 519 Sanders St.</p> <p><u>Monthly Meeting Schedule</u> Feb 2, Mar 2, April 13, May 4, June 1</p> <p><u>Other Events</u> March – St. Joseph's Honorary Food Drive April – Towel Drive for homeless May 9-10 - Mother's Day Bake Sale</p>	 <p>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, JOHN PAUL II - CHAPTER #14657 Typically meet first Thursday of the month at 6 PM in the Knight's Bldg. (behind CCD school) 519 Sanders St.</p>
 <p>ACTS CORE TEAM meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm in the Youth Center. The next meeting TBA. All parishioners who have attended an ACTS retreat are welcome and invited to attend. If you would like to discuss a topic at the meeting, please contact Randal Marino 318.542.9107 or Emily Baker 318.664.1628 in order to be included on the agenda.</p>		<p>The Mass book is open year-round. If you would like to recognize a loved one with a Mass in their memory/honor or to have the Sanctuary Light burn for them, please contact the church office at 445.2497x10 or use a pew envelope.</p> 
<p>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP The next workshop for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be held on January 20. The average time for the workshop is about three hours so please plan accordingly. For more information, contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext 207 or by email at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org. Tuesday, January 20, 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria There is no need to register and no charge to attend. When the session is completed, you will receive a certificate. We will be happy to have you!</p>	 <p>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION – We are in need for more parishioners to volunteer and become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to periodically serve at our weekly Masses. To serve Jesus in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor. Please prayerfully consider adding this act of service to your faith life. God is calling you! For more information, you may contact the church office or Keith Bonin at 318-201-9017, keithbonin@hotmail.com.</p>	<p>LECTOR FORMATION WORKSHOP The Diocese of Alexandria is offering Lector Formation workshops for those individuals who are interested in serving or who currently may serve as a Lector in their parish. To serve in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor. All training workshops will present the same material and will last no longer than two and a half hours. If you would like to sign up for the next workshop, please contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext 207 or email dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org. Tuesday, January 13 – 6:00 p.m. – St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria There is no need to register and no charge to attend. When the session is completed, you will receive a certificate. We will be happy to have you!</p>
 <p>ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS On Thursday, January 15, at 6:00 p.m., the class will study "The Sacrament of Baptism" and "The Sacrament of Confirmation". We ask our Sacred Heart Church Family to pray for our prospective new Catholics, that they might find God in our One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. For information about OCIA, please call the Parish Office at (318) 445-2497.</p>  <p>ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN Class is held on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, in the Activities Bldg. For more information, call the church office 318-445-2497 or Michelle Kling 985-351-1236.</p>  <p>NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL MOVIE NIGHT Wednesday, January 7, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., School Library - To Be Announced. Please join us following the Wednesday night meal. All are welcome!</p>	<p>PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL will be said prior to the dismissal hymn.</p> <p>2026 SH CALANDERS are located at all doorways. Please pick one up so to follow the liturgical year.</p>  <p>FLOWER FUND - THANK YOU We appreciate all who made contributions to the Flower Fund and hope you have enjoyed their beauty within the church in memory or honor of your loved ones!</p> <p>SACRED HEART FOOD PANTRY BLESSINGS!!! A list of food items requested may be found at the front entrance of Church. If you are interested in helping us prepare food bags for the needy or for the children in our school programs we support, please contact Linda Bonial at 318-623-1492.</p> 	<p>SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of January 11, 2026</p>  <p>Sunday The Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 3:13-17 Monday 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39 Thursday 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45 Friday 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12 Saturday 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17 Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34</p>

CCD Registration 2025-2026

Please scan the QR code with your mobile phone camera to access the registration form and online payment link. **CCD Tuition is \$10 per child for PreK to 11th grades.** Payment can also be made through the GIVE App on your mobile phone, or the Kiosk machine at church. Please contact Alissa Sanders @ 318.447.0369 or email: sacredheartofjesus.ccd@gmail.com with any questions.



CCD ANNOUNCEMENTS
Save the dates!!!

CCD PROCEDURES FOR DROP OFF & PICK UP

Vehicles must be parked, in a defined parking area.
Parent or guardian who bring/pick up children must escort child to/from classroom. Children are not allowed to roam outside by themselves.
Security will ask drivers to move vehicles that are not properly parked or who are just sitting inside vehicles within the parking lot of the Activities building.
We want to secure every **CHILDS SAFETY!**



Please visit USCCB website:

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/examinations-of-conscience>

Before celebrating the **Sacrament of Penance**, one should prepare oneself with an examination of conscience, which involves reflecting prayerfully on one's thoughts, words, and deeds in order to identify any sins.

There are various types of examinations of conscience but regardless of which one you use to prepare yourself for the Sacrament it should be rooted in Scripture; particularly, the Ten Commandments and Beatitudes. Below are a few examples of Examinations of Conscience that can help you prepare for the Sacrament.

- Examination of Conscience based on the Ten Commandments
- Examination of Conscience in the Public Square
- Examination of Conscience in Light of Catholic Social Teaching
- Examination of Conscience for Children
- Examination of Conscience for Young Adults
- Examination of Conscience for Single People
- Examination of Conscience for Married Persons

CCD classes 2025-2026
Every Wednesday at 6PM
Except during RPSB closures

CCD Penance Service:
(2-4th grades) Jan 14
(5-8th grades) Jan 21
(9-11th grades) Jan 28

Confirmation: March 19th 6 PM
Living Stations of the Cross: April 1
Last Day of CCD: April 29
First Communion: May 2
Senior Mass: May 3
May Crowning: May 10

VIRTUS training has now been moved online!
Now it is more convenient to become VIRTUS certified! Detailed information about how to register for an online training session is available on the Safe Environment webpage on the Diocese of Alexandria website: diocesealex.org/our-diocese/safe-environment/ For more information, contact Kecia Coco, director of our Safe Environment program, kcoco@diocesealex.org.

PARENTS

Now parents can be interactive and up to date with their child's faith formation with our new online CCD program **"Word of Life"** for grades **Pre K – 8th!!!**

Please login:

www.wordofliferies.org/resources/library
Password: buildstrongcatholics

ALL PARISHIONERS

We also have a new online program called **"FORMED"** for our parish family to use to enhance their Catholic Faith knowledge especially for **Grades 9 – 12, OCIA, OCIC, and Bible Study groups.**
Register now: [formed.org/signup](https://www.formed.org/signup)
follow the prompts.
It's Free

SERVICE HOURS REQUIRED FOR EACH YEAR PREFERABLY COMPLETED AT CHURCH:

9th grade - 5 hours
10th grade-10 hours
11th grade-15 hours



The annual **Confirmation Retreat** will be on **January 24th**. All confirmation students are required to attend as a group. **Location: Maryhill Renewal Center, Pineville.** Speaker change: presenter for the day will be Dustin Bertrand. Dustin is a dynamic speaker, youth minister, and evangelist from south Louisiana. He has a degree in psychology and criminal justice and a Master's degree in Theology and Christian Ministry from Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio and has been evangelizing for the past 12 years through his ministry called God Made Self Driven.



ANNOUNCEMENT UPDATE:
The Youth Group
meets in the Youth Center from **5:30-6:00 pm**
every Wednesday before CCD classes:

SUNDAY Youth Mass at 10:00 am on:
Feb 1, Mar 8, May 3
In conjunction with Children's Choir →



SUNDAY Mass at 10:00 am on:

Feb 1, Mar 8, May 3

Ages Pre-K and up

And if you play a musical instrument,
You are strongly encouraged to sign up.

Rehearsal

In the **Community Center Music Room**
from 5:30-6:00 pm every
Wednesday before CCD classes.

Contact Ann Craig 318-664-2848

SMOKING CESSATION WEEKLY SUPPORT GROUP - JANUARY 26

Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana invites adults who are ready to quit smoking, vaping, or using tobacco to join a supportive, no-cost cessation group. Sessions will be held from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria. Led by nationally credentialed

tobacco treatment specialists (NCTTP) certified through the University of Mississippi Medical Center's ACT Center, this group offers expert guidance and peer support to help you succeed. Individual sessions are also available. Register today: <https://cccnla.org/mental-health-services>. For more information, call: 318-445-6424 ext. 506.

"BREATHING THROUGH GRIEF" WEEKLY SUPPORT GROUP - FEBRUARY 2

Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana offers an eight-week program, Breathing through Grief, designed to bring comfort and hope to anyone facing loss—whether through death, illness, broken relationships, or other life-altering changes. Rooted in faith and guided by grace, this program provides a safe haven for sharing, embrace healing, and discover that even in the emptiness, God is near and new beginnings are possible.

Participants will find strength to renew their spirit, experience inner peace, and take intentional steps toward a meaningful new chapter in life. Each session blends practical tools with spiritual encouragement in a caring group setting, fostering resilience and hope throughout the journey. The program begins Monday, Feb. 2, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Catholic Center Conference Room at 4400 Coliseum Boulevard in Alexandria. For more details or to register, call Catholic Charities at 318-445-6424, Ext. 506.

ORGANIZATIONS YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Keith Bonin – 318.201.9017

Lectors – Delia Flynn – 318.452.0438

Altar Servers – Kevin Gauthier – 318.446.3249

Choirs:

Saturday 4pm Sacred Heart Singers – Judy/George Gross – 318.613.3667

Sunday 8am- Hannah Hicks – 318.623.2956

Sunday 10am Adult Choir – Linda Gaspard – 318.465.0132

Sunday 10am Youthful Choir (4th week)– Denise Daniel – 318.451.2029

Sunday 10am Children's Choir (as sch.) – Ann Craig – 318.664.2848

Sunday 11:30am Praise Band – Candace Churchman – 318.332.9325

Wednesday Night Suppers – Keith Bonin 318.201.9017

Catholic Daughters – Sherry Perkins – 318.201.8141

Knights of Columbus – Harold Cormier – 337.302.0382

Holy Name Society – Dan Tillie – 318.319.8345

ACTS Core – Church office 318.445.2497

St Nicholas Thrift Shop – 318.442.2072

Sacred Heart Food Pantry – Linda Boniol – 318.623.1492

Grief Support Group – Tammy Magnano – 318.229.7455

OUR COMMISSIONS ACT IN THE NAME OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

To join a commission, please call Sandy Corley, Parish Manager 445.2497x14

Linda Gaspard, Chair Worship Commission –
318.465.0132 or 318.442.6469

Worship Team: Keith Bonin; Candace/Cole Churchman; Ann Craig, Denise Daniel; Delia Flynn; George, George/Judy Gross; Nita St. Andria.

Evangelization, Initiation, Formation (EIF):

Larry Minton, Chair – 318.794.0264

Melba LaCaze, Susi Minton, Pat Sasser

Alissa Sanders, CCD Coordinador
318.447.0369

Sacredheartofjesus.ccd@gmail.com

OCIA (Adults) - Hospitality for Inquiry into the Catholic Faith

Larry Minton – 318.794.0264

lbmatty45@gmail.com

OCIC (Children age 7 and up)

Michelle Kling – 985-351-1236

Eric & Erica Mayeux, Youth Group Coordinators

318.452.3911 or 318.305.0056

emayeux83@gmail.com

Parish Council / Financial Council

Pastor appoints the Council members

Parish Council – Willie Leonard 504-390-3323

Finance Council – Keith Karisny 318-715-7174

SALT AND LIGHT (Charity and Social Action):

Gail Blake, Chair – 318.233.0627

Families And Adults Commission:

Katherine Marino 318.542.9178

Katie Pierce 318.481.7548

Meetings second Thursday of month in the Movie Rm

SACRAMENTS

Please refer to our website at www.JesusinPineville.com, go to "Schedule Anything" and select the appropriate form needed:

Baptism, Wedding, or Funeral.

Forward completed form(s) to church office to scorley@jesusinpineville.com and follow up with Parish Manager to confirm receipt of request, schedule dates, or for any questions.

Emergencies/Urgent needs: Call 318.445.2497 and when prompted, press "5".

Non-emergencies: Contact Parish Office 318.445.2497 x 14

BAPTISM (under age of 7)

Baptisms' are typically celebrated around weekend mass times.

At least one Godparent must be an active-practicing catholic and provide documentation of their completed sacraments – baptism to confirmation.

Godparent(s) also need to submit a signed Certificate of Sponsorship from their home parish priest.

MARRIAGE

Please contact our Priest before setting a wedding date.

All couples must complete formation meetings prior to nuptial celebration.

ANointing OF THE SICK

This sacrament, along with penance and Holy Communion, is available to anyone over the age of reason (nearing 7 yrs. old).

For Children under the age seven, they should be baptized and the special blessing for sick children is administered.

Viaticum is the sacrament of the dying and, if possible, Holy Communion in this form should be offered to them often.

SERIOUS ILLNESS: Please receive anointing if you know you will be having serious tests or surgery, or if you are growing weak with age, struggling with mental illness or addiction.

NON-SERIOUS ILLNESSES: Please ask for the sacrament the weekend before a medical procedure.

Please contact a clergyman when someone has died so that a Priest may assist the family in their grief. Remember, anyone can baptize with water in danger of death.

HOSPITALIZATION

Please let us know ASAP when you are hospitalized (give patient's name, room number, and hospital) or when you are discharged/confined to home, or when transferred to a Rehabilitation hospital.

FUNERALS

Services are scheduled by the funeral home representative directly with the Pastor. While you are meeting at the funeral home, have the funeral director call the pastor personally.

For those who use Rapides Regional Medical Center: A small reminder for all our Catholics who may be admitted to Rapides Regional Medical Center in Alexandria. Sometimes when going through admitting, the hospital worker may neglect to ask for the patient's religious affiliation. The result is the patient is not listed on the roster as Catholic and the hospital's Catholic ministry team is unaware that you are in the hospital. Please try to remember to mention this during the admitting procedure. Thank you – Fr. Jason Gootee, Chaplain at Rapides Regional Medical Center