

CHRIST THE REDEEMER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH | THIBODAUX

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## *Welcome to Christ the Redeemer!*

Whether you're from down the street or from out of town, we're glad you're with us this morning. We welcome saints. We welcome sinners. We welcome those who are searching. We welcome the most seasoned Catholics and those Catholics "coming home." We welcome those interested in learning more about the mysteries of the Faith, as well as those who have never stepped in a Catholic Church. We pray that your time with us this morning is filled with grace. Welcome!

**NEW TO REDEEMER?** We're glad you're with us. Our hope is that you feel welcome and comfortable. No matter where your journey has led you we're happy that the journey has led you here today. Jesus doesn't take score; today is the first day of the rest of your life. Welcome. Let us know if we can serve you. If you need anything, we're here to help. 985.447.2013 or [ctrchurch@hdiocese.org](mailto:ctrchurch@hdiocese.org).

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY ARE AVAILABLE AT BOTH 9:00 AND 11:00 A.M. MASSES**

Want to focus on the message and the Mass? We can help. Children's Liturgy is also available. The priest will call the kids (K-2nd grade) after the opening prayer. Kids return to Mass during the offertory.

### THE ORDER OF MASS

- 1 **STAND:** The Priest and the faithful, sign themselves with the Sign of the Cross, while the Priest, facing the people, says:  
+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- 2 The Priest, extending his hands, greets the faithful, saying: The Lord be with you The faithful reply: And with your spirit
- 3 The Priest invites the faithful to make the Penitential Act:  
Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries  
A brief pause for silence follows. Then all recite together the formula of general confession:  
I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
And, striking their breast, they say:  
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;  
Then they continue: therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.  
The absolution by The Priest follows: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life  
The faithful reply: Amen
- 4 Then, when it is prescribed, this hymn is either sung or said:  
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
- 5 A brief pause for silence follows. The Priest, then prays the Opening Prayer. Upon conclusion the faithful reply: Amen. **SIT**

The Lector says:

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Micah  
Micah 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah  
too small to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to be ruler in Israel;  
whose origin is from of old,  
from ancient times.  
Therefore the Lord will give them up,  
until the time  
when she who is to give birth has borne,  
and the rest of his kindred shall return  
to the children of Israel.  
He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock  
by the strength of the LORD,  
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;  
and they shall remain, for now his greatness  
shall reach to the ends of the earth;  
he shall be peace.

The Lector says: The Word of the Lord

The faithful reply: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19

℟. Lord, make us turn to you;  
let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,  
from your throne upon the cherubim,  
shine forth.

Rouse your power,  
and come to save us. ℟.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,  
look down from heaven, and see;  
take care of this vine,  
and protect what your right hand has planted  
the son of man whom you yourself made  
strong. ℟.

May your help be with the  
man of your right hand,  
with the son of man whom  
you yourself made strong.  
Then we will no more withdraw from you;  
give us new life, and we will call upon your  
name. ℟.

The Lector says: A Reading from the Letter to the  
Hebrews

Hebrews 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said:  
“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,  
but a body you prepared for me;  
in holocausts and sin offerings you took no  
delight.

Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll,  
behold, I come to do your will, O God.’”

First he says, “Sacrifices and offerings,  
holocausts and sin offerings,  
you neither desired nor delighted in.”

These are offered according to the law.

Then he says, :Behold, I come to do your will.”

He takes away the first to establish the  
second.

By this “will,” we have been consecrated  
through the offering of the body of Jesus  
Christ once for all.

The Lector says: The Word of the Lord

The faithful reply: Thanks be to God

6 All **STAND**. The Deacon, or the Priest, then proceeds to the Ambo and says: The Lord be with you  
The faithful reply: And with your spirit  
The Deacon, or the Priest, says:  
A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke  
Luke 1:39-45

Mary set out  
and traveled to the hill country in haste  
to a town of Judah,  
where she entered the house of Zechariah  
and greeted Elizabeth.  
When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting,  
the infant leaped in her womb,  
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,  
cried out in a loud voice and said,  
"Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.  
And how does this happen to me,  
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?  
For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears,  
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.  
Blessed are you who believed  
that what was spoken to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled."

The Deacon, or the Priest, says: The Gospel of the Lord  
The faithful reply: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ Then, all **SIT**.

7 After the homily all **STAND**.

All profess Profession of Faith:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

All bow their head

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

All lift their head

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

8 Prayers for the Universal Church follow.

All respond: Lord, hear our prayer.

9 All **SIT**. The Altar is prepared. All offer tithings.

Soon the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward.

The Priest receives the gifts.

10 The Priest, standing at the Altar, takes the Paten with the Sacred Bread and holds it slightly raised above the Altar with both hands, saying in a low voice:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  
for through your goodness we have received  
the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands,  
it will become for us the bread of life.

If said aloud, the faithful reply: Blessed be God forever

11 The Priest then takes the Chalice and holds it slightly raised above the Altar with both hands, saying in a low voice:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through  
your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will  
become our spiritual drink.

If said aloud, the faithful reply: Blessed be God forever

12 All **STAND**. Extending his hands, the Priest says:

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father

The faithful reply:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church

13 The Priest, with hands extended, says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim: Amen

14 The Priest says: The Lord be with you

The faithful reply: And with your spirit

The Priest, raising his hands, continues: Lift up your hearts

The faithful: We lift them up to the Lord

The Priest adds: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

The faithful: It is right and just

The Priest, with hands extended, continues the Preface

15 At the end of the Preface he joins his hands and concludes the Preface with the faithful, singing or saying aloud:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Then, all **KNEEL**.

- 16 Mass continues as usual as the Priest prays the first half of the Eucharistic Prayer, including the words of Consecration.
- 17 The Priest, with hands extended, says: The mystery of faith  
The faithful may reply:  
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again
- 18 Mass continues as usual as the Priest prays the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with the great Amen.
- 19 Then, all **STAND**. The Priest and faithful together say:  
Our Father ...
- 20 With hands extended, the Priest alone continues, saying:  
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days, that,  
by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress, as we await  
the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior,  
Jesus Christ
- 21 The faithful conclude the prayer, acclaiming:  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory  
are yours now and for ever
- 22 The Priest, with hands extended, says:  
Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;  
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
He joins his hands. Who live and reign for ever and ever  
The faithful reply: Amen
- 23 The Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always  
The faithful reply: And with your spirit  
Then, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:  
Let us offer each other the sign of peace
- 24 The Priest and faithful together sing or say aloud:  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.
- 25 The Priest, takes the consecrated Body of Christ, and says:  
Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
The faithful reply:  
Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed
- 26 The distribution and reception of Holy Communion follows.
- 27 A brief pause for silence follows.  
The Priest, then prays the Post Communion Prayer.  
Upon conclusion the faithful reply: Amen
- 28 The Priest, with hands extended, introduces the final blessing.  
The Lord be with you  
The faithful reply: And with your spirit  
The Priest blesses the faithful, saying:  
May almighty God bless you,  
+ the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
The faithful reply: Amen  
The Priest blesses the faithful, saying these, or similar, words:  
Go in peace  
The faithful reply: Thanks be to God

## COMMUNICATING WELL. THINGS WE WANT YOU TO KNOW.

**CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS** | We still have opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions will be heard on Monday, December 24th from 8.00a-2.00p.

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE** | The Christmas Mass Schedule is as follows: 4.00p and 6.00p on Monday, December 24th and 12.00a, 7.00a, 9.00a, and 3.00p (Spanish) on Tuesday, December 25th. Please note that we will not have a 4:00p Christmas Vigil Mass in the Family Life Center. There will be no CTR Beginners or Children's Liturgy so that our facilitators can enjoy Christmas with their families.

**OFFICE CLOSURES** | Our office will be closed beginning Monday, December 24th through Tuesday, January 1st. We will reopen at 8am on Wednesday, January 2nd. 7:30 Mass will still be celebrated daily.

**MARY, MOTHER OF GOD** | Mass for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God will be celebrated at 5:30p on December 31st and at 7:30a on January 1st.

**LIFE NIGHT** | Our next Life Night is on Sunday, January 6th. It will begin immediately after the 5pm Mass and last until 8pm. All 9th-12th grade students are invited to join us! Life Nights are fun and engaging gatherings that are designed to help teenagers grow in community and to go deeper in their relationship with God. All are welcome!

**WEEKEND OFFERTORY** | Our "collection" from the weekend of December 9th was \$11,675.42. Our Christmas quota for this year is \$12,140. *Thank you!*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>DECEMBER 23</b> 7.00 Mass (FM) 9.00 Mass (FM) 11.00 Mass (FM) 3.00 Mass <i>(Español)</i> 5.00 Mass (FM)  <div>4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</div>	<b>DECEMBER 24</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.30 Mass 8.00 Confessions (until 2pm) 4.00 Mass 6.00 Mass	<b>DECEMBER 25</b> OFFICE CLOSED 12.00 Mass 7.00 Mass 9.00 Mass 12.00 Al-Anon 3.00 Mass <i>(Español)</i> 6.00 AA	<b>DECEMBER 26</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.30 Mass	<b>DECEMBER 27</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.30 Mass	<b>DECEMBER 28</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.30 Mass	<b>DECEMBER 29</b> 8.30 Mass 3.00 Confession 4.00 Mass  There will be no all day Confessions today. Confessions will be heard from 3pm until Mass time.
<b>DECEMBER 30</b> 7.00 Mass 9.00 Mass 11.00 Mass 3.00 Mass <i>(Español)</i> 5.00 Mass  <div>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</div>	<b>DECEMBER 31</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.30 Mass 5.30 Mass (Mary, Mother of God)  <i>En Español</i> 7.45 Prayer	<b>JANUARY 1</b> OFFICE CLOSED 7.00 Mass (Mary, Mother of God) 3.00 Mass <i>(Español)</i>	<b>JANUARY 2</b> 7.30 Mass	<b>JANUARY 3</b> 7.30 Mass 2.00 Rosary 5.00 TOPS  <i>En Español</i> 7.30 Choir	<b>JANUARY 4</b> 7.30 Mass 3.00 Mass (Home-school)	<b>JANUARY 5</b> 8.30 Mass 3.00 Confession 4.00 Mass  There will be no all day Confessions today. Confessions will be heard from 3pm until Mass time.



## HOW CAN WE SERVE YOU?

**OFFICE HOURS** | MONDAY THRU FRIDAY. 8:00 a to 4:00 p

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## BIG STEPS IN LIFE?

**HAVING A BABY?** Baptism prep is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p. We celebrate Baptisms after Saturday's 4:00 p Vigil Mass. Call the office and let's get started.

**GETTING MARRIED?** We love weddings, *but we really love marriages!* ☺ Because your *marriage* is important to God, 12 months of preparation is required. Call the office and we'll start the process. Let's get started!

**NEED AN ANNULMENT?** Call Fr. Brice. Freedom awaits. Our team can help.

## KNOW SOMEONE WHO'S SICK?

**GIVE US A CALL.** We'd love to reach out to you and those you love. We visit the hospital regularly or can stop by the house for a personal visit. Our homebound team would love to visit on a regular basis. We can provide prayer with the Blessed Sacrament on weekends. Anointing of the Sick available, all you have to do is ask. Please call the office. We can help, we just need to know!

## GOD IS CALLING YOU FOR MORE ISN'T HE? IT'S TIME ... TO COMMIT TO ONE HOUR A WEEK

**OUR ADORATION CHAPEL IS IN NEED OF ADORERS. ONLY SIX SLOTS LEFT TO FILL!**

WEDNESDAY MORNING | Slot one: 1:00 a — 2:00 a

FRIDAY MORNING | Slot two: 3:00 a — 4:00 a

FRIDAY AFTERNOON | Slot three: 1:00 p — 2:00 p

SATURDAY MORNING | Slot four: 1:00 a — 2:00 a; Slot five: 2:00 a — 3:00 a

SATURDAY NIGHT | Slot six: 8:00 p — 9:00 p; Slot seven: 9:00 p — 10:00 p

For more information call Sara Oubre at 985.446.8662 or 985.859.4874

## MASS INTENTIONS. DECEMBER 22-28.

**MASS INTENTIONS.** Arcement & Cazenave Fly, Orena Clement Adams, Ashley Arcement, Patricia Bussell, Arthur "A.J." Duet, Ethel Barrilleaux Himel, Yves Marie R. & Perry Himel, Gail Hue, Jim Martin, Gretchen Sternfels, Fred, Genevieve, & James Vincent

**VIGIL LIGHT IN MEMORY OF:** Jim Martin, Clyde J. Hebert, Jr., David M. Belanger

**ADORATION LIGHT IN MEMORY OF:** Jim Martin, Brett Ordoyne, Renee "Bee" Chiasson

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND. DECEMBER 29 & 30.

**4:00 MASS.** Lector A: Sharron Molaison Lector B: Vickie Cancienne Acolyte: Ken Bourgeois

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Stacey Bergeron, Terry Bergeron, Larry Bonvillain, Shirley Bonvillain, Geri LaGraize, Pat Smith

**7:00 MASS.** Lector A: Mike Sobert Lector B: Peter David Acolyte: Carey Dean Altar Servers: Ernesto Munoz

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Karen Bergeron, Mary Dean, Karen Griffin, Preston Lejeune, Heather O'Steen, Tommy Touns

**9:00 MASS.** Lector A: Heather Aulich Lector B: Michele Porche Acolyte: Irwin Joubert Altar Servers: Dylan Aulich, Aidan Pitre

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Ashley Bergeron, Evelyn Gondron, Janeen Joffrion, Todd Joffrion, Sally Sobert, Lenny Waguespack Children's Liturgy Facilitator: Wanda LeBlanc

**11:00 MASS.** Lector A: Sophia Galey Lector B: Susan Caldwell Acolyte: Irwin Joubert Altar Servers: Abbie Hebert

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Elaine Benoit, Donovan Galey, Tiffany Galey, Angelle Hebert, Caroline Hebert, Richie Hebert Children's Liturgy Facilitator: Wanda LeBlanc

**5:00 MASS.** Lector A: Youth Formation Lector B: Youth Formation Altar Servers: Youth Formation

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Youth Formation

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