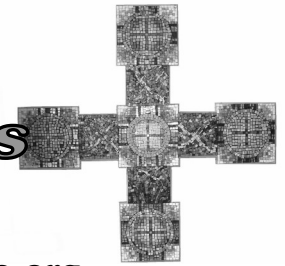


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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5p
Sunday: 10:30a & 7p
Mon. & Wed.: 12:15p
Tuesday: 7p
(during regular semester)
Thursday: 8a
First Saturday: 10a

Reconciliation:

1/2 hour before every Mass and
by appointment

Adoration:

First Saturday: 9a
Tuesday: 6p
(during regular semester)

Regular Office hours:

Monday-Friday 9a-3:30p
and by appointment


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Readings for the Week:

4/17: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philipians 2:6-11; Matthew 26:14 - 27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54	Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32 - 4:4; Ezekiel 36:16-28; Romans 6:3-11; Mark 16:1-7
4/18: Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11	4/24: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; John 20:1-9
4/19: Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38	4/25: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15
4/20: Isaiah 50:4-9; Matthew 26:14-25	4/26: Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18
4/21: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15	4/27: Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35
4/22: Isaiah 52:13 -- 53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1 -- 19:42	4/28: Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48
4/23: Genesis 1:1 - 2:2; Genesis 22:1-18; Exodus 14:15 --15:1; Isaiah 54:5-14;	4/29: Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14
	4/30: Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15



April 17, 2011

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Community,

When Our Lord enters into Jerusalem before His Passion, people rightly recognize Him by the Messianic title, "Son of David." Still, they haven't a clue as to the part they will play in His future and what Our Messiah is going to do to save them! Living in a time after the Resurrection we know that it is our sins that will crucify the Lord, but we must not stop at that guilty realization! Jesus consciously entered into each one of our lives as surely as he consciously entered into Jerusalem at the beginning of that fateful week. His love reaches through all time and space to willingly do it again for us today. He died for us in the past so that you and I might have a new future! We must not let Him die in vain! Let us enter into this Holy Week and follow in the footsteps of the Lord! As Jesus looks into the crowd of His Day and Time, He is looking into our eyes as well. He knows of our praise and our denial of Him – yet He still goes on despite the fickleness of our faith and the limits of our understanding.

One day we shall know the truth! He's willing to bet His Life on it!

God bless you,
Fr. Joey

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church is a personal parish established to provide a Christian environment to the students, faculty and staff of Nicholls State University. Our community is blessed by local families who have joined our church, bringing their gifts and talents to build a vibrant and life-giving assembly. Together we seek to Promote the Gospel, advance an inclusive setting where diversity is welcomed and respected, encourage participation and dialog from all, and serve as a leader in merging the ideals of campus ministry and the parish faith community through the sharing of Christian values.

We stand committed to support and encourage one another in the love of Christ, and to carry the presence of Christ to this university and all the world. May it be said of us as it was said of the early Church, "See how they love one another."

MASS INTENTIONS

- April 16** Sam & Lucille Rodrigue, Leo P Naquin,
Dr Dale J Naquin, Mrs. Laura, Emile Roques, Jr.,
Jacob Marcello
- April 17** Antoine Roger, Vivian Faucheux & Fly,
Ben & Clara Breaux, Ernest Thelma Ledet,
Emily H. Blanchard, Audrey Krieg
- April 18** Ronald Waguespack
- April 19** Wade Ledet, Ian Tudor & Fly, Alfred & Therese
Rodrigue, Erkle, Fred, & Rose Rodrigue, Rene
Raymon Ranatza
- April 21** Sawyer Kees
- April 23** Geralyn Dunckelman, Alfred & Therese Rodrigue,
Erkle, Fred, & Rose Rodrigue, Ronald Waguespack
- April 24** Linley Collins, Frank & Azelda Musso, Wade
Ledet, Karl & Denise Kerne, Douglas Kees,
Rebecca Tabony, Christine Buss & Fly, Audrey Krieg
- April 25** Gloria Arboneaux, Lori Zeringue Ortis, Streamline
Industries: Employees, Customers, fly., Souls in Purgatory
- April 26** Rene Raymon Ranatza
- April 27** Jill Clement & Fly
- April 28** Mickey Truxillo, Denise & Karl Kerne
- April 29** Julie Arnold & Fly

Thank you for your generosity!

The Diocese has informed us that we have surpassed our Annual Bishop's Appeal donation goal. If you are still interesting in giving, go to www.htdiocese.com

HE IS RISEN!

Happy Easter from The Community of St. Thomas.



Celebrating the Sacraments

First Eucharist will be celebrated on
Sunday, May 1 at 10:30a Mass.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 8 at 7p Mass.
Please plan to join us for these sacramental celebrations.



St. Thomas Spring

Family Day

Sunday, May 15

Following 10:30a Mass

Join us for food, fun, & fellowship!
Bring your favorite dessert to share!!!

Good Friday ~ April 22, 2011

Communion Service, 3p with veneration of the Cross
Way of the Cross, 6:30p (No Adoration or Mass)
Special GUIDED viewing of *The Passion of the Christ*,
7p Café



From what God has given, you have shared...

Weekly Collection	March 26-27	Special Collection Victims in Japan	April 2-3	Special Collection Catholic Relief Services
Loose	\$ 1466.52	\$ 1500.23	\$ 1434.41	\$ 355.63
Envelopes	\$ 2118.00	\$ 1145.00	\$ 3425.00	\$ 679.00
TOTAL	\$ 3584.52	\$ 2645.23	\$ 4859.41	\$ 1034.63



Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:
Gayle Richard, Brad Hymel, K.T. Snyder, Peter Cancienne, Betty Reese, Casey Gautreaux, Cameron Steib, Caitlin Cowen, Dr. Margaret Jolley, Johanna Crawford, Mia Chiasson, Aimee Melancon, Joy Schexnayder, Mike Zimmerman, Tammy Murray, Penny Zeringue, Lorraine and Marco Bourgeois, Virgie Guidry, Mary Duplantis, Francis Bolten Dumez, Kitty Ockmond, Serena Baudoin, Chavonne Guidry, Courtney Pierce, Amy Langford, and Jane Andry Soulant.

To place a name on this list, please call the Office at 446-6201.

EASTER MEMORIALS are offered in honor of

Anna Mae Duplantis	Emile Roques, Jr.	Leroy Singleton
Annie Soileau	George L. Blanchard, Sr.	Logan Naquin
B. Andry, Sr. Family	Geralyn B. Dunckelman	Louis & Esther Trosclair
Dr. and Mrs. J.J. Mire	Gilbert A Faucheux	Marianna Singleton
Beary Family	Golbert & Ruby Faucheux	Men & women in the Military
Carl Boudreaux	Guy Legendre	Nicholas Robertson
Chris Duplechien	Hester Stagg	Patricia B. Truxillo
Clarence J. Truxillo, Jr.	Irma & Alcee Babin	Preston H. Dunckelman
Donald A. Toups, Sr.	J. Van Beary, Jr.	Raymond & Ledet Families
Douglas Luke, Sr.	Jacob Marcello	Sam & Lucille Rodrigue
Dr. Dale Naquin	Karl & Denise Kerne	Templet & Landry Families
Edward &	Douglas Kees	Toups Family
Elizabeth Hebert	Rebecca Tabony	Wade Ledet
Eltvine Rodrigue	Leo P. Naquin	Zander Toups-Stivers

Any memorials received after April 5, 2011 will be published in the next newsletter.

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

April 17—Lynne Toups & Sheila Plater
April 24 & May 1—NO CLASS ~ Happy Easter & First Eucharist

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17 PALM SUNDAY 10:30a Mass <i>Children's Liturgy</i> 3p First Eucharist Rehearsal 5p Confirmation Rehearsal FINAL Confirmation Class (10th-11th) 7p Mass	18 12:15p Mass	19 10a Women's Bible Study 11a Not On Bread Alone NO 7p Mass at St. Thomas 7p Chrism Mass, St. Francis	20 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass 6:30p Seder Meal 7p ADORE <i>CCD Early Registration Deadline</i>	21 7p Mass of the Lord's Supper <i>Eucharistic Adoration in the Library until midnight</i> 	22 OFFICE CLOSED <i>Good Friday</i> 3p Communion Service 6:30p Way of the Cross 7p Guided viewing of <i>The Passion of the Christ</i> ; Chapel decorating	23 8p Easter Vigil

Holy Week

CCD Registration

24 8a Easter Mass 10:30a Easter Mass HE IS RISEN!!!  Happy Easter!	25 OFFICE CLOSED 12:15p Mass	26 10a Women's Bible Study 2p Bulletin Prep	27 6a Mass & Men's Bible Study 12:15p Mass	28 8a Mass	29	30 5p Mass
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Upcoming Dates To Remember:

May 1: May Crowning and First Eucharist, 10:30a Mass
 May 3: Not On Bread Alone, 11a-1p, Café
 May 5-11: Nicholls Final Exams
 May 8: Rite of Confirmation, 7p Mass
 May 14: Nicholls State Commencement Exercises
 May 20: E.D. White Catholic High Commencement Exercises
 May 23: MANDATORY Incoming 10th Grade CCD Parent Meeting, 6:30p, Café
 May 24: Thibodaux High Commencement Exercises
 May 28: Transitional Diaconate Joey Tregre, Eric Leyble, Mitch Semar, 1p, St. Joseph Co-Cathedral

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

For all incoming 10th Grade CCD students about the *Theology of the Body for Teens* curriculum Monday, May 23 ~ 6:30p ~ Café

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Practice: April 3rd and 17th @ 9:30a
 1st Performance May 1st @ 10:30a Mass
 For more info, please contact the office.

Holy Thursday April 21, 2011
Mass of the Lord's Supper



Mass including washing of the feet, 7p Adoration, 8p-midnight in Library

2011-2012 CCD Registration

Early registration deadline is Wednesday, April 20.
 A late fee will be assessed from April 21-May 20.
 No registrations will be accepted after May 20.

2011 LENTEN and EASTER SCHEDULE

YOUTH RALLY ~ Sat., April 16 ~ 12 noon-10p
 PALM SUNDAY ~ April 17 Regular Mass Schedule

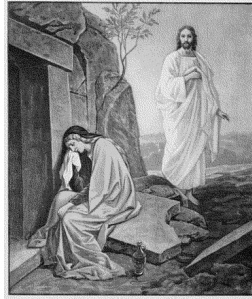
Holy Week

TUESDAY ~ April 19 ~ Chrism Mass ~ St. Francis ~ 7p
 WEDNESDAY ~ April 20 ~ Seder Meal 6:30p ~ Café
 HOLY THURSDAY ~ April 21 ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7p followed by Adoration in the Library until midnight
 GOOD FRIDAY ~ April 22, a day of prayer and fasting, Communion Service 3p, Way of the Cross (NO MASS) 6:30p, Guided viewing of *The Passion of the Christ* 7p
 HOLY SATURDAY ~ April 23 Easter Vigil, 8p
 EASTER SUNDAY ~ April 24, 8a, 10:30a, NO 7p MASS

	April 16, 5P	April 17, 10:30A	April 17, 7P	April 23, 8P	April 24, 8A	April 24, 10:30A
Commentator	Scott Beslin	Jerry Barbera	Rebecca Templeton	EASTER VIGIL & EASTER MASSES Please sign up in the Sacristy.		Brandie Toups
Word 1	Richard David	Katie Acosta	Mitch Chiasson			Connie Daigle
Word 2	Emily Waguespack	Ben Roth	Wade Rodrigue			Sue Blanchard
Body 1	Mike Sobert	Linda Oncale	Joy Martinez			Ricky Blanchard
Body 2		Loretta Andry	Lisa Chiasson			Bill Dunckelman
Blood 1	Gene Roth	Violet Chiasson	Bobbie McDonald			Robin Lopez
Blood 2	Emily Adams	Joshua Clement	Volunteer	Mary Jo Kees		
Blood 3		Leslie Clement	David Boudreaux	Jeff Daigle		
Blood 4		Sandra Clement	Lynette Boudreaux	Loretta Andry		
Altar Servers	Elizabeth Garrad	Brandon Scelfo	Avery Theriot	Philip Roth	Riley Piper	
		Patrick Savoie	Jacob Theriot			

EASTER PRAYER

God our Father,
 by raising Christ Your Son
 You conquered the power of death
 and opened for us the way to
 eternal life. Let our celebration
 today raise us up and renew our
 lives by the Spirit that is within
 us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
 God, forever and ever.



Amen.

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 for all people. Ask God to help
 them; intercede on their behalf,
 and give thanks for them."

1 Timothy 2:1

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