



# ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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## Sunday, July 9, 2023 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### GOD BLESS AMERICA

**WELCOME:** To all Visitors and New-comers! If you are interested in becoming a member of our church family, please call the office at (337) 364-0818 or fill out a Census Form found on the table in the entrance of Church and mail to the office.

**BAPTISM:** Please contact the office or Rev. James Nguyen.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples planning marriage should contact the office at least 6 months before the proposed date of weddings.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** Confessions are heard from 30 minutes until 10 minutes before weekend Masses, and from 11:30am until 12:00pm noon on weekday Masses, and by appointment.

#### \*\*MASS INTENTIONS & BULLETIN INFORMATION

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday before 4:00 pm. All Mass intentions & Bulletin information turned in after Wednesday will be published in next weekend's bulletin.

#### LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION & MAIL IN COLLECTION

CHURCH SUPPORT & MAINTENANCE: 7/2	\$	1,931.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 7/3-6	\$	135.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,066.00</b>

PETER'S PENCE:	\$	471.00
FOOD PANTRY:	\$	20.00
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND:	\$	100.00

*"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support*

**CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-7/14-Group 3-Yvonne Hebert**

#### TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-

**Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239 & Angela Meyer**

#### ALTAR FLOWERS-...In Memory of

Deceased Members of LeBlanc & Gray Families

By Louisa Gray

#### SUNDAY READINGS-

**July 9-Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
Zec 9:9-10 / Rom 8:9, 11-13 / Mt 11:25-30 (100)

**July 16-Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
Is 55:10-11 / Rom 8:18-23 / Mt 13:1-23 (103)

**Pastor:** Rev. James Nguyen

**Staff:** Office Manager: Ann Boudreaux  
Receptionist/Secretary: Yvonne Hebert

**Trustees:** Mike Wattigny 337-577-4904  
Catherine Simmons 504-905-1726

**Financial Council Chairperson:** Dan Duncan: 337-364-4966

#### Pastoral Council Members:

Chairperson: Ashley Menard: 337-380-3239

Vice Chairperson:

Secretary: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

Social Justice Committee: Claire Larson: 337-277-9171

Evangelization Committee: Nancy Hebert: 337-364-4409

Religious Education Committee: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

Worship Committee: Versa Dore: 337-967-2401

Management & Finance Committee: Catherine Simmons:  
504-905-1726

**Newest Members-Kathy Broussard & Henry Charpentier**

Regional Pastoral Council: **Open for Volunteer-Call the office to apply**

**Religious Education Office Phone:** 337-364-9419

**Coordinator-Religious Education:** Yvonne Hebert 337-519-8411

**Assistant Coordinator:** Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

#### St. Marcellus Business Working Hours:

Monday-Thursday	8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Lunch	11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am - 11:30 am

#### CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST

**Saturday: 4:00 pm**

**Sunday: 7:00 am & 9:00 am**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 12:10 pm**

**\*First Friday of Month: Mass at 4:30pm**

**\*First Friday Adoration: 8:00am-4:00pm-Devotions**

**Friday: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of Month \*12:10 pm**

**\*Holy Hour: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at 11:00 am**

**First Saturday of Month: 9:00am Mass (Rosary at**

**8:15am followed by Devotions) \*Children of Mary members please arrive at church by 8:00am for Rosary**

**BAPTISMS-** If you are not a registered member for our parish, there are registration census forms on the table in the entrance of Church that needs to be filled out before you can have your child baptized here. Either mail the form to the Church or put in an envelope marked "Census" and put in the collection. **\*If you live outside of our parish,** you will have to contact your local church parish to get a letter stating they give permission for our Church to baptize your child here.

**MASS INTENTIONS-Saturday, July 8 / 8:30am:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, July 8 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Nelies Leleux (A), Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Jackson & Olampe Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Bill & Susan Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, Nolan Broussard, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, William & Dolores Dooley, Living & Deceased Family Members of Broussard & Champagne Families, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

**Sunday, July 9 / 7:00am:** Mack & Irene Wilson Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, Cody David, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, July 9 / 9:00am:** Ginger Leigh Arnold Ferrell & Family Living & Deceased, The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Rufus (B) & Odette Segura & Family, Lula V. Menard & Family, Phillip Barras & Family, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

**Monday, July 10 / 9:00am:** Paul & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Tuesday, July 11 / 12:10pm:** For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Wednesday, July 12 / 12:10pm:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Thursday, July 13 / 12:10pm:** For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Friday, July 14 / 12:10pm:** Jamie Hartman Freyou & Family Living & Deceased, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Saturday, July 15 / 8:30am:** For Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, July 15 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7050, Edward & Juliette Lucas, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Edwin & Eunice Romero & Family Living & Deceased, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Brooks Hebert, Sederic Hebert, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

**Sunday, July 16 / 7:00am:** Yolande B. Viator (B), Calvin Glaubrecht Family, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, July 16 / 9:00am:** The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Matthew Babineaux (2<sup>nd</sup> A), For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**SECOND COLLECTION-This Weekend, July 8 & 9,** there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communications. This Campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Lafayette Dioceses to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message!

**SECOND COLLECTION-Next Weekend, July 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>,** there will be a second collection for the Bishop's Services Appeal.

**THANK YOU!** for donating to the PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND. St. Marcellus Church received the bill of \$16,518.30 for the year and with your donations of \$5,387.75, St. Marcellus Church is able to pay the balance of \$11,130.55.

**RELIGION TEACHER NEEDED-**There is an opening for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Religion Teacher. If interested, please call Yvonne at the Office at 337-364-0818.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** will be on each Sunday at the 9am Mass. Father will call up the children before the readings and say a prayer then they will go in the Sacristy with the Teacher to learn a lesson on the Sunday gospel. **For children ages 4 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade.**  
*There will be no Children's Church in June or July.*

**Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:**  
**ARMY-Braidyn Castille, Colin Boutte**  
Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-**

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

Knight of the Month-Jimmy Pellerin  
Family of the Month-Danny & Mavis Segura

...The Knights will be offering coffee and donut holes after the 9am mass this Sunday under the canopy of Church.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING-**There will be a Pastoral Council meeting Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at the Hall from 6pm to 7pm. Also, Installation of the new Pastoral Council Members- Kathy Broussard & Henry Charpentier. Thank You! to outgoing Members Ashley Menard and Catherine Simmons for all their service on the Pastoral Council.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-**  
Registration will be Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 7pm at the Hall.  
Registration Fee-\$20.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grades  
Confirmation Fee-\$25.00 for 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grades  
Confirmation Students-10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade Students need to bring a copy of Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate. If you did not attend religion classes here at St. Marcellus, we will need a letter from the Church Parish you attended, with proof of attendance.  
...Confirmation classes will be held on Tuesday nights from 6pm to 7pm, beginning September 5<sup>th</sup>.  
...The First Communion Students 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will attend classes on Tuesday nights from 6pm to 7pm beginning September 5<sup>th</sup>.  
...For new students, Parents please contact the office at 337-364-0818 to register.  
...If your child attended religion classes elsewhere, we will need proof of attendance, sacramental records and letter stating child has permission to attend our religion program.  
...If your child was not baptized here at St. Marcellus, a copy of his/her Baptismal certificate and birth certificate is needed.



**SANCTUARY LAMP-**

**...In Loving Memory for the Living & Deceased Members of Landry, Broussard, Yoder, Kennedy & LeBlanc Families**  
*By Dot Landry & Edmond Broussard*

**To view Bulletins online go to [www.stmarcellus.org](http://www.stmarcellus.org) If you want the bulletin sent to your email, send request to [stmarcellusc@aol.com](mailto:stmarcellusc@aol.com)**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-**This coming session will consist of Homeschool lessons each month and 1 class per month.  
**Elementary students:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades will come on the Second Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am and then class after from 10am to 11am at the Hall. These Elementary Students will start **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**. The **High School students:** 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grades will come on the Third Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am & then class after from 10am to 11am at Hall. These High School Students will start **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**.  
**These grades: 2<sup>nd</sup> First Communion and 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation** classes will be held at the hall on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm. These classes will start **Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>-Adoration 8:00am until 4:00pm, followed by Devotions, Mass at 4:30pm.** Please consider spending one hour with the Blessed Sacrament. The sign-up sheet can be found on table in the entrance of the Church.

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED-**All boys and girls who have made their First Holy Communion and would like to become an Altar Server please call Yvonne Hebert (337-519-8411) or at the office 337-364-0818 to sign up. They will be trained before they serve at mass. Need for Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 7am Masses.

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL-** Check out [EucharisticRevival.org](http://EucharisticRevival.org) to learn more about the ongoing effort to renew devotion in our country. On **Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:00pm-9:30pm, the Diocese is planning a Eucharistic Rally at the Cajundome Convention Center. Dr. Ralph Martin will be the keynote speaker.

**COME, LORD JESUS! GROUP-**The following Come, Lord Jesus group in our parish is: **Dan & Louise Duncan-Avery Island, 337-364-4966**, meet on Wednesdays at 4:00pm. If you are interested in joining the group, please call. The group goes over Sunday Gospel, explaining God's word & prayer time.

**ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-**Anyone interested in donating for the **"2023 Flowers"**, please contact Millie Comeaux at 337-519-2555 or mail your list to Millie Comeaux, 1901 Langston Road, New Iberia, LA 70560.  
**Make checks out to Millie Comeaux.**  
**Open Altar Flower Weeks-August 6, 13, 20, September 3, October 29.**

**Price for the 4 Holiday Altar Flowers-\$40.00 total for all 4.**  
**Price for the 1 Weekend Altar Artificial Flowers-\$40.00 for artificial flower arrangement.**  
**Price for 1 Weekend Altar Real Flowers-\$65.00 for real flower arrangement.** Please contact Millie if you want the Real Flower arrangement for a specific weekend so she can place order.

**EXERCISE CLASS-**There are exercise classes for Seniors on **Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:45am to 9:45am at the Hall.** If interested to participate for classes please arrive at the Hall on these days to sign up. These classes are free of charge. For more information call Loney Leeson at 337-364-8888.

**Please pray for those of our community who have requested our prayers:** Louis Boudreaux Jr., Emma Menard, Barbara Clark, Roland Barras, Fr. Manny Fernandez, JoEllen Riggles, Dean Lancon, Brian Roy, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Kyle Leleux, Michelle Dugas, Kathy Scott, Steven Marcor, Donna McDonald Snoddy, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Dossie Darby, Bruce Burleigh, Dustin James Bourque, R.T. Touchet, Craig Mayard, Kim Rentrop, Freda Rentrop, Joyce Thibodeaux, Mona Doiron, Debbie Thibodeaux, Charlisse LaBauve, Allen Bourque, Judy Landry, Zenaida Retana, Charlie Thibodeaux, Natasha & Ryan Kirkeby, Ann Melancon, Kerry Hebert, Daniel Bourque, John Hebert, Yvonne Russo, Stefan Norris, Roxanne Lavergne, Julia Armentor, Hazel Delahoussaye, Kimberly Elizabeth Moreaux, Linda Yoder, Sis Lavergne, Patrick Castille, Peggy Derouen, Debra Kennedy, Quinton Sims, Pete Phar, Noah Daniels, Hayward Delcambre, Angelica Daniels, Johnny & Karen Broussard, Pam Jude, Michelle Thibodeaux Broussard, Genevieve Robichaux, Wayne Derise, Mary Dartez, Kressent Landry, Julie Bourgeois, Dayton Boutte, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Jason Walker, David Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Barbara Boudreaux, Brandon Barbin, Tina Broussard, Wilda Hite, Cassie Lannie, Marvin Rentrop, Mary Grace Rentrop, Zoda P. Bourque, Christian James, Blair & Wendy Yoder, Mark & Karen Messinger, Ken & Judy Broussard, Katie Faulk, Edwin Mayeaux, Freddie Norris, Robert R. Broussard Sr., Cody Castille, Robert LeBlanc, Geraldine LeBlanc, Lauris Land, Roy Boudreaux, Ramsey Moss, Wendell Broussard, Bonnie Hazelton, Alison & Emberia Hazelton, Canton Fabia, Sharon Broussard, Denee Vidrine, Gregory Beauboef, Selena Gautreau, Benjamin Lassalle, Kade Breaux, Stephanie Vidrine, Carolyn Deville, Earlene Guillory, Terry Broussard, Savannah Jones, Bailey Doré, Joseph Calvin Landry, Gerald Sewell, Carmen Decuir, Lois Romero, Joyce Romero, Gretchen Lavergne, Glorious Broussard, Jennifer Liner, Marcus Hebert, Hypolite Meyers, Brian Lasseigne, Nicholas Landry, Wanda Breaux, Faith Kreamer, Jermaine Boutte, Jennifer O'Neall, Randal Riggle, Rita & Steven King, Linda Dartez, Don Simon, Irene Richard, Jessica Guidry, Barbara LeBlanc, Pete Bourque, Amy Crochet, Alison Lavergne, Bella Cervantes, Georgie Pellerin, William "Kojak" Broussard, Monique Lancon, Amber Segura, Michael Norris, Denise David, Jessica LeJeune, Ann LaPointe, Payton Suire, Brian Delcambre, Steven Lavergne, & sick members of our church parish family, the homebound, those with a dependency, those recovering from injuries & those admitted into hospitals & nursing homes.

**VOCATION CHALICE** Each week at Mass, a family or individual is to receive the Chalice to pray for vocations. Please pick up the Chalice in the Sacristy in back of the Altar. Thank you & God Bless.

**July**

- \***Judy & Ken Broussard**-July 8-15-Saturday at 4pm Mass
- \***Dot Landry**-July 15-22-Saturday at 4pm Mass
- \***Bea & Dave Landry**-July 22-29-Saturday at 4pm Mass

**ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-Food Baskets** are prepared to help those who are in need. Please help us stock our pantry with non-perishable items. You can deposit your items in the corner of the front foyer of Church. Monetary donations will also be accepted, please enclose it in an envelope marked **Food Pantry** & drop it in the collection basket. Thank you for your continued support to this ministry.

**\*MASS INTENTIONS-**Please put your list of intentions & **\$5.00 per intention** in a sealed envelope. >Indicate your name, address, phone number & the amount of money submitted. Put your envelope marked **Masses** in the collection basket or mail your envelope to the Office. **MASS INTENTIONS Will Not Be Accepted Over the Phone.** **Forms can be found in the folder on the table at the entrance of Church.**

**Examples are for one intention: John Smith, or Mr. & Mrs. John Smith, or husband and wife-John and Sue Smith, or the John Smith Family.** One intention is not John, June, Brock & Sam Smith. One intention is not John Smith, Don Boulder & Amy Charles. One intention is not Mr. & Mrs. John Smith & Mark

**Please pray for the perseverance of  
Seminarian Giovanni Ranzino  
Seminarian Coby Hebert**

**God our Father, thank you for calling these seminarians to  
prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow  
closer to You through daily prayer. Amen.**

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and website [www.lafayettevocations.org](http://www.lafayettevocations.org)**



**“Abandonment is an awful poverty. There  
are poor people everywhere, but the deepest  
poverty is not being loved.”**

**Saint Mother Teresa**

**PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON-June 1-November 30-**O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude; You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen (Composed in 1957 by The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder, Second Bishop of Lafayette, following Hurricane Audrey)

**“Our Guardian Angels are our most faithful friends, because  
they are with us day and night, always and everywhere. We  
ought often to invoke them.” Sermon for the Feast of the  
Guardian Angels-Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars**

**9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FETE-DIEU du TECHE SOUTH-Tuesday,  
August 15<sup>th</sup>.** Feast of the Assumption. In Honor of the 258<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary of the Arrival of the Acadians and the Catholic Faith  
and the 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of the Church of the  
Assumption. Eucharistic Procession along Bayou Teche **starts at  
8am** with Mass at Assumption Church in Franklin, then travel  
down Bayou Teche in boats to launch sites in Baldwin, Chitimacha  
Reservation in Charenton, Jeanerette, then to New Iberia Park,  
then walk in procession to St. Peter’s Church in New Iberia. For  
more info, Contact Fr. Michael Champagne, cjc, at 337-394-6550  
[fetedieuduteche@gmail.com](mailto:fetedieuduteche@gmail.com), [www.fetedieuduteche.org](http://www.fetedieuduteche.org)

**I AM RESTORED-Red Bird Ministries Mother’s Retreat-**  
For Mothers of child loss, Pregnancy through adulthood. On  
**September 8-10**, check in at 4pm at Lumen Christi Retreat Center  
on 100 Lumen Christi Ln, Schriever, LA 70395. Registration  
closes September 1<sup>st</sup>, \$250-Twin Bed Shared Room with Private  
Bath, \$350-Private Room & Bath with Double Bed. A Catholic  
Grief Support Ministry. To register go to [www.redbird.love](http://www.redbird.love)

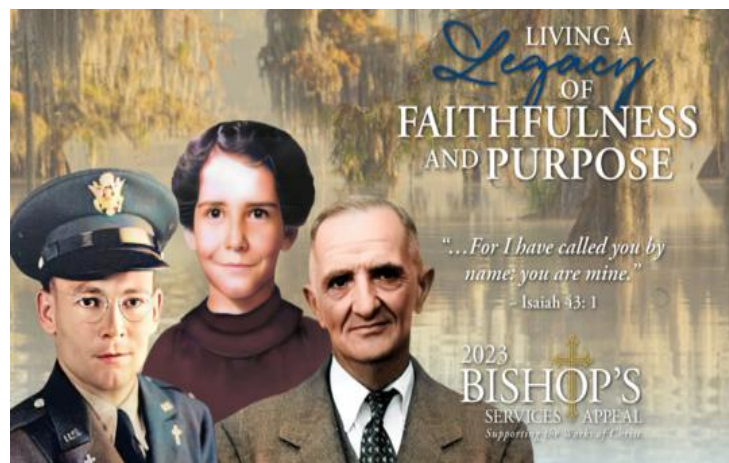
**Reflection on the Gospel-**In the gospel reading we hear today,  
Matthew gives us one of our very few glimpses into the prayer of  
Jesus. As when he had earlier taught his disciples to pray, Jesus  
addresses God as “Father,” not to idolize a name or gender or  
metaphor, but to focus on a relationship: the reign of his Abba  
over his life and the lives of all those who become daughters and  
sons of this same God by accepting Jesus as the Word and  
Wisdom of God.

*-Living Liturgy tm, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2023*

**Prayer to St. Joseph-**O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through your foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord, so that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer you my thanksgiving and homage. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, & ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Amen

**Pro-Life Quote-**“Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God’s power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives.”

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**► 2023 BISHOP’S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE-**As of  
May 31-Total Collected-\$4,532.00 Our 2023 Goal-\$8,438.00  
Your donations are important and very much needed by  
parishioner participation.

**“You have freedom only to give [your heart] away. To whom  
do you give yours? You give it either to the moods, to the hour,  
to your egotism, to creatures, or to God.”**  
*Venerable Fulton Sheen*

**OUR LADY OF THE OAKS 2023 RETREAT DATES-**  
**Grand Coteau, LA-** For list of dates or to register or info about  
retreats, [www.ourladyoftheoaks.com](http://www.ourladyoftheoaks.com), or call 337-662-5410  
**Women’s Retreat Dates-7/7-9, 8/17-20, 9/7-10, 9/28-10/1,  
10/19-22, 11/6-8**  
**Couple’s Retreat Dates-9/1-3, 10/6-8**

**ENGAGED COUPLES-** Attend a Catholic Engaged Encounter  
Weekend. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to  
prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage  
recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law.  
For cost of weekends, and to learn more, visit website  
[www.ceelafayette.org](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or Contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at  
337-254-8947 or [cee.trahan@gmail.com](mailto:cee.trahan@gmail.com)

**RETROUVAILLE—**is a ministry for troubled marriages. This  
program has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of  
disillusionment or misery in their marriage. The weekend  
provides safe setting encouraging couples to learn  
communication in marriage in a respectful manner. Visit  
[www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com) for more information & to register.  
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