

Sunday, December 18, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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: 12/11 MAIL IN COLLECTION: 12/12-15 TOTAL:	\$ <u>\$</u> \$	1,711.00 <u>6,080.00</u> 7,791.00	
RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:	\$	408.00	
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OFFERING:	\$	465.00	
ALL SAINTS:	\$	3.00	
PANTRY DONATION:	\$	120.00	
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"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support			

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-12/23-Kim Hebert

OFFICE CLOSED-The Office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's Holidays from <u>Thursday, December 22nd thru</u> <u>Friday, December 30th</u>. The Office will reopen Monday, January 2nd. If you need assistance, please call the office 337-364-0818 and leave a message, we will check the messages daily.

<u>SUNDAY READINGS-</u> <u>December 18-Fourth Sunday of Advent-</u> Is 7:10-14 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24 (10) <u>December 25-The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)-</u> Vigil-Is 62:1-5 / Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 / Mt 1:1-25 (13) Day-Is 52:7-10 / Heb 1:1-6 / Jn 1:1-18 (16)

ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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

Religious Education Office Phone:337-364-9419Coordinator-Religious Education:Yvonne Hebert 337-519-8411Assistant 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 EUCHARISTSaturday:4:00 pmSunday:7:00 am & 9:00 amTuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:12:10 pm*First Friday of Month:Mass at 4:30pm*First Friday Adoration:8:00am-4:00pm-DevotionsFriday:2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Friday of Month *12:10 pm*Holy Hour:Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Friday of the month at 11:00 amFirst Saturday of Month:9:00am Mass (Rosary at8:15amfollowed by Devotions) *Children of Marymembers please arrive at church by 8:00am for Rosary

<u>BAPTISMS-</u> 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. <u>*If you live outside of our parish</u>, 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, December 17 / 8:30am: Denis and Irma deLaHoussaye, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am) Saturday, December 17 / 4:00pm: Gerald Laviolette, Joseph & Dorinda C. Broussard Families, Elias "E. J." DeRouen, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura (B), Sefrien & Viola (A) Landry & Family, Eleanor Zancanella Zemlock, Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7050, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, December 18 / 7:00am: Ashley & Kevin Russo, Mary D. Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 18 / 9:00am: The Ernest Crochet Family, The John Inzerella Family, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

Monday, December 19 / 9:00am: Paul & Linda Richard, Lionel & Beulah David, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Tuesday, December 20 / 12:10pm: Cody David, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

*Wednesday, December 21 / 12:10pm: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, December 22 / 12:10pm: For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Friday, December 23 / 12:10pm: Kay Christine Melancon Lee & Family Living & Deceased, For Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Saturday, December 24 / 8:30am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

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Sunday, December 25 / 7:00am: M/M Francis H. Broussard Sr., Mack & Irene Wilson, Jonathan Gautreau, Calvin Glaubrecht Family, Mary D. Robertson, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, Alfred & Mary Leslie, Doug Leslie, John Simon, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 25 / 9:00am: The Ernest Crochet Family, The John Inzerella Family, Kathleen Heinz Crandall & Family Living & Deceased, Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers & Their Families Living & Deceased, Souls in Purgatory, Gerald & Marie Boudreaux, Al Romero (A), William & Dolores Dooley, Alex & Nedreal Migues, Curley & Margaret Broussard, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, December 24 & 25, there will be a second collection for the Christmas Offering.TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050- The Knights would like to recognize the following: Knight of the Month-Dennis Pellerin Formily of the Month Sid & Date Defense
HAPPY 51 st WEDDING ANNIVERSARY! December 18 th Greg and Janet Boudreaux	<u>Family of the Month</u> -Sid & Rose DeRouen <u>The Knights will be offering coffee and donut holes after the</u> 9am Mass this Sunday under the outside canopy of the Church.
*CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING DAY CHANGED to this Sunday, December 18 th at 1pm, we need volunteers to come and help decorate the Church and also a few men to put up the Altar Wall Wreaths and Monday, Dec. 20 at 4pm need a few men and volunteers to decorate the Christmas Tree.	<u>Live NATIVITY Re-enactment-Presented by all Knights of</u> Columbus of Iberia Parish. Where: at <u>St. Peter Catholic</u> <u>Church 108 E. St. Peter Street New Iberia</u> (between the Church & Rectory) When: <u>Saturday, December 17</u> after their 4pm Mass or <u>Sunday, December 18</u> after their 6pm Mass. John, Catherine and baby Anna Simmons will be the Holy
Please pray for the Repose and Consolation of the Families of <u>Wallace LeBlanc</u> . May He Rest in Peace.David Funeral Home is in charge: Wake at David Funeral Home on Monday, Dec. 19 from 9:00am until the time of <u>Funeral at 2pm</u> at St. Marcellus Church, burial at St. Marcellus Cemetery. Rosary at 11:00am.	Family in the Nativity on Saturday, December 17 th . The Knights will have a meeting this Monday, December 19 th at 7pm at the Hall. Knight's, please arrive by 6:15pm to say a rosary then a meal will be served.
Please pray for the Repose and Consolation of the Families of <u>Nelson Boudreaux</u> . May He Rest in Peace. Pellerin Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements & pending	<u>CHRISTMAS SOCIAL-</u> St. Marcellus Church will have a Christmas Social <u>this Saturday, December 17th starting after the</u> <u>4pm Mass at the Hall.</u> This will be a Covered Dish Potluck dinner. The Church will provide one meat dish, the drinks and
LECTOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- We are in need of Lectors, serving at the 12:10pm Tuesday Mass and 12:10pm Friday Mass or 4:30pm First Friday Mass. If interested please call Alice Crochet at 337-519-2317.	paper goods. The Children will receive a Christmas Gift. Choices of Covered Dishes Needed- <u>Meat Dishes, Vegetables Dishes, Potato</u> <u>Salad, Rice, Desserts, Bread/Buns.</u> There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the entrance of Church for the covered dish food list.



SANCTUARY LAMP-

...In Loving Memory of Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura (Birthday), Paul & Linda Richard by Dina Mayard

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-

>2nd Grade First Communion and 11th Grade Confirmation classes will be held weekly on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm at Hall. *First Communion Meeting-Tuesday, January 10th at 6pm in the Hall for Parents and Students.

*Confirmation Retreat-will be held at St. Edwards Church, 175 Ambassador W. LeMelle, New Iberia on Saturday, January 28th. The Retreat starts at 9am to 4pm. There will be 4pm Mass for Student and their Sponsor to attend.

<u>>High School students</u>: 6^{th} , 7^{th} , 8^{th} , 9^{th} & 10^{th} grades will come on the Third Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am at Church & then class from 10am to 11am at Hall. These High School Students next class will be **this Sunday, December 18th**.

<u>>Elementary students</u>: 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th grades will come on the Second Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am at the Church and then class from 10am to 11am at the Hall. The next Elementary class will be **Sunday, January 8th**.

**For those students that weren't able to attend class, please go the White Office Building and pick up your folder that is in a bag with your name on it. The bags are hanging on the door. Bring your completed lessons and put in bag and hang on door.

<u>USHERS NEEDED-</u> There is a need for <u>Ushers</u> at the <u>7am Mass</u> <u>on Sunday</u>. If interested, please contact Marcus Hebert at 337-380-6058. You must be 18 years or older.

<u>ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-</u>Anyone interested in donating for the <u>"2023 Flowers"</u>, 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.

Price for the 4 Holiday Altar Flowers<u>-</u>\$40.00 total for all 4. Price for the 1 Weekend Altar Artificial Flowers<u>-</u>\$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.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, January 6th-Adoration 8:00am until 4:00pm. Devotions at 4:00pm then 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.

<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> will be on each <u>Sunday</u> at the 9am Mass, <u>except on the 2nd Sunday of each month</u>. 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 through the 5th grade.

<u>COME, LORD JESUS! GROUP-</u>The following Come, Lord Jesus group in our parish is: **<u>Dan & Louise Duncan-Avery</u> <u>Island, 337-364-4966</u>, 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 SERVERS SIGN UPS-All boys and girls who have already received their First Holy Communion and would like to become an Altar Server please call Yvonne Hebert at the parish office (337-364-0818) to sign up. They will be trained before they serve at mass.

prayers: Les & Dean Lancon, Terry Badeaux, Shirley Derouen, Brian Roy, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Kyle Leleux, Michelle Dugas, Kathy Scott, Ron Clark, Steven Marcor, Donna McDonald Snoddy, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Terrell & 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, Diane Phillips, Judy Landry, Zenaida Retana, Charlie Thibodeaux, Natasha & Ryan Kirkeby, Ann Melancon, Kerry Hebert, Daniel Bourque, Kyle Pellerin, 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, Bill Broussard, 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 Laverane, 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 Laverane, Gladys Eskind, Bella Cervantes, Georaie 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.

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our

<u>VOCATION CHALICE</u> 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.

December / January

*Betty Romero-<u>Dec 18-Jan. 8-</u>Sunday at 9am Mass *Dolores Segura-<u>Jan. 8-15-</u>Sunday at 9am Mass *Joy & Danny Babineaux-Jan.14-21-Saturday at 4pm Mass

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-December 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. Food Basket handout is this Saturday, December 17 from 9:00am-9:30am.

*MASS INTENTIONS-2023 Mass Book Now Open-Please put your list of intentions & <u>\$5.00 per intention</u> in a sealed envelope. >Indicate your name, address, phone number & the amount of money submitted. Put your envelope marked <u>Masses</u> 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 Bennett Bodin Seminarian Christopher Lee 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. <u>Lafayette Vocations</u>-www.facebook.com/lafayettelavocations and website www.lafayettevocations.org



"We never base our assistance on the religious beliefs of the needy, but on the need itself. We are not concerned with the religious beliefs of those we help. We only focus on their urgent need for our love and care." Saint Mother Teresa

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.

ANNUAL PRIESTS VS. SEMINARIANS BASKETBALL GAME-Monday, December 26 at 6:30pm at St. Thomas More High School, 450 E. Farrel Rd., Lafayette. Adults \$5, Kids \$1

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASSwill be held on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 2:00pm at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Lafayette. Are you celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage? If so, register to participate in the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass. Couples will have reserved seating. This event is sponsored by the Office of Marriage & Family Life. Register no later than January 25, 2023, by visiting https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information.



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

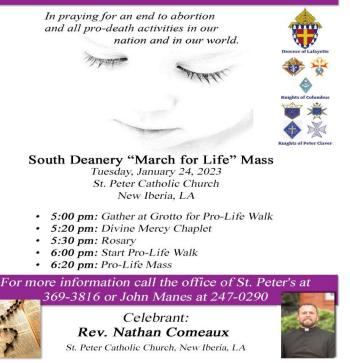
Reflection on the Gospel-

Joseph is cast by Matthew along the lines of another Joseph, the patriarch of Genesis, also a man of dreams (Gen 37, 40) and of God's providence (Gen 45:1-15). Out of the granaries of Egypt over which he was the Pharaoh's chief steward, Joseph cared for his family in time of famine. The Joseph of the gospel also cares unobtrusively for his family, stewarding the Grain and the Bread that continues to feed our hunger at every eucharistic assembly. *-Living Liturgy tm, Fourth Sunday of Advent 2022*

<u>Pro-Life Quote</u>-"Abortion kills twice. It kills the body of the baby and it kills the conscience of the mother. Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers." *St Mother Teresa*



Please Join Us!



OUR LADY OF THE OAKS 2022 RETREAT DATES-Grand Coteau, LA- For list of dates or to register or info about

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<u>DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE</u> has job openings and other openings around the Diocese, go to **<u>www.diolaf.org/employment</u>** to view openings.

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. **Upcoming dates-Feb. 10-12, 2023, April 21-23, 2023.** For cost of weekends, and to learn more, visit website <u>www.ceelafayette.org</u> or Contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at 337-254-8947 or cee.trahan@gmail.com

<u>RETROUVAILLE</u>—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 <u>www.helpourmarriage.com</u> for more information & to register. Call 985-232-5963 / email <u>retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com</u>