



# ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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**Sunday, September 10, 2023**  
**Twenty-Third 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: 9/3    | \$        | 2,771.00        |
| MAIL IN COLLECTION: 9/4-7            | \$        | 15.00           |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                        | <b>\$</b> | <b>2,786.00</b> |
| CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS GIFT FUND:      | \$        | 466.00          |
| PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND: | \$        | 25.00           |
| ASSUMPTION OFFERING:                 | \$        | 10.00           |
| FOOD PANTRY:                         | \$        | 60.00           |
| RELIGIOUS ED FUND:                   | \$        | 50.00           |

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

**CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-9/15-Kim Hebert**

**TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-**

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS-...In Memory of Rayward Segura**  
 (3<sup>rd</sup> Death Anniversary on September 10<sup>th</sup>)  
*By Dolores Segura Family*

**SUNDAY READINGS-**

**September 3-Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
 Jer 20:7-9 / Rom 12:1-2 / Mt 16:21-27 (124)

**September 10-Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
 Ez 33:7-9 / Rom 13:8-10 / Mt 18:15-20 (127)

**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: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602  
 Vice Chairperson: Claire Larson: 337-277-9171  
 Secretary: Kathy Broussard: 337-352-1112  
 Social Justice Committee: Claire Larson: 337-277-9171  
 Evangelization Committee: Nancy Hebert: 337-364-4409  
 Religious Education Committee: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602  
 & Kathy Broussard: 337-352-1112  
 Worship Committee: Versa Dore: 337-967-2401  
 Management & Finance Committee: Henry Charpentier:  
 337-256-2473

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, September 9 / No 8:30am Mass**

**Saturday, September 9 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Sidney Gondron (A), Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Edward & Juliette Lucas, Bill & Susan Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Raymond Yoder & Family Living & Deceased, M/M Willie Dore, Randal Dore, Byron Dore, Dexter Landry, Deceased Family Members of Joy & Danny Babineaux, Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, William & Dolores Dooley, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

**Sunday, September 10 / 7:00am:** Calvin Glaubrecht Family, Mary D. Robertson, Harold Borel, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, September 10 / 9:00am:** Rayward Segura (3<sup>rd</sup> A), The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Shirley Patout Hebert & Family Living & Deceased, Betty Provost Lewis & Family Living & Deceased, Larry Duplantis (9<sup>th</sup> A), Shirley & Roland (A) DeRouen & Family, Dorothy P. Trautman (B), For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Monday, September 11 / No 9:00am Mass**

**Tuesday, September 12 / 12:10pm:** Homer & Shirley Comeaux (WA), James Robert Watson & Family Living & Deceased, Paul & Linda Richard, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, (Rosary at 11:30am)

**Wednesday, September 13 / 12:10pm:** The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 11:30am)

**Thursday, September 14 / 12:10pm:** In Honor of St. Agatha, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Rosary at 11:30am)

**Friday, September 15 / 12:10pm:** William & Dolores Dooley, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Rosary at 11:30am)

**Saturday, September 16 / No 8:30am Mass**

**Saturday, September 16 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Gerald Laviolette, Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7050, Harold & Tara LeBlanc, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen (5<sup>th</sup> A), Jackson & Olampe Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Warren & Marie (B) Hebert, Brooks Hebert, Sederic Hebert, Joe (10<sup>th</sup> A) & Dorinda Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

**Sunday, September 17 / 7:00am:** Mack & Irene Wilson Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Robert Leslie, Alfred & Mary Leslie, Doug Leslie, Mary D. Robertson, Harold Borel, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, September 17 / 9:00am:** E. J. DeRouen (5<sup>th</sup> A), Rachel Amanda Sizemore Turner & Family Living & Deceased, The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

**SECOND COLLECTION-This Weekend, September 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>**  
there will be a second collection for the Catholic University of America.

**SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>,** there will be a second collection for the Bishop's Services Appeal.

**FATHER JAMES** will be on a Pilgrimage Trip to Jerusalem starting September 3<sup>rd</sup> to September 18<sup>th</sup>. Father Richard Greene will say masses on these days starting Tuesday, September 5 - 10, and September 12 - 17.

**STATUE OF FATIMA MARY FLOWERS-**

...In Memory of Dorothy Trautman (Birthday)

*By Barbara Arton*

**Congratulations to the Newly Baptized:**

Cohen Joseph Broussard

Parents-Cody and Kelsie Broussard



22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

**Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:**

ARMY-Braidyn Castille, Colin Boutte



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-**

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

Knight of the Month-Terry Badeaux-In Memory of one of Council 7050's most active members Terry Badeaux is selected as Knight of the Month. He is truly missed.

Family of the Month-Darrell & Margaret Adams

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

...The Knights and Ushers will pick up your Food Pantry Brown Bag donations this weekend.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-**

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.

...The First Communion 2<sup>nd</sup> grade & 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation classes will be held 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*

**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 this 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. **High School Students will start next Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.** **These grades: 2<sup>nd</sup> grade 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 started **Tuesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>.**  
**\*After the 10<sup>th</sup> grade students gets Confirmed this session 2023-2024, they will come back for Morality class next session 2024-2025. Then the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> grade students who get confirmed in 2024-2025 will come back for Sacraments and or Morality Classes 2025-2026 sessions. When Confirmation gets to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade the students will come back after each year for Sacraments then Morality Classes.**

**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. The first class for Children’s Church will be on Sept. 24.**

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, October 6<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.

**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.

**NOW TAKING 2024 ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-**Anyone interested in donating for the **“2024 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. \*Price Change Price for the 4 Holiday Altar Flowers-\*\$50.00 total for all 4. Price for the 1 Weekend Altar Artificial Flowers-\*\$20.00 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:** Sis Lavergne, Dot Boudreaux, Dianne Broussard, Barbara D. Alleman, Phyllis Aucoin, David LeJeune, Louis Boudreaux Jr., 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, 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’Neill, Randal Riggles, 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, 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 call office to update names on list, to add or to delete.\*\***

**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.**  
**September**  
**\*Alice & Matt Crochet-Sept 10-17-Sunday at 7am Mass**  
**\*Lula Barras-September 17-24-Sunday at 9am Mass**  
**\*Judy & Ken Broussard-Sept 23-30-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 Rev. Mr. John Dugas  
Seminarian Reid Bourgeois

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)



**“You are the future of family life. You are the  
future of the joy of loving. You are the future  
of making your life something beautiful for  
God...That you love a girl or that you love a  
boy is beautiful, but don’t spoil it, don’t destroy  
it. Ask God to guide you in your love.”**

*Saint Mother Teresa*

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL-**

Check out [EucharisticRevival.org](http://EucharisticRevival.org) On **Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**,  
from 6:00pm-9:30pm, the Diocese is planning a Eucharistic Rally  
at the Cajundome Convention Center. Speaker-Dr. Ralph Martin

**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)

**HEALING SERVICE-**Please join Fr. Manny Fernandez for a  
Healing Service here at Sacred Heart Church in New Iberia on  
**Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 pm in Church.

**“This figure upon the Cross is not a MVD agent or a Gestapo  
inquisitor, but a Divine Physician, Who only asks that we  
bring our wounds to Him in order that He may heal them. If  
our sins be as scarlet, they shall be washed white as snow, and  
if they be as red as crimson, they shall be made white as wool.”**

*Venerable Fulton Sheen*

**On mercy: “Mercy, the bridge that connects God and  
humanity, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved  
forever despite our sinfulness.” Pope Francis  
(Misericordiae Vultus,” April 11, 2015)**

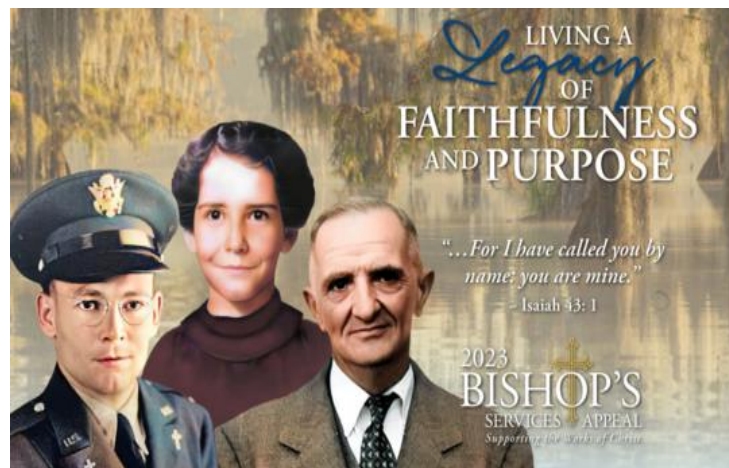
**Reflection on the Gospel-**Forgiveness and reconciliation are one  
of the painful ways that we take up our cross and follow Jesus,  
whether in Matthew’s first-century community or in today’s  
church. In today’s gospel reading, Jesus tells his disciples how to  
conduct this process. The authority of “bind [ing]” and “loos[ing]”  
that two weeks ago we heard was given to Peter to exercise in a  
particular way is here extended to the whole church, because it is  
not only the leaders who must accept responsibility for  
reconciliation within the community.

*-Living Liturgy tm, Twenty-Third 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-**“By our baptism, we are members of Christ’s  
body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care  
for all members of our communities. Honoring each person as  
unique, sacred, and created in the image of God.”

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**► 2023 BISHOP’S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE-As of  
July 31-Total Collected-\$5,898.41 Our 2023 Goal-\$8,438.00  
Your donations are important and very much needed by  
parishioner participation.**

**“Although the good God does not allow us to see Him, He is  
nonetheless present in the Blessed Sacrament;  
nonetheless ready to grant us all we ask.”**

*Sermon on Corpus Christi -Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars*

**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-9/28-10/1, 10/19-22, 11/6-8**  
**Couples Retreat Dates-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.  
**Upcoming weekends: Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2023; January 26-28,  
April 26-28, 2024** 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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