



ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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Sunday, March 3, 2024
Third Sunday of Lent

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: 2/25	\$	1,474.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 2/26-3/1	\$	255.00
TOTAL:	\$	1,729.00

BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL:	\$	415.00
FIRST OFFERING:	\$	1.00
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND:	\$	50.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-

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

The National Eucharistic Congress is this summer, July 17-21 in Indianapolis. It is the crowning experience of the ongoing Eucharistic Revival and the first one in 83 years. The diocese is providing scholarships to help with the costs. You can find the forms on the table at entrance of Church or the diocesan website diolaf.org/worship. They simply need to be filled out and signed by Father James then sent to the diocesan office of worship.

SUNDAY READINGS-

March 3-Third Sunday of Lent-

Ex 20:1-17 / 1 Cor 1:22-25 / Jn 2:13-25 (29)

March 10-Fourth Sunday of Lent-

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21 (32)

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: 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 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-

First Saturday, March 2 / 9:00am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:15am then Devotions)

Saturday, March 2 / 4:00pm: Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, M/M Willie Dore, Randal Dore, Byron Dore, Dexter Landry, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Forrest Lewis & Family Living & Deceased, Deceased Family Members of Jimmy & Bonnie Thibodeaux, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Janell Rivers, Anne Melancon, Morris & Enez Poirrier Dutille, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

Sunday, March 3 / 7:00am: Calvin Glaubrecht, Cody David, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Howard & Nickie Castille & Family Living & Deceased, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, March 3 / 9:00am: Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Rayward Segura, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Monday, March 4 / 9:00am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Tuesday, March 5 / 12:10pm: For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Wednesday, March 6 / 12:10pm: Gerald E. Boutte Sr., For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, March 7 / 12:10pm: For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Friday, March 8 / 12:10pm: Andrew Martin Redwood & Family Living & Deceased, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour 11:00am) (2:30pm Way of the Cross & Chaplet)

Saturday, March 9 / 8:30am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

Saturday, March 9 / 4:00pm: Johnny & Ethel Viator, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, March 10 / 7:00am: Cody David, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Howard & Nickie Castille & Family Living & Deceased, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, March 10 / 9:00am: Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Etta "Skeeter" Lancon, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-Next Weekend, March 9 & 10, there will be a second collection for the **Catholic Relief Services.** Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED-If you are interested in helping clean the church every 4 weeks with a group, please call Yvonne at the Office to sign up at 337-364-0818.

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 office 337-364-0818. They will be trained before they serve at mass.

WAY OF THE CROSS-Fridays in Lent at 2:30pm. March 1, 8, 15, 22, and March 29. ***See last page for Lenten Regulations**

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-03/09-Kim Hebert

CRS Rice Bowls-Nowadays, in Morazan, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more. Pickup a Rice Bowl on table by bulletins.

2024 SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-Unfortunately, 2024 Vacation Bible School session will not be held this summer due to lack of volunteers.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

Knight of the Month-Ted Broussard

Family of the Month-Dan & Louise Duncan

...This Sunday, the Knights will be offering coffee and donut holes after the 9am Mass under the canopy of Church.

...The Knights and Ushers will handout brown paper bags to collect unexpired non-perishable food for the Food Pantry Handout on March 23rd. Please check the expiration dates.

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul and Consolation of the Family of Charles George Messinger Jr. May He Rest in Peace.

Divine Mercy Ministry for the Sick and Dying- was established by our Lord in revelations to St. Faustina. He said "When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person." (Diary, 1541). Our parish has a team of volunteers eager to pray for your loved ones. We can pray **IN PERSON** or remotely. For more information, call Kathy Scott at (337) 365-5095 or the Office (337) 364-0818.



Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:

US ARMY Firefighter-PFC-Braidyn Castille

US ARMY Tank Operator-Colin Boutte

National Guard/Army-Blackhawk Helicopter Pilot-Don L. Romero II

AIR FORCE SPECIALIST GERMANY-Nicholas Barras



SANCTUARY LAMP-

**...In Loving Memory of
Aaron Jr. and Sis Lavergne
by Family**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-This coming session will consist of Homeschool lessons each month and 1 class per month.

>**These grades: 2nd grade First Communion and 10th & 11th grade Confirmation** classes will be held at the hall on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm. **The Next class is Tuesday, March 5.**

The last class will be on March 26th.

First Communion Practice, First Confessions and Retreat on Saturday, April 6th from 9:30am-Noon.

First Communion Ceremony-Sunday, April 7 at the 9am Mass.

Confirmation Practice-Monday, April 15 at 6:00pm.

Confirmation Ceremony-Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30pm.

>**Elementary students:** 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th grades will come on the Second Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am and then class after from 10am to 11am at the Hall. **The last Elementary class is next Sunday, March 10th.** Students turn in last folder on Sunday, April 14th at 10am at Hall to Teacher, then dismissed.

>**High School students:** 6th, 7th, 8th & 9th grades will come on the Third Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am & then class after from 10am to 11am at Hall. **The last High School class is Sunday, March 17th.** Students turn in last folder on Sunday, April 21st at 10am at Hall to Teacher, then dismissed. All 9th grade students please bring back your workbook to Teacher.

***>Please remember to come swap out your child's lesson folder if your child missed Elementary or High School Classes, the student's folders are hanging in a bag on the White Office Building Door. Thank You.**

***After the 10th grade students get Confirmed this session 2023-2024, they will come back for Morality class next session 2024-2025. Then the 9th & 10th grade students who get confirmed in 2024-2025 will come back for Sacraments and or Morality Classes 2025-2026 sessions. When Confirmation gets to 8th Grade the students will come back after each year for Sacraments then Morality Classes.**

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, April 5th -Adoration 8:00am-4pm, then 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.

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 to 5th grade.**

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 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.

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our

prayers: Mark Rouly, Rodney Leleux, William Guidry, Reagan Macicek, Michael Bourgeois Sr., Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Ken & Judy Broussard, Myra Derouen Boutte, Kathy Frusha Fuqua, Fisher Melder, Kristen and Baby Hebert, Wilda Hite, Loretta & Oswald Decuir, Dot Boudreaux, Barbara D. Alleman, Phyllis Aucoin, Louis Boudreaux Jr. & Sr., Fr. Manny Fernandez, Dean Lancon, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Michelle Dugas, Kathy Scott, Steven Marcor, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Dossie Darby, R.T. Touchet, Craig Mayard, Kim Rentrop, Freda Rentrop, Joyce Thibodeaux, Mona Doiron, Debbie Thibodeaux, Charlissee LaBauve, Judy Landry, Zenaida Retana, Charlie Thibodeaux, Natasha & Ryan Kirkeby, Kerry Hebert, Daniel Bourque, John Hebert, Stefan Norris, Roxanne Lavergne, Julia Armentor, Hazel Delahoussaye, Kimberly Elizabeth Moreaux, Linda Yoder, Patrick Castille, Peggy Derouen, Debra Kennedy, Quinton Sims, Noah Daniels, Hayward Delcambre, Angelica Daniels, Johnny & Karen Broussard, Pam Jude, Michelle Thibodeaux Broussard, Wayne Derise, Mary Dartez, Kressent Landry, Dayton Boutte, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Jason Walker, David Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Barbara Boudreaux, Brandon Barbin, Cassie Lannie, Marvin Rentrop, Mary Grace Rentrop, Zoda P. Bourque, Christian James, Blair & Wendy Yoder, Mark & Karen Messinger, Katie Faulk, Edwin Mayeaux, Freddie Norris, Cody Castille, Robert LeBlanc, Geraldine LeBlanc, Lauris Land, Roy Boudreaux, Ramsey Moss, Kade Breaux, Savannah Jones, Bailey Doré, Joseph Calvin Landry, Gerald Sewell, Carmen Decuir, Lois Romero, Joyce Romero, Gretchen Lavergne, Glorious Broussard, Marcus Hebert, Hypolite Meyers, Nicholas Landry, Wanda Breaux, Faith Kreamer, Jermaine Boutte, Jennifer O'Neall, Randal Riggle, Rita & Steven King, Don Simon, Jessica Guidry, Barbara LeBlanc, 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.

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.

March

***Gregg & Yvonne Hebert-March 3-10-Sunday at 9am Mass**

***Lula Barras-March 10-16-Sunday at 9am Mass**

***Dan & Louise Duncan-March 16-23-Sunday at 7am Mass**

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.

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-Easter 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. **Handout will be March 23rd.**

2024 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
Seminarist William Hebert
Seminarist Eric Hernandez

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.

Lafayette Vocations-www.facebook.com/lafayettelavocations
and website www.lafayettevocations.org



**“The hunger for love is much more difficult to
remove than the hunger for bread.”**
Saint Mother Teresa

HOPEFEST MUSIC FESTIVAL-this Saturday, March 2 at
11am–9pm at Moncus Park, Lafayette, LA 5K run, Live Music,
Food, Vendors, Free Admission. Benefiting The Hub and St.
Thomas More’s Options Program. The Hub serves our neighbors
suffering from homelessness and poverty. The STM Options
program provides education and support to children and families
with special needs.

OUR LADY OF THE OAKS 2024 RETREAT DATES-
Grand Coteau, LA- For list of dates or to register or info about
retreats, www.ourladyoftheoaks.com, or call **337-662-5410**
Men’s Retreat-Avery Island-May 16-19-Call Tommy Hebert
337-364-6949 or rynella@hotmail.com to register
Women’s Retreat-May 2-5, May 9-11, May 23-26, May 30-June
2, June 20-23, June 28-30, August 15-18, August 23-25, plus more
Couple’s Retreat-April 26-28, Sept. 6-8, Oct. 11-13

**BLUE CEMETERY GARBAGE
CAN**-When you are replacing
flowers and picking up around your
cemetery plot, please put the old
flowers and garbage in the Blue
Garbage Can marked **Cemetery**
and put the items in the garbage
bag. The garbage can is located by
the Cross walkway in the Cemetery.
Thank you.



Pro-Life Quote-“The Gospel of Life is “meant to be a precise
and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its
inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed
to each and every person, in the name of God: respect,
protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this
direction will you find justice, development, true freedom,
peace and happiness!” (The Gospel of Life) *USCCB Secretariat
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Reflection on the Gospel-In today’s gospel, Jesus performs a
protest action in the temple. He quotes the prophet Zechariah, who
spoke of an ideal day when there would no longer be traders in the
house of God (Zech 14:21). It may be that Jesus is challenging the
attitudes of economic exchange that underlie sacrificial thinking:
if we offer this sacrifice to God, then God will forgive our sins or
bestow blessings. Repeatedly the Scriptures counter this tit-for-tat
notion telling how God’s love and gifts are offered
unconditionally. -*Living Liturgy tm, Third Sunday of Lent 2024*

**“You are infinitely precious
because you are loved by God.”**
Venerable Fulton Sheen

**“When we give alms, we should think that we are giving to Our
Lord, and not to the poor. We often think we are relieving a
poor person, and we find it is Our Lord.”**
Love of the Curé d’Ars for the Poor (Sp.).
-Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars

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.

Disch-DeClouet Annual Campaign-The Disch-DeClouet Social
Services Center is a non-profit organization with an all volunteer
staff. The Center has served the poor and needy of Iberia Parish
providing for critical and basic human needs (food, clothing, utility
& rent assistance, and other help) for 48 years. We service
approximately 400 families a month. We are conducting our
Annual Campaign which will run through the Lenten Season, and
we need your help. We ask that you prayerfully consider investing
in those less fortunate by sharing your gifts. Without additional
financial support we cannot maintain the level of service that we
have been giving for many years. Please use the campaign
envelope for your tax-deductible donation and see brochure, on
bulletin table. May God bless you for your generosity. Thank you!

LENTEN REGULATIONS-

All Fridays of Lent are obligatory days of abstinence- (means we
do not eat meat). The law of fast binds everyone from age 18-59.
Good Friday is an obligatory day of fast and abstinence-means we
have only one full meal a day. Two lighter meals are permitted.
We do not eat meat this day also. The law of abstinence binds from
age 14 and older. Those that are excused are the physically and
mentally ill including those suffering from chronic illness, diabetes,
pregnant or nursing mothers.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE-

Monday, March 25-Mass at 9:00am
Tuesday, March 26 & Wednesday March 27-Mass at 12:10pm
Holy Thursday Mass-March 28-Mass at 7:00pm
**Good Friday-March 29-2:30pm Way of the Cross then Good
Friday Service-3:00pm**
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass-March 30-8:00pm
Easter Sunday Masses -March 31-7:00am & 9:00am

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 Sacramental
Marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its
Church law. **Upcoming weekends: April 26-28, Sept. 13-15.**
For cost of weekends, and to learn more, visit website
www.ceelafayette.org or Contact Mike & Phyllis Totaro at 337-
962-5798 or reginfo.ceelaf@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 for more information & to register.
Call 985-232-5963 / email retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com