

# ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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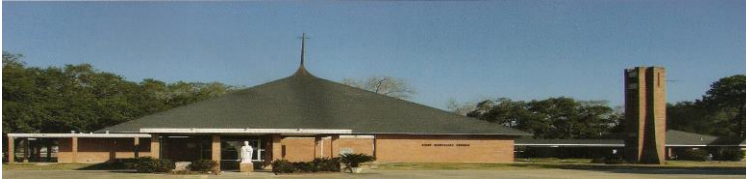
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## Sunday, November 12, 2023 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *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: 11/5	\$	2,545.70
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 11/6-9	\$	90.00
TOTAL:	\$	2,635.70

CEMETERY FUND:	\$	598.00
BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL:	\$	1.00
ALL SAINTS OFFERING:	\$	544.00
FOOD PANTRY:	\$	575.00
DONATION:	\$	50.00

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

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS-**

Week-11/17-Group 1-Velma Laviolette

#### **TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-**

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

**\*VETERANS DAY MASS\*-Saturday, November 11 at 10am at Holy Family Cemetery, 2807 N. Curtis Lane, New Iberia.**

#### **SUNDAY READINGS-**

**November 12-Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
Wis 6:12-16 / 1 Thes 4:13-18 / Mt 25:1-13 (154)

**November 19-Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 / 1 Thes 5:1-6 / Mt 25:14-30 (157)

**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, November 11 / 8:30am:** The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, November 11 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. & Sis Lavergne Jr., Wallace LeBlanc, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Jackson & Olampe Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Rebekah Clare Ray Cullins & Family Living & Deceased, Warren Sr. (B) & Marie Hebert, Raymond J. Boudreaux, M/M Lonie Mire, M/M Mitchell Boudreaux, Elias Mire, M/M Willie Dore, Randal Dore, Byron Dore, Dexter Landry, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, George & Lona Deslatte, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

**Sunday, November 12 / 7:00am:** Mack & Irene Wilson Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, John Simon, Cody David, Mary D. Robertson, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, November 12 / 9:00am:** M/M 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)

**Monday, November 13 / 9:00am:** Paul & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Tuesday, November 14 / 12:10pm:** Chloe Nicole Smith & Family Living & Deceased, Christopher Haydel & Family Living & Deceased, Living & Deceased Family of Denise & Johnny David, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Wednesday, November 15 / 12:10pm:** The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Thursday, November 16 / 12:10pm:** Mary Rose Ray & Family Living & Deceased, Living & Deceased Family of Denise & Johnny David, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Friday, November 17 / 12:10pm:** William & Dolores Dooley, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Saturday, November 18 / 8:30am:** The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, November 18 / 4:00pm:** Aaron J. & Sis Lavergne Jr., Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7050, Barbara (A) & Donald Richard, Odette (B) & Lee Blanchard, Sefrien & Viola Landry & Family, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Edward (A) & Juliette Lucas, Bill (B) & Susan Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Brooks Hebert, Sederic Hebert, Deceased Family Members of Joy & Danny Babineaux, Rudell Landry (18<sup>th</sup> A) & Family Living & Deceased, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Raymond Yoder & Family Living & Deceased, Edward Andre (B), George & Lona Deslatte, Andrew Thompson (1<sup>st</sup> A), For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

**Sunday, November 19 / 7:00am:** Cody David, Mary D. Robertson, The Holy Souls in Purgatory, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, November 19 / 9:00am:** M/M John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Glenn Gray & Family, Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**SECOND COLLECTION-This Weekend, November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>,** there will be a second collection for the **Bishop's Services Appeal.**

**SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, November 18 & 19,** there will be a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development.** More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd) See insert

**ALTAR FLOWERS-...In Loving Memory of**  
Howard Boudreaux, Angella Boudreaux (Birthday 11-10),  
Ethan, David & Keith Neisser *By Dot Boudreaux*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-For Honey Do List for Church-**  
We are in need of any parishioner that would like to volunteer to repair the Entry Carpet on the outside of the Church entrance. If interested please call Catherine Simmons, her cell phone number is 504-905-1726.

**All church parishes of the Diocese of Lafayette** will offer individual confession every Wednesday of Advent from 6:30pm to 8pm. This is a special outreach of mercy to encourage Catholics to return to the Sacrament of Confession and experience God's healing love. **St. Marcellus-Wed., December 13 & 20 -6pm-7pm.**

**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-Don L. Romero II  
AIR FORCE SPECIALIST GERMANY-Nicholas Barras



## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-**

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

**Knight of the Month-Sid DeRouen**  
**Family of the Month-Michael & Tiffany Wattigny**

**...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 Brown Paper Bag donations to collect food for the Food Pantry Thanksgiving Handout next Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Please bring back your donations to help support the Food Pantry.**

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING-**There will be a Pastoral Council meeting on **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm** at the Hall.

**THANKSGIVING MASS TIME-on Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00am.** **The Office** will be closed **Thursday, Nov, 23 & Friday, Nov. 24** in observance of the Thanksgiving Holidays.

**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.**

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR CCD CLASSES-**The Diocese of Lafayette mandates that all CCD students participate in the Safe Environment for the Protection of Children program. These lessons will be held during your child's assigned CCD class time in November.



**SANCTUARY LAMP-**

**...In Loving Memory of  
Warren Sr. (Birthday) & Marie Hebert  
by Gregg & Yvonne Hebert**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-**This coming session will consist of Homeschool lessons each month and 1 class per month.  
>**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. **The Next class is this Tuesday, November 14, No class on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> -Thanksgiving holiday.**  
>**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. **The next Elementary class is this Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.**  
>**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. **The next High School class is next Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.**  
\*After the 10<sup>th</sup> grade students get 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.

**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.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY PRACTICE SCHEDULE-**November 11, 18, 25, December 9 & 23. Practice starts at 10am at Church. The play will be performed on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4pm Christmas Eve Mass.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-**Friday, December 1<sup>st</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.

**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 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:** Kristen and Baby Hebert, Jennifer Decuir, Wilda Hite, Loretta & Oswald Decuir, Ann Melancon, Dot Boudreaux, Barbara D. Alleman, Phyllis Aucoin, David LeJeune, Louis Boudreaux Jr., Barbara Clark, 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, Charlissee LaBauve, Allen Bourque, 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, 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, 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 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.

**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. **November / December**  
\***Elaine Hebert** -Nov. 11-18-Saturday at 4pm Mass  
\***Helana & Audie Bodin**-Nov 19-26-Sunday at 9am Mass  
\***Judy & Ken Broussard**-Nov. 25-Dec. 2-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. **The Food Basket handout is next Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am-10:30am.**

\***MASS INTENTIONS-2024 Mass Book is Open**-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 Eric Hernandez  
Seminarist Giovanni Ranzino

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)



“Silence of the heart. This is what will allow  
you to hear God everywhere: in the closing of  
the door, in the person who needs you, in the  
birds that sing, in the flowers.”

*Saint Mother Teresa*

#### A SPIRITUAL DAY OF REFLECTION-

This Saturday, November 11 at St. Peter Church New Iberia

**8am & ends at 3pm**-Join us for “An Intimate Bond with Christ  
through the Eucharist” lead by Kitty Cleveland. She will be  
sharing her experiences, reflection & Beautiful singing, as she  
provides insights on the importance of the Eucharist in our daily  
lives. Deadline to register November 3. Contact Suzanne  
Babineaux at [sbabin1715@aol.com](mailto:sbabin1715@aol.com) or 337-789-8913.

#### COLLARNARY COOK OFF-This Saturday, November 11

**at 6pm** at Vermilionville, Lafayette, LA. Our local Catholic Priests  
will show off their culinary expertise and prepare their own  
authentic Cajun Gumbo for you to taste and vote. You get to  
decide who is the best cook as they go “Collar to Collar” in a fun  
competition! Purchase tickets now [www.collarnarycookoff.com](http://www.collarnarycookoff.com)  
Tickets include: Entry into the event at Vermilionville, All you  
can eat of Priests’ Gumbo, Local Beer Selection, Dessert, Great  
Times! Benefiting the St. Joseph Scholarship Fund.

**\*HEALING SERVICE\***-Please join Fr. Manny Fernandez for a  
Healing Service here at Sacred Heart Church in New Iberia on **this**  
**Wednesday, November 15 at 1:30 pm** in Church. For more  
information call: Faye Boutte at 337-944-6138

#### IBERIA PARISH FOOD NET FOOD DRIVE-Tuesday,

**December 12<sup>th</sup> from 7am-6pm.** Convenient drive thru/ drop off  
location at the Sugarcane Festival Building, Parkview Dr. New  
Iberia. Canned goods and non-perishable food items along with  
financial contributions will be collected & distributed to 6 Iberia  
Parish Food Pantries who serve those in need in our community.

“At the hour of your death you will see that you have saved  
more souls by your illness than by all the good works you  
might have accomplished in health.”

*To a sick Religious who had been sent to the Curé D’Ars by his  
Superior (M.).-Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars*

**FESTIVAL DE LA VIE 2024**-Respect, Protect and Serve All  
Life together. **Saturday, January 13, 2024** Parc San Souci 9am –  
1pm Live Praise & Worship Music, Guest Speaker, prayer walk,  
family activities. [diolaf.org/ProlifeFestival](http://diolaf.org/ProlifeFestival) Join us as we pray for  
a greater respect for every life. Diocese of Lafayette.

**Reflection on the Gospel**-Uniquely, the parable we hear today  
portrays discipleship in feminine imagery. Although the parable is  
primarily concerned with what lies behind the, as yet, closed doors  
of the end of cosmic history and Christ’s second coming, the  
Bridegroom will also come to us in our own death. One Eucharist  
will be the last from which we take the oil from the two tables of  
word and sacrament that help us to keep our lamps burning and  
light our way to open the doors of our hearts to the Bridegroom.  
*-Living Liturgy tm, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2023*

“Let us help one another to make it possible to “stake  
everything on love”. Let us help one another at times of  
difficulty and lighten each other’s burdens.

Let us support one another.

Let us be families which are a support for other families.”  
*(9/26/15-Prayer Vigil) Pope Francis*

#### MARCH FOR LIFE-For Life-Southern Deanery-Wednesday,

**January 17, 2024** Praying for an end to abortion and all pro-death  
activities in our nation and our world

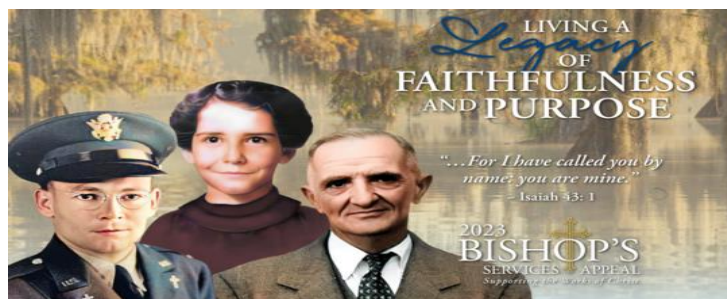
**5:00pm**-Holy Hour of prayers, music & adoration with confession  
available at Grotto by Main Street Library,

**6:00pm** Silent Eucharistic Procession to St. Peter Church,

**6:30pm** Mass for Life at St. Peter Church, New Iberia Fr. Nathan  
Comeaux will serve as presider and homilist

**Pro-Life Quote**-“In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and  
policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual  
conversion of our own hearts, so that we can recognize in every  
person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own.”

*Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Chair of the USCCB  
Committee on Pro-Life Activities “Living Radical Solidarity”  
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**► 2023 BISHOP’S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE**-As of  
**Sept. 30**-Total Collected-\$8,147.41 Our 2023 Goal-\$8,438.00  
We are at 97% of our goal. Your donations are important and  
very much needed by parishioner participation. Thank you!

“The world might have expected the Son of God to be born in  
an inn; a stable would certainly be the last place in the world  
where one would look for him. The lesson is: divinity is always  
where you least expect to find it. So the Son of God made man,  
is invited to enter into his own world through a back door.”

*Venerable Fulton Sheen*

#### 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](http://www.ourladyoftheoaks.com), or call 337-662-5410

**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: January 26-28, April 26-28, Sept. 13-15,  
2024.** For cost of weekends, and to learn more, visit website  
[www.ceelafayette.org](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or Contact Tom & Geraldine Rizzuto at  
337-984-7954 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.  
Call 985-232-5963 / email [retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com](mailto:retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com)