



ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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Sunday, July 26, 2026 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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

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

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

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

****MASS INTENTIONS & BULLETIN INFORMATION**

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

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION & MAIL IN COLLECTION

CHURCH SUPPORT & MAINTENANCE: 7/19	\$ 2,156.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 7/20-23	\$ 49.00
	\$ 2,205.00

BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL:	\$ 324.00
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"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

The Lector Schedule is ready and can be found in the Schedule folder in the front entrance of Church.

ALTAR FLOWERS...In Memory of Jana Pohorelsky
(Anniversary-July 29th) & R. L. Crochet (Birthday-July 31st)
By Brielyn & Hudson Crochet

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-8/01-Group 1-Dan Duncan

SUNDAY READINGS-

July 26-Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-
1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 / Rom 8:28-30 / Mt 13:44-52 (109)

August 2-Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-
Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35, 37-39 / Mt 14:13-21 (112)

Pastor: Rev. James Nguyen

Staff: Receptionist/Secretary: Yvonne Hebert
Bookkeeper: Beth Viator

Trustees: Wendy Segura 337-519-6029
Ashley Menard 337-380-3239

Financial Council Chairperson: Dan Duncan: 337-380-8023

Pastoral Council Members:

Chairperson: Henry Charpentier: 337-256-2473

Vice Chairperson: Kathy Broussard: 337-352-1112

Secretary: Versa Dore: 337-967-2401

Social Justice Committee: Dolores Segura-337-967-9598

Evangelization Committee: Nancy Hebert: 337-789-3608

Religious Education Committee: Kathy Broussard: 337-352-1112

Worship Committee: Versa Dore: 337-967-2401

Management & Finance Committee: Kevin Simon 337-967-6799

Religious Education Office Phone: 337-364-9419

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

Assistant Coordinator: Wendy Segura: 337-519-6029

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-

Saturday, July 25 / 8:30am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 8:00am)

Saturday, July 25 / 4:00pm: Joseph T. & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Gerald Laviolette, Harold & Alta Romero, Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers & Their Families L&D, Souls in Purgatory, Rudell Landry & FL&D, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, July 26 / 7:00am: Mary & Willie Robertson, Pete Bourque & FL&D, Howard & Nickie Castille & FL&D, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, July 26 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Monday, July 27 / 9:00am: Kody James Buteau & FL&D, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Tuesday, July 28 / 12:10pm: William & Dolores Dooley, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Wednesday, July 29 / 12:10pm: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, July 30 / 12:10pm: For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour 11:00am)

Friday, July 31 / 12:10pm: Mathew Comeaux, Holy Souls in Purgatory, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

First Saturday, August 1 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:15am, then Devotions)

Saturday, August 1 / 4:00pm: Joseph T. & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward (A) & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Jimmy Thibodeaux & FL&D, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, August 2 / 7:00am: Calvin Glaubrecht Family, Mary & Willie Robertson, Pete Bourque & FL&D, Howard & Nickie Castille & FL&D, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, August 2 / 9:00am: M/M John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Family, Don Simon & FL&D, Rayward Segura, Mathew Comeaux, Beverly Arnold Ray & FL&D, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-This weekend, July 25 & 26, there will be a Second Collection for the Property & Liability Insurance Fund.

FATHER JAMES will be attending a Marian Retreat in Missouri on Wednesday-Sunday, August 5-9. Father Richard Greene will say weekday masses Wednesday-Friday and Father Cliff Labbe will say weekend masses.

ST. MARCELLUS YOUTH GROUP-
Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239

THANK YOU to these Sponsors for sponsoring the 2027 Calendars:
Knights of Columbus Council 7050, Children of Mary Group and Segura Farms, L.L.C.
The calendar order was sent, and the delivery of the 2027 Calendars should come in September/October.

Help Us Know Our Sheep by Name: Join Our Parish Census Committee! Our parish will need a dedicated team of volunteers to ensure our parish records are accurate and up-to-date so we can better serve the pastoral, sacramental, and spiritual needs of every family in our community. **How can you help?** We are looking for friendly, organized individuals to join our **Census Committee**. Volunteers will help distribute informational materials and staff registration tables to assist fellow parishioners during our official **"Census Weekend"** on September 12 & 13. To volunteer or learn more, please contact the St. Marcellus Parish Office 337-364-0818 by August 5.
There is a Census Committee Sign-Up Form on the Bulletin Table.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

Knight of the Month-Dan Duncan

Family of the Month-Darrell & Margaret Adams

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN-

Please return your filled baby bottles this week and the next 2 weeks to the collection area of the church. Also, return any unused bottles so that they may be re-used for other campaigns.

We appreciate your prayerful contribution and generosity! Thank you for joining us in Honoring Life and Preserving the Family. The Unexpected Pregnancy Center, 117 E. Pershing Street, New Iberia, LA 70560. www.upcfriends.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION-There are openings for a **Volunteer 10th grade Morality Teacher.** If interested, please call Yvonne at the office, 337-364-0818.

We are called to Love, Know & Serve the Lord. What better way than to teach His children.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED-Must have made their First Communion. Please call Yvonne Hebert at 337-519-8411 or office phone 337-364-0818. They will be trained before they serve a weekend mass. Either Saturday 4pm, Sunday 7am or Sunday 9am Mass.



SANCTUARY LAMP-...In Loving Memory of
Craig Mayard, Sawyer Richard,
Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore,
Elizabeth Segura, Paul & Linda Richard
by Dina Pellerin Mayard

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-Registration will be on
Tuesday, August 18 and Wednesday, August 19 from 6pm –
 7pm at the Hall.

Registration Fees-\$25.00-1st to 7th grade,
\$25.00-9th grade Sacrament and 10th grade Morality Classes,
\$30.00-Confirmation Fee for 8th graders.

...Confirmation 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.

...If your child attended religion classes elsewhere, we need proof
 of attendance, sacramental records & 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 & birth certificate is needed.

Religious Education News-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.

These Elementary Students will start Sunday, September 13th.
High School Students: 6th, 7th, 9th Sacraments, 10th Morality
classes will come on the Third Sunday of the month. Mass at
9am & then class after from 10am to 11am at the Hall. Classes
start Sunday, September 20th. Elementary & High School
consist of 1 class per month and Homeschool lessons.

2nd grade First Communion and 8th grade Confirmation classes
will be held at the Hall on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm. These
classes will start Tuesday, September 8th. First Communion
and Confirmation classes are mandatory to attend.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED
SACRAMENT-Friday, August 7-Adoration 8:00am-4pm,
***Mass at 12:10pm. Please consider spending one hour with the**
Blessed Sacrament. The sign-up sheet can be found on table in
the entrance of 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.

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.

ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-Anyone interested in
 donating for the **2027 Altar 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. 2027 Altar Flowers Prices
Price for the 4 Holiday Altar Flowers-*\$40.00 total for all 4.
Price for the 1 Weekend Altar Artificial Flowers-\$10.00 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: Joann Richie Reiz, Richard Labiche, Gwen Horton, Claire
 Boudreaux, Joellen Riggie, Fr. Richard Fabre, Colby Landry, Karen
 Darby, Larry Chevalon, Catherine LeBlanc, Lillian Dore, Michael
 Bourgeois Sr., Sandra Bourgeois, Loretta Decuir, Kathy Scott, Ken &
 Judy Broussard, Crystal Olivier Peña, Luka Escuriex, Verna DeRouen,
 Chilson Dugas Jr, Angelina Alyssa Hodges, David Hodges, Judy Landry,
 Bob Landry, Katie Kelly, Kari Judice, Dot Boudreaux, Angela M. Sattler,
 Mark Comeaux, Barbara Boudreaux, Judy Bourque, Devin Lavergne,
 Lula Barras, Bailey Doré, Kerry Leleux, Mark Rouly, Rodney Leleux,
 Reagan Macicek, Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Kathy Frusha Fuqua,
 Fisher Melder, Wilda Hite, Barbara D. Alleman, Phyllis Aucoin, Louis
 Boudreaux Jr., Fr. Manny Fernandez, Dean Lancon, Grant Darby,
 Michael Bourgeois Jr., Michelle Dugas, Steven Marcor, Amy K. Citrano,
 Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Dossie Darby, Kim Rentrop, Freda
 Rentrop, Joyce Thibodeaux, Mona Doiron, Debbie Thibodeaux, Zenaida
 Retana, Charlie Thibodeaux, Natasha & Ryan Kirkeby, Kerry Hebert,
 Daniel Bourque, Stefan Norris, Roxanne Lavergne, Julia Armentor, Hazel
 Delahoussaye, Kimberly Elizabeth Moreaux, Linda Yoder, Patrick
 Castille, Debra Kennedy, Quinton Sims, Noah Daniels, Hayward
 Delcambre, Angelica Daniels, Johnny & Karen Broussard, Michelle
 Thibodeaux Broussard, Wayne Derise, Mary Dartez, Kressent Landry,
 Dayton Boutte, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Jason Walker, 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, Joseph Calvin Landry,
 Gerald Sewell, Carmen Decuir, Lois Romero, Joyce Romero, Gretchen
 Lavergne, Glorious Broussard, Hypolite Meyers, Nicholas Landry,
 Wanda Breaux, Faith Creamer, Jermaine Boutte, Jennifer O'Neall,
 Randal Riggie, Rita & Steven King, Jessica Guidry, Barbara LeBlanc,
 Amy Crochet, Alison Lavergne, Bella Cervantes, William "Kojak"
 Broussard, Monique Lancon, Michael Norris, Denise David, 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 Room behind the
 Altar. Thank you & God Bless.

July / August

***Elaine Hebert-July 25-August 1-Saturday at 4pm**

***Helana & Audie Bodin-August 2-9-Sunday at 9am**

***Dorothy Boudreaux-August 8-15-Saturday at 4pm**

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-Food Baskets are
 prepared to help those who are in need. Please help us stock our
 pantry with unexpired 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.

MASS BOOK FOR 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 Zack Hebert-grandson of Johnny & Nancy Hebert
Seminarian Gabriel Lavergne
Seminarian J. Brady LeBlanc
**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 family that prays together, stays together,
 and if they stay together they will love one
 another as God has loved each one of them.
 And works of love are always works of peace.”**
Saint Mother Teresa

BISHOP’S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE-
2026 GOAL-\$7,461.00. On June 30, Actual Collected-
\$7,771.00 Raised-104.15% of Goal.
“Thank you” for your Generosity & Continued Support!

**“Be who God meant you to be
 and you will set the world on fire.”**
St. Catherine of Siena

Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:
US ARMY Firefighter-Sergeant Braidyn Castille
US ARMY Tank Operator-Colin Boutte
**National Guard/Army-Blackhawk Helicopter Pilot-Don L.
 Romero II**
Air Force Specialist-Montana-Nicholas & Nadira Barras

**“Pray as though everything depended on God.
 Work as though everything depended on you.”**
St. Augustine

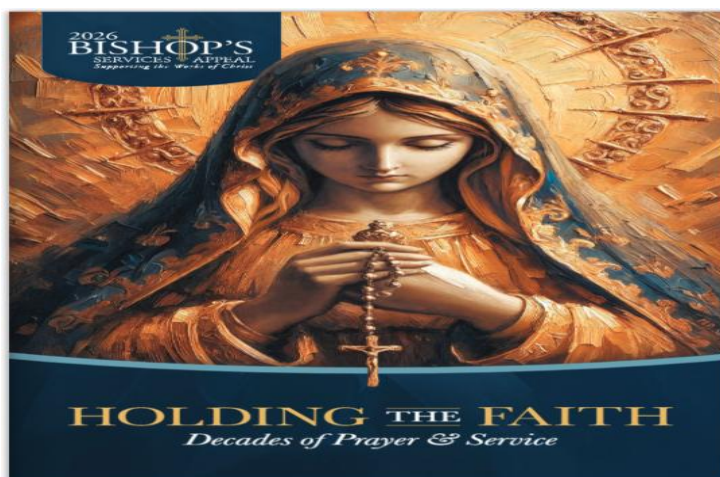
FETE DIEU DU TECHE-EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION
ALONG BAYOU TECHE-Saturday, August 15, Feast of the
Assumption-250 years of American Independence. This unique
 celebration of faith and Acadian heritage begins with a French
 Mass celebrated by Bishop Douglas Deshotel at St. Leo the Great
 Church in Leonville and continues with a Eucharistic boat
 procession along Bayou Teche. www.fetediouduteche.org

MAN TO MAN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE-MANHOOD
THROUGH MARY-Saturday, August 22 at Our Lady of Fatima
 Catholic Church, Lafayette, LA. Holy Mass, Confession, Talks,
 Fellowship, Early: \$45, Regular: \$60, Students: \$30, Clergy and
 Seminarians-Free. Register at www.catholicmenlft.com
 Speakers-Fr. Bill Casey, CPM, Fr. Patrick Hough, SJ,
 Fr. Andrew Schumacher, Chad Judice.

Reflection on the Gospel-

“The metaphors that Jesus employs in the parables of today’s
 gospel are vivid and effective, but like all metaphors, they only go
 so far. Of course, God’s reign cannot be purchased in any way—
 not by good deeds, nor with any other commodity. Rather, it is an
 astonishing free gift, attainable by all. While it cannot be bought,
 it costs everything. The price is not paid out of obligation or guilt
 but is a totally free self-surrender to irresistible joy. This is the
 good news Jesus offers us.”
-Living Liturgy tm, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2026

Pro-Life Quote-“Assisted suicide proponents are pursuing an
 aggressive nationwide campaign to advance their agenda through
 legislation, ballot measures, litigation, and public advertising,
 targeting states they see as most susceptible to their message. Some
 polls indicate that the public is receptive to the general concept of
 assisted suicide. But the same polls show that when the public
 learns about the dangers of assisted suicide, especially for those
 who are poor, elderly, disabled, or without access to good medical
 care, their views shift against the practice.” USCCB Secretariat of
 Pro-Life Activities “Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide”
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PRAYER FOR THE HURRICANE SEASON-June 1-Nov, 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. **St. Medard, patron
 of protection against Hurricanes, pray for us.** (Composed in
 1957 by The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder, Second Bishop
 of Lafayette, following Hurricane Audrey)

OUR LADY OF THE OAKS RETREAT DATES-
Grand Coteau, LA- For list of dates or to register or info about
 retreats for men or women or couples, go to www.gcretreats.org
337-662-5410
Women’s Retreat-August 13-16, Aug 20-23, Sept 10-13, Oct 1-4,
 Oct 8-11, Oct 15-18, Oct 22-25, Nov 12-15, Dec 3-6

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