



# ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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## Sunday, February 18, 2024

### First 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: 2/11	\$	1,558.92
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 2/12-15	\$	100.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,658.92</b>

PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND: \$ 487.00

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

### **TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-**

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

**CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-02/24-Kim Hebert**

**2023 TAX NOTIFICATIONS-**If you are interested in receiving a letter for your 2023 Church Contributions, please call the office (337-364-0818) and I will mail a letter to you. I have mailed letters to the parishioners from the 2022 list I have on file. If you no longer wish to receive tax notifications, please call the office to update records.

### **SUNDAY READINGS-**

**February 18-First Sunday of Lent-**

Gn 9:8-15 / 1 Pt 3:18-22 / Mk 1:12-15 (23)

**February 25-Second Sunday of Lent-**

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 / Rom 80:31b-34 / Mk 9:2-10 (26)

**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, February 17 / 9:00am:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:15am then Devotions)

**Saturday, February 17 / 4:00pm:** Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, Gerald Laviolette, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Lyra Bess Galloway Porterfield & Family Living & Deceased, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Brooks Hebert, Sederic Hebert, Janell Rivers, Anne Melancon, M/M Etienne LeBlanc, Edward LeBlanc, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

**Sunday, February 18 / 7:00am:** Cody David, Robert Leslie, Alfred & Mary Leslie, Doug Leslie, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Howard & Nickie Castille & Family Living & Deceased, David Hulin (B), Clifford Saunier, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, February 18 / 9:00am:** Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Andre Michel Tudor & Family Living & Deceased, Versa Thrailkill Kemper, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Monday, February 19 / 9:00am:** Shirley Comeaux (B), Susanne Marie Watson Nielsen & Family Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Tuesday, February 20 / 12:10pm:** William & Dolores Dooley, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Wednesday, February 21 / 12:10pm:** Gerald E. Boutte Sr., For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Thursday, February 22 / 12:10pm:** Denise Ellis & Family Living & Deceased, For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Friday, February 23 / 12:10pm:** Therese Ruth Ray & Family Living & Deceased, William & Dolores Dooley, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am) (2:30pm Way of the Cross & Chaplet)

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

**Saturday, February 24 / 4:00pm:** John (13<sup>th</sup> A) & Olivia Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Bill & Eola Richard, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen (B), Ethel Viator (2<sup>nd</sup> A), Janell Rivers, Anne Melancon, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

**Sunday, February 25 / 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, February 25 / 9:00am:** Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers & Their Families Living & Deceased, Souls in Purgatory, Gary Paul Hebert & Family Living & Deceased, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

**SECOND COLLECTION-This Weekend, February 17 & 18,** there will be a second collection for the **Black and Indian Missions.** Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

**SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, February 24 & 25,** there will be a second collection for the **Bishop's Services Appeal.** As disciples of Jesus Christ and good stewards of the gifts we have been given, we can acknowledge our blessings by supporting the 2024 Bishop's Services Appeal. When we return to the Lord what has been received, we imitate God's unfailing love for each of us. By giving as part of a diocesan effort, we are *Uniting as the Body of Christ* and impacting every corner of Acadiana. Please prayerfully consider making a sacrificial gift or pledge to the Bishop's Services Appeal as part of your alms this upcoming Lent by completing one of the in-pew pledge cards or by texting DIOCESE to 50155.

**WAY OF THE CROSS-Fridays in Lent at 2:30pm. On Feb 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22, and March 29. \*See last page for Lenten Regulations**

**CRS Rice Bowls-**During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God and our neighbors. Reflect on how the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving can guide your journey and how the Eucharist helps us to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more. Pick up a Rice Bowl on table.

**2024 SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-**We are in need of 1 Volunteer Teacher. The VBS dates are on June 3-7 OR June 10-14. If interested, call Kathy Broussard at 337-352-1112, need to know ASAP.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-**

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

**Knight of the Month-Tommy Hebert**  
**Family of the Month-Ronnie & Loney Leeson**

**...The Knights are selling Pork Jambalaya Dinner Tickets at masses until the Fundraiser this Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-12:30pm. Tickets are \$9.00.**

**...The Knights will have a meeting this Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Hall. Knights, please arrive by 6:15pm to say a Rosary then a meal will be served.**

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

**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 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.  
>**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 Tuesday, February 20.**

>**Confirmation Retreat Meeting-This Monday, February 19 at 6:30pm at Nativity Church Hall, 130 North Richelieu Circle, New Iberia. Teachers, Parents and Students need to attend.**

>**Confirmation Retreat-at Nativity of Our Lady Church Hall on 130 North Richelieu Circle, New Iberia. On Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30pm-9:30pm & on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> 8:30am Sign in & Breakfast-dismiss at 9:00pm.**

>**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, March 10<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 this Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.**

\*>**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 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.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT**-Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>-Adoration 8:00am-2:30pm **Way of the Cross, Chaplet, Adoration 3pm-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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**February / March**

\***Bea & Dave Landry**-Feb. 17-24-Saturday at 4pm Mass

\***Kathy & Ray Scott**-February 25-March 3-Sunday at 9am Mass

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

**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.

**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.

**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  
Seminarian Carter Domingue  
Seminarian Caleb Henry

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)



“Let us not be satisfied with just giving money.  
Money is not enough, money can be got, but  
they need your hearts to love them. So, spread  
your love everywhere you go.”

*Saint Mother Teresa*

**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.

**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

**Men’s Retreat-Avery Island-May 16-19-Call Tommy Hebert**  
**337-364-6949 or [rynella@hotmail.com](mailto: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

**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.

**HEALING SERVICE**-Please join Fr. Manny Fernandez for a  
Healing Service here at **Sacred Heart Church in New Iberia**  
**\*New Date>Wednesday, February 28\*, at 1:30pm in Church.**  
**Rosary at 1pm. For more info call Faye Boutte at**  
**337-944-6138.**

**Pro-Life Quote**-“We often assume parenthood happens easily  
after ‘I do,’ but for many married couples, it does not. For some,  
the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated  
miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility...If you  
experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that  
you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk  
with you...God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married  
couple.” *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Seven*  
*Considerations While Navigating Infertility”*

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**Reflection on the Gospel**-In today’s gospel, Jesus invites all to  
choose a change in lifestyle. “Repentance,” metanoia, is a change  
of mind and heart, a lifelong process of transformation. Jesus is  
not asking for the temporary foregoing of something pleasurable,  
like giving up chocolate for Lent. The metanoia to which Jesus  
invites us is both a turning away from whatever inhibits the full  
flourishing of the divine intent for creation and a turning toward  
the source of divine love. There is no better time to begin turning  
than now.

*-Living Liturgy tm, First Sunday of Lent 2024*

“How can one love self without being selfish? How can one  
love others without losing self? The answer is: **By loving both  
self and neighbor in God. It is His Love that makes us love  
both self and neighbor rightly.**”

*Venerable Fulton Sheen*

“I have had crosses in plenty—more than I could carry almost!  
I set myself to ask for the love of crosses—then I was happy.”

*Of Suffering (M.)-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. May  
God bless you for your generosity. Thank you! **See Inserts.**

**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](http://www.ceelafayette.org) or Contact Mike & [Phyllis Totaro](mailto:Phyllis Totaro) at 337-  
962-5798 or [reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.helpourmarriage.com) for more information & to register.  
Call 985-232-5963 / email [retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com](mailto:retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com)