



ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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Sunday, December 11, 2022
Third Sunday of Advent

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: 12/04	\$	3,163.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 12/5-8	\$	20.00
TOTAL:	\$	3,183.00

PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND:	\$	384.00
PANTRY DONATION:	\$	200.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-12/16-Group 3-Yvonne Hebert

ALTAR FLOWERS-

...In Memory of Evzen Pohorelsky
 (Death Anniversary December 13th)
 By Hadley, James & Jana Chauvin

SUNDAY READINGS-

December 11-Third Sunday of Advent-
 Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11 (7)
December 18-Fourth Sunday of Advent-
 Is 7:10-14 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24 (10)

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: Ashley Menard: 337-380-3239

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Secretary: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

Social Justice Committee: Claire Larson: 337-277-9171

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Religious Education Committee: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

Worship Committee: Versa Dore: 337-967-2401

Management & Finance Committee: Catherine Simmons:
 504-905-1726

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-

Saturday, December 10 / 8:30am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

Saturday, December 10 / 4:00pm: Avrill Elizabeth Patout Viator & Family Living & Deceased, Joseph & Dorinda C. Broussard Families, Elias "E. J." DeRouen, Deceased Family Members of Jimmy & Bonnie Thibodeaux, Nolan & Audrey Meche, Danny Meche, Nolan Pellerin Sr., Deceased Family Members of Joy & Danny Babineaux, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Howard, Angelia & Earlene Boudreaux, Ethan, Keith, David & Shirley Neisser, Allen Boutte, Henry Mouret, Irvin & Joyce Sherrwood, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, December 11 / 7:00am: Mack & Irene Wilson Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Mary D. Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 11 / 9:00am: The Ernest Crochet Family, The John Inzerella Family, Lottie G. & Leroy Louviere Sr., Glenn Gray & Family, Russell & Beverly DeRouen, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

***Monday, December 12 / 7:30am:** Paul & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (**Mass time changed this day**)

Tuesday, December 13 / 12:10pm: Shirley Comeaux (A), For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

***Wednesday, December 14 / 7:30am:** James Bonin Falterman Jr. & Family Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (**Mass time changed this day**)

Thursday, December 15 / 12:10pm: For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Friday, December 16 / 12:10pm: Phillip Lyle Timmons & Family Living & Deceased, William & Dolores Dooley, For Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

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

Saturday, December 17 / 4:00pm: Gerald Laviolette, Joseph & Dorinda C. Broussard Families, Elias "E. J." DeRouen, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura (B), Sefrien & Viola (A) Landry & Family, Eleanor Zancanella Zemlock, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, December 18 / 7:00am: Ashley & Kevin Russo, Mary D. Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 18 / 9:00am: The Ernest Crochet Family, The John Inzerella Family, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-This weekend, December 10 & 11, there will be a second collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious.**

TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-

Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239

***Teen Life Members-This Saturday, December 10th at 9:00am**

please arrive at the Hall to help pack Food Baskets with Mrs. Catherine Simmons.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU-ADVENT CONFESSIONS-

Wednesday, December 14 from 6pm to 7pm at St. Marcellus Church.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING-

On Monday, December 19th at 1pm, we need volunteers to come and help decorate the Church and a few men to put up the Altar Wall Wreaths and to decorate the Christmas Tree.

All Ministries Schedules are ready and can be picked up in the folders in the front entrance of Church.

USHERS NEEDED- There is a need for **Ushers** at the **7am Mass on Sunday.** If interested, please contact Marcus Hebert at 337-380-6058. You must be 18 years or older.

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.

LECTOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-

We are in need of Lectors, serving at the **12:10pm Tuesday Mass and 12:10pm Friday Mass or 4:30pm First Friday Mass.** If interested please call Alice Crochet at 337-519-2317.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

Knight of the Month-Darrin Pellerin

Family of the Month-Gregory & Janet Boudreaux

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

...The Knights and Ushers will collect brown paper bags of food donations to help the Food Pantry for their December Handout. Please hand in your donations each weekend until the Handout. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

...Live NATIVITY Re-enactment-Presented by all Knights of Columbus of Iberia Parish. Where: at St. Peter Catholic Church 108 E. St. Peter Street New Iberia (between the Church & Rectory) When: Saturday, December 17 after their 4pm Mass or Sunday, December 18 after their 6pm Mass.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL-St. Marcellus Church will have a Christmas Social **next Saturday, December 17th starting after the 4pm Mass at the Hall.** This will be a Covered Dish Potluck dinner. The Church will provide one meat dish, the drinks and paper goods. The Children will receive a Christmas Gift. Choices of Covered Dishes Needed-**Meat Dishes, Vegetables Dishes, Potato Salad, Rice, Desserts, Bread/Buns.** There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the entrance of Church for the covered dish food list.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH will be on each **Sunday** at the 9am Mass, except on the 2nd Sunday of each month. 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 through the 5th grade.**



SANCTUARY LAMP—

**...In Loving Memory of
Aaron J. Lavergne Jr.
by Sis Lavergne**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-

>2nd Grade First Communion and 11th Grade Confirmation

classes will be held weekly on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm at Hall.

>Elementary students: 1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th grades will come on the Second Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am at the Church and then class from 10am to 11am at the Hall. The next Elementary class will be **this Sunday, December 11th**.

>High School students: 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th grades will come on the Third Sunday of the month, Mass at 9am at Church & then class from 10am to 11am at Hall. These High School Students next class will be **next Sunday, December 18th**.

****For those students that weren't able to attend class, please go the White Office Building and pick up your folder that is in a bag with your name on it. The bags are hanging on the door. Bring your completed lessons and put in bag and hang on door.**

**"If you really love God,
you will greatly desire to see Him loved by all the world."
*Signs of true Love for God (A.)-Thoughts of the Curé D'Ar***

ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-Now Open for 2023

Anyone interested in donating for the **"2023 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-\$40.00 total for all 4.

Price for the 1 Weekend Altar Artificial Flowers-\$40.00 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.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED

SACRAMENT-Friday, January 6th-Adoration 8:00am until 4:00pm. Devotions at 4:00pm then 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.

"With the crib seen as a tabernacle and the child as a kind of host, then the home becomes a living temple of God. The sacristan of that sanctuary is the mother, who never permits the tabernacle lamp of faith to go out." *Fulton Sheen*

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.

ALTAR SERVERS SIGN UPS-All boys and girls who have already received their First Holy Communion and would like to become an Altar Server please call Yvonne Hebert at the parish office (337-364-0818) to sign up. They will be trained before they serve at mass.

FOR SALE-DOUBLE MAUSOLEUM CRYPT-

Contact Mrs. Billie Norris at 337-519-2225.
Reminder: all sales/transfers finalized thru St. Marcellus Office.

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our

prayers: Les & Dean Lancon, Terry Badeaux, Shirley Derouen, Brian Roy, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Kyle Leleux, Michelle Dugas, Kathy Scott, Ron Clark, Steven Marcor, Donna McDonald Snoddy, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Terrell & Dossie Darby, Bruce Burleigh, Dustin James Bourque, R.T. Touchet, Craig Mayard, Kim Rentrop, Freda Rentrop, Joyce Thibodeaux, Mona Doiron, Debbie Thibodeaux, Charlisse LaBauve, Allen Bourque, Diane Phillips, Judy Landry, Zenaida Retana, Charlie Thibodeaux, Natasha & Ryan Kirkeby, Ann Melancon, Kerry Hebert, Daniel Bourque, Kyle Pellerin, John Hebert, Yvonne Russo, Stefan Norris, Roxanne Lavergne, Julia Armentor, Hazel Delahoussaye, Kimberly Elizabeth Moreaux, Linda Yoder, Sis Lavergne, 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, Bill Broussard, Dayton Boutte, Catherine Landry, Elijah Landry, Jason Walker, David Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Barbara Boudreaux, Brandon Barbin, Tina Broussard, Wilda Hite, Cassie Lannie, Marvin Rentrop, Mary Grace Rentrop, Zoda P. Bourque, Christian James, Blair & Wendy Yoder, Mark & Karen Messinger, Ken & Judy Broussard, Katie Faulk, Edwin Mayeaux, Freddie Norris, Robert R. Broussard Sr., Cody Castille, Robert LeBlanc, Geraldine LeBlanc, Lauris Land, Roy Boudreaux, Ramsey Moss, Wendell Broussard, Bonnie Hazelton, Alison & Emberia Hazelton, Canton Fabia, Sharon Broussard, Denee Vidrine, Gregory Beauboef, Selena Gautreau, Benjamin Lassalle, Kade Breaux, Stephanie Vidrine, Carolyn Deville, Earlene Guillory, Terry Broussard, Savannah Jones, Bailey Doré, Joseph Calvin Landry, Gerald Sewell, Carmen Decuir, Lois Romero, Joyce Romero, Gretchen Lavergne, Glorious Broussard, Jennifer Liner, Marcus Hebert, Hypolite Meyers, Brian Lasseigne, Nicholas Landry, Wanda Breaux, Faith Kreamer, Jermaine Boutte, Jennifer O'Neall, Randal Riggie, Rita & Steven King, Linda Dartez, Don Simon, Irene Richard, Jessica Guidry, Barbara LeBlanc, Pete Bourque, Amy Crochet, Alison Lavergne, Gladys Eskin, Bella Cervantes, Georgie Pellerin, William "Kojak" Broussard, Monique Lancon, Amber Segura, Michael Norris, Denise David, Nelson Boudreaux, 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.

December / January

- *Elsie LeBlanc-Dec 10-17-Saturday at 4pm Mass**
- *Betty Romero-Dec 18-Jan. 8-Sunday at 9am Mass**
- *Dolores Segura-Jan. 8-15-Sunday at 9am Mass**

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-December 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. **Food Basket handout is on Saturday, December 17 from 9:00am-9:30am.**

***MASS INTENTIONS-2023 Mass Book Now 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 Rev. Mr. Reed Bellingham
Seminarist Rev. Mr. David Furka

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



"We need to know when we say yes to God
exactly what is in that yes.
Yes means "I surrender"—totally, fully,
without any counting the cost, without asking,
"Is it convenient?"
Our yes to God is without any reservations."
Saint Mother Teresa



**ANNUAL PRIESTS VS. SEMINARIANS BASKETBALL
GAME-Monday, December 26 at 6:30pm** at St. Thomas More
High School, 450 E. Farrel Rd., Lafayette. Adults \$5, Kids \$1

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS-
will be held on **Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 2:00pm at St. Pius
X Catholic Church in Lafayette.** Are you celebrating 25, 40, 50,
60 or more years of marriage? If so, register to participate in the
Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass. Couples will have reserved
seating. This event is sponsored by the Office of Marriage &
Family Life. Register no later than January 25, 2023, by visiting
<https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information>.



Prayer to St. Joseph-O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great,
so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all
my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, assist me by your powerful
intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through your
foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord, so that, having engaged here
below your heavenly power, I may offer you my thanksgiving and
homage. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus
asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near
your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me,
& ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Amen

Reflection on the Gospel-

John the Baptist ended up in Herod's prison, and there he would
lose his head, but never his heart, to that king's lack of integrity
and fear of losing face. John's heart had been lost long ago to
Jesus, and no doubt the message sent back to him in prison
confirmed John in his love and offered him the truth that the way
to deep faith so often goes through deep doubt. Do we, at least to
some degree, measure up to such praise—or blame?

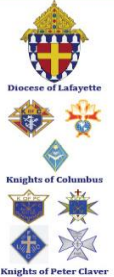
-*Living Liturgy tm, Third Sunday of Advent 2022*

Pro-Life Quote-"Abortion is inherently different from other
medical procedures because no other procedure involves the
purposeful termination of a potential life." *Potter Stewart*



Please Join Us!

*In praying for an end to abortion
and all pro-death activities in our
nation and in our world.*



South Deanery "March for Life" Mass

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023
St. Peter Catholic Church
New Iberia, LA*

- 5:00 pm: Gather at Grotto for Pro-Life Walk
- 5:20 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 5:30 pm: Rosary
- 6:00 pm: Start Pro-Life Walk
- 6:20 pm: Pro-Life Mass

*For more information call the office of St. Peter's at
369-3816 or John Manes at 247-0290*



Celebrant:

Rev. Nathan Comeaux

St. Peter Catholic Church, New Iberia, LA



OUR LADY OF THE OAKS 2022 RETREAT DATES-

Grand Coteau, LA- For list of dates or to register or info about
retreats, www.ourladyoftheoaks.com, or call 337-662-5410

DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE has job openings and other
openings around the Diocese, go to www.diolaf.org/employment
to view openings.

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 dates-Feb. 10-12, 2023, April 21-23, 2023. For cost of
weekends, and to learn more, visit website www.ceelafayette.org
or Contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at 337-254-8947 or
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 for more information & to register.
Call 985-232-5963 / email retrovibrcomcoor@gmail.com