



# ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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**Sunday, January 21, 2024**  
**Third 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: 1/14	\$	2,058.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 1 / 15-19	\$	60.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,118.00</b>

PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND:	\$	374.00
FIRST OFFERING:	\$	14.00
FOOD PANTRY:	\$	20.00

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

**TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-**

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

**CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-01/27-Kim Hebert**

**ALTAR FLOWERS...In Memory of Warren & Marie (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) Hebert, Lester & Cynthia Lopez**

*By Gregg & Yvonne Hebert & Family*

**MARY'S STATUE-...In Memory of Deceased Members of the Arton Family**  
*By Barbara Arton*

**SUNDAY READINGS-**

**January 21-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
 Jon 3:1-5, 10 / 1 Cor 7:29-31 / Mk 1:14-20 (68)

**January 28-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time-**  
 Dt 18:15-20 / 1Cor 7:32-35 / Mk 1:21-28 (71)

**Pastor:** Rev. James Nguyen

**Staff:** Office Manager: Ann Boudreaux  
 Receptionist/Secretary: Yvonne Hebert

**Trustees:** Mike Wattigny 337-577-4904  
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**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 INTENTION\$-Saturday, January 20 / 8:30am:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, January 20 / 4:00pm:** Warren Sr. & Marie (2<sup>nd</sup> A) Hebert, Deceased Family Members of Joy & Danny Babineaux, Raymond Yoder (A) & Family Living & Deceased, Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, Gerald Laviolette, Jo Ann Arnold Cavender & Family Living & Deceased, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Janell Rivers, Deceased Family Members of Jimmy & Bonnie Thibodeaux, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Johnny & Ethel Viator, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

**Sunday, January 21 / 7:00am:** Cody David, Robert Leslie, Alfred & Mary Leslie, Doug Leslie, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, January 21 / 9:00am:** Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Monday, January 22 / 9:00am:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

**Tuesday, January 23 / 12:10pm:** Alfred Trautman (A), Dorothy P. Trautman (A), For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Wednesday, January 24 / 12:10pm:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Thursday, January 25 / 12:10pm:** Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers & Their Families Living & Deceased, Souls in Purgatory, Mary Ella Watson Tammany & Family Living & Deceased, William & Dolores Dooley, Georgette G. Arton (47<sup>th</sup> A), Louis J. (Deany) Arton Jr. (8<sup>th</sup> A), For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Friday, January 26 / 12:10pm:** For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

**Saturday, January 27 / 8:30am:** For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

**Saturday, January 27 / 4:00pm:** Bill & Susan (B) Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Paul & Linda Richard, Janell Rivers (B), Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Johnny & Ethel Viator, William & Dolores Dooley, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

**Sunday, January 28 / 7:00am:** Cody David, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**Sunday, January 28 / 9:00am:** Shirley & Roland DeRouen & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Joseph St. Michel Anthony Hebert & Family Living & Deceased, Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

**SECOND COLLECTION-Next Weekend, January 27 & 28,**

there will be a second collection for the **Church in Latin America.** For many in Latin America& the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

**Prayer Ministry to the Sick and Dying-**Father James has approved this Ministry. Prayer Volunteers, please sign up on the table in the back of Church. We hope to offer prayer, **In Person**, to any parishioner who requests it for their loved ones. What it entails is going to a person's home (in groups of two or three) to pray not only for the dying but for the sick in need of prayer. Please call the rectory to make the request. (337) 364-0818. Remember, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am also." *Mt. 18:20* For more information, call Kathy Scott at (337) 365-5095 and leave a message.

**Please pray for the Repose of the Souls and the Consolation of the Family of Paul "Pete" Bourque Sr. May He Rest In Peace!**

**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.

**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.



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

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

This year we move into the final year of the Eucharistic Revival called by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

**Our 2024 Bishop's Services Appeal "Uniting as the Body of Christ"** is an earnest reminder of not only the Real Presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament, but also to recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable in our community. Nourished by the grace we receive in the sacraments, we are called to extend our hands in prayer, acts of kindness and support for one another.

And so, as loving Catholics, let us prioritize the needs of others, and welcome Jesus' command to love one another as He loved us. How do we give ourselves to others as He gave Himself to us? Please give to the 2024 BSA. **More details to follow next week about the 2024 Bishop's Services Appeal.**

**Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:**

**US ARMY Firefighter-PFC-Braidyn Castille**

**US ARMY Tank Operator-Colin Boutte**

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

**AIR FORCE SPECIALIST GERMANY-Nicholas Barras**



**SANCTUARY LAMP-**

**...In Loving Memory of Warren Pellerin,  
Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura,  
Paul & Linda Richard  
by Dina Mayard**

**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 on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

>**Confirmation Retreat-at Nativity of Our Lady Church Hall on 130 North Richelieu, 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 9:30pm.**

>**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, February 11<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, January 21<sup>st</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.**

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, February 2<sup>nd</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.

**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.

**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:** Reagan Macicek, Michael Bourgeois Sr., Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Ken & Judy Broussard, Myra Derouen Boutte, Kathy Frusha Fuqua, Fisher Melder, Kristen and Baby Hebert, Becky H. LeBlanc, 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, Charlisse 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 Darte, 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 Riggie, 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.**

**January / February**

- \***Velma Laviolette**-January 20-27-Saturday at 4pm Mass
- \***Rosary Group**-January 27-Feb. 3-Saturday at 4pm Mass
- \***Gwen Horton**-February 3-10-Saturday at 4pm Mass

**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.**

**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 Seth Dupre  
Seminarian Isaac Heyer

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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**"Your true character is most accurately measured by how you treat those who can do nothing for you."  
Saint Mother Teresa**

**CATHOLIC HIGH-** Father James and The Councils have approved a measure for this year to defray a \$500.00 Parish Subsidy fee per family which is charged to St. Marcellus Parishioners whose children attend Catholic High School for 2024-2025 school year. Limit is one per family, and there is a cap to this fund, so apply soon. Catholic High needs these forms back no later than January 31, 2024. **Please put your completed CHS Parish Subsidy form in envelope marked Yvonne and put in collection or bring your forms from Catholic High to our office so Father can sign and stamp with Church Seal.**

**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

**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 Wednesday, February 21, at 1:30pm in Church. Rosary at 1pm. For more info call Faye Boutte at 337-944-6138.**

**MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS-Sunday, February 4 at 2:00pm at St. Anne Catholic Church, Youngsville, LA.**

Are you celebrating a milestone anniversary of 25, 40, 50, 60 years or more? If so, we invite you to register for the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass, sponsored annually by the Office of Marriage and Family Life. Bishop Douglas Deshotel will be the celebrant, and all registered couples will be presented with a certificate honoring their special milestone. Reserved seating will be provided for the couples being celebrated, but families and friends are welcome to attend on a first-come, first-served basis until the maximum capacity is reached. **Please register by January 26<sup>th</sup> 12noon deadline to secure your spot.**

**Reflection on the Gospel-**The invitation to change our ways is rarely appealing. Yet in today's readings, the Ninevites instantly repent at Jonah's preaching and the fishermen immediately leave their nets to follow Jesus. There is an urgency, and a totality of response is needed. In Ordinary Time, it may seem natural to settle into the ordinary ways we've been living out our discipleship. Instead, these Scriptures tell us that a new time presses upon us, requiring different responses than before. There's nothing ordinary about the invitation to follow Jesus more radically.

-Living Liturgy tm, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 2024

**"As all men are touched by God's love, so all are also touched by the desire for His intimacy. No one escapes this longing; we are all kings in exile, miserable without the infinite. Those who reject the grace of God have a desire to avoid God, as those who accept it have a desire for God."**

*Venerable Fulton Sheen*

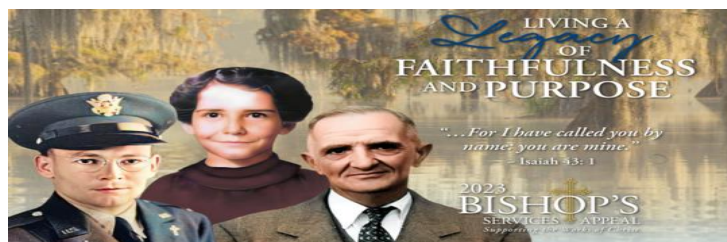
**"The life of a Saint is just the imitation of Jesus Christ."**

*Sermon on the Incarnation, II.-Thoughts of the Curé D'Ar*

**JUBILEE OF THE WORD MARATHON-Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm to Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30pm.**

The Holy Bible will be read cover to cover publicly at the Square of St. Martinville. A 100-hour Marathon with over 300 Assigned Readers. Come Marinate in the Word!

**Pro-Life Quote-**"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."  
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**► 2023 BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE-As of Dec. 31-Total Collected-\$12,116.41 Our 2023 Goal-\$8,438.00 We made our goal by 144%. Thank you!**

The Diocese reached 99.9% of their goal \$2,740,800.00. The impact of these gifts is **immediate**. More meals are being shared across Acadiana, and more beds are available for those seeking shelter. More Catholic adults are trained to strengthen the future of the church through Catechetics and Youth Minister programs. More individuals and families alike are **getting the help they need on a journey of healing through Marriage and Family Life ministries**. More seminarians are growing on their path to the priesthood. And there **IS so much more being done**.

**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: 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 Mike & 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)