

Sunday, February 2, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord

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: 1/26 \$ 2,217.00 MAIL IN COLLECTION: 1/27-30 \$ 76.00

\$ 2,293.00

LATIN CHURCH IN AMERICA: \$ 383.25 FIRST OFFERING: \$ 6.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-2/08-Kim Hebert

ALTAR FLOWERS-...In Memory of
Joseph DuBois (Birthday February 2)

By Joseph DuBois Family

SUNDAY READINGS-

February 2-The Presentation of the Lord-Mal 3:1-4 / Heb 2:14-18 / Lk 2:22-40 (524) February 9-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time-Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 / 1 Cor 15:1-11 / Lk 5:1-11 (75)

ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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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

<u>First Saturday of Month: 9:00am Mass (Rosary at 8:15am</u> 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.

MA\$\$ INTENTIONS- First \$aturday, February 1 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:15am, Devotions)

Saturday, February 1 / 4:00pm: M/M Jackson Brousard & Family Living & Deceased, Gerald Laviolette, M/M Willie Dore, Randal Dore, Byron Dore, Dexter Landry, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Glenn Gray & Family Living & Deceased, For the Poor Souls in Purgatory, Deceased Family Members of Jimmy & Bonnie Thibodeaux, Haley Jo Hebert Dixon & Family Living & Deceased, Lisa Marie LeJuene Freyou & Family Living & Deceased, Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary 3:30pm)

Sunday, February 2 / 7:00ams Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Howard & Nickie Castille & Family Living & Deceased, Mrs. Mary D. Robertson, Cody David, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, John Simon, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, February 2 / 9:00am: M/M John Inzerella Family, M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, Mathew Comeaux, Joseph (B) & Loucinda DuBois, Bill & Eola S. Richard, Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet 8:30am)

Monday, February 3 / 9:00ams Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Tuesday, February 4 / 12:10pms: Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Wednesday, February 5 / 12:10am: Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, February 6 / 12:10am: Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

First Friday, February 7 / 4:30pm: Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, Jude M. Boudreaux, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Adoration 8am-4pm, then Devotions)

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

Saturday, February 8 / 4:00pm: Judith Ann Crandall Arnold & Family Living & Deceased, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Stein Sr. (WA), Barbara & Donald Richard, Wilfred & Levie Gachassin, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, February 9 / 7:00ams Pete Bourque & Family Living & Deceased, Howard & Nickie Castille & Family Living & Deceased, Mrs. Mary D. Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

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SECOND COLLECTION-This weekend, February 1 & 2, there will be a second collection for the Bishop's Services Appeal and Pledge Envelopes.

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Insurance Fund.

2025 BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL-

This weekend is Bishop's Services Appeal Commitment Weekend. We are called by Christ to follow Him, to do and to live as He showed us during His ministry. The ministries supported by the BSA are part of how we answer God's call. Through acts both large and small, we bring positive change into our own lives and the lives of others. 100% of your contribution directly impacts vital works like seminarian education, evangelization efforts, recovery programs, food insecurity & homelessness, Catholic formation and more. Your donation does NOT fund the administrative overhead of the Diocese.

If you have already filled out a paper commitment card or used the in-pew envelope, you can put in the second collection basket today or mail directly to the BSA for processing. Our goal for our parish is 100% participation. No gift is too small.

Your gift to the BSA will be a testimony to others and to your Catholic faith—your unwavering belief in God, your deep love for Christ and in the power of what He can do with our gifts to see His works of mercy accomplished.

Please respond generously to the Bishop's Services Appeal by Stepping Through the Holy Doors. Our 2025 Goal is -\$8,087.00 If you make a check, please make it to the Bishop's Services Appeal. Thank you.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

Knight of the Month-Everette Dionne Family of the Month-Juan & Wendy Segura

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

TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-Ashley Menard-Leader-(337)380-3239 Anyone in 8th-12th grade & interested in attending Steubenville on June 20, 21, 22, 2025? Contact Ashley Menard for more information!

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-

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

AIR FORCE SPECIALIST-Mississippi-Nicholas Barras ARMY-Drake Huval

<u>Divine Mercy Ministry for the Sick and Dying-</u> We, here at St. Marcellus, have a ministry of prayer for the sick, the homebound and the dying. We will pray with you at your home as often as you like. For more information, call Kathy Scott at (337) 365-5095.



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- *These grades: 2nd grade First Communion and Confirmation classes (8th, 9th & 10th graders) is held at the hall on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm. The Next class will be this Tuesday, February 4th.

>The Confirmation Retreat will be on February 21, 22 & 23 at St. Nicholas Church in Lydia.

*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. The next Elementary class will be next Sunday, February 9th. Please bring your lesson folders back to receive your next lesson folders.

*The High School students: 6th, 7th grades and Morality Class after Confirmation, 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 on Sunday, February 16th.

For those 8th, 9th & 10th grade students who get confirmed in 2024-2025: the Confirmed 8th & 9th grade students will come back 2025-2026 for Sacraments class, then Morality Class for 2026-2027. The Confirmed 10th grade students will come back for Morality Classes in 2025-2026 sessions.

When Confirmation gets to 8th Grade the students will come back each year for Sacraments then Morality Classes.

2024 TAX NOTIFICATIONS-If you are interested in receiving a letter for your 2024 Church Contributions, please call the office (337-364-0818) and I will mail a letter to you. I mailed out letters to the 2023 list I have on file. If you no longer wish to receive tax notifications, please call the office to update records.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH is on each Sunday at the 9am mass. Father will call up the children before the readings & 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 the 5th grade.

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.

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 FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-Anyone interested in donating for the 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.

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: Casey Derouen, Judy Bourque, Devin Lavergne, Lula Barras, Mary Oubre, Bailey Doré, Wilmer Sanford, Christine Bodin, Kerry Leleux, Mark Rouly, Rodney Leleux, Reagan Macicek, Michael Bourgeois Sr., Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Ken & Judy Broussard, Myra Derouen Boutte, Kathy Frusha Fuqua, Fisher Melder, Wilda Hite, Loretta Decuir, 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, Kim Rentrop, Freda Rentrop, Joyce Thibodeaux, Mona Doiron, Debbie Thibodeaux, Judy Landry, 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, 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, Joseph Calvin Landry, Gerald Sewell, Carmen Decuir, Lois Romero, Joyce Romero, Gretchen Lavergne, Glorious Broussard, 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, 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 in back of the Altar. Thank you & God Bless.

February

*Gwen Horton-February 1-8-Saturday at 4pm

*Melissa & Will Armentor-February 8-15-Saturday at 4pm

*Bea & Dave Landry-Feb.15-22-Saturday at 4pm

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-This Friday, February 7-Adoration 8:00am-4pm, then Devotions, Mass at 4:30pm. There are hours left to fill so please consider spending one hour with the Blessed **Sacrament.** The sign-up sheet can be found on table in the entrance of the Church.

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.

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 Branden Scalisi
Seminarian John Michael Fruge Jr.
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

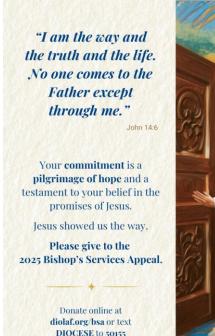


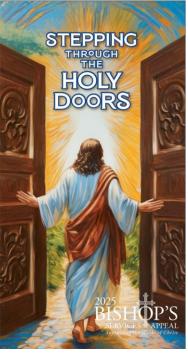
"God doesn't require us to succeed, He only requires that you try." Saint Mother Teresa

OUR LADY OF THE OAKS RETREAT DATES-

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

Men's Retreat-Rynella Area-May 15-18, 2025, call Tommy Hebert at 337-364-6946 to make a reservation.





A DAY OF REFLECTION-Black Boys-Honoring the bond between Father and Son-This Day of Reflection is Sponsored by the Office of Black Catholics, please RSVP to Rogers Griffin at rgriffin@holyfamilycs.com Join us for a meaningful day of activities that strengthen the father-son relationship. Together, we'll share stories, wisdom, and laughter, creating lasting memories that celebrate the unique bond that only a father and son can share. This is a free event and lunch will be provided. February 15-8am concludes with mass at 4pm at Holy Family Catholic School Gym at 200 St. John Street, Lafayette, La 70501

Reflection on the Gospel-

"Upon recognizing Jesus, Simeon prophesies that "this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel," and that Mary herself will be pierced. Malachi warns, "Who will endure the day of his coming?" Clearly the appearance of God is not all fun and games. A prominent theme throughout the remainder of Luke's Gospel is that the revelation of God prompts a choice. If we recognize the presence of God in Jesus Christ, do we choose to follow, or do we walk away?"

-Living Liturgy tm, The Presentation of the Lord 2025

Pro-Life Quote-"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned." Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 ©2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Copyright © 2025, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved.

"Skeptics always want miracles such as stepping down from the Cross, but never the greater miracle of forgiveness."

Venerable Fulton Sheen

ABIDE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES PRESENTS-RESCUE

ACADIANA-March 22, 8:00am-5:30pm at the Cajundome Convention Center, Lafayette, LA. What is Rescue Live? A one-day gospel revival where thousands of people come together for a powerful experience including worship, fellowship, and the call to mobilize for mission. Come experience the gospel message with Fr. John Riccardo, worship led by Damascus Worship, and beautiful hospitality. To purchase tickets or learn more go to https://abidecatholicministries.com/rescue-acadiana.

<u>HEALING SERVICE</u>-There will be a Healing Service at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in New Iberia on <u>Wednesday</u>, February 19th at 1:30pm, there will be a rosary at 1pm.

2025 Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass-Couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 years or more of marriage are invited to register for the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass this Sunday, February 2 at 2PM at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Opelousas, led by Very Rev. Jared G. Suire. Registered couples will receive a certificate, and reserved seating will be provided for them and general seating for family and friends. Registration is required by January 24th at 12 noon. More details are available at https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information.

"One ought always to be ready to give up one's own will to do what God wants..."

On Mortifying Self-Will (C.).-Thoughts of the Curé D'Ars

JOIN IN THE GREAT NOVENA FOR THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE- A 9 year novena leading up to 2033, the 2000th anniversary of our salvation. It begins Saturday, Sept. 14, 2024 on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross and continues until Sept. 14, 2033. 1. Pray the novena prayer every day. 2. Read the monthly reflections published for the Great Novena.

3. Observe the special days of prayer and fasting for each year.

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. \$275 Cost of weekends, \$125 non-refundable deposit to secure reservation, and to learn more, www.ceelafayette.org or Contact Mike & Phyllis Totaro at 337-962-5798 or reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com 2025 Dates-3/21-23, 9/26-28

<u>RETROUVAILLE</u>—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