



ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

6100 Avery Island Road • New Iberia, LA 70560

Office (337) 364-0818 • Fax (337) 364-0824

Parish Hall (337) 364-9419

Email address: stmarcellusc@aol.com

Facebook address: www.facebook.com/StMarcellusChurch

Website: stmarcellus.org

Sunday, March 8, 2026
Third 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: 3/01	\$ 2,051.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 3/2-5	\$ _____
	\$ 2,051.00

FOOD PANTRY:	\$ 375.00
DONATION:	\$ 150.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul and Consolation of the Family of Peggy DeRouen. May She Rest in Peace.

CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-3/14-Group 2-Betty Romero

CRS RICE BOWLS-Nourishing Futures in Guatemala

In Guatemala, nutrition classes & saving programs give mother & families better opportunities to improve their health, nutrition & financial well-being.

Visit crsricebowl.org/week-3 to read how your support of CRS Rice Bowl is helping the Guatemala community thrive. Please pick up a Rice Bowl located on Baptismal Railing.

SUNDAY READINGS-

March 8-Third Sunday of Lent-

Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42 (28)

March 15-Fourth Sunday of Lent-

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9: 1-41 (31)

Pastor: Rev. James Nguyen

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

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- First Saturday, March 7 / No 9:00am Mass

Saturday, March 7 / 4:00pm: Joseph T. & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Jimmy Thibodeaux & FL&D, Lucy Dooley, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, March 8 / 7:00am: Wilmer L. Sanford & FL&D, Calvin Glaubrecht Family, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, John Simon, Mary & Willie Robertson, Pete Bourque & FL&D, Howard & Nickie Castille & FL&D, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, March 8 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, Andrew Martin Redwood & FL&D, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Monday, March 9 / No 9:00am Mass

Tuesday, March 10 / 12:10pm: For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Rosary 11:30am)

Wednesday, March 11 / 12:10pm: Craig Mayard (A), Sawyer Richard, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Paul (B) & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 11:30am)

Thursday, March 12 / 12:10pm: Shirley Patout Hebert & FL&D, Theresa Marie Robbins Bailey & FL&D, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Rosary at 11:30am)

Friday, March 13 / 12:10pm: Matthew Comeaux, For the Living: Pamela Racca, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am; Way of the Cross at 2:30pm)

Saturday, March 14 / 8:30am: Glenn Gray & FL&D, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

Saturday, March 14 / 4:00pm: Joseph T. & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Gerald Laviolette, Willie & Lona Dore, Randal Dore, Byron Dore, Dexter Landry, Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Steve Chambers, William & Dolores Dooley, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, March 15 / 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, March 15 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, Rayward Segura, Jacques Henri Hebert & FL&D, Harrison John & Donatille Leleux, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-This weekend, March 7 & 8, there will be a Second Collection for the Property & Liability Insurance Fund.

SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, March 14 & 15, there will be a second collection for the Catholic Relief Services

Fr. James is on a trip in Vietnam February 15-March 12. Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel will say the weekend masses and Msgr. Father Richard Greene will say the weekday masses Tuesdays – Fridays at 12:10pm. There will be no masses on Mondays and Saturday Mornings.

HOLY WEEK-Monday, March 30-Mass at 9am
Tuesday, March 31 Mass at 12:10pm
Wednesday, April 1-Mass at 12:10pm
Holy Thursday, April 2-Mass at 7pm
Good Friday, April 3-Way of the Cross-2:30pm, Service 3pm
Holy Saturday, April 4-Mass at 8:00pm
Easter Sunday, April 5-Masses at 7:00am & 9:00am.

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.

Please pray for these First Communion Candidates:

Demi Delahoussaye, Sailor Hebert, Trace Pellerin, Adalie Pullins, Walker Renard, David Simmons, Everly Thibodeaux, Steele Touchet.

Please pray for these Confirmation Candidates:

Evan Aucoin, Caroline Babineaux, Elliot Ball, Noah Barthelemy, Jett Dore, Max Harrison, Ava Hebert, Reagan Segura, Ava Simon, Brie Stinson.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

Knight of the Month-Ted Broussard
Family of the Month-Donald & Catherine Segura

...The Knights will have a meeting next Monday, March 16 at 7pm at the Hall. Knights, please arrive by 6:15pm to say a Rosary then a meal will be served.

...The Knights and Ushers will hand out Brown Paper Bags to collect non-perishable food for the Easter Food Pantry Handout on Saturday, March 28th.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS-Please remember to turn forward your clocks one-hour this Saturday evening, March 7th before you retire.

The Way of the Cross will be at 2:30pm in Church on Fridays in Lent, Friday, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3.

ST. MARCELLUS YOUTH GROUP-

Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-

First Communion Retreat, First Confessions & Practice on Saturday, April 11th from 9:30am – Noon

First Communion Ceremony-Sunday, April 12th at the 9am Mass, reception after at hall.

Confirmation Practice-Monday, April 20th at 6:00pm.

Confirmation Ceremony-Tuesday, April 21st at 6:30pm, reception after at hall.

Divine Mercy Ministry for the Sick and Dying- 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 of
Craig Mayard, Sawyer Richard,
Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore,
Elizabeth Segura, Paul & Linda Richard
by Dina Pellerin Mayard**

Religious Education News-

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

***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 last Elementary class is **this Sunday, March 8th**. Bring folders to class. **Students, turn in last folder on *Sunday, April 19th at 10am at the Hall to Teacher, then dismissed.** ↑**This day because of First Communion and Reception on Sunday, April 12.**

***The High School students:** 6th, 7th grades & Sacrament Class & 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 last High School class is **next Sunday, March 15th**. Bring folders to class. **Students, turn in last folder on Sunday, April 19th at 10am at Hall to Teacher, then dismissed.**

†**MAKING PALM CROSSES**†-Need volunteers to help make Crosses for Palm Sunday on **Friday, March 27th** arrive at 9am at the Hall.

***Bring back your old palm branches & crosses** to church & put in box in entrance of Church, so we can burn for next year's ashes.

Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:
US ARMY Firefighter-Specialist Braidyn Castille
US ARMY Tank Operator-Colin Boutte
National Guard/Army-Blackhawk Helicopter Pilot-Don L. Romero II
AIR FORCE SPECIALIST-Mississippi-Nicholas Barras
ARMY-Drake Huval

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, April 3-Adoration 8:00am-2pm, Way of the Cross at 2:30pm, Good Friday Service 3pm. Please consider spending one hour with the Blessed Sacrament. The sign-up sheet can be found on table in the entrance of the Church.

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 **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. Altar Flowers Prices**
Price for the 4 Holiday Altar Flowers-*\$50.00 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.
Available Dates-April 18, June 6, 20, 27, July 4, 25, August 1, 8, 15, 29, September 26, October 3, 17, November 7, 14, Dec. 12.

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our prayers: 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, Wilmer Sanford, Kerry Leleux, Mark Rouly, Rodney Leleux, Reagan Macicek, Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Myra Derouen Boutte, 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, Pam Jude, 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 Kreamer, Jermaine Boutte, Jennifer O'Neill, 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 Suiere, 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. March**
***Lula Barras-March 8-14-Sunday at 9am**
***Dan & Louise Duncan-March 14-21-Saturday at 4pm**
***Wilda Hite-March 21-28-Sunday at 9am**

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.

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-Easter 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.
Food Basket Handout Saturday, March 28th 10am-10:30am.

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 Isaac Lejeune Seminarian Anthony Phillips
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



**“My aim is to bring people closer to God.”
Saint Mother Teresa**

Safe Environment for the Protection of Children- The Diocese of Lafayette and St. Marcellus Church Parish are committed to providing a safe atmosphere for children and youth. The Church promotes the value, worth, dignity and life of every child and seeks to foster a safe environment for all children, especially those entrusted to Her care. For this reason, all of our Religious Education adult volunteers, youth group leaders and Church staff participate yearly in the mandatory procedures of the Safe Environment program instituted in 2003 by the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) & demanded by the Diocese of Lafayette. If you suspect any form of abuse call 1-855-4LA-KIDS (855-452-5437). Or call Joe Pisano at the Diocese of Lafayette at 337-298-2987. If you have any questions regarding the Safe Environment program, please contact Yvonne Hebert at the Church Office during operating hours at 337-364-0818.

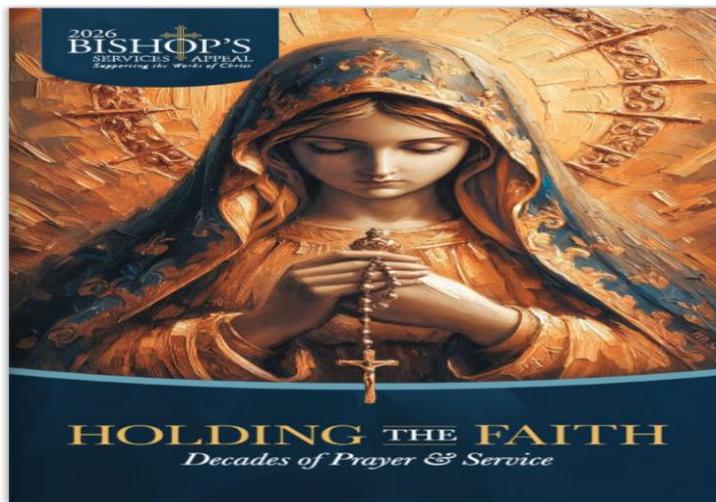
ANGOLA BUS TRIP-*SUNDAY, APRIL 12*-Bus departs 7am at St. Edward Catholic Church parking lot, 175 Ambassador W. Lemelle, New Iberia; 7:30am Bus departs from St. Paul Catholic Church Parking Lot, 326 South Washington St. Lafayette, LA. This ministry is made possible by the Catholic Diocese of Lafayette. No fee is charged. To reserve your seat or for more information call: Stephanie Bernard, Prison Ministry Coordinator- 337-261-5694. If interested in attending to see your loved one, you can pick up a paper with more information on bulletin table.

MOTHER’S DAY REFLECTION-May 6 at 9am, 8:15am check in at Diocese of Lafayette, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, 70501. Registration required by May 1st. The cost is \$25 per person, which includes lunch & all materials for the day. To register: <https://secure.ggiv.com/.../event/mothersdayofreflection/> Speakers-Sarah O’Pry & Koa Melancon-The Cajun Mamas. Presenting-“The Freedom Found in Surrender”

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

Reflection on the Gospel-“The Samaritan woman’s understanding of Jesus progresses from the simple observation that he is a Jew to pondering whether he is greater than Jacob. Another step is her recognition of him as a prophet when he uses the marital metaphor favored by Hosea to speak of the peoples’ relationship with God. Finally, she arrives at the conclusion that Jesus is the Messiah, which she shares with her townspeople in question form, so that they too can enter into the process of discovery that will culminate in faith.” -*Living Liturgy tm, Third Sunday of Lent 2026*

Pro-Life Quote-“We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good & evil, death & life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. We find ourselves not only ‘faced with’ but necessarily ‘in the midst of’ this conflict: we are all involved & we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.” (*The Gospel of Life 28*) Copyright © 2026, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved



HOPE WITH INFERTILITY-Wednesday, March 25 at Diocese of Lafayette, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA. Mass at 6:00pm followed by A Special prayer service for married couples. For more information: 337-457-5285

“George Bernard Shaw once said, “It is a pity that youth has been wasted on the young.” The contrary is true. It is no secret at all that the Good Lord knew that it was better to put the illusions of life at the beginning in order that as we grew closer to eternity, we might the better see the purpose of living.”
Venerable Fulton Sheen

“Our Lord carried His Cross—surely I can do as He did.”
Saying—Patience of the Curé d’Ars (T.).
-Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars

COME & SEE-Join us for a weekend at St. Joseph Seminary in Covington, LA where you’ll have the opportunity to spend time with seminarians, experience daily life at the seminary, and explore the vocation. This free event is open to men ages 16 and older. Date: **March 27-29**, visit the website for registration and retreat forms, www.lafayettevocations.com/retreat. Meals and Lodging provided, prayer and fellowship.

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** ***Men’s Retreat-Rynella Area-May 14-17, call Tommy Hebert at 337-364-6946 to make a reservation.**
Women’s Retreat-May 28-May 31, June 18-21, August 20-23, Sept 10-13, Oct 1-4, Oct 8-11, Oct 15-18, Nov 1-4, 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