

ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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Sunday, January 4, 2026 The Epiphany 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: 12/28	\$ 1,603.80
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 12/29-12/31	\$ 30.00
	<u>\$ 1,633.80</u>

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: \$ 2,385.00

FOOD PANTRY DONATION: \$ 20.00

FIRST OFFERING: \$ 1.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
From: Father James
and Office Staff



CHURCH CLEANERS-Week-1/10-Kim Hebert

SUNDAY READINGS-

January 4-The Epiphany of the Lord-

Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12 (20)

January 11-The Baptism of the Lord-

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 / Acts 10:34-38 / Mt 3:13-17 (21)

Pastor: Rev. James Nguyen

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

Trustees: Wendy Segura 337-519-6029
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Financial Council Chairperson: Dan Duncan: 337-380-8023

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Chairperson: Henry Charpentier: 337-256-2473

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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, January 3 / 9:00am: Mathew Comeaux, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:15am, then Devotions)

Saturday, January 3 / 4:00pm: Mack & Irene Wilson & Family, Jonathan Gautreau, Joe (A) Broussard & FL&D, Olampe (42nd A) Broussard & FL&D, Joseph T. & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Joseph (A) & Loucinda DuBois, Jimmy Thibodeaux & FL&D, Benjamin Riley Ferrell & FL&D, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, January 4 / 7:00am: Pete Bourque & FL&D, Howard & Nickie Castille & FL&D, Calvin Glaubrecht Family, Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, John Simon, Jimmy Thibodeaux & FL&D, Willie & Mary Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, January 4 / 9:00am: M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, M/M John Inzerella Family, For the Living: Alyssa Broussard and Reid Dore, Don Simon & FL&D, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

Monday, January 5 / 9:00am: Robert Leslie (7th A), For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Tuesday, January 6 / 12:10pm: Dr. Nicholas James Bellingham & FL&D, For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Wednesday, January 7 / 12:10pm: Craig Mayard, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, Paul & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, January 8 / 12:10pm: Gayle C. Kinsey & FL&D, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Friday, January 9 / 12:10pm: Mathew Comeaux, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

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

Saturday, January 10 / 4:00pm: Deceased Family Members of Joy & Danny Babineaux, Joseph T.(B) & Dorinda Broussard & FL&D, Edward & Gladys Guidry & FL&D, Gerald Laviolette, Evelyn Migue & FL&D, Glenn Gray & FL&D, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, January 11 / 7:00am: M/M Jerry & Harette Shea, Pete Bourque & FL&D, Howard & Nickie Castille & FL&D, Wilmer L. Sanford & FL&D, Mary & Willie Robertson, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, January 11 / 9:00am: M/M Ernest Crochet & Family, For the Living: Alyssa Broussard and Reid Dore, Raymond J. Boudreaux, William & Dolores Dooley, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-Next weekend, January 10 & 11,
there will be a Second Collection for the Property & Liability Insurance Fund.

Happy Birthday!
Father James
January 10th

ST. MARCELLUS YOUTH GROUP-Ashley Menard-Leader-
337-380-3239-
Next function-Saturday, January 24-at St. Marcellus Hall.
More information to be posted at a later date.



The Epiphany of the Lord



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-
Knight of the Month-Greg Boudreaux
Family of the Month-Ken & Judy Broussard

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-Saturday, January 10th at 10am.
We will need volunteers to take down the Christmas Decorations and box and store them in shed. Need a few men to take down the Altar Wreaths and the Christmas Tree. Thank You.

2025 TAX NOTIFICATIONS-If you are interested in receiving a letter for your 2025 Church Contributions, please call the office (337-364-0818) and I will mail a letter to you. I will mail out letters to the 2024 list I have on file. If you no longer wish to receive tax notifications, please call the office to update records.

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
Edward & Gladys Guidry & Family Living &
Deceased, Joseph T. (Birthday) & Dorinda
Broussard & Family Living & Deceased
by Ted & Walteen Broussard

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. Next class is this **Tuesday, January 6**.

***First Communion Parent/Child Meeting, on Tuesday, January 13 at 6:00pm at the Hall.**

***CONFIRMATION RETREAT MEETING**-There will be a meeting on **Tuesday, January 27th at 6:00pm** at Our Lady of Nativity Church Hall, 130 N. Richelieu Circle, New Iberia for Parents, Confirmation Students and Teachers.

***Confirmation Retreat-Saturday, February 7 at Our Lady of Nativity Church Hall. 8:30am-Arrival, 9:00am-Start Retreat.**

***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 is **Sunday, January 11th**. Bring folders to class. ↑

***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 next High School class is on **Sunday, January 18th**.

Please pray for those who are in the Armed Forces:

US ARMY Firefighter-Specialist Braiden 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

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.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED

SACRAMENT-Friday, February 6-Adoration 8:00am-4pm, 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.

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-***\$55.00 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.

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our prayers: Catherine LeBlanc, Lillian Dore, Sandra Bourgeois, Loretta Decuir, Peggy Derouen, Kathy Scott, Ken & Judy Broussard, Crystal Olivier Peña, Luka Escurie, Verna DeRouen, Chilson Dugas Jr. Angelina Alyssa Hodges, David Hodges, Judy Landry, Bob Landry, Katie Kelly, Kari Judice, Dot Boudreux, Angela M. Sattler, Mark Comeaux, Barbara Boudreux, Judy Bourque, Devin Lavergne, Lula Barras, Bailey Doré, Wilmer Sanford, Kerry Leleux, Mark Rouly, Rodney Leleux, Reagan Maciek, Michael Bourgeois Sr., Linda Escagne, Barbara Clark, Myra Derouen Boutte, Kathy Frusha Fuqua, Fisher Melder, Wilda Hite, Barbara D. Alleman, Phyllis Aucoin, Louis Boudreux Jr., Fr. Manny Fernandez, Dean Lancon, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Michelle Dugas, Steven Marcor, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, Dossie Darby, R.T. Touchet, 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 Darte, 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 Boudreux, 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 Riggle, 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 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

***Dolores Segura-Jan 4-10-Sunday at 9am**

***Joy & Danny Babineaux-Jan. 10-17-Saturday at 4pm**

***Velma Laviolette-Jan. 17-24-Saturday at 4pm**

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-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.

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 Evan Hebert
Seminarian Br. Francis Xavier Gyles
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.lafayettelavocations.org



"Peace and war begin at home.
If we truly want peace in the world, let us begin by loving one another in our own families.
If we want to spread joy, we need for every family to have joy"
Saint Mother Teresa

Pro-Life Quote-“Through the Incarnation & birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image & likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “*The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary*” Copyright © 2026, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved

BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE

2025 Goal-\$8,087.00 As of November 30,
Actual Collected-\$12,242.73, Raised- 151.4% of goal!
Thank you for your generosity & continued support.

"We become like that which we love. If we love what is base, we become base; but if we love what is noble, we become noble."
Venerable Fulton Sheen

"Never forget that it is at the beginning of each day that God has the necessary grace for the day ready for us. He knows exactly what opportunities we shall have to sin...and will give us everything we need if we ask Him then. That is why the devil does all he can to prevent us from saying our Morning Prayers or to make us say them badly."

On Morning Prayers (E.)-*Thoughts of the Curé D'Ars*

MARCH FOR LIFE-SOUTH DEANERY-Praying for an end to abortion and all pro-death activities in our nation and our world.

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at St. Peter Catholic Church in New Iberia. 5pm-Holy Hour at Grotto Main St. by Library, 6pm- Eucharistic Procession from Grotto to St. Peter Church, 6:30pm- Mass for Life Fr. Blanda will serve as presider and homilist. (In event of inclement weather all activities will be moved to St. Peter Church) Knights of Columbus, Knights of Peter Claver, Diocese of Lafayette

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS-Sunday, February 1, at 2pm hosted at St. Anne Catholic Church in Youngsville. Join us for a special celebration honoring couples marking 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage! Registered couples will receive a commemorative certificate, and reserved seating will be provided for honorees. Family and friends are welcome to join on a first-come, first-served basis until we reach capacity. Registration is required by January 26th. Don't miss this chance to be part of a beautiful tradition made possible by the BSA. To submit your name to be recognized at this special Mass visit our website-
<https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information>

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 retrovibrcmcoor@gmail.com

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



APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN www.chspanthers.com

CATHOLIC HIGH ADMISSIONS TIMELINE-

January 16th-3rd Grade Day at CHS;
January 23-Red Letter Day. www.chspanthers.com
admissions@chspanthers.com 337-256-5383

Basketball Game Score-Slammin Sems won 40-28 against Runnin Revs.

FESTIVAL DE LA VIE-Respect, Protect and Serve All Life together. **Saturday, January 17, 2026** at Parc San Souci, 201 E. Vermilion Street, Lafayette 70501 from 10am to 1pm.
diolaf.org/ProlifeFestival Join us to Pray for a greater respect for every Life. Speakers-Kristi Fredieu & Kayla Stansbury, Sean Corcoran; and Interfaith Prayer Walk, Praise Music, Fun and Food. Interfaith Prayer Walk will highlight 5 Areas of Life: Individuals with *Disabilities, *Unborn, *Stronger Marriages, *Elderly & Dying, *Most Vulnerable.

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 all-inclusive mission of Christ is foreshadowed early in Matthew when visitors from the East are the first to do homage to Jesus. Following the star, they are the first Gentiles to seek and recognize Jesus, offering their precious gifts to him. They foreshadow the way Gentiles will flock to the Christian communities, bearing gifts for mission. Today, the difficulties in welcoming Gentiles have long ago been overcome, but we still struggle to welcome those different from us. Facing our prejudices and working to dismantle them is a difficult task.” - *Living Liturgy tm, The Epiphany of the Lord 2026*