



ST. MARCELLUS CHURCH

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Sunday, February 26, 2023 First 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: 2/19	\$	1,630.00
MAIL IN COLLECTION: 2/20-23	\$	141.00
TOTAL:	\$	1,771.00

DONATION:	\$	60.00
BISHOP'S SERVICES APPEAL:	\$	2.00
MEMORIAL DONATION:	\$	20.00
FOOD PANTRY:	\$	20.00

"Thank You" for your generosity & continued support

CHURCH CLEANERS-

Week-3/03-Kim Hebert

"During this Lent,
let us all ask the Lord:
Make our hearts like yours."

-Pope Francis



SUNDAY READINGS-

February 26-First Sunday of Lent-

Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7 / Rom 5:12-19 / Mt 4:1-11 (22)

March 5-Second Sunday of Lent-

Gn 12:1-4a / 2/Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9 (25)

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

Vice Chairperson:

Secretary: Wendy Segura: 337-367-1602

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

Evangelization Committee: Nancy Hebert: 337-364-4409

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, February 25 / 8:30am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:00am)

Saturday, February 25 / 4:00pm: Nolan & Audrey Meche, Danny Meche, Nolan Pellerin Sr., Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore (A & B), Elizabeth Segura, Bill & Eola (A) Richard, Streamline Industries: Employees, Customers & Their Families Living & Deceased, Souls in Purgatory, Gary Paul Hebert & Family Living & Deceased, Lona & George Deslatte, Harold & Tara LeBlanc, Johnny & Ethel Viator, E. J. DeRouen, Rudell Landry & Family Living & Deceased, Bill & Susan Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, Raymond J. Boudreaux (WA), Raymond Yoder & Family Living & Deceased, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, February 26 / 7:00am: Robert Leslie, Alfred & Mary Leslie, Doug Leslie, John Simon, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, February 26 / 9:00am: The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, Brittan Marie Falterman & Family Living & Deceased, Fernand & Lota Oubre, For All Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Monday, February 27 / 9:00am: Paul & Linda Richard, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 8:30am)

Tuesday, February 28 / 12:10pm: Johnny Viator (B), For Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Wednesday, March 1 / 12:10pm: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

Thursday, March 2 / 12:10pm: Forrest Lewis & Family Living & Deceased, For Seminarians of the Lafayette Diocese (Holy Hour at 11:00am)

First Friday, March 3 / 4:30pm: Jude M. Boudreaux, For Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life (Adoration 8am-4pm, then Devotions)

First Saturday, March 4 / 9:00am: For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (**Adoration 8am-4pm, then Devotions**)

Saturday, March 4 / 4:00pm: Nolan Pellerin Sr. (1st A), Aaron J. Lavergne Jr., Gerald Laviolette, Deceased Family Members of Jimmy & Bonnie Thibodeaux, Johnny & Ethel Viator, Jackson & Olampe Broussard & Family Living & Deceased, E. J. DeRouen, M/M Willie Johnson & Family Living & Deceased, Ronald Segura, Warren Pellerin, Goldie Moore, Elizabeth Segura, For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Rosary at 3:30pm)

Sunday, March 5 / 7:00am: Robert Leslie, Royal & Agnes Linnartz, LeeRoy O'Quinn, Mack & Irene Wilson Family, Jonathan Gautreau, For All Priests & Deacons Living & Deceased, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Sunday, March 5 / 9:00am: Raymond Segura, The John Inzerella Family, Ernest Crochet Sr. Family, M/M Percy LeBlanc, Dean LeBlanc, For All Seminarians of Lafayette Diocese, For All Parishioners Living & Deceased (Chaplet at 8:30am)

SECOND COLLECTION-Next Weekend, March 4th & 5th, there will be a second collection for the **Black & Indian Missions.** Please see insert.

DISCH-DECLOUET ANNUAL CAMPAIGN-The Disch-DeClouet Social Service Center is a non-profit organization with an all volunteer staff. The Center has served the poor and needy of Iberia Parish providing for critical and basic human needs (food, clothing, utility and rent assistance, and other help) for 47 years. We service approximately 400 families a month. We are conducting our Annual Campaign which will run through the Lenten Season, and we need your help. We ask that you prayerfully consider investing in those less fortunate by sharing your gifts. Without additional financial support we cannot maintain the level of service that we have been giving for many years. Please use the campaign envelope for your tax-deductible donation and see the brochure for more information. May God bless you for your generosity. Thank you! John I. Indest, Executive Director

Due to the delay in shipping the Disch-DeClouet Social Service Center materials will be included in the bulletin next weekend.

LENT

Way of the Cross-Fridays in Lent at 2:30pm.

Fridays-February 26, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7.

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.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7050-

The Knights would like to recognize the following:

Knight of the Month-Dan Duncan

Family of the Month-Johnny & Nancy Hebert

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-

****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.**

TEEN LIFE MINISTRY-Ashley Menard-Leader-337-380-3239 & Angela Meyer

MEN OF ST. MARCELLUS PARISH-Need to get away from this busy, hectic world? Try a retreat at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau, LA **May 18-21.** Make time to relax in a beautiful place and get closer to Jesus Christ! To make a reservation or for more information about the Retreat, **Contact-Tommy Hebert-337-577-4566 or 337-364-6946.**

2022 TAX NOTIFICATIONS-If you are interested in receiving a letter for your 2022 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 2021 list I have on file. If you no longer wish to receive tax notifications, please call the office to update records.



SANCTUARY LAMP—

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS-

>2nd Grade First Communion and 11th Grade Confirmation classes will be held weekly on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7pm at Hall.

***First Communion Retreat-Saturday, April 1 at 9:30am-Noon**

***First Reconciliation Confession Saturday, April 1 at 10am**

***First Communion Ceremony-Sunday, April 2 at 9am Mass,**

Cake and Drink Reception after Ceremony at Hall.

***Confirmation Practice-Monday, March 27 at 6pm**

***Confirmation Ceremony-Tuesday, March 28 at 6:30pm**

>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 last Elementary class will be **Sunday, March 12th**.

>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 last class will be **Sunday, March 19th**.

>The Last Class for Elementary students will be Sunday, March 12 with turning in the last folder on Sunday, April 9 at 10am at Hall. >Last class for High School students will be on Sunday, March 19 with turning in the last folder on Sunday, April 16 at Hall. To turn in folders the students meet with the Teacher, turn in their folder then they are free to go home.

ALTAR FLOWER FUND DONATIONS-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.

Open Altar Flower Weeks-May 28, June 4, July 2, 9, 23, August 6, 20, September 3, 24, October 15, 29.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT-Friday, March 3-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.

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.

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

Please pray for those of our community who have requested our prayers: Dean Lancon, Terry Badeaux, Shirley Derouen, Brian Roy, Grant Darby, Michael Bourgeois Jr., Kyle Leleux, Michelle Dugas, Kathy Scott, Steven Marcor, Donna McDonald Snoddy, Amy K. Citrano, Dominik Citrano, Maddox Citrano, 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 Darte, Kressent Landry, Julie Bourgeois, 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’Neill, Randal Riggle, Rita & Steven King, Linda Darte, Don Simon, Irene Richard, Jessica Guidry, Barbara LeBlanc, Pete Bourque, Amy Crochet, Alison Lavergne, Gladys Eskind, Bella Cervantes, Georgie Pellerin, William “Kojak” Broussard, Monique Lancon, Amber Segura, 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.

February / March

- *Kathy & Ray Scott-February 26-March 5-Sunday at 9am Mass
- *Gregg & Yvonne Hebert-March 5-12-Sunday at 9am Mass
- *Wilda Hite-March 12-19-Sunday at 9am Mass

ST. MARCELLUS FOOD BASKETS-Easter 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. **Easter Food Basket handout will be on Saturday, March 25.**

***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
Seminarist Rev. Mr. Michael Vidrine
Seminarist John Dugas

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



“Do you want to do something beautiful for
God? There is a person who needs you.
This is your chance.”
Saint Mother Teresa

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE-

Monday, April 3 Mass at 9:00am

Tuesday, April 4 & Wednesday April 5-Mass at 12:10pm

Holy Thursday Mass-April 6-Mass at 7:00pm

**First Friday Adoration April 7-8am-2pm Devotions then
2:30pm Way of the Cross then Good Friday Communion
Service-3:00pm**

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass-April 8-8:00pm

Easter Sunday Masses -April 9-7:00am & 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.

Lent Is Here-Join our faith community-and more than 12,000
Catholic communities across the United States-in a transformative
Lenten journey with **CRS Rice Bowl**. **Pick up your families
CRS Rice Bowl after mass this weekend found on the
baptismal banister.** During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect
on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers
impacted by this injustice. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

“In almost nine cases out of ten, those who have once had the
Faith but now reject it, or claim that it does not make sense,
are driven not by reasoning but by the way they are living!”
Venerable Fulton Sheen

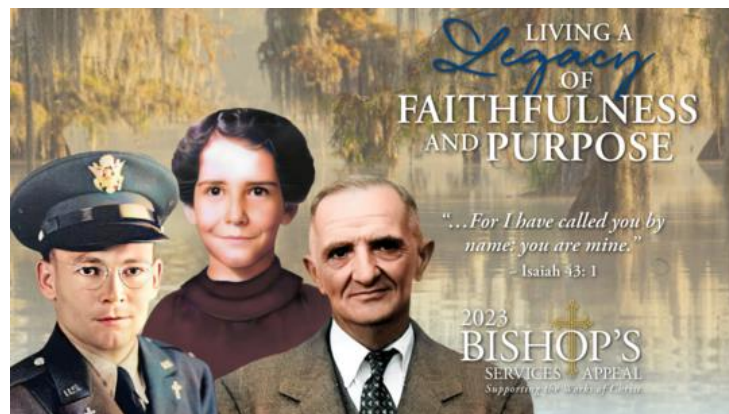
“Truth is not determined by a majority vote.”
Quote by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Reflection on the Gospel-The Tempter puts Jesus to the test three
times in a verbal battle where the word of God is misused by Satan
and used correctly and faithfully by Jesus. By putting nothing but
the words of the Hebrew Scripture on Jesus’ lips, Matthew
witnesses to us that the word of God is a “sword of the Spirit”
(Eph 6:17) in the fight against temptation. Matthew is not
concerned with how Jesus thought of himself, but with how the
Christians of his and future Christian communities would think
about Jesus. -*Living Liturgy tm, First Sunday of Lent 2023*

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

“How many moments can be lost in doing nothing,
or in doing wrong,
in listening to the suggestions of the devil,
or in obeying him!”
-On Sloth (Sp.)-Thoughts of the Curé D’Ars

Pro-Life Quote-“The essence of our identity is that we are
created in God’s image and likeness and loved by Him.
Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life.
Every person is **cherished.**”
*USCCB, Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection:
Cherished, Chosen, Sent usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection*



OUR LADY OF THE OAKS 2023 RETREAT DATES-
Grand Coteau, LA- For list of dates or to register or info about
retreats, www.ourladyoftheoaks.com, or call 337-662-5410
**Women’s Retreat Dates-3/16-19, 4/3-5, 5/4-7, 5/11-13, 6/1-4,
6/22-25, 7/7-9, 8/17-20, 9/7-10, 9/28-10/1, 10/19-22, 11/6-8**
>***Men’s Retreat-May 18-21-St. Marcellus-Contact-Tommy
Hebert-337-577-4566 or 337-364-6946 to make a reservation.**
Couple’s Retreat Dates-4/28-30, 9/1-3, 10/6-8

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-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