



FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF SAINT JOHN LATERAN BASILICA NOVEMBER 9, 2025

My Dear People of God!

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica that is dedicated in honor of Our Lord and Savior. It is the Cathedral Seat of the Diocese of Rome and so where the Holy Father sits. For our intentions today, let us pray for our Holy Father. Pope Leo XIV, and for the Church the visible sign of the faithfulness of God in the world.

As we continue to consider the Creed, we come to the statement that Christ ascended into heaven and is seated at the right Hand of His Father. The Ascension is the fulfillment of the Mission of Christ in the world. With the Ascension, we begin to see our destination as followers of Christ. Our destination is heaven where we will see and experience fully who God is. It is not only a matter of faith and knowing that God is present. Like Christ, we will be in heaven body and soul and so be able to experience in our bodies the fullness of this reality.

The consequences of this reality of the Ascension then are two-fold. First, we must and should always give respect for the human body. Remember it is this body in a resurrected and glorified state that will live in the afterlife. Second, we must begin to experience the reality of heaven here in our own body now. This is why God set the Sacraments up the way that they are. They are perceptible, perceivable, and sensible but at the same time leads to that which is beyond our perceptions and senses.

Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity (a Carmelite nun who died in 1901) said that here in this world we should begin to live the heavenly reality because where God is there is heaven. Are we experiencing God in our human bodies?

This week, let us pray that our human senses and our spiritual senses may begin to become more attune to the presence of Christ so that as He is body and soul in heaven, we may begin to experience here, that which we will fully experience in the resurrection to come in our human bodies.

God Bless!
Father Ruben Buller

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Cathedral office hours:
Monday—Thursday 8:30 AM—12:00 1:00—4:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM—Noon

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 AM
4:00 PM (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
12:45 PM (Rubrics of 1962)
Monday—Friday 7:00 AM St. Bernadette Oratory
12:05 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday—Thursday 11:30 AM—Noon
Friday 11:00 AM—Noon
Saturday 3:00 PM—3:55 PM

30 minutes before all Sunday Masses

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Tuesdays before 12:05 Mass

If you would like to be registered as a parishioner of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, please visit our website at :

immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

or stop by the church office for a registration form.

Not sure if you are a registered parishioner?

Please call Monica Broussard at 337-436-7251 or email

secretary@immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

The Sanctuary Candle burns in November for:

Cathedral: Sherman Solari
and JB Postell

St. Bernadette Oratory:
Patricia and Shelly Paul
Broussard, Sr.



Each November the Cathedral Parish remembers all deceased parishioners and parishioners who have lost a family member. Twenty-five loved ones were remembered at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday, November 1st. The names of the deceased loved ones will have their names on a keepsake ornament as part of our Christmas tree and Nativity scene.

Thanks to the many who help carry on this treasured tradition!

Your generosity is such a beautiful gift.

November 2, 2025

\$24,905.51

Offertory \$16,235.51

Upcoming second collections:
November 9-BSA

November 16-Priest Retirement Fund

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**Readings for the Week ~
November 10-16, 2025**

Monday: St. Leo the Great Wisdom 1:1-7 ; Psalm 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 ; Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday: St. Martin of Tours Wisdom 2:23-3:9 ; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 ; Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday: St. Josaphat Wisdom 6:1-11 ; Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7 ; Luke 17:11-19

Thursday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Wisdom 7:22b-8:1 ; Psalm 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 ; Luke 17:20-25

Friday: Wisdom 13:1-9 ; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5ab ; Luke 17:26-37

Saturday: Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9 ; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 ; Luke 18:1-8

Sunday: Malachi 3:19-20a ; Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 ; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 ; Luke 21:5-19

DON'T MISS THE TAX BREAK



Your gift makes an impact while reducing your taxable income.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION FROM YOUR IRA



Age 70 ½ or older



Distribution must be made by Dec. 31, 2025



Contribution must be sent directly from your IRA to your church parish



Other year-end gifts
— by check, online
donation, or
appreciated stock —
are also welcome.

**A Qualified Charitable
Distribution (QCD) can
count toward your
Required Minimum
Distribution (RMD) if
you are 73 or older,
while reducing your
taxable income.**

**CONTACT THE
CHURCH OFFICE
FOR MORE
INFORMATION**



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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

**HOME OF THE
PANTHERS**



DAY IN THE DEN OPEN HOUSE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

GROUP TOURS EVERY HOUR BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M.

RSUP TODAY!



WWW.ICCSCHOOL.ORG JHART@ICCSWEB.COM
1536 RYAN ST, LAKE CHARLES, LA 70601



Little Flowers Girls' Club

Little Flowers Girls' Club Meeting in the
Cathedral Ave Maria Hall

To learn more please contact Jessie Dupre
225.776.4139.

Little Flowers Girls' Club® is a Catholic club for girls ages 5 and up that teaches virtues through scripture, saints' biographies and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.



Children's Church: 11:15 AM Mass

The Cathedral's Catechesis (commonly called "Children's Church") for children who are 3 years of age through 2nd Grade, or its equivalent, is offered at the 11:15 am Mass (children must be potty trained!). The Catechesis is meant to help children better understand the Mass and the Scriptures. The catechists who are leading the program are Safe-Environment ("Safe and Sacred") Trained and use an approved text for the catechetical sessions.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM—A Pre-Baptism class must be attended before the celebration of Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE—Arrangements must be made at least six (6) months before the wedding date.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS—For those who are interested in completing sacraments or inquiring about the Catholic faith.

Please contact the Cathedral office at 337.436.7251 for information about the Sacraments.

We encourage those who wish to join our Cathedral Parish to complete a Family Registration form.

Cathedral Altar Society...making a difference every day!

Our Cathedral Altar Society works to provide and care for all the things associated with our altar and sacristy needed to celebrate Mass. The Altar Society provides for our daily Masses, five weekend Masses, the St. Bernadette Chapel, the Seafarers Center, ICCS, St. Louis Catholic High School and our homebound parishioners.

The core mission of the Altar Society remains as it always has - provide and care for the bread, wine, vessels, linens, vestments, candles, flowers and anything else needed for the altar of worship.

They are the members (women and men) who volunteer to take home the linens and towels used at Mass for cleaning and pressing. They are the Sacristans who set up for Mass and take down after. They polish and clean the vessels, press and mend the vestments, water the plants, and more. Their "behind the scenes" involvement is often unnoticed but vital to our church parish.

Your yearly dues of \$25 per family, or contributions to our Altar Society, will guarantee that our Cathedral Parish will continue to have its needs provided. If you donate or join by check, please write "Altar Society" on the memo line. You may also make a donation online by noting "Altar Society." Please contact the church office at 436.7251 for more information.

Catholic Daughters Court Lady of the Lake #695 -
3rd Monday of each month (September to June) at
6:00 in the Ave Maria Hall

Cathedral Council 1207, Knights of Columbus -
4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ave
Maria Hall

The Cathedral Youth Group

is sponsoring a

Manna Mission

What: Creating shelf stable meals with recipe cards to distribute to families in need.

Why: Many are in need at this time. The youth of our parish would like to ease the burden for so many.

How: Simply follow the link with the QR code. Print up the menu card, shop for items on the list, and place the items along with the recipe card in a bag. Drop the bag off in the boxes at the Ave Maria Hall during normal business hours. They will be brought to Catholic Charities.



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NEWS

The Cathedral has a thriving Youth Group for both High School students and students in Middle School

Middle Schoolers meet on the first Wednesday of each month from 5-6:15, and the High Schoolers meet on the first and third Wednesday from 6-7:30. Both groups meet in the Ave Maria Hall. Interested? Use the QR codes below to sign up on our Group Me

High School Youth Group

Use this QR code to join our high school youth group



Middle School Youth Group

Use this QR code to join our middle school youth group



COFFEE WITH CHRIST



2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS OF THE
MONTH

CAMP KAROL RETREAT CENTER
4PM - 8PM



WHO AM I?

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY MADE VISIBLE

9TH-12TH GRADE | 3-DAY RETREAT
CAMP KAROL | NOVEMBER 14-16, 2025

SIGN UP @ WWW.BIT.LY/SPXWHOAMI | INFO: KISSTY1227@HOTMAIL.COM

"WOMEN OF THE BIBLE"

"Women of the Bible" for women—a monthly presentation led by Father Buller who will be speaking on St Margaret of Scotland on **Saturday, November 15th** Meet in the Ave Maria Hall at 8:30 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass A light breakfast will be served and there is no need to RSVP.

How to keep in touch!

Flocknote— You can either visit flocknote.com/iccathedral or text **ICCATHEDRAL** to **84576** from your cell phone to subscribe.

Facebook—*Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception*

Web—immaculateconceptioncathedral.com

Listen to our Sunday 9:30 AM mass on the radio! Tune in to KLCL AM 1470 or KJEF AM 1290.

Volunteers Needed for Lake Charles Distribution Catholic Charities of Southwest Louisiana is seeking volunteers for monthly food distributions at 1225 2nd Street in Lake Charles from 8:30 am-11:00 am on the following dates:

November 7 & 14

December 5 & 12

Volunteers are needed to greet clients, assist with check-in and registration, direct traffic, organize food allotments and load food packages in vehicles in the drive thru line.

For more information, or to sign up to help, please contact Catholic Charities Volunteer Coordinator at (337) 439-7436 ext. 208 or by email at volunteer@catholiccharitiesswla.org



Christmas at Sea

The Stella Maris Seafarers Center is giving holiday treats and gift cards to sailors this year. To learn more, call 337-263-0317.



Cookies, cakes, candy and holiday breads are welcome. Gift cards to fast food restaurants like Subway, Buffalo Wild Wings, Crust Pizza, Chick-fil-A, McDonald's and Walmart, are perfect!



Spread the love of Christ to sailors this year!



Call Ray Fontenot, Director, at 337-263-0317, or email stella.maris@lcdiocese.org to have items picked up. Or, you may deliver them to Stella Maris Seafarers Center, 150 Marine St., Box 10, Lake Charles, LA 70601



The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception has Eucharistic Adoration in the St. Bernadette Oratory on Fridays during the school year — each Friday following 7:00 a.m. Mass until 8:00 a.m.

Did you know?

Each year, the diocese allocates money for religious education which includes baptism, reconciliation, confirmation and marriage preparation. In addition to this it helps to support religious education programs throughout the diocese. Your donations to the BSA will help to ensure that the teaching of the Catholic Faith and Sacramental Preparation continues throughout the Diocese of the Lake Charles.

PRAYER FOR SAFETY IN HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world, Hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen

**+The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder
2nd Bishop of Lafayette**

JUBILEE PRAYER 2025

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Can We Bring Jesus to You or Your Loved One?

If anyone is homebound and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist at home, or if you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the church office at 337-436-7251 and we will contact you.

Looking for something??

The Cathedral office has a Lost and Found...if you are missing your Missal, rosary, keys, sunglasses, reading glasses, mantilla, umbrella, etc. please stop by and see if we have it!

You must be able to identify your item.

Our church office gladly hands out Snack Bags, as available to anyone who comes to our door, **no questions asked.**

We also have an active Outreach Ministry, as well as Catholic Charities, to help those in need.

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Remember, you can easily access your online payment account at immaculateconceptioncathedral.com/payments

Pray for
VOCATIONS
Cor ad Cor

A Heart-to-Heart with Christ and the Sisters of Mercy

Unmarried women, ages 18 and up, are invited to join the Religious Sisters of Mercy at their Convent on the first Tuesday of the Month. These evenings consist of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, Dinner, and Discussion.

The schedule is as follows:

4:55 pm Holy Hour

6:15 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Conclusion

Address: 1414 Martha Street
Lake Charles, La 70601

The Discernment Year

The Discernment Year is designed to bring clarity to vocational discernment by showing a young man how to discern. The Discernment Year is for young men who are juniors in High School through 25 years old.

If you are interested in learning more about the discernment year, please contact Father Michael Caraway at 337-439-7400 ext. 226 or email michael.caraway@lcdiocese.org

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, November 8...(8:00 AM) Lorita Dauphin (4:00 PM)—Annette Pronia; Reverend Monsignor Charles Dubois; Scalisi & Barone Families; Glenn & Jeanne Delahoussaye; Lindsay Ravia; Bruce Dauphin; Pamela Seal

SUNDAY, November 9...(7:30 AM)—“Pro Populo” (For the People) (9:30 AM)—Sam Reed; Tyler Family; Amanda Douga; Betty Dimaline; Charlie Viccellio; Maverick Ravia (11:15 AM)—Daniel Hernandez
(12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Jon & Elisa Schnur

MONDAY, November 10... (7:00 AM) —“Pro Populo” (For the People) (12:05 PM)—Carl Ardoin
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Christian & Kara Racco and Children

TUESDAY, November 11... (7:00 AM) Ted Gauthreaux (12:05 PM)—Joe & Alice Gruspier
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Walt Phipps

WEDNESDAY, November 12... (7:00 AM) Sam Broussard (12:05 PM)—Tom Delahoussaye
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Wanda Broussard

THURSDAY, November 13... (7:00 AM) Sara Douga (12:05 PM)—Helen Husbands
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Thom Gruspier

FRIDAY, November 14... (7:00 AM) Teen ACTS (12:05 PM)—Lisa Feucht
(5:00 PM Rubrics of 1962) Jerry Crews

SATURDAY, November 15...(8:00 AM)...Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Dauphin (4:00 PM)—Dr. Charles Mackey; Lillian Ravia; Kate Ortego Thomas; Hebert & Pronia families; Gladys & Delma Devillier; Ted Gauthreaux; JB Postell; Louise & Joseph Bertrand; Gerald Simmons; Dr. Ben Guilbeau

SUNDAY, November 16...(7:30 AM)—“Pro Populo” (For the People) (9:30 AM)—Michael Scimemi; James Dunham
Shearman; Sherman Solari; Bob McCall (11:15 AM)—Hiram DuRousseau
(12:45 PM Rubrics of 1962)—Logan McGuirk

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Melissa Anderson; George Ange; Jenna, Aden, Grace, David Babcock; James M. Bailey; Guy Barré; David Batchelor; Dale Bayard; June Benoit; Andre Boudreaux; Gayla Brimer; Chandra Broussard; Dean Broussard; Kylan Broussard; James Bryan; Jerry Cain; Emily Carleton; Pauline Chavanne; William “Will” Chavanne; Pearl Cole; Betty Collins; Helen Credeur; Betty Daigle; Wade Davis; Carolyn Denison; Vickie Denison; Gwen Thomas Dowden; Larry Dugas; Sherry Dugas; Sadie Dunn; Claudia & Curtis Dyle; Charles Elter; Ann Eustis; Chad Fazzio; Tony Fazzio; Nicholas Fletcher; Sundra Fontenot; Nelson Francisco; Kathleen Gallow; Carolyn Gauthreaux; Debbie Gauthreaux; Diane Hagerty; Gabriel Hardy; Mary Lois Harst; Michelle Hart; Mary Hebert; Peggy Heideman; Brenda Hoback; Allen Hoffpauir; Emery Hooper; Anne Hoyer; Sheryl Huesers; Georgia Ieyoub; Heather Ieyoub; Mary Jeffers; Gary Johnson; Brice Jones; Christy Papania-Jones; Darrel Jones; Denver Keller; Kim LaFleur; Natalie Landry; Chad Lavergne; Caroline Lawless; Wilton “Butch” Lee; James Leger; Michael Lee; Marshall Leiber; Della Lemaire; Catherine Lorenzi; Elizabeth Louviere; Melanie Lupo; Vincent Lupo; Judy Marcantel; Megan Marcantel; Zoë Dyle May; Brett McCaughey; Barbara McCombs; Kai McKinney; Raven McKinney; Melanie Moreno; Elaine Morrow; Jerry Nichols; Dr. John Noble; Randy Nunez; Shawn O’Guinn; Carol & Larry Ortego; Janie Pago; Larry Parker; Larry Parker, Jr.; Ben Perry; Robert Perry; Susan Prejean; Seth Priola; Demi Rainwater; Clifford Raleigh; Rena Reed; Kendall Richard; Oliver “Rick” Richard; William P. Richard; Lathan Russell; Rene Russell; Silas David San Miguel; Sheila Sanders; Leslie Sayne; Marie Scimemi; Doug Shearman; Sue Spears; Marlena Spell; Jaxon Spikes; Rob Stephens; Jackie Stevens; Gary Swain; Jude Theriot; Cole Thomas; Fayette Thomas; Stanley Thomas; Warren Thomas; Jason Thompson; Chad Trahan; Darla & Patrick Trahan; Ted Trahan; John Tucker; Rebecca Turner; Jo Ann Van Gossen; Larry James Vidrine; Billy Ward; Clay Ward; Clyde Weber; Aly & Riley Wilkins; Remi Wissinger; Margaret Wukovits; Andrew Yearby; Ronda Yearby; Gay Young; Martha Young.

If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the church office at 337.436.7251

PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Pope Leo XIV~ Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community.

Bishop Provost~ Let us pray for a profound and deeper sense of gratitude for God’s many gifts to us.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY...Michael Buller, USN; Daniel Breaux, US Army; Cade Camel, US Army; Anthony Deshotel, US Navy; Gabriel Emerson, USAF; LTC John Harrell; Cpl. Wyatt LeJune, USMC; Noah Keller, US Army; Ross Painter, US Army; Lt. Col John Robichaux; Col. Steve Rodriguez, USAF; Joey Russell, USMC; Nikolas Stanko US Army; Anthony Viccellio, USAF National Guard; Nicholas Viccellio, USAF National Guard; Joseph Vincent, USMC
(To add or remove a name, please call the office—436.7251)