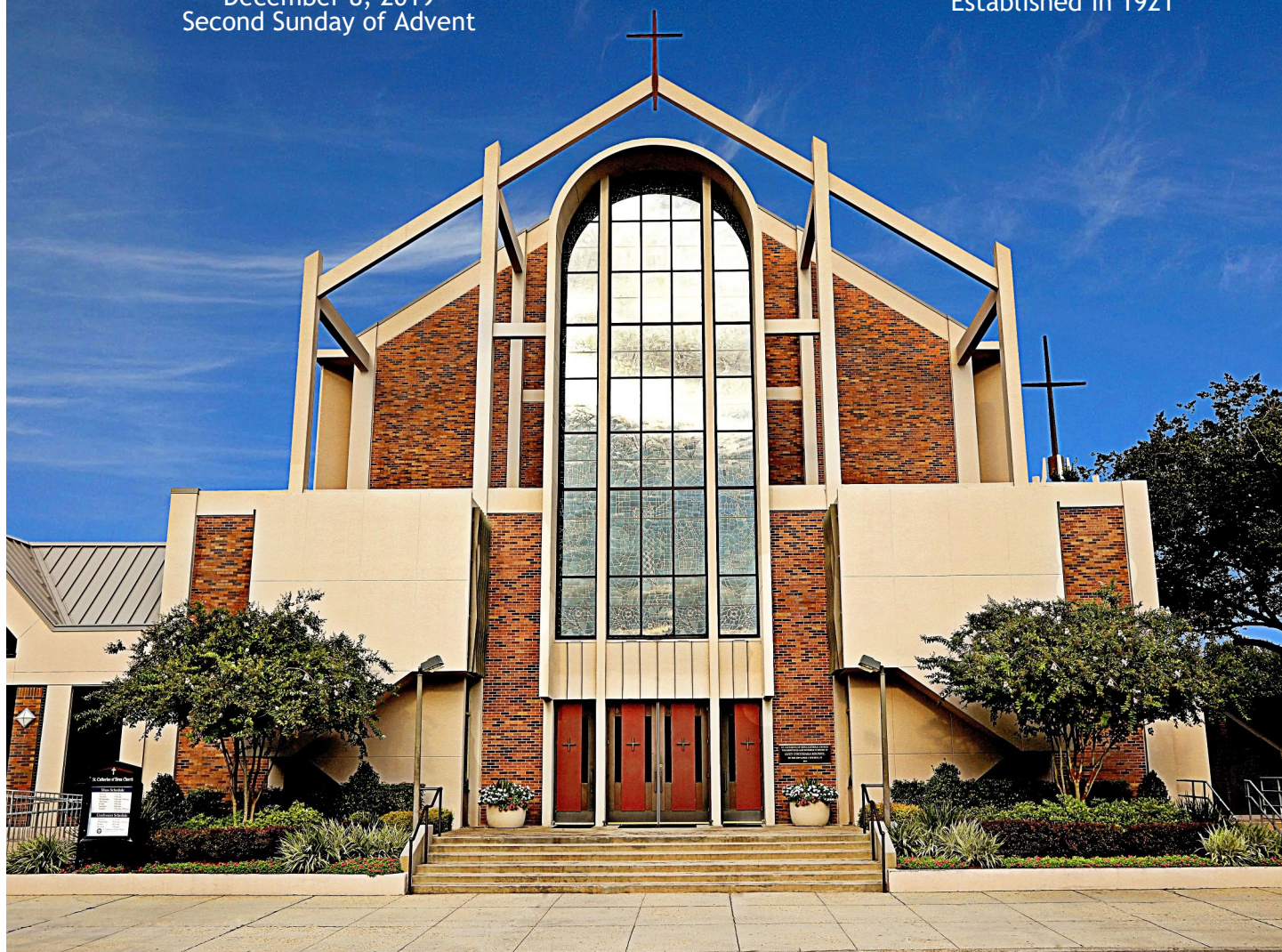


“Centered on Christ, Ablaze with Love!”

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 8, 2019
Second Sunday of Advent

Established in 1921



St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

105 Bonnabel Blvd.
Metairie, LA 70005
www.scschurch.com

Pastor: Fr. Tim Hedrick
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Andrew Gutierrez

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Parish Phone: 504-835-9343
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Parish Emergency Line: 504-833-8507
St. Vincent de Paul Assistance: 504-267-9507

Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday 9:00 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm
Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:00 am
9:00 am
11:00 am *(Childcare Available)
5:30 pm

* Childcare/Nursery is located in the Melancon Center.

Hearing assistance devices are available in Church. Please see an usher if you need one.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday 8:30 am
Wednesday 8:30 am and 5:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am
Saturday 3:00 pm
Or By Appointment

Devotions

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena (Tues 9:30 am in Church)
Rosary (Mon – Fri 8:15 am in Church)
Rosary (Mon 6 pm in Church)

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School

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Metairie, LA 70005
www.scsgrators.org

Principal: Mrs. Kimberlie Kilroy

School Phone: 504-831-1166
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Prayer & Worship

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 7

4:00 pm John Bacques †
Roland Chaisson †
Dcn. Mike and Linda Coney
Adam Christopher Dicks †
Arthur Gorman †
Alphonse Graffia, III †
Rick and Theresa Hearman
Naomi LeConte †
Marie Legrand †
Stephen Montgomery †
Betty Panzeca †
Caroline Susan Perault †
Theresa Ripberger †

Sunday, December 8

7:00 am Parish Family
9:00 am Herbert † and Audrey Simpson
11:00 am Herbert "Bubby" Ary †
Margaret Bonck †
S.J. and Dee Boudreaux †
Dcn. Mike and Linda Coney
Raymond Gambel †
Christina Girau
Rick and Theresa Hearman
Marie Legrand †
Marge Lentini
Bob McMann
Ashlie Randazza Moses †
Parish Family
Randy Perrone †
Dr. Mark J. Peters †
Ines Thomas †
5:30 pm Tu Tran †

Monday, December 9

9:00 am Joseph Catoir, Sr. †

Tuesday, December 10

9:00 am Sr. Imelda Moriarty, CCVI †

Wednesday, December 11

9:00 am Sheron Sprawls
6:00 pm Patrick Lawson †

Thursday, December 12

9:00 am Josephine Rohli Wool †

Friday, December 13

9:00 am Tu Tran †

Second Sunday of Advent

Today's Readings

First Reading: He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the Lord (Isaiah 11).
Psalm: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).
Second Reading: Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15).
Gospel: Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
Monday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday: St. Damasus I
Thursday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Friday: St. Lucy
Saturday: St. John of the Cross

Scripture Reflection

As the Sundays of Advent unfold the scriptures shift focus from the final coming of the Lord to his historical birth. Today's scriptures blend the two. Isaiah's disillusionment with the kings of his own day led him to envision an ideal king who would rule with divine approval and be led by divine wisdom. For centuries the Jewish people anticipated the arrival of that Messiah, who would usher in a blessed age when the whole world would finally dwell in justice and peace. After centuries of such growing expectation, the preaching of John the Baptist about the imminent arrival of the Messiah could not help but provoke intense interest. The Baptist's message about preparation for "the one who is coming" (Matthew 3:11) makes clear that Jesus is, in fact, the long-awaited one who is ushering in the new age foretold by Isaiah and all the prophets.

Archdiocesan Family Prayer

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness. We come to you, Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism. We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people. Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence. Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family. Amen.

St. Catherine of Siena Parish Prayer

God, Our Father, we thank you for our parish community of St. Catherine of Siena. Thank you for the many blessings that you have given us, but especially for calling us to serve as disciples of your son, Jesus Christ. As we gather today, we ask that you send your Holy Spirit to guide us in everything that we do. Transform our hearts and lead us closer to you. Help us always to seek to be a parish that is Centered on Christ and Ablaze with Love. We ask all of these things in the name of Jesus, and through the intercession of our Blessed Mother. St. Catherine of Siena, pray for us!

St. Michael the Archangel Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Memorials

The Sanctuary Candles are for Herbert A. Blouin and Michael S. Breaux, Jr.

The Chapel of the Holy Innocents Candle is In Memory of Pauline Oddo

The Our Lady of Fatima Candles are
In Memory of Deceased Members of Webre and Skiffington Families

Contact Frances Skiffington at 834-1709 or fskiffin@gmail.com for dedications.

Our Mission

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Parish
exists to form and send forth
a community of disciples of Jesus Christ
who witness by
joyfully living the Gospel.

Parish News

New Parishioners: Welcome!

Please extend a warm welcome to St. Catherine of Siena's newest parishioners. We look forward to their involvement in parish life!

- Anthony Lauga and Charleigh Lauga
- Evelyn Randle
- Darren, Tracey, Mackenzie, Alexandra, Christian, Casey, and Cameron Rizzi

Baptisms: Congratulations!

- Kate James Birkhoff, child of Chad and Jessica Birkhoff
- Thomas Robert Blum, II, child of Thomas and Heidi Blum
- Connor Stephen Furtado, child of Stephen and Katherin Furtado
- Madeleine Rosalie Richard, child of Patrick and Olivia Richard
- Scarlett Colette Somers, child of Sean and Heather Somers

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: Thank You!

Thank you for your support for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! St. Catherine of Siena parish raised **\$3,675.95** to support those who live on the margins and in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on "How to Give" on the left.

Troop 230 Food Drive: Thank You!

Members of Troop 230 would like to thank everyone who participated in the last food drive, picked up Saturday, November 30. We would like to send a special thank you to Dorignac's and Trader Joe's for the brown paper bags they donated. Thank you to all of Troop 230 parents who participated. A big thank you to everyone who donated the food. We were able to collect **1,278** items for the St. Vincent de Paul food bank. It's amazing what people working together can accomplish!

Retirement Fund for Religious: December 7 and 8

Our second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good words of their elders. Please be generous.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: December 9

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is superseded by the second Sunday of Advent. The feast is transferred to Monday, December 9, but there is no obligation to attend Mass on that day.

November 24-25, 2019	
General Collection	\$28,998.17
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$8,255.25
Poor Box	\$2,579.55
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$3,675.95
Total Collection	\$43,508.92
November 30-December 1, 2019	
General Collection	\$19,019.01
Weekly Electronic Giving	\$8,255.25
Poor Box	\$936.00
Thanksgiving Collection	\$1,562.00
Total Collection	\$29,772.26
Thank you for financially supporting the mission of St. Catherine Parish. We appreciate your generosity. 7% of the weekly collection is used for missionary outreach.	

Field of Dreams Capital Campaign Update

The St. Catherine of Siena *Field of Dreams* Capital Campaign kicked off this week. Capital campaign packets have been mailed to all registered parishioners. Campaign packets are available on the tables in the narthex of the church as well as in the church office, and the information is available online at scschurch.com/field. **\$688,650—25% of the \$2,750,000 campaign goal—has been collected.** An additional **\$170,200, or 6%, has been pledged** (at bulletin deadline). The St. Catherine of Siena community is 31% of the way toward achieving the dream of green space on campus!

Prayer Teams Available: December 7 and 8

Need prayer? And who doesn't? Visit one of our prayer teams after every Mass in the area near the confessionals and allow them to join their prayer to yours for your intentions, whatever they may be. Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." Encouraged by this promise, let's approach Him together with expectant faith! (Prayer teams will be available after every Mass for the second Sunday of every month.)

Youth Mass and CYO Night: December 8



All Junior High (6-7th grade) and High School students (8-12th grade) are invited to our Monthly Youth Mass, in church, **Sunday, December 8, 5:30 pm.**

After Mass, all high school students (8-12th grade) are invited to the Youth Room for the monthly youth night and dinner from 6:30-8 pm.

Radio Rosary at St. Catherine: December 12

Join in the praying of the rosary on **Thursday, December 12**, starting at **6 pm** in the parish office conference room. For more information contact Mickey Lacombe at mlacombe@cox.net.

Young Adult Advent Formation: December 12, 19

It's not too late to join an Advent study on the Sunday readings that is meeting on **Thursday evenings, 7:30-8:30 pm, in the Melancon Center St. John Paul II Room.** Dr. Brant Pitre offers his *Mass Readings Explained* videos, which break down primarily the First Reading and Gospel in how the Church is preparing us for the coming of Christ in Christmas. If you are looking for a way to intensify your Advent season, please join us. For more information or to register, contact Sarah Rosenbloom, sarahrosenbloom2@gmail.com.

Supporting Status Deadline: December 31

Tuesday, December 31, is the deadline for contributions toward 2019 parishioner and school parent support. Please note that the church office will be closed for New Year's on Tuesday, December 31, and Wednesday, January 1. The Archdiocese requires that families must contribute a minimum of \$500 for one student and at least \$700 for two or more children, **in the regular collection**, to receive supporting status and lower tuition. If you would like to check how much you have contributed to date, please call Debbie in the parish office. Thank you for your continued support of the church and the school!

Sign Up to Participate in NDS Bible Marathon

St. Catherine of Siena parishioners are invited to participate in the 2020 Bible Marathon, scheduled for **Tuesday, January 28, through Saturday, February 1**, on the grounds of Notre Dame Seminary, 2901 South Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans. Organized by the seminarians of Notre Dame Seminary, the event comprises **100 hours' continuous public reading of the Bible** from beginning to end—Genesis to Revelation. Last year, over 200 participants from 14 different faith denominations in the New Orleans community read the bible in nine different languages over the course of the week. Anyone who is interested in participating in the marathon is asked to Fr. Andrew, frandrew@scschurch.com.

In Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Porter Randle**. Eternal rest grant unto John, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

Weekly Calendar: December 7-14

Saturday, December 7	Sunday, December 8	Monday, December 9	Tuesday, December 10
10:00 am Baptism (C) 3:00 pm Reconciliation (C) 4:00 pm Vigil Mass (C) 5:00 pm KC Christmas Party (MC) 7:00 pm Wedding (C) SECOND COLLECTION: RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS SVdP FOOD COLLECTION B Barrett Complex C Church CAF Cafeteria CR Conference Room G Gym MC Melancon Center R Rectory YR Youth Room S School OC Off Campus	7:00 am Sunday Mass (C) 9:00 am Sunday Mass (C) 9:00 am RCIA (CR) 10:00 am PSR (S) 10:10 am Reconciliation / 3rd-6th (C) 11:00 am Sunday Mass / Children's Church (C) 11:00 am Childcare (MC) 5:00 pm Men's Club Basketball (G) 5:30 pm Youth Mass (C) 6:30 pm Confirmation (B) 6:30 pm Troop 230 (CAF) 6:30 pm CYO Night: Christmas Party (YR) SECOND COLLECTION: RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS SVdP FOOD COLLECTION	8:15 am RAS Rosary (C) 8:30 am Reconciliation (C) 9:00 am Daily Mass (C) 10:00 am Bible Study (MC) 5:00 pm Legion of Mary (CR) 6:00 pm Rosary for Healing (C) 6:30 pm CYO Sports (G) 6:30 pm LTMTTP (MC) 7:00 pm Troop 230 Parents (CAF) Field of Dreams Capital Campaign Total Cost of the Field of Dreams\$2,750,000 Donations Collected\$688,650 Additional Donations Pledged\$170,200 Total Donations Collected / Pledged\$858,850 Goal Remaining\$1,891,150 Thank you for your generosity! For more information about the Field of Dreams, visit: www.scschchurch.com/field.	8:15 am RAS Rosary (C) 9:00 am Daily Mass (C) 10:00 am LTMTTP (MC) 10:00 am Bible Study (MC) 6:00 pm YCP (B) 6:30 pm CYO Sports (G) 6:30 pm Vigil Mass Choir Practice (MC) 6:30 pm Brother Martin Christmas Concert (C)
Wednesday, December 11	Thursday, December 12	Friday, December 13	Saturday, December 14
6:30 am Men of St. Joseph (MC) 8:15 am RAS Rosary (C) 8:30 am Reconciliation (C) 9:00 am School Mass 1st-7th (C) 10:00 am Bible Study (MC) 2:30 pm Daisy Troop 40871 (MC) 2:30 pm Junior Troop 40258 (MC) 5:30 pm Reconciliation (C) 6:00 pm Daily Mass (C) 6:00 pm CoOp Fall Volleyball League (G) 7:00 pm CYO With Wednesday (YR)	8:15 am RAS Rosary (C) 9:00 am Daily Mass (C) 9:45 am Bible Study (MC) 10:00 am SVdP Food Distribution (MC) 6:00 pm Men's Club Basketball (G) 6:00 pm Radio Rosary (CR) 6:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal (C) 6:45 pm Bible Study (MC) 7:00 pm Young Adult Advent Series (MC)	8:15 am RAS Rosary (C) 8:30 am Reconciliation (C) 9:00 am Daily Mass (C) 10:00 am Early Childhood Prayer Service / PK3-K (C) 11:00 am RAS Cleaning of the Church (C) 3:00 pm Junior Girl Scout Troop 40061 (MC) 3:15 pm Daisy Troop 40424 (MC) 3:30 pm Jr. CYO Service Project (CAF) 7:00 pm Wedding (C)	10:00 am Baptisms (C) 3:00 pm Reconciliation (C) 4:00 pm Vigil Mass (C) Early Bulletin Deadlines: December 22 Bulletin Submission Deadline: December 11 by noon December 29 Bulletin Submission Deadline: December 17 by noon January 5 Bulletin Submission Deadline: December 20 by noon

Parish News

Archdiocesan Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration: March 22

Are you celebrating a 25th wedding anniversary this year? Anyone married in the year 1995 is invited to participate in this celebration which will take place on **Sunday, March 22, 2020**, at 3 pm at St. Joseph Church in New Orleans. Registration forms are available on the tables in the narthex. Once completed, please return to the parish office or to register by phone call Debbie at 504-267-9504. **Forms must be turned in no later than January 10, 2020.** Please note that this is a prayer service, not a Mass.

SCS School Admission and Registration Policy



SCS School admission and registration information can be found at scsgators.org/admissions. If you have questions about the policy, please feel free to contact Fr. Tim at the church office, 835-9343 or frtim@scschurch.com.

Young Adult Ministry at SCS!

Our new Young Adult Ministry at St. Catherine's is beginning with a few initiatives this coming month. We are setting up a MailChimp account to keep you connected with what this ministry is offering. In order to receive these emails, please be sure to register as a parishioner or email Fr. Andrew at frandrew@scschurch.com. The Young Adult ministry is envisioned for parishioners at St. Catherine of Siena in their twenties or thirties who desire to form community among other Catholics, grow deeper in their intellectual and spiritual faith, as well as offer unique ways for prayer and service.

Become an SCS Intercessor!

Bishop Robert Barron has noted that "prayer is not incidental to ministry. It is not decorative. It is the lifeblood of the Church's efforts. Without it, nothing will succeed; without it, no ministers will come forward. At all points, pray, pray, pray." Did you know that our parish has a group of people who have committed to praying for our parish? Each month, they receive an email with specific prayer requests for the needs and direction of our parish, and pray the SCS Parish Prayer daily for those intentions. Would you like to join in this important effort? Contact Joni Maurer, joni@scschurch.com, to be placed on the list for monthly emails.

St. Catherine of Siena Chalices being Refurbished

Holy Communion is being distributed solely by means of the sacred Host since the chalices are being refurbished. The distribution of the Blood of Christ will resume as soon as the refurbished chalices are returned to St. Catherine.

Consideration for Those Maintaining the Church

Please help our Rosary Altar Society in their consistent and generous work of keeping our beautiful church clean. Kindly take Clarion Herald issues and bulletins home with you or return them to the tables in the narthex as you leave the church.

Alpha Testimony: Jeff Lionnet



Being born and raised in St. Catherine of Siena parish, I was always around the church; whether it was school, weekly Mass, or community service. Raised in a faith-based household, my parents provided me with the lessons that taught me how much God truly loves us. As I grew older, my relationship with God faded and I started to drift further away from the Church. Eventually, I started a family of my own and knew that I wanted my children to have the same family environment that I had. I quickly discovered that raising children to understand God's love provided more questions than answers.

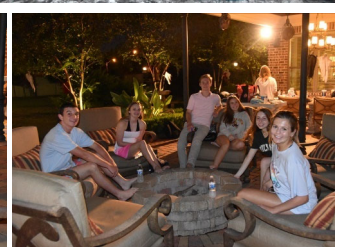
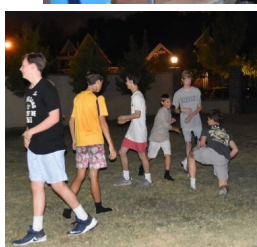
The talk of Alpha was spreading throughout St. Catherine parish and I started hearing stories about how powerful Alpha is. Friends were telling me about their experiences in Alpha and how it really opened their eyes to how awesome God's love is and how the scriptures of God's life helped them understand what it means to be a devoted Catholic. The more I heard about Alpha, the more I realized that it is exactly what I needed in my life to help me get closer to God and to get the answers to those questions that I've been searching for.

My wife and I decided to sign up for Alpha 3 and I can't tell you how much joy it has brought into my life. Not only do I feel closer to God but it has brought my relationship with my wife and family to new levels. Not a day goes by that I am not thankful for what Alpha has done for me. My only regret is not joining up sooner. The discussions that took place convinced me that I'm not the only one with these questions. The videos and testimonies that we watched reassured that me that there is no greater love than God's love.

If you are on the fence about signing up for Alpha, take the leap. You are not alone. God's love is far greater than any fear you have.



St. Catherine CYO Pool Party



Parish Snapshots



Above: Fellowship Sunday; below: annual Legion of Mary Rosary March



Parish Snapshots



Above: It was great to see so many 3rd and 4th grade students at our Middle School Open House! Thank you to all of our teachers, staff, school board members, former graduates, parents, and middle school students who made open house successful! **Below:** Tom Thelen, founder of "No Bullying Schools," visited St. Catherine of Siena School recently to share personal experiences with bullying and how he was able, with the help of a treasured teacher, to break free from the damaging cycle of bullying.



EXPLORE

LIFE'S BIGGEST QUESTIONS

Tuesdays
6:30-8:30 pm
Beginning January 14th
Dinner and Childcare Provided



To Register, visit scschurch.com/signup

Archdiocesan News



God's Special Children Mass & Party: December 8

The next Mass for God's special children, family, and friends, will be **Sunday, December 8, 2 pm**, at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Road, Metairie. The St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus and Daughters of Isabella will be hosting their annual Christmas party. All are welcome.

A Heart That's Been Purified: December 10

Join Lorraine Hess for a day of prayer for women, in which she helps us to see how we grow stronger in our faith through the trials we face. "Becoming a Woman of Faith—A Heart That's Been Purified" is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 10, 9-11:30 am**, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie. Lorraine Hess is director of music ministry at St. Catherine of Siena parish. Lorraine is a singer, composer, retreat facilitator, and recording artist with World Library Publications. The cost for the day is \$20, which includes light refreshments. Registration can be completed online at neworleansretreats.com or by calling Susan Halligan at 267-9604.

Advent Mornings of Reflection: December 10, 12

Advent mornings of reflection are scheduled for **Tuesday, December 10**, at Mary Queen of Peace Church, 1501 West Causeway Approach, Mandeville; and on **Thursday, December 12**, at St. Angela Merici Church, 901 Beverly Garden Drive, Metairie. Each event will begin with Mass at 9 am and conclude at 11:30 am. Fr. Garrett O'Brien will be the celebrant for the Mass at the Tuesday morning of reflection taking place at Mary Queen of Peace, and Karen Schwaner Sheehy will be the speaker. Fr. Beau Charbonnet will celebrate Mass at the morning of reflection on Thursday, and the speakers will be Denny Charbonnet, Janice Charbonnet, and Elise Charbonnet Angelette. The events are sponsored by the Catholic Community Foundation of the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

2019 Lay Enrichment Series: December 11

All are invited and welcome to attend the final installment of the Fall 2019 Lay Enrichment Series: A Semester Through the Catechism, which is co-sponsored by Notre Dame Seminary and the Catholic Community Foundation and held at Notre Dame Seminary on **Wednesday, December 11, 6:30-7:30 pm** in the Pastoral Center. Dr. Tom Neal will reflect on the rich wisdom of the Catechism regarding the meaning, purpose, and fiery power of prayer in the Christian life, along with some practical tips on how to become a man and women of prayer. Register now at www.les-nds-neal2.eventbrite.com.

Advent—The Time of Expectation: December 12

Fr. Sergio Serrano, OP, will offer "Advent—The Time of Expectation," a day of prayer for men and women, **Thursday, December 12, 9 am-2:30 pm**, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie. Jesus is the gift in whom we already rejoice in the mystery of His nativity. Every year we celebrate this wonderful time of Advent as we patiently wait for the Nativity scene to be completed with Jesus' figure in the manger. Advent is the time that shows us how the oracles of the prophets are fulfilled in the Virgin Mother. John the Baptist sang of His coming and proclaimed His presence. So what we are expecting today, as we enter into the Advent season? Is Jesus really "coming"? Register at neworleansretreats.org or call 887-1420.

He is Born
A CHRISTMAS CONCERT
WITH THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

TUESDAY, DEC. 10TH 7:00 PM
JEFFERSON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, METAIRIE, LA

GET TICKETS NOW!
WWW.PAULINE.ORG/NOLAconcert OR CALL: 504-887-7631

Seasonal Morning of Prayer: December 13

The Archdiocesan Spirituality Center is offering its winter seasonal morning of prayer on **Friday, December 13, 10 am-12:30 pm**, at the ASC, 2501 Maine Avenue, Metairie. "For everything there is a season" (Eccl. 3:1). Our spiritual life participates in Earth's four seasons. Although our Louisiana winters are usually devoid of ice and snow, we nevertheless experience longing, waiting and gathering power for the new life not yet visible. Join Sr. Jeanne Moore, OP, to enter more deeply into our Advent/Christmas Season through prayer and reflection. Register on the web: <https://nolacatholic.org/asc> email: archspirctr@arch-no.org, or call 861-3254. The cost is \$30 (adjustments can be made).

Inside & Outside-An Advent Retreat: December 14

On **Saturday, December 14, 10 am-3 pm**, the Redemptorist Community & Ministries of New Orleans will host "Inside & Outside: An Advent Retreat" at the Seelos Welcome Center located at 919 Josephine Street, New Orleans. The retreat will focus on how Advent affects the way we live our daily lives inside our homes as people of faith and outside in the world as people of justice. The retreat cost is \$15 per person and includes a sandwich lunch. To register for the retreat, stop by the Seelos Welcome Center or contact Lillian at 522-6748 or lrn1254@hotmail.com or Dawn at 525-2495 or ddawnson@seelos.org.

Carmelite Monastery Discernment Day: January 4

A Day of Discernment for single women ages 16-35 who are discerning a religious vocation is scheduled for **Saturday, January 4**, at the Carmelite Monastery, 73530 River Road, Covington. The day will run from **10:30 am-2 pm** and include Mass celebrated by Fr. Jeffrey Montz, Notre Dame Seminary professor of theology. Also included will be talks from Fr. Jeffrey and the nuns, lunch, question and answer, guided meditation, and some time to visit the gift shop. There is no cost for the event but any interested in participating are asked to sign up by emailing pelzekocd@gmail.com.

Becoming a Disciple of Jesus Christ: January 10-12

Fr. Glenn LeCompte will serve as retreat master for "Becoming a Disciple of Jesus Christ," a **Friday-Sunday, January 10-12** weekend retreat for women, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie. Visit neworleansretreats.org for information.

Weekend for Troubled Marriages: January 10-12

Retrouvaille is a program designed to provide help and support to married couples who are undergoing difficulties in their relationship. Sponsored by the Catholic Church, Retrouvaille is open to couples of all faiths. It has proven helpful to couples who are troubled and stressed, or if the relationship has grown cold and distant. The next Retrouvaille Weekend will be **January 10-12**, at the William J. Kelly Retreat Center in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. For registration or additional information, please go to the Retrouvaille website <https://www.helpourmarriage.org/> or email retrouvailleenola@gmail.com.

Proudly Pro-Life Gala: January 18

A special evening to celebrate 50 years of the pro-life movement in Louisiana and New Orleans is slated for **Saturday, January 18, 2020, 7 pm**, at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans. House Republican Whip Steve Scalise and Jennifer Scalise are the honorary chair couple; Mike and Donna Hammer are chair couple. The event will benefit the work of Louisiana and New Orleans Right to Life. Registration is available by calling 835-6520 or at www.ProLifeLouisiana.org/gala.

Men's Emmaus Retreat - January 24-26

Put aside the "hustle and bustle" of daily life and attend the men's Emmaus retreat the weekend of **January 24-26**, at Rosaryville Spirit Life Center and retreat house in Ponchatoula. The retreat is based on "The appearance on the road to Emmaus" (Luke 24: 13-35) and is an uplifting experience that has a profound effect on men's lives. The retreat begins at 5 pm on Friday and ends after the 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday. Round trip transportation is provided from St. Dominic Church, New Orleans. Please pray about this opportunity. For more information, contact Colin Taulli, 494-4511, or Wester (Wes) Perret, 985-878-1174. Register online at catholicretreatcenter.org/upcoming-events/mens.

Parish Contacts



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Sacramental Preparation

Baptism — Baptisms take place after 11 am Mass each weekend. Contact the parish office to sign up for a date and begin the preparation process.

Confirmation — Confirmation will be celebrated for 11th and 12th graders in February. Classes begin in September.

Marriage — Please contact a priest at least 8 months before the wedding and before making arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick — Upon request for the seriously ill, infirm, and those undergoing major surgery. Please contact the parish office when someone is home bound or hospitalized and in need of the sacrament.

Funerals — Please contact a priest before making arrangements with the funeral home.

Joining our Parish

Welcome to St. Catherine of Siena Parish! Anyone interested in joining the parish, please fill out a gold registration form located in the gathering area of the Church and return it to the parish office. Register online by visiting scschurch.com/welcome, completing the form found under "I Want to Join," and emailing it to Debbie at debbie@scschurch.com.

Bulletin Deadline

To be considered for publication, bulletin notices must be received in the parish office, via email to info@scschurch.com, by Friday at noon, nine days before the Sunday for which the notice is intended.

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