

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Parish founded in 1819

Church built in 1879

4th Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018



Pastor:

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: St. Charles Church: Reconciliation 3:15 PM; Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday: St. Charles Church 7:30 & 10:30 AM
Christ the King Mission in Bellevue: 9:00 AM

Weekdays: St. Charles Church: Mon & Fri 6:15 AM;
Wed 8:00 AM; Tues & Thurs 5:00 PM

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Sacrament of Baptism: Parents or guardians of infants or children to be baptized should call the church and schedule a meeting with a priest or deacon at least one month prior to baptism date. Instruction class is on the first Sunday of the month. Baptisms are celebrated on the following Saturday.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the church office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: Anytime during office hours. Call for an appointment.

Communion to the Sick: Please call the church office when someone is unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive Communion.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM and any time during office hours. Please call the office for an appointment.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018

*Blessed are you among women,
And blessed are the fruit of your womb.*

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure.
Our offertory contributions from last weekend will be published later.

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Gus Sibille

By: Gani & Pop



We come to this Holy Season filled with hope and joy that in the coming year God's grace will offer many new blessings.

This Catholic Community has been generous to both pastoral staff and to the community. You have given of your time, talent, and treasure and we know that God will not be outdone in generosity. Thank you all and have a Christmas filled with peace and happiness.

Fr. Derrick Weingartner,

Fr. Michael Wegenka,

Fr Clyde LeBlanc and Staff

The Religious Education Office will be closed
December 20th thru January 6th.

Steps to Heaven

Steps to Heaven is a non-profit organization which provides families with burial remembrances (burial gowns, pocket blankets, keepsake pillows, and stone angels) free of charge to those who have experienced the loss of an infant through miscarriage, still birth, or infant death. Please call 337-654-1781 for more information.

Marriage Anniversary Mass

The annual **Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass** will be held on **Sunday, February 10, 2019** at Holy Cross Church in Lafayette. The 2 PM Mass will be celebrated by Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel. Pre-registration no later than February 4, 2019 is required for all couples who wish to be honored as they celebrate 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of married life during 2019. To register, <https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-registration>

Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve—December 24th

4:00, 7:00 & 11:00 PM St. Charles Church

6:00 PM Christ the King Mission, Bellevue

Christmas Day—December 25th

10:00 AM at St. Charles Church

New Year's Eve—December 31st

400 PM Vigil Mass at St. Charles Church

New Year's Day—January 1st, 2018

10:00 AM St. Charles Church

10:00 AM Christ the King Mission, Bellevue

O COME, LONG FORETOLD

*O come, Desired of nations,
Whom priest and prophet long foretold
Will break the captive fetters,
Redeem the long-lost fold.*

*Dear Savior, haste; come, come to earth,
Dispel the night and show your face,
And bid us hail the dawn of grace.*



Church Flower Envelopes are available in the pews for anyone who wishes to donate toward the Christmas decorations.

Ministers sign-up sheet for **New Years Day** Mass is located in the minister's closet for EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS and USHERS. Please take time to sign up for the Mass you will be attending and can serve.

Where life is involved; the service of Charity must be profoundly consistent. Together we are involved in God's work to build a culture of life—to promote a consistent ethic of life. To witness to the sanctity and value of every human life. To respect, protect, love and serve life from fertilization to natural death.



Minister Schedule - December 29-30

Vigil-Lector	Jim Burleigh
Communion	Linda LeBlanc , Lou Santillo, Jo Burleigh, Ada Barry, Shirley Young
Altar Servers	Avery Guidry, Vincent Compos Bethany Stoute
7:30-Lector	Joseph Landry
Communion	Amy Lowery , Patrick Miller, Lolita & Paul Henry, Paul Williams
Altar Servers	Murphy Riggs, Jasper James Daquaylon Moten
10:30-Lector	Kurt Richard
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Amy Taylor , Barbara Broussard Robert & Janice Fox
Altar Servers	Jake Domingue, Jackson Dauzat Logan Meyers

God's Housekeepers - December 29-30

Bobby & Janice Fox
Lou Santillo Vivian Deshotel
Dr Charlie & Susie Dugal
Denese Copeland



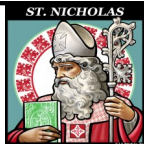
Building Fund Envelopes are available on the table at the entrance of Church.



*Please continue to pray for peace around the world.
Pray for **all** world leaders and especially for our men and women in military service.*

Coming Events

M	24	Christmas Eve Masses 4:00, 7:00 & 11:00 PM Christ the King, Bellevue 6:00 PM
T	25	Christmas Mass at 10 AM
W	26	Church Offices closed 8 AM Daily Mass 8:30 AM Pro Life Rosary



MEMORIES AND DREAMS

Throughout our lives, we retain the language and habits of our native region and family of origin. Should we return to our home after a long absence, we quickly revert to its familiar speech and practices. Our deep memory is reflected in old stories and words and speech patterns. This familiarity runs like an underground river and accompanies us wherever we go.

Not only do we remember, we are incorporated into and made part of a greater memory. In remembering and recollecting, we are in turn gathered up and re-collected.

Today we remember Mary, a small figure travelling the country roads to visit Elizabeth. All the great pronouncements and dreams of the prophets point to this time when the Lord's words to Mary would be gathered and fulfilled. The memories of her people are alive in her, and memories of her nourish our own living faith.

The Blessed Virgin Mary: Our Model of Stewardship

During the Advent and Christmas seasons we have a number of opportunities to reflect on and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is a model of stewardship par excellence.

On December 8, we celebrate the *Feast of the Immaculate Conception*, the conception of Mary in her mother's womb without the stain of original sin.

On December 12, we celebrate Mary as *Our Lady of Guadalupe*. In 1531 she appeared to Juan Diego on a hill outside Mexico City. A life-size figure of the Virgin as a young, dark-skinned American Indian woman with the face of a Mestizo was imprinted on his cloak. The image gave the indigenous people of the Americas assurance that our Blessed Mother was loving and compassionate toward them.

On December 25, when we celebrate the *Nativity of Our Lord*, we celebrate the birth of Jesus through his mother, Mary. The Incarnation took place through Mary's own flesh, and the infant Jesus was nourished by Mary's own body.

On January 1, Mary is honored as the *"Mother of God,"* the greatest of her titles. This title is the foundation for every other title attributed to her as she became the mother of God from the instant Jesus was conceived in her womb by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CEMETERY: We request there be **NO GLASS** vases put in the cemetery. There have been complaints of broken glass in various parts of cemetery causing numerous problems. If glass vases are placed on the tomb, they will be removed and discarded.

Thank You for your cooperation!