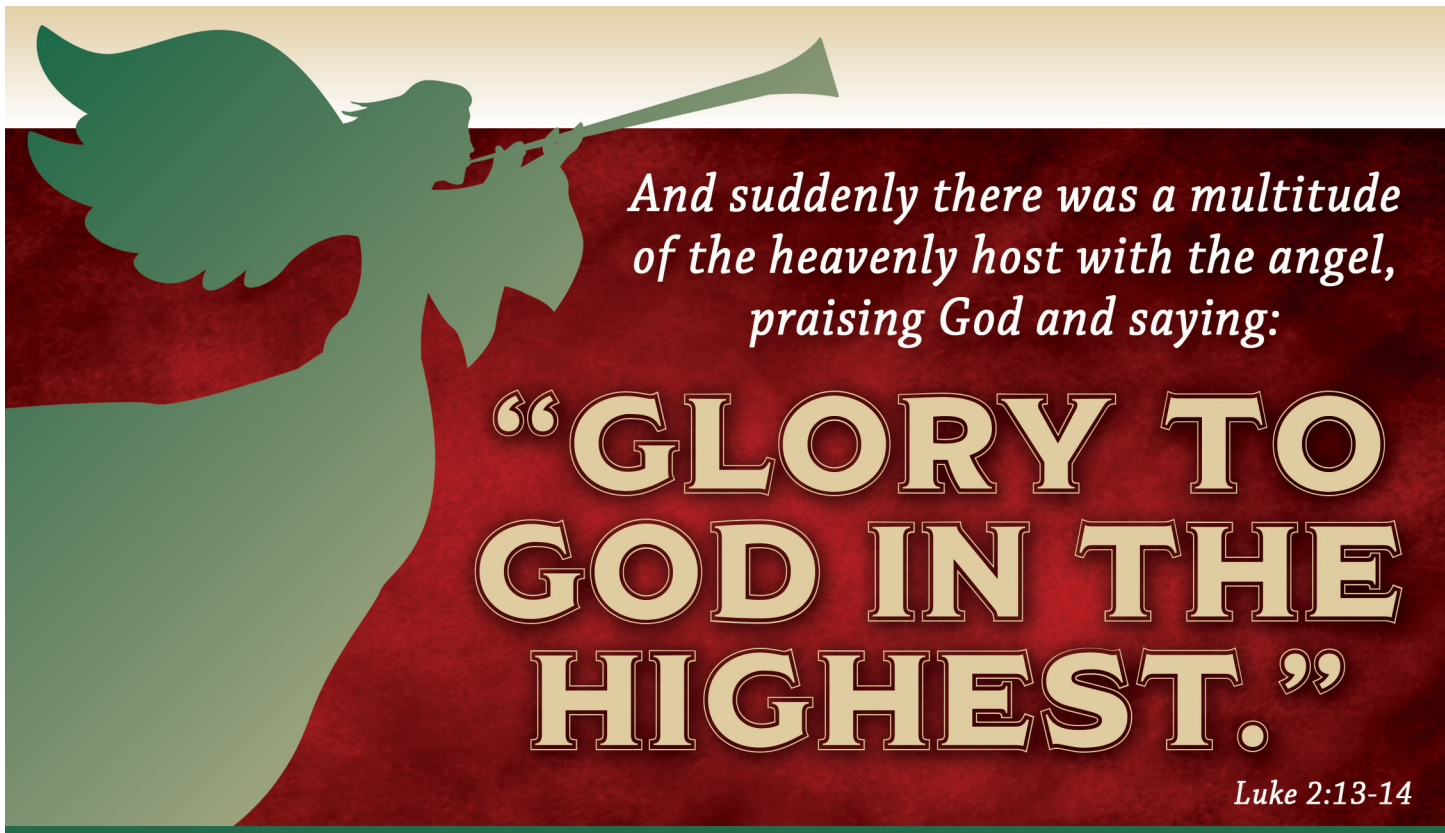




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Stephen Joubert

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: St. Charles Church: Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday: St. Charles Church: 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Christ the King Mission in Bellevue: 9:00 AM

Weekdays: St. Charles Church: Mon thru Sat 8:00 AM
Tues/Thurs 5:00 PM

Morning Prayer - M-F 7:30 AM St. Charles Church

Thursday Holy Hour of Reparation - at 7 PM St. Charles

Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

9 am - 5 pm St. Charles Church, South Transept (cry room).

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Weekdays 4:00 PM-5:00 PM St. Charles Church

Saturday, 3:15-3:45 PM St. Charles Church

Sunday 9:45-10:15 AM St. Charles Church

Sunday 8:30-8:50 AM Christ the King Mission

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 second Saturday of the month. Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the following month.

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.

Holy Days of Obligation

Masses at 6:30 & 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM

P. O. Drawer A (174 Church Street), Grand Coteau, LA. 70541

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Parish Announcements/Schedules

Bulletin Sponsor: In Loving Memory of George Henry
By: The Henry Family



"And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." (Jn 1:14)

May the good news and the awesome mystery of God taking us to Himself, becoming human so we could become divine, sharers in the divine nature, fill our hearts with wonder and joy this Christmas. May our faith blossom forth as we celebrate this liturgical season and bear fruit of everlasting salvation for all of us. Praying for all families and friends of St. Charles and Christ the King Mission Church a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year, *Fr. Mark*

New Year's Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 31	4:00 PM	Octave of the Solemnity of Mary - St. Charles Borromeo
Sunday, January 1	7:30 AM	The Solemnity of Mary - St. Charles Borromeo
Sunday, January 1	9:00 AM	The Solemnity of Mary - Christ the King, Bellevue
Sunday, January 1	10:30 AM	The Solemnity of Mary - St. Charles Borromeo

GIFT BEARERS for December 24-25 Liturgies:

4:00 Vigil Mass: Mary Francois & Roger Esteves

6:00 Vigil Mass-CTK: Carlton & Lauris Jordan

11:00 Midnight Mass:

10:00 AM Mass:

Christmas Flowers: Anyone who would like to contribute toward our Christmas Decorations is asked to please use the flower envelopes found in the pews. Thank you for your generosity!

Thank You for your generous donations of \$1,494.00 toward the Retired Religious Fund.

MINISTER SCHEDULE - DEC. 31-JAN 1

4 PM-Lector Kristine Vallow
EMHC 1 Deacon David Menard
EMHC 2 Lolita Henry
Altar Server William Descant, Landon Soileau
Gift Bearers

7:30-Lector Darrell Burleigh
EMHC 1 Amy Lowery
EMHC 2 Murphy Riggs
Altar Server Murphy Riggs & Theresa Lavergne
Gift Bearers

10:30-Lector Cathy Taylor
EMHC 1 Linda LeBlanc
EMHC 2 Stephanie Richard
Altar Server Gabe Lemon & Sebastian Lemon
Gift Bearers

OFFERTORY from December 18, 2022

St. Charles Church	\$ 6,384.00
St. Charles Building Fund	\$ 305.00
Christ the King Mission	\$ 820.00

MASS INTENTIONS - Dec 24 - 31

Sat 4:00 PM
 Sun 7:30 AM
 9:00AM
 10:00 AM Pro Popula Mass
 Mon 8 AM
 Tues 8 AM
 5 PM Helen Kennerson
 Wed 8 AM
 Thur 8 AM
 5 PM
 Fri 8AM
 Sat 8 AM

CHRIST THE KING MISSION 369 Christ the King Road, Opelousas, La. LECTOR & EVENT SCHEDULE

Dec 24 Donald Dugas & Frances Richard
 Gifts: Carlton & Lauris Jordan
 Jan 1 Charles Richard
 Patsy & Donald Dugas
 Jan 8 Shirley & Carlton Jordan

CHURCH CLEANERS—Dec 31-Jan 1

Theresa Cormier Ronnie Walker
 James & Doris Etienne

Parish Organizations/Ministries

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS

Andy Chautin - President
Nancy Bourque - Vice President
Melissa Stoute - Secretary
LaSonya Boast
Marilyn Dejean
Ross Descant
Vanessa Domingue
Casey Henry
Paula Jordan
Murphy Riggs
Christy Whaley
Corliss White

Trustees:
David Fruge
Stephanie Richard

Next meeting is January 10th at 6:30 PM

Evangelization & Integration

Andy Chautin 337-308-7179
Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 7th at 5:00 PM.

Management & Facilities - Ross Descant
rossdescant@yahoo.com

Next meeting date is Monday, February 13th at 6:30 PM. Always meet in the Rectory dining room.

Social Justice & Charitable Works

Nancy Bourque - eyamar@centurytel.net
Next meeting date is Tuesday, February 21st at 6:30 pm in the Rectory dining room.

Religious Education Commission

Marilyn Dejean 337-945-6368 **Next meeting TBA.**

Worship Commission – Corliss White

corlissbw@yahoo.com
Meetings are held every other month on the 2nd Tuesday. **Next meeting is February 14th at 9:00 AM** in the St. Charles Chapel meeting

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Charles Richard - Director of Religious Ed
religious-education@st-charles-borromeo.org

CCD Classes (Grades 1-5) Classes are held twice a month on Saturdays, September thru April.
Pre-Journey to Confirmation (Grades 6,7,8; Classes are scheduled during Lent, Wednesdays 4:30—5:45 PM.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Continued

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Cathy Taylor—tandemtaylor@yahoo.com

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or interested in the Sacrament of Baptism, this program began in September.

YOUTH MINISTRY (Grades 9 - 12)

cormier@st-charles-borromeo.org

Confirmation classes held on Sundays.

LifeTeen (Grades 9 & 10) Registration is Open

www.st-charles-borromeo.org under Religious Ed
Lifeteen: Classes began **Sunday, October 23rd 11:45-1:15**

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Melissa Stoute 337-277-8768

Altar Servers Needed: Any youth in 4th grade and above who may be interested in learning about the duties of an altar server is asked to contact the church office at 337-662-5279.

ALTAR SOCIETY—Denese Copeland
337-290-1651

BIBLE STUDY—Kim & Paula Andrus

paula.andrus@hotmail.com 337-296-4019
Classes are held on Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 AM.
Next class begins January 11th thru March 22nd.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - The next session is **January 21st from 9 AM-11 AM** in the St. Charles Chapel/Religion Center

CHOIR MINISTRY

Vigil Mass and 10:30 Mass

Choir practice on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Contact Julee Lemon at 337-277-2769

7:30 Mass - Choir practice on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM

9:00 Mass - Choir practice on Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Contact Stephen Joubert at 337-945-2127

FOOD & FELLOWSHIP - Pauline Richard
337-962-5262

All are welcome on the 1st Sunday of each month for fellowship after the 10:30 Mass.
(weather permitting)

Parish Organizations & Ministries Continued

Good Shepherds Security Ministry

Anyone interested in joining this ministry, please contact the church office at 337-662-5279

Next meeting TBA. Meetings are held on Tuesdays in the Rectory Dining Room.

KNIGHTS & LADIES KPC-Grand Coteau

Grand Knight: Paul Henry

Grand Lady: Edith Guidry

"Turn Out" is the 3rd Sunday of each month.

ROSARY: Knights & Ladies Auxiliary Court #34 will pray the **Living Rosary** on Monday, **January 9th at 5:30 PM** in the KPC Hall.

KNIGHTS & LADIES KPC—Bellevue

Grand Knight: Randy Tate

Grand Lady: Paula Jordan

PRO LIFE MINISTRY

Stephanie Barry—stephbret7983@gmail.com

Our next meeting is **Monday, January 23 at 5:30 PM** in the Ministry Center.

Pro Life Rosary & Patriotic Rosary

Every Wednesday morning at 8:30 am, (after 8:00 AM Mass). **Patriotic Rosary on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays**, for the needs of people of every state of the U.S. and for all who lead. **Pro Life Rosary on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays**, for an end to abortion and for healing of mothers and fathers of aborted babies.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Charles Borromeo Conference which includes Christ the King

Mission Chairperson: Bobby Vallow

337-290-5463 bvalow2013@gmail.com

Next meeting will be on Monday, January 2, 2023 at 5:30 PM. Meetings are every 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 5:30 PM in St. Charles Chapel.

If anyone knows of someone in need, which includes; food, help with utility payments, rental assistance and/or services, please contact SVdP at **337-290-5463** so a case study can be conducted by two of our Fellow Vincentians in SVdP.

Here is a link to our Facebook page. Please follow the page and share it. Thanks!

<https://www.facebook.com/SVdP-St-Charles-Borromeo-Conference-100327062715084>

We would like to give you an update on our weekly activities in the month of December: We were able to help pay a utility bill for a neighbor in need and a rent. A few of our Vincentians have been helping and serving food at St. Joseph's Diner. We are also working on several neighbors-in-need studies. Thank you for your support!

VOCATION PRAYER CROSS

Ricky & Marion Gilbert, Chairpersons.

Please sign up in the book at the entrance of church or contact the office for more information.

WELCOME COMMITTEE

Kurt Richard—bbacadiana@yahoo.com

Meetings are usually held on Tuesdays at **11:00 AM** in St. Charles Chapel Meeting Room Anyone wishing to get involved is invited to attend our **next meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.**

Parish Prayer Requests

FOR THE SICK

Syble Charlot

Jonte Coco

Emelda Melancon

Tyler Touchet

Bobby Vallow

Dana Jones

Creighton Dugas

Patricia S. Burleigh

FOR THE DECEASED

Rita Gardiner

Floyd Guilbeaux

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention-December For volunteer not-for-profit organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

OTHER INFORMATION

The **Thensted Center** is a Social Outreach Program that our Parish supports. For more information, please call 337-662-5838.

Guidelines for Baptisms in 2023

Baptism Instructions will be held on the second Saturday of each month. The Baptisms will be celebrated on the First Sunday of the **following** month. The application must be completed & submitted by the 1st of the month, prior to the month of Baptism.

Sacrament of BAPTISM December Schedule:

Baptism Application Due: Monday, Jan 2, 2023

Baptism Instructions: Saturday, Jan 7, 2023

Baptism Date: Sunday, Feb 5, 2023

Other Information & Notes



Online Giving

Did you forget your check-book or cash? Scan the QR Code for a Quick path to ONLINE GIVING.

Thank you for your generosity!



OUR FASCINATING FAITH Christmas Time

The feasts that make up Christmas Time all illuminate in their own way the fundamental mystery of the Incarnation that stands at the heart of this sacred season. Each celebration sheds its own distinct light on our conviction that, in the birth of Jesus, earth and heaven have been wedded together for the sake of our salvation. The feasts of the Holy Family, Mary the Mother of God, Epiphany, and the Baptism of the Lord all have their own particular histories. But they have been joined together in a single seasonal flow that invites us to trace the unfolding meanings of the Incarnation from myriad perspectives. As we follow the successive meanings of Jesus' birth, his participation in family life, the meaning of Mary's motherhood, the significance of the Magi's visit, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, we are invited to explore in deeper and deeper fashion the staggering truth that Jesus has shared completely in our human experience, has truly become one with us, fully human while remaining fully divine.

*Consult the Bible as often as
your cell phone.*

WELCOME! If you are visiting our beautiful Church, *we welcome you!* If you have recently moved into the area and are new to our church community, we would like to assist in any way that we can. Please contact Darrell or Mary Ann at 337-662-5279 to request a registration form or to seek out information about ministry participation and/or sacramental requests.

Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass will be held on **Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 2:00 PM**, St. Pius X Catholic Church in Lafayette. Pre-registration is required no later than January 25th for all couples who wish to be honored as they celebrate 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of married life during the year 2023. Couples celebrating will have reserved seating. Please visit the following link to register: <https://diolaf.org/marriage-anniversary-mass-information>

COURAGE International

*"I experience same-sex attractions...
I also love my Catholic Faith...
Where do we go from here?"*

An invitation to holiness for you: pastoral support for living joyful chastity and friendship. *"Courage is doing the work of God!"* (St. John Paul II). For more info, contact Lafayette Diocese Chaplain Fr. Donavan Labbé: courage@diolaf.org or 337-984-2179 or CourageRC.org.

Christ the King Mission Rosary and Mass with the Anointing

On every third Wednesday of the month you are invited to Christ the King Mission in Bellevue to Pray the Rosary at 6:00 PM, followed by Mass with the Anointing of the Sick.



Online Giving-St. Charles has set up an online giving account for anyone wishing to make offertory payments online. Please visit our website@ www.st-charles-borromeo.org.

Gifts of Bread and Wine: If there is anyone who would like to sign up to be Gift Bearers, please call the church office. This is a wonderful way for families to participate in the offering of the Mass. We will make a schedule for gift-bearers posted in the bulletin each week. Please, consider signing up!

Surviving Divorce Series

This 12-week program with a new series beginning early 2023 is designed to ring Hope and Healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage whether you are newly separated divorced, or still struggling with issues many years later. Topics will include how to work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce, find personal healing and hope, discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you, gain wisdom and comfort from experts and others who share your experiences, navigate new concerns like custody, court hearings, and finances. For more information or to register for an upcoming divorce recovery series, please contact the Office of Marriage & Family Life at 337-261-5653 or kchapman@diolaf.org.