

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Christ the King Mission



The Month of July is Devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Pastor:

Rev. Aaron Melancon

Deacon: Dcn. David Menard

Parish Manager: Darrell Burleigh

Administrative Asst: Mary Ann Matte

Religious Education 337-662-5279

Email: religious-education@st-charles-borromeo.org

Director: Charles Richard

Youth Ministry

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Email: corlissbw@yahoo.com

Altar Server Contact

Melissa Stoute 337-277-8768

Music Leaders:

Director of Sacred Music: Julee Lemon
Stephen Joubert

Mass Schedule:

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

Sunday: St. Charles Church: 7:30 AM, 11:00 AM

Christ the King Mission in Bellevue: 9:15 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-4:45 PM St. Charles Church

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

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

Sunday 8:50-9:10 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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Email: matte@st-charles-borromeo.org

Parish Announcements/Schedules

Bulletin Sponsor: In Loving Memory of Hubert Boss (3rd Anniversary), Dale and Dusty Boss
 By: Anna Lee Boss



WELCOME FR. AARON MELANCON!

We are happy to welcome **Fr. Aaron Melancon** as pastor to St. Charles Borromeo Church and Christ the King Mission. We look forward to your Ministry as we continue to grow in Christ's spirit!

Construction! If you are planning to visit the church offices, please park in the rear of the office/rectory building and use the sidewalk to walk around to the front entrance. If you plan to sit in the cry room, you may also want to park in the rear of the rectory/office building and use the sidewalk to walk around to the entrance of the north transept. Please do not block the carport. Thanks for your understanding, patience, and support.

New Office Hours: Beginning July 25th our office hours will change. We will continue to be open on Monday Noon to 4:00 PM and Tuesday-Thursday, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM. **On Fridays**, the office will be open from **8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**. Offices are closed on Saturday. If anyone has any questions, comments or a suggestion, please feel welcome to contact Fr. Aaron at Melancon@st-charles-borromeo.org.

Bible Study: The next class will be on **"No Grater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion"** for 6 weeks by Edward Sri. Registration is open now through August 17th. If interested, please call 337-351-4436 or email dubrocc63@icloud.com. Cost will be \$30.00. Classes will begin in September.

PICTORIALS! For those who took a photograph, the new pictorials will be distributed after each Mass this weekend, July 19/20. After this date, pictorials may be picked up at the church office on **Tuesday or Thursday only**.

Minister Schedule: Copies of the new minister schedule and an updated list of ministers are available in the Ministry Closet.

MINISTER SCHEDULE –July 26-27

4 PM-Lector Linda LeBlanc
EMH Debbie Soileau
EMHC Natasha Williams
Altar Servers Gabe & Sebastian Lemon

7:30 Lector Amy Lowery
EMHC Prinella Fruge
EMHC Debra Constantine
Altar Server Murphy Riggs & Darrell Burleigh

11:00-Lector Bonnie Fontenot
EMHC Donald Fontenot
EMHC David Fruge
Altar Server Rylan Fontenot, Mazie & Evie Catrou

OFFERTORY- Collection for July 12-13

St. Charles Church \$ 9,436.00
 Christ the King Mission \$ 1,162.00

MASS INTENTIONS –July 19-26

Sat 4:00 PM - Dillon John Stelly
 Sunday
 7:30 AM - Susie Ramier
 9:15 AM - Joyce Arceneaux Bellard
 11:00 AM - Pro Popula
 Mon 8:00AM - *Bryan Reed Family
 Tuesday
 8:00 AM - *Patricia S. Burleigh
 5:00 PM - Paul Henry
 Wed 8:00 AM - Cynthia Bellemin
 Thursday
 8:00 AM - Kenny DeJean
 5:00 PM - Susie Ramier
 Fri 8:00AM - Rebecca Marcantel
 Sat 8:00AM - Rebecca Marcantel

CHRIST THE KING MISSION
369 Christ the King Road, Opelousas, La.

July 20 Margie Guilbeaux
 Gifts: Joe & Angie Moseley
 July 27 Kalyn Guilbeau
 Gifts: Gabe Guilbeaux & Levi Panda-Njike
 Aug 3 Donald Dugas & Frances Richard
 Gifts:

CHURCH CLEANERS - July 26-27

Barbara Broussard Jeanette Williams
 Jeff & Debra Constantine Xavier Henry
 Patrick & Juanita Miller Barbara Senegal

Dear friends of Christ Jesus,

This past Monday, July 14, 2025, I began my assignment and new ministry as the pastor of this great community of St. Charles Borromeo/Christ the King Church Parish. I am most grateful to God for allowing the Holy Spirit to guide our Bishop Douglas Deshotel to be the next pastor of these two historic communities in our Diocese. I must also give thanks to Fr. Mark Kramer, SJ, who made my transition into Grand Coteau one of the easiest. What an extraordinary pastor he was to all of you. I am so inspired by the amount of ministry begun under his administration and tremendous renovations and restoration of many of the buildings on each Church campus. I chuckled when he told me this was his first time as Pastor, because when I look at what he has done and begun, it does not reflect the work of someone inexperienced in administration.

One of the projects begun is the expansion to the Church building of St. Charles. Although I am excited to oversee the construction of the Adoration Chapel and restroom facilities, I must also be honest that such a project is a bit overwhelming for me. First of all, it is of the vision of Fr. Kramer and one that I am trying to envision what the finished project should look like. Secondly, I have never inherited a \$1.4-million-dollar project in any of the other Church Parishes I was assigned to as Pastor. Thirdly, I will need assurance from you that not only the Capital Campaign will pay for this project but that our weekly collection will be able to sustain the added cost this addition will bring to our Church expenses. Yes, I know "Trust in God" and He will see it through, and please believe I am trying. I do know that God will do what He does best, and I humbly ask that you and I help God help us not only see this project to fruition but prayerfully consider increasing our weekly offering so that no ministry suffers because of lack of finances. If you speak with any of my former Church Parishes, they will tell you that I am not great about asking for money and I do not like having to start an assignment concerned about finances. Hopefully, you will continue to remind me to not worry about this and it will be okay.

Again, I am excited to be here and look forward to our journey. Please be patient with me as I adjust and settle into this new assignment. I know that I will not always get it right and maybe at times not make the best decision, but please know that my intentions will always be for the good of the Church and always for the Glory of our God. If at any time you have suggestions, recommendations, or questions regarding my administration and guidance as a Pastor, call me or email me. I do have an open-door policy and if present and available, I will sit with you and talk. You can reach me by calling the office or email me at melancon@st-charles-borromeo.om.

Let us continue to pray for our beloved St. Charles Borromeo/Christ the King Church and let us continue to daily pray for one another.

St. Charles Borromeo, St. Ignatius of Loyola, pray for us. Mary our Mother, St. Joseph our Patron Father, guide us always toward your Son.

FR. J. Aaron Melancon
Pastor

Parish Organizations/Ministries

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS

Andy Chautin - President
Nancy Bourque - Vice President
Melissa Stoute - Secretary
LaSonya Boast
Jonathan Brown
Marilyn Dejean Christy Whaley
Vanessa Domingue Corliss White
Paula Hardy
Casey Henry **Trustees:**
Paula Jordan David Fruge
Tucker Lavergne Stephanie Richard

Next meeting is September 9th at 6:30 PM

Evangelization & Integration

Andy Chautin 337-308-7179

Management & Facilities - Ross Descant

rossdescant@yahoo.com
Next meeting date to be announced.

Social Justice & Charitable Works

Nancy Bourque - eymar@centurytel.net
Next meeting date to be announced.

Religious Education Commission

Marilyn Dejean—mkdeje@yahoo.com.
Next meeting will be scheduled in the Fall, and are held at Brent's Café.

Worship Commission – Corliss White

corlissbw@yahoo.com
Meetings are held every other month on the 2nd Tuesday. Next meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

CCD Classes (Grades 1-5)

Classes are held on second Saturday of each month 8:30 AM-12:00 PM.

CCD Classes (Grades 6-7)

Schedule to be published in September

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Continued

OCIA - Order 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, please contact the office at 337-662-5279.

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Melissa Stoute 337-277-8768

ALTAR SOCIETY—Debra Constantine 337-519-2947

BIBLE STUDY - Gary & Cherie Dubroc dubrocc63@icloud.com

The next class will be “No Grater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ’s Passion” If interested, please register now thru Aug. 17; call 337-351-4436 or email dubrocc63@icloud.com

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BIBLE STUDY - COME LORD JESUS

Meets weekly on **Wednesdays at 4:00 PM** in the Ministry Building. Anyone interested in joining, contact Deacon David Menard at 337-692-1035.

CEMETERY - For information regarding funeral and burial arrangements, please contact Darrell Burleigh at the church office.

CHOIR MINISTRY

Vigil Mass and 11:00 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

9:15 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 11:00 Mass.
(weather permitting)

Genealogical Research Policy

St. Charles Church can no longer process genealogical research requests, except in very limited situations.

We recommend that all requests be made to the Diocese of Lafayette which has our digital records and the staff to respond in a timely fashion.

See: <https://www.diolaf.org/genealogical-research>

Parish Organizations & Ministries Continued

Good Shepherds Security Ministry

The next meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

KNIGHTS & LADIES KPC-Grand Coteau

Grand Knight: Dwayne Henry

Grand Lady: Theresa Cormier

“Turn Out” is the 3rd Sunday of each month.

ROSARY: Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary Court #34 will pray the **Rosary** on **Monday, August 11th at 5:00 PM** in the KPC Hall.

KNIGHTS & LADIES KPC—Bellevue

Grand Knight: Randy Tate

Grand Lady: Paula Jordan

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 AM in the Ministry Building. Anyone wishing to get involved is invited to attend our next meeting scheduled **Tuesday, July 29th at 11 AM.**



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
St. Charles Borromeo Conference
which includes Christ the King
Mission Chairperson: John Miller
337-290-5463 jhmpls@gmail.com

Next meeting will be held Monday, July 21st at 5:30 PM. Meetings are every 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 5:30 PM in the Ministry Center.

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.

Our Website is LIVE! Check us out at

<https://svdpgrandcoteau.org/>

You can also visit us on Facebook via our website.

An update on our activities during the month of June. We are currently working on neighbor in need case studies.

Thank you for your support!

PRO LIFE MINISTRY

Stephanie Barry—stephbret7983@gmail.com

Our next meeting is scheduled for **July 29th at 5:30 PM.** Meetings are held in the Ministry Center.

Respect Life topic for the month of JULY is Conscience Protection

Father, in Jesus our Lord, we praise and thank you for your most precious gift of human life. Protect the right of health care providers to serve their patients without being forced to violate their moral and religious convictions. Guard them against discrimination, that they might be free to follow you faithfully while fulfilling their professional duties. Amen.

Couples who struggle with fertility are encouraged to try **NaProTECHNOLOGY**, which is treatment of infertility that works cooperatively with a women's body.

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.

Parish Prayer Requests

FOR THE SICK

Jayna Arnaud

Rhea Foret

Katie Fontenet

Mary Francois

James Vincent Jones

Sheila Kidder

Brent LeBlanc

Lawrence Meche

Gloria Pellerin

Mickey Lastrapes

Joe Senegal

Tony Smith

Arpad Zsold



FOR THE DECEASED

Reginald Hardy

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for July: For formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

OTHER INFORMATION

The **Thensted Center** is a Social Outreach Program that our Parish supports. Grocery Distribution will be on Wednesday., July 30th

NEW PHONE #337-308-4025 or 337-351-0003

SENIORS HELPING SENIORS BINGO

A Luncheon and Bingo is scheduled for **Fridays, August 1st & 15th** at the Community Center in Sunset from **10am-Noon**. All seniors 60 and older are invited.

Other Information & Notes



Online Giving

Did you forget your checkbook or cash? Scan the **QR Code** for a Quick path to ONLINE GIVING.

Thank you for your generosity!

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Thursday Holy Hour of Reparation and Friday Adoration

Holy Hour of Reparation on Thursdays, 7 - 8 PM in St. Charles Church. All are invited.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—Friday from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm in the South Transept (cry room). Contact Deacon David Menard to sign-up for a weekly commitment: menard@st-charles-borromeo.org.



Pregnant? If you are in an unplanned pregnancy, we are here for you.

Email:

pregnancysupport@st-charles-borromeo.org or call the parish office to be put in contact with a representative from St. Charles Borromeo Pro-Life Apostolate. You will receive kindness and compassion in a non-judgmental atmosphere. We will listen, and we will do our very best to help you find the resources you need. You are not alone.

St. Charles Borromeo Parish has a page on **Facebook** which has been created as a means of communicating with our church parish members as well as a way to share information with others. Please “Like” our page! Go to our web page, click on Facebook.

ROSARY- We continue to pray the Rosary before the **Vigil Mass** starting at **3:25 PM**.

Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners are reminded that Opelousas hospitals do not have a Catholic chaplain. The area priests are called upon to visit the parishioners at the hospital. Sometimes the priests cannot respond immediately to emergency requests for the **Anointing of the Sick** because their schedules are full. If you are scheduled to have surgery and would like to receive the sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick**, please contact the church office before going to the hospital. Thank You.

Liturgy of the Hours

Join us for Morning Prayer in the Church, Monday-Friday at **7:30 AM**.

A Stewardship Moment

Martha and Mary are the focus of this weekend’s Gospel, which abounds with rich themes about hospitality, service and finding the right balance between action and prayerful attention to the Lord. Christians who are good stewards of their faith life realize that if they are too busy to enjoy peaceful, private time with the Lord, then something is out of balance in their spiritual lives. If we make time for Mass, but then carry on with our busy schedules without prayer, mediation and reflection, we are missing out. If we find ourselves anxious and harried by life’s routine, could it be a sign that something in our spiritual life needs some serious attention?

Thensted Outreach Center

Catholic Charities Grocery Distribution will be **Wednesday, July 30th**.

Second Harvest Food Truck will be at Thensted Center on **Thursday, July 31st**.

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.

Guidelines for Baptisms in 2025

Baptism Instructions will be held on the second Saturday of each month at 5:00 PM. Please call ahead if you plan to attend.

The **Baptisms** will be celebrated on the First Sunday of the **following** month at 12:00 PM. The application must be completed & submitted by the 1st of the month, prior to the month of Baptism.

Sacrament of BAPTISM Schedule:

Baptism Application Due: Monday, Aug. 4, 2025
Baptism Instructions: Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025
Baptism Date: Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025

Welcome Parishioners and Visitors!

If you are new to the area, we welcome you and want you to be part of our Church family! Registering begins by visiting our website, calling the parish office or using the registration forms found at our welcome table.
Visit www.st-charles-borromeo.org.