

# St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Christ the King Mission

## The Epiphany

January 4, 2026



*For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given,  
and the government will be on his shoulders.  
And he will be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

ISAIAH 9:6



## January is devoted to The Holy Name of Jesus

### **Pastor:**

Rev. Aaron Melancon

### **Deacons:**

Dcn. David Menard  
Dcn. Wynard Boutte

**Parish Manager:** Darrell Burleigh

**Administrative Asst:** Mary Ann Matte

**Religious Education** 337-662-5279

Email: [religious-education@st-charles-borromeo.org](mailto:religious-education@st-charles-borromeo.org)

Director: Charles Richard

**Confirmation Co-Ordinator**

Kalyn Guilbeau

**Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

Email: [corlissbw@yahoo.com](mailto: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

**Thursday Holy Hour of Reparation** - at 5:45 PM St. Charles

**Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction**

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

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Tuesday & Thursday**

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

**OR:** Anytime by appointment

**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

# Parish Announcements/Schedules



**Thanks to all who contributed toward the Decorations and Flowers for Christmas, enhancing our beautiful church.**

**Advent Giving Tree—Thank You!** To all who donated gifts for our Advent Giving Tree! Through the leadership and tireless service of **Mrs. Pauline Richard** and several other generous volunteers, gifts were distributed far and wide.

**Vocation Cross** sign-up sheet is available on the black stand at the entrance of St. Charles Church. The Vocation Cross will be available to take home in 2 week intervals beginning January 3, 2026. Please consider signing up and praying as a family for vocations. *“A family that prays together, stays together”*.

**The next Bible Study Romans: The Gospel of Salvation** - An 8 week course will start January 28 - March 18. We meet every Wednesday at 10:30 at the Ministry Building. If you are looking to strengthen your relationship with Christ and a desire to delve deeper into the scripture passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification, this bible study is what you are looking for. The source is Ascension Press and the presenters are Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins. If interested, please contact Cheri at (337) 351-4436 or [dubrocc63@icloud.com](mailto:dubrocc63@icloud.com) by January 11th, 2026.

**Sponsorship of Altar Flowers and Bulletins are now available for 2026.** Please contact the office to schedule a date or for more information.

## Registration Now Open for the 2026–2027 School Year

St. Ignatius School is now accepting applications for the 2026–2027 school year. Families interested in joining our school community are invited to apply online by visiting [siscardinals.org](http://siscardinals.org) and clicking “Apply Now.” **New family applications will be accepted beginning February 3, 2026.**

St. Ignatius School serves students from **P3 through 8th grade**, offering **small class sizes, innovative technology, and a loving, safe environment** where every child is known and valued. Rooted in our Catholic faith, we foster **spiritual growth**, encourage **academic excellence**, and promote **teamwork, leadership, and the overall well-being of all students.**

**Personal tours are available upon request** for families who would like to learn more about our

**Religious Education Update:** In following Diocesan policy the decision has been made, **Effective 2026-2027 Sacraments will be offered ONLY to registered parishioners of St. Charles Church Parish.** This includes First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation.

### MINISTER SCHEDULE –January 10-11

**4 PM-Lector** **Linda LeBlanc**  
**EMHC** Lolita Henry  
**EMHC** Angela Boone  
**Altar Servers** Mazie Catrou & Evie Catrou

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

**11:00-Lector** **Bonnie Fontenot**  
**EMHC** Donald Fontenot  
**EMHC** Stephanie Richard  
**Altar Server** William Descant, Sebastian & Gabe Lemon

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

Jan 4 Joe Moseley  
 Gifts: Frank, Margie & Gabe Guilbeaux  
 Jan 11 Carlton Jordan & Paula Jordan  
 Gifts: Beatrice DeRousselle & LaSonya Boast  
 Jan 18 Yolanda Wheeler  
 Gifts:

### OFFERTORY- Collection for December 20-21

St. Charles Church \$ 7,753.00  
 Christ the King Mission \$ 1,153.00

### MASS INTENTIONS –Jan. 3-10

Sat 4:00 PM - Gloria Pellerin  
 Sunday  
 7:30 AM -  
 9:15 AM -  
 11:00 AM - Flora Juneau  
 Mon 8:00AM - Rebecca Marcantel  
 Tuesday  
 8:00 AM - Danny Hardy, Sr.  
 5:00 PM - Charles Moses Gay  
 Wed 8:00AM - Chris Melancon  
 Thursday  
 8:00AM - Keith Menard  
 5:00 PM - Charles Moses Gay  
 Fri 8:00AM -  
 Sat 8:00AM -



### CHURCH CLEANERS - January 10-11

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

# Festival de la Vie

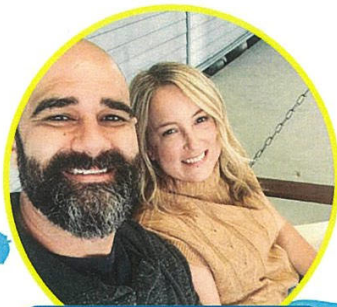
Respect, Protect and Serve All Life *together.*

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2026**

**PARC SAN SOUCI 10AM-1PM**

[diolaf.org/ProlifeFestival](http://diolaf.org/ProlifeFestival)

**JOIN US TO PRAY FOR A GREATER RESPECT FOR EVERY LIFE.**



Kristi Fredieu &  
Josh Fredieu



Sean Corcoran



Interfaith Prayer Walk,  
Praise Music, Fun & Food



# REGISTRATION - GRADES 6 & 7

## PRE-JOURNEY TO CONFIRMATION



The primary reasons for a two-year catechesis period before confirmation are to facilitate deeper formation in faith, to foster psychological and spiritual maturity, and to ensure readiness to live as a mature Christian. This extended period enables candidates to develop a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our ***Pre-Journey to Confirmation Program*** is a vital step in your child's faith journey, strengthening their relationship with Christ and the Church through the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The program incorporates the most trusted research on how young people learn, communicate, and grow in their faith. Its content is comprehensive and developmentally appropriate, and it allows for very flexible scheduling. Additionally, it conforms to the ***Catechism of the Catholic Church***.

**Online Registration:** Begins January 26, 2026, and Ends February 13, 2026

**Session Begins:** Thursday, February 19, 2026, and Ends March 26, 2026

# Parish Organizations/Ministries

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

### MEMBERS

Andy Chautin - President  
Nancy Bourque - Vice President  
Melissa Stoute - Secretary  
LaSonya Boast  
Jonathan Brown  
Marilyn Dejean  
Vanessa Domingue  
Paula Hardy  
Casey Henry  
Paula Jordan  
Tucker Lavergne

Christy Whaley  
Corliss White

**Trustees:**  
David Fruge  
Stephanie Richard

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Continued

**OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**  
**Cathy Taylor—[tandemtaylor@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:dubrocc63@icloud.com)**  
Meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 in Ministry Center.  
**Romans: The Gospel of Salvation**  
**Jan. 28-March 18**

If interested, please register by January 11th.

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### BIBLE STUDY - COME LORD JESUS

Meets weekly on **Wednesdays at 3:30 PM** in the Offertory Room. Anyone interested in joining, contact Deacon David Menard at 337-692-1035.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** - Amy Lowery  
Session held **9:00 -11:00 a.m.** in the Chapel  
January 17      February 21  
March 21      April 18

(Please consider a \$10 donation for supplies)

### 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)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Charles Richard - Director of Religious Ed**  
[religious-education@st-charles-borromeo.org](mailto: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)

Begins on February 18th thru March 25th

### 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>

## St. Ignatius School

*Wishing all of you  
A Very Happy New Year*

**Faculty, Staff and Students**



# 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, January 5th** at **5:30 PM** in the KPC Hall.

## KNIGHTS & LADIES KPC—Bellevue

Grand Knight: Randy Tate

Grand Lady: Paula Jordan

## VOCATION PRAYER CROSS

Liz Marie Bourque [Lmbourque@att.net](mailto:Lmbourque@att.net)

Margie Guilbeaux [Mmguilbeaux@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Mmguilbeaux@sbcglobal.net)

## WELCOME COMMITTEE

Kurt Richard—[bbacadiana@yahoo.com](mailto: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, February 10th 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](mailto:jhmpls@gmail.com)

Next meeting will be held **Monday, January 5th at 5:30 PM.** Meetings are usually 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 November. We are currently working on neighbor in need case studies.

Thank you for your support!

## PRO LIFE MINISTRY

Stephanie Barry—[stephbret7983@gmail.com](mailto:stephbret7983@gmail.com)

Our next event will be **Festival de la Vie**, which will be held **Saturday, January 17th** at Parc San Souci in Lafayette from 10AM-1PM.

## Respect Life topic for the month of JANUARY Protection of the Unborn:

Human life must be respected and protected absolutely **from the moment of conception.** From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person—among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life.

## 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

Tim & Janice Briggs	Wilda Marks
Val Eakin	V.Christine Richard
Gloria DeValcourt	Stephanie Richard
Katie Fontenet	Barren Singleton
Mary Francois	Brian Williams
Carole Jones	Annie Mae Taylor
Bernetta Meche	Joe Senegal



## FOR THE DECEASED

## Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January

**For prayer with the Word of God.** Let us pray that praying with the Word of God may be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

# OTHER INFORMATION

The **Thensted Center** is a Social Outreach Program that our Parish supports. **NEW PHONE #337-308-4025 or 337-351-0003**

**Office Hours: Mon - Wed and Fri 8 AM-3:30 PM**

## SENIORS HELPING SENIORS BINGO

A **Luncheon and Bingo** is scheduled for **Friday, January 16th** at the Community Center in Sunset from **10am-Noon.** 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!*

## Evangelization & Integration

Andy Chautin 337-308-7179

**Management & Facilities** - Tucker Lavergne  
tuckerlavergne@gmail.com  
Next meeting will be scheduled in February at 6:30 PM in the Ministry Center.

## Social Justice & Charitable Works

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

## Religious Education Commission

Marilyn Dejean—mkdeje@yahoo.com.  
Next meeting will be scheduled in **January, 2026** and will be held at Brent's Café.

## Worship Commission – Corliss White

corlissbw@yahoo.com  
Next meeting is scheduled **March 10th at 8:45 AM** in the Offertory Room.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR PEACE AROUND THE WORLD.**



**ALERT! Beware of TEXT & EMAIL SCAM using Fr. Aaron's name.** A scammer is sending texts using names from the Church Clergy. Please be advised that such texts are scams. Please do not respond!

**ROSARY-** We continue to pray the Rosary before the **Vigil Mass** starting at **3:25 PM** and **On Sunday Morning** at **7:00 AM** prior to the 7:30 Mass. All are welcome to join us.

**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.

## A Stewardship Moment

In today's second reading we hear the teachings of Saint Paul to the members of the Church in Ephesus. He proclaims that he, and they, are stewards of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and therefore stewards of God's loving, unifying and inclusive grace. He also proclaims that the Holy Spirit is at work within each of them, if only they would be open to the Spirit. Today, our world races by with intolerance, violence, desperate poverty, fear and division. At the beginning of this New Year, perhaps it is appropriate to reflect on Saint Paul's words and ask ourselves how we can be good stewards of the gospel today. How will we allow the Holy Spirit to work within us? How can we be better stewards of Christ's justice and peace?

**On every 3rd Tuesday of the month, Thensted Center** will be preparing and delivering a hot meal to the local homebound residents. If you know of someone from our local area in need, please contact Thensted Center at 337-308-4025 or 337-351-0003



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

Email: [pregnancysupport@st-charles-borromeo.org](mailto: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.

## Guidelines for Baptisms in 2026

**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, January 5, 2026  
Baptism Instructions: Saturday, January 10, 2026  
Baptism Date: Sunday, February 1, 2026

## 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](http://www.st-charles-borromeo.org).*