

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Christ the King Mission

July 5, 2026

Come to Me

all you who labor and are burdened
& I will give you rest

MATTHEW 11:28



July is Devoted to The Precious Blood 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

Director: Charles Richard

Confirmation & Pre-Journey to Confirmation Coordinator

Kalyn Guilbeau

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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

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

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Parish Announcements/Schedules

Bulletin Sponsor: In Loving Memory of Dale & Dusty Boss
By: Kandy Boss and Family



Help Needed on Saturday, July 11th, 9 AM – 12 Noon

We will be re-organizing and cleaning out St. Charles Chapel. Removing excess items and moving old chairs to the ministry center. Please bring your gloves. All help is gratefully appreciated. We will meet at St. Charles Chapel. For information, please contact Deacon David Menard.

All are invited to attend Tolten Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, July 11th beginning with Mass at 8:00 AM in Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Lake Charles. Our very own **Paula Jordan** has been nominated to receive an award during the program which begins at 9:30 AM. For more information, please contact Carlton Jordan.

As we near the Conclusion of our Capital Campaign, we want to thank all of you who have so generously supported the construction of our new Adoration Chapel and the renovation projects here at St. Charles and Christ the King Mission. For those who have not yet been able to fulfill their pledged amount, please consider doing so by **August 31st** if you are able to. **Bishop Deshotel** has committed to a **Dedication Date** for our new chapel on **August 16th**. Please mark your calendars with plans to attend.

Man to Man Catholic Conference is Saturday, August 22, 2026

The **Man to Man Catholic Conference** will be held at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Lafayette. Conference speakers will be Fr. Bill Casey, CPM (priest of the Fathers of Mercy), Fr. Andrew Schumacher (pastor of Holy Cross Church), Fr. Patrick Hough, SJ (Executive Director of Grand Coteau Retreats), and Mr. Chad Judice (Director of Office of Catechesis). Conference will start at 8 am and end at 2:30 pm. Mass will be said and lunch will be provided. Visit www.catholicmenlft.com to register.

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign represents a mission of love to share the gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds remain here in the Diocese of Lafayette and half is used throughout the United States. Envelopes are available at the entrance of church and may be dropped in to the regular offertory collection. Your help spreads the gospel message! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.

MINISTER SCHEDULE –July 11-12

4 PM-Lector **Natasha Williams**
EMHC Debbie Soileau
EMHC Tammy Stelly
Altar Servers Mazie & Evie Catrou, Gabe Lemon

7:30 Lector **Patrick Miller**
EMHC Brenda Kennerson
EMHC Amy Lowery
Altar Server Darrell Burleigh & Murphy Riggs

11:00-Lector **Andie Czajkowski**
EMHC Kurt Richard
EMHC Pauline Richard
Altar Server Lucy, Grace and Mikey Moore

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

July 5 Donald Dugas & Frances Richard
Gifts: Angelle Jordan & Family
July 12 Charles Richard
Gifts: Lionell & Cynthia Melancon
July 19 Joe Moseley
Gifts: Don & Patricia Lastrapes

OFFERTORY- Collection for June 28th

St. Charles Church \$ 6,532.00
Christ the King Mission \$ 1,369.00

MASS INTENTIONS – July 4-11

Sat 4:00 PM - Gloria Pellerin

Sunday

7:30 AM - *Tom Ramier
9:15 AM - Lionel & Beverly Cola
11:00 AM - Ordination of Bishop Robert Boxie, III

Mon 8:00AM - Vincent Perron Family

Tuesday

8:00 AM - Keith Menard
5:00 PM - Christopher Alan White

Wed 8:00AM - Lincoln & Gloria Pellerin

Thursday

8:00 AM - Clayton Menard
5:00 PM - Brian Broussard

Fri 8:00AM - *Families/Employees of Schilling Dist

Sat 8:00AM - Danny Hardy, Sr.



CHURCH CLEANERS - July 11-12

Theresa Cormier James & Doris Etienne
Ronnie Walker Lloyd & Sarah Plumber
Stephen & Prinella Fruge



WE ARE GROWING!

Welcoming Our New Parish Office Administrator and Director of Church Ministry & Mission

After a year of listening and discerning the needs of our parish family, we are excited to enter a new chapter of growth! To help facilitate our mission and continue the legacy of St. Charles Borromeo and Christ the King, we have created the position of Parish Office Administrator and Director of Church Ministry and Mission. This pivotal new role will oversee our parish business operations, personnel, and the many vital ministries that make our parish a home.

We are thrilled to announce that Deacon Wynard Boutte' has accepted this position. He is already a beloved part of our community and brings years of proven administrative experience from across the Diocese of Lafayette. Please join us in welcoming him and praying for his ministry!

Get to Know Deacon Boutte'

Deacon Boutte' is a resident of Carencro, native to St. Martinville, and a proud graduate of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. He was ordained a Deacon in May 2016 for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lafayette. For more than 25 years, Deacon has worked for the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Lafayette, beautifully balancing ministerial leadership with critical educational governance.

Proven Diocesan Leadership

Prior to taking on this new role at our parish, Deacon's extensive leadership portfolio included:

- **Chief of Staff for Early Childhood Operations:** For the past three years, he has functioned in this vital role for the State of Louisiana, Department of Education, even while continuing his work for the Diocese.
- **Diocesan Ministry Leadership:** For over two decades, his key leadership positions included serving in the *Office of Black Catholic Ministries*, the *Office of Justice and Peace*, and as the Coordinator for the *African American Catholic Youth Congress* (a peer-on-peer leadership program).
- **Episcopal Service:** For the past 10 years and continuing today, he has proudly served as an Assistant Master of Ceremonies for Bishop Deshotel.
- **Community & Vocations Advocacy:** He serves on the Board of *Catholic Charities of Acadiana* for the needy and underserved of the greater community. In addition, he was the Coordinator for the *Annual Life Awareness Vocations Discernment Retreat* for young men and women of the Dioceses of Baton Rouge, Lafayette, and Lake Charles.

A Wealth of Experience: Deacon has also held countless pastoral roles—including Director of Parish Life, Director of Religious Education, Parish Administrator, and Pastoral Assistant—all of which have uniquely prepared him for this new leadership chapter here at St. Charles Borromeo and Christ the King. We are truly blessed by his presence and commitment!



What's New & Growing in Our Parish: An Update on Our Mission and Stewardship

Dear Parishioners of St. Charles Borromeo and Christ the King,

It is an exciting time to be part of our parish community! As we look back on the past year and look forward to the future, we have so much to be grateful for. Our community is growing, our ministries are expanding, and we are entering a vibrant new chapter together.

With growth and a changing landscape comes the responsibility of careful stewardship. To keep you fully informed, our Finance Council recently conducted a comprehensive review of our parish operations. We want to be completely transparent with you about what it takes to maintain and grow our beloved parish home.

Currently, our weekly expenses amount to \$9,500. This was shared with you in a recent bulletin.

It is important to understand what this figure represents. Over the years, many vital updates have been made to our buildings and infrastructure. While these improvements were necessary, they required a heavy draw on our financial reserves, meaning very little was able to be placed back into our savings. Today, our parish is responsible for:

- Four distinct properties that require ongoing maintenance, utilities, and insurance.
- Our beautiful new Chapel addition, which expands our space for prayer but also adds to our operational upkeep.
- Future opportunities for growth, including the potential reacquisition of our historic school property, Grand Coteau Elementary.

These expenses are not simply a result of a transition in leadership; rather, they are the reality of maintaining a historic, multi-property parish while actively building a legacy for the next generation.

We are sharing this with you because we view our financial health as a shared mission. We continue to thank you for your incredible dedication, love, and financial support of St. Charles Borromeo Church and Christ the King Mission. Your weekly stewardship is what keeps our doors open, our properties safe, and our faith community thriving.

Please continue to pray for our parish leadership and Finance Council as we work to be prudent stewards of your generosity.

Blessings,

Rev. Aaron Melancon
Pastor

Parish Organizations/Ministries

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS

Nancy Bourque - President
Tucker Lavergne - Vice President
Melissa Stoute - Secretary
LaSonya Boast
Jonathan Brown
Marilyn Dejean
Vanessa Domingue
Paula Hardy
Casey Henry
Paula Jordan
Christy Whaley
Corliss White

Trustees:
David Fruge
Stephanie Richard

Next meeting is July 14th at 6:00 PM in the Ministry Center. Parishioners are invited!

St. Ignatius School News

St. Ignatius School is accepting applications for the **2026-27 school year**. Openings are available for students in **P3 through 8th grade**.

We invite families seeking a faith-filled education with strong academics, dedicated teachers and a caring school community to learn more about St. Ignatius School.

For additional information or to schedule a tour, please contact the school office at **337-662-3325** or email **office@siscardinals.org**. We look forward to welcoming new Cardinals to our St. Ignatius family!



Please pray that our nation will honor God and work for peace & justice in our nation and around the

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.

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

Begins in August with “**Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom**,” featuring 20 sessions, each with a 50-minute video. The first 10 Sessions begin Aug. 5th thru Oct. 7th, followed by the next 10 sessions, Jan. 5th thru March 10th. Begins at 10:30 for approximately 1 1/2 -2 hours. Sign up ends on July 5th.

BIBLE STUDY - COME LORD JESUS

This weekly Bible Study and support group focuses on the upcoming Sunday readings in a small group setting. The group meets in the Offertory Room at St. Charles Borromeo every Wednesday at 3:30 pm. For those interested in a better understanding of scripture and deepening their faith through connection with the holy Eucharist, contact Deacon David Menard at 337-692-1035. Meets weekly on **Wednesdays at 3:30 PM** in the Offertory Room. Anyone interested in joining, contact Deacon David Menard at 337-692-1035.

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, July 13th** 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

Margie Guilbeaux Mmguilbeaux@sbcglobal.net

WELCOME COMMITTEE

Kurt Richard—bbacadiana@yahoo.com

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 28th** at **11 AM** in the Ministry Building.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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 6th** 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.

If you are interested in learning more about our organization, please give us a call or attend one of our next meetings. All are Welcome!

Thank you for your support!

PRO LIFE MINISTRY

Stephanie Barry—stephbret7983@gmail.com

The next meeting will be scheduled on **Tuesday, Aug. 4th** at **5:30 PM** in the Ministry Building

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.

Visit www.catholicendoflife.org for more information.

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

Gloria DeValcourt

Patricia Burleigh

Carole Jones

Viola Meullion

Dorothy Menard

Terry Nugent

Ada Barry

Catherine Cosgrove

Brady Richard

Ronald Smith

Ann Taylor

Brian Williams



FOR THE DECEASED

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for July

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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, July 17th** 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

Next meeting date to be announced.

Management & Facilities - Tucker Lavergne
tuckerlavergne@gmail.com
Next meeting is scheduled for **August 18th at 6:30 PM in the Rectory Dining Room.**

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 August.

Worship Commission – Corliss White
corlissbw@yahoo.com

Next meeting is scheduled **July 14th at 8:45 AM in the Rectory Dining 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, Saint Paul gives us reason to hope for a wondrous future beyond our imagination. He preaches this hope amidst the suffering of the early Christian communities. "Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us" (Romans 8:18). Good stewards realize that by remaining faithful to the Gospel with persistence, fervor and endurance, our hope in the promises of Christ Jesus will be rewarded. Reflect this week on concrete ways you can remain faithful to the Gospel during these challenging times.



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.

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, July 6, 2026
Baptism Instructions: Saturday, July 11, 2026
Baptism Date: Sunday, Aug. 2, 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.