SECTION I
A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

HURRICANE IAN RELIEF

We have seen the incredible devastation of Hurricane Ian in Puerto Rico and Florida, and our prayers and hearts go out to the people affected. If you wish to send a gift, you may give through your parish or send to me and we will forward it to the diocesan bishops in the devastated areas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please see the attached policies pertaining to political activity issued by the LCCB and Archdiocese of New Orleans. These may be helpful as you navigate your way toward the impending November 8th election. Click on the attached LCCB Policy Regarding Political Materials and Activities on Church Property, and on the attached Archdiocese of New Orleans Policy on Parishes and Political Activity.

- The Catholic Community Foundation Annual Dinner honoring St. John Paul II Award recipient, Klara Buconic Cvitanovich, will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. See p. 3 for more information.

- The Hispanic Apostolate will celebrate 50 years of Ministry on Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 6:00 PM in Schulte Auditorium at Notre Dame Seminary.

- The Ministerial Council will meet at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 in the Pastoral Center at Notre Dame Seminary.

- The Presbyteral Council will meet on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at Notre Dame Seminary at 10:00 AM.

- There will be a morning of reflection for parents of New Orleans seminarians followed by a luncheon on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Notre Dame Seminary. Please keep these parents in your prayers as they support their sons’ formation and discernment.

- Holy Spirit Parish will celebrate their Golden Anniversary with Mass on Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 4:00 PM.

- World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, October 23, 2022, in the Archdiocese of New Orleans and throughout the world. Please see the attached letter in English and Spanish to share with your parishioners the weekend of October 15-16, 2022.

- St. Joseph Seminary College will host its annual fundraising gala, Deo Gratias on Saturday, October 29, 2022, beginning with Vespers at 6:00 PM, at St. Joseph Abbey, 75376 River Road, Covington, LA and will feature dining, entertainment, and an auction. You may purchase tickets by logging on to https://www.saintjosephabbey.com/deo.

- Please include in the Prayers of the Faithful for the duration of the hurricane season: “That through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor we will be spared damage to life and property during the hurricane season.”
**Mission Statement for the Departments and Offices of the Archdiocese of New Orleans**

Impelled by God’s call and inspired by the vision of the Ninth General Synod, the ministries of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, in union with the Archbishop and with one another, serve the people, parishes, schools and organizations of the archdiocese, enabling them to encounter Jesus and witness his love with joy.

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**DEATHS**

Please remember in your prayers Sister Robert Joseph Mier, O. Carm., who completed her earthly life on September 19, 2022 at Eastridge Nursing Home in Abbeville, LA. Prepared with a master’s degree in special education, Sister was one of the three founding members of St. Michael’s Special School where she taught for 40 years. She was a special teacher for special students. After Katrina, Sister moved to Lafayette, then to Abbeville.

Sister Frances Barfield, O.P., an Adrian Dominican Sister, died in Adrian, Michigan on September 19, 2022. She ministered in the Archdiocese of New Orleans at St. Francis Xavier, Christ the King, St. Cletus Church, and Chateau de Notre Dame and in many other parishes, and schools in Illinois, South Carolina and Florida. A Vigil Prayer was held September 26th with a Mass of Christian Burial September 27th in Michigan. Please keep Sister Frances, her family and the Adrian Dominican Sisters in your prayers.

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**Mark Your Calendars**

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**SECTION II**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

Pastors and parish secretaries are asked to please ensure response and follow-up on the items below.

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**WEBINAR ON THE ORDER OF PENCE**

The revised translation for the *Order of Penance* may be used in the liturgy as of Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023. Its use is obligatory in the dioceses of the United States on April 16, 2023 – The Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday.

The Bishop’s Committee on Divine Worship Secretariat and the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions are co-sponsoring a webinar on the revised Order of Penance on Tuesday, October 25 at noon. If you cannot watch at that time all registered persons will receive a link to the recording.

Presenters will be Father Andrew Menke, Executive Director of the BCDW Secretariat and Father Rob Spaulding of the Diocese of Cheyenne. Registration is available at this link: [https://fdlc.org/2022/07/may-god-grant-you-pardon-and-peace-webinar-on-the-revised-order-of-penance/](https://fdlc.org/2022/07/may-god-grant-you-pardon-and-peace-webinar-on-the-revised-order-of-penance/)
2022 Catholic Community Foundation Annual Dinner:
Celebrating Catholic Generosity

The Catholic Community Foundation Annual Dinner is Thursday, October 6, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m., with dinner following at 7 p.m. At the annual dinner, Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond and the foundation will present the 2022 Saint John Paul II Award to Klara Buconic Cvitanovich. The award recognizes the stewardship exhibited by a Catholic layperson(s) of high moral character and exemplary values who has offered unselfish volunteer service to the institutions and programs of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Reservations are required. Click here to register. For more information call 504.596.3044 or email prichard@ccfnola.org. Please note this is a ticketless event. No tickets will be mailed or sold at the door.

Catholic Community Foundation Hosts Virtual ParishSOFT Training on Data Formatting Best Practices

When looking at family records in ParishSOFT, is your data uniform? Are addresses in all CAPS? Do abbreviations have periods? If you’d like to learn the recommended way to enter information into ParishSOFT Family Suite, please join CCF’s ParishSOFT and Data Coordinator Ryan Adams for this Data Formatting Best Practices webinar on Wednesday, October 12, at 10 a.m. Archdiocese of New Orleans parish staff members can click here to register. You may also reach Ryan with training inquiries at radams@ccfnola.org or 504.527.5796.

Catholic Community Foundation Hosts Virtual ParishSOFT New Staff Training

Mark your calendars! On Wednesday, November 9, at 9 a.m., Ryan Adams (CCF ParishSOFT & Data Coordinator) is offering a complete “how-to” training on using ParishSOFT Family Suite. While this virtual class is designed for new Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New Orleans parish staff members, those needing a refresher are invited to attend. Click here to register. You may also reach Ryan with training inquiries at radams@ccfnola.org or 504.527.5796.

Re-Building the Rite of Christian Initiation in Your Parish: Addressing the FAQs of RCIA
Saturday, October 22 (10am-2pm) at Schulte Hall, Notre Dame Seminary

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the central mission of the parish in response to the Great Commission: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations.” Too often, however, RCIA is reduced simply to a class that begins in September, leaving the Church’s vision for RCIA misunderstood and not implemented in its fullness. If you are new to the ministry of Christian Initiation, a deacon, a priest, or a veteran RCIA coordinator, this workshop is for you. Join us for a practical, interactive workshop to gain and share important ideas, resources, and best practices for Christian Initiation. For more information and to register, click here. For questions or additional information, please contact Deacon Michael Whitehouse (mwhitehouse@arch-no.org).
SECTION III
PARISH PUBLICITY
Announcements below are made available for publicizing to parishioners via placement in parish bulletins, on parish websites and social media, or other appropriate means

In-Home Marriage Preparation Workshop
Couples interested in being mentors through the In-Home Marriage Preparation method are invited to a training presented by Lloyd and Jan Tate, the authors of The In-Home Marriage Preparation program. The next available training is scheduled for **Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at St. Peter Catholic Church, 125 E. 19th Avenue, Covington.** The class will be held in St. Mary’s Hall. The cost for training is $125 per couple and materials are included. Couples who attend will be provided lunch. Couples can register at [https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/in-home-marriage-preparation-training](https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/in-home-marriage-preparation-training). For questions or information, please contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life at (504) 861-6243 or mfl@arch-no.org.

SECTION IV
NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE
Following is news and information of general interest to the local Church

SUPPORT GROUP FOR MOTHERS OF INCARCERATED CHILDREN
Catholic Counseling Service of the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host a support group for Mothers of Incarcerated Children on Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The group will begin on October 7th and continue weekly until November 18th, 2022. Participation in the group can help to normalize the intense impacts of grief and provide a safe space to share thoughts, emotions, and struggles while discovering inner and outer resources for coping. The cost is $35 per session. In addition, scholarships are available to support families with financial needs. For additional information or to register, please contact our office at 504-861-6245 or email CCS@arch-no.org. See attached flyer.

**Lord Teach Me To Pray Weekend of Prayer**

**October 12 - Day of Prayer with Sr. Judy Gomila**
Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie will hold a Day of Prayer on October 12, 2022. "Rejoice and be Glad" (Matt. 5:12). Join us in a Day of Prayer, allowing the Holy Spirit to forge in you the grace that can reflect Jesus Christ. Stop the "rat race" and recover the personal space to dialogue with our Triune God. This Day of Prayer will begin at 8:30 AM with coffee and muffins. Box lunch will be served. Register here: [https://neworleansretreats.com/october-12-2022-day-of-prayer-with-sr-judy-gomila](https://neworleansretreats.com/october-12-2022-day-of-prayer-with-sr-judy-gomila)
November 4-6, 2022 – Silent Women’s Retreat "Mary, Our Good Mother"

Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, will hold a Silent Women’s Retreat, “Mary, Our Good Mother,” led by Brother Stephen Synan, FMS. During this retreat we will be discussing the title of "Mary, Our Good Mother." Since the time of our founder, St. Marcellin Champagnat, the Marist Brothers have always referred to Mary as, "Our Good Mother." Within this weekend retreat we will consider this tradition and the implications it may have for us. We go to Mary as our Ordinary Resource, requesting her assistance in all our endeavors. Register here: https://neworleansretreats.com/november-4-6-2022-1

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE CATACOMBS

St. Ann CYO presents "A Journey through the Catacombs" Join us for walkthrough tours of a true-to-life replica of the Roman catacombs following all masses on October 22nd, 23rd, 29th, and 30th. Tours are free and open to families of all ages! See attached flyer for more information.

Holy Spirit Women's Retreat

Anne Trufant, Fr. Bill Henry, and Fr. Paul Yi will be featured at the annual Holy Spirit Women’s Retreat from January 27-29, 2023, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Lafayette. The theme for 2023 is “Fear Not...For You Are Mine!” The weekend will include praise and worship, dynamic preaching, adoration, daily Mass, prayer ministry and more. Anne is a dynamic missionary and teacher who has travelled the world spreading the truth of the Kingdom of God. She and her husband Dave are the founders of The Mission on the Mountain ministries, and are especially known in our area for their decades of youth and young adult ministry at Camps Kahdaleza and Chosatonga. The retreat is sponsored by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of New Orleans (CCRNO) and annually serves hundreds of women from throughout the Gulf South. Early bird rates end November 30, 2022. Register online at www.ccrno.org. Click here to download the flyer.

2022 Black Saints Celebration: Answering the Call of Servant Leadership

November is National Black Catholic History Month. The Office of Black Catholic Ministries is coordinating the Black Saints Celebration to recognize this month. All are welcome to participate in the 2022 Black Saints Celebration on November 5, 2022, beginning at 9:30am when participants will assemble for a parade at Bunny Friend Playground, 1903 Desire Street, followed by a 12:30pm Prayer Service at St. Mary of the Angels Church, 3501 N. Miro Street. If we cannot have the parade due to inclement weather, we will begin with the prayer service at St. Mary of the Angels Church at 12:30pm with our guest preacher, Fr. Anthony Bozeman, SSJ. If you would like more information on participating in the parade, please contact Mr. Anthony Carter at bcprez@cox.net. Once again, we ask that you come "Answer the Call" with us. See attached flyer.

Fellowship Meal and Activities for Those with Disabilities and Caregivers

The Archdiocesan Commission for Persons with Disabilities sponsors a Fellowship Meal with games, activities and socializing on the third Saturday of every month at the Piccadilly at 2222 Clearview Parkway, Metairie, LA, at 12:00 noon. This month the meal will be held October 15. See flyer for more information. All are welcome.

Piano and Organ Available

The Office of Worship is aware of several individuals looking to donate a used piano and an a used Allen Organ (model 120C) to a parish. Please contact Betty-Ann Hickey at the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 for more information.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Job opportunities are currently listed on our HR page: https://nolacatholic.org/employment

Please refer to our Job-Link often and share with qualified referrals!

For any submissions or inquiries on the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin, please contact communications@arch-no.org.