SECTION I
A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Bishop Cheri is still recuperating in the hospital. Continue to pray for him and those who are providing his medical care. In his absence, Fr. Ajani Gibson will serve as Administrator of St. Peter Claver Parish, effective immediately.

• There will be two celebrations honoring Bishop-elect John Tran:
  * All are invited to a Mass and Reception in honor of Bishop-elect John Tran at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 1, 2022 at St. Rita Church, New Orleans, followed by a reception in Schulte Hall at Notre Dame Seminary. See attached invitation.
  * Priests are invited to the Epiphany Gathering honoring Bishop-elect John Tran on Thursday, January 5, 2023. See p. 2 for more information.

• The Council of Deans will meet at 10:00 AM on Thursday, November 3, 2022 in the Conference Room at the Chancery.

• The St. Louis IX Art Society Gala will take place at 6:00 PM on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at Schulte Auditorium at Notre Dame Seminary. See p. 3 for more information.

• We will celebrate Mass for the 75th anniversary of St. Christopher the Martyr Church in Metairie at 4:00 PM on November 5, 2022.

• Daylight savings time ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 6, 2022.

• 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.

• Veterans Day, November 11, falls on a Friday this year. In the spirit of honoring those who have sacrificed and served this country, we encourage pastors to provide a suitable acknowledgement of the military veterans in our parish communities the previous weekend.

  * Please Include in the Prayers of the Faithful:

    For all Veterans, in thanksgiving for their service to our country and that God will bless them with His gift of peace.
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.

- Archbishop Hughes and I will be in Washington, DC, November 12-17, 2022 for the USCCB general meeting.
- All Administrative Offices of the archdiocese will close for the Thanksgiving holiday at noon on Wednesday, November 23, 2022, and will re-open at the beginning of the business day on Monday, November 28, 2022. Please be assured that my prayer on Thanksgiving Day will include all of you as we continue to encounter Jesus and grow as his disciples.
- We will honor Bishop-elect John Tran at the Epiphany Gathering for Priests on Thursday, January 5, 2023. The evening will begin with vespers at 5:30 PM at Notre Dame Seminary Chapel, followed by a reception in Schulte Hall. You must RSVP to Alison Guerra at 504-861-6269, or aguerra@arch-no.org, by December 15, 2022. Please see the attached invitation.

DEATHS

Sr. Teresa Margaret Toups, O.Carm., died on October 25, 2022. Sister taught at St. Dominic, St. Louis King of France, Our Lady of Prompt Succor and in other parts of Louisiana. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held November 3, 2022 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette. Visitation will be from 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. with Mass at 10 a.m. Please keep Sister Teresa, the Toups family and the Sisters of Mount Carmel in your prayers.

Rev. Paul S. Hart died on October 30, 2022 at the age of 70. Visitation will take place on Friday, November 4, 2022 from 11:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at Bagnell & Son Funeral Home, Covington, followed by a Funeral Mass at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Abbey Church. Fr. Hart will be buried at the St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery. Please keep Fr. Hart, his family, and all who mourn his death in your prayers.

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.

Parish Mass Attendance Count for Annual Pastoral Report
In preparation for completing the Annual Pastoral Report in January, all parishes are asked to conduct the annual Mass attendance count on two weekends in October or November. You should choose weekends that are likely to have attendance that closely reflects your typical numbers of attendees at Mass. The data collected should be saved for inclusion in the Annual Pastoral Report when that document is made available. Please see the attached worksheet here.

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.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
The Second Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development will be held November 19-20, 2022. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development operates with the belief that those most impacted by unjust structures have the best insight in how to overcome them by breaking the cycle of poverty. Currently, the Archdiocese of New Orleans has two groups receiving funding, one which focuses on housing, and the other focuses on energy resiliency. The motto for Catholic Campaign for Human Development is “a hand up, not a hand out.”

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.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce that the annual Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, March 26, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Church, New Orleans. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The celebration is open to couples married between 1993 - 1998. To register, please contact your parish office before Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Please Note: The Silver Wedding Anniversary celebration is a prayer service, not a Mass and will not fulfill the couple’s Sunday obligation. Couples should plan to attend Mass at their home parishes. Instructions for Parishes: Please share the above announcement in your bulletin, social media, or other suitable places. Parishes are asked to register couples for the ANO Silver Anniversary Celebration using an online form, which may be found at www.nolacatholic.org/wedding-anniversary no later than Tuesday, January 24, 2023 to facilitate the sending of confirmation letters, preparing of scrolls, and seating of the couples. Your cooperation in maintaining this deadline is appreciated, as no registrations will be accepted for the Celebration after January 24th. Contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life at mfl@arch-no.org with any questions.
St. Louis IX Art Society Inaugural Soirée Fundraiser

The St. Louis IX Art Society will be hosting its first annual soirée fundraiser entitled “A Soirée of Art & Beauty” on the evening of Thursday, November 3rd, 2022, at Schulte Auditorium at Notre Dame Seminary. This is our annual event in support of our ongoing mission to create a culture of Catholic art and beauty in South Louisiana. Archbishop Aymond will serve as the guest of honor, and the evening will include live music by a set of classical musicians, a live sacred art painting by Jacob Zumo, a live sacred music performance by the Jesuit High School Schola, a silent auction of a wide array of original Catholic and sacred art, and dinner and drinks. To purchase tickets for this one-of-a-kind event or register for a sponsorship, visit sl9art.com

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

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 Kahdalea 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 November 19. See flyer for more information. All are welcome.
Workshop with the Archdiocesan Commission for Persons with Disabilities

All are invited to a workshop on Parish Belonging sponsored by the Archdiocesan Commission for Persons with Disabilities. The emphasis of the workshop will be about creating a welcoming atmosphere in your parish so all feel they belong and can fully participate in the life of the Church. Featured speakers include Deacon David Farinelli from Ascension of our Lord in LaPlace, and James Behan from the Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office. The workshop will be held Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 8:30-11:30 am in the Melancon Center at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 105 Bonnabel Blvd., Metairie, LA. See flyer for more information.

Archdiocesan Spirituality Center Advent Retreat in Daily Life (Virtual)

Would you like to begin your Advent journey with an at home retreat? Perhaps you would like to deepen your relationship with God and experience praying with scripture during this sacred time. This retreat is for experienced prayers and those just beginning in prayer. If God is nudging you about beginning spiritual direction, the Advent Retreat is a wonderful opportunity to experience what spiritual direction is. Attend a virtual opening group session; spend time in personal prayer with Scripture for approximately 30 minutes each day; meet with a trained spiritual director weekly during the retreat (private session). Virtual opening Sunday, November 27, 2:00pm – virtual closing Sunday, December 18, 2:00pm. Cost: $40.00 (Adjustments can be made.) To register on the web: https://nolacatholic.org/registration email: archspirctr@arch-no.org or telephone (504) 861-3254. See attached flyer for more information.

Finding Advent Peace Sheltered in the Arms of Joseph and Mary

An Advent Morning of Prayer, Silence and Quiet Reflection
Wednesday, November 30, 2022 9:00am – Noon followed by Mass
Archdiocesan Spirituality Center 5500 St. Mary St. Metairie
Presenter: Archdiocesan Spirituality Center Associate Director, Jan Tate.
Come and rest awhile in the silence to find new strength for the Advent journey. The morning of reflection will begin with shared prayer and song followed by a generous hour of silence and solitude with meditations to guide your prayer as you are led into the arms of Joseph and Mary for consolation and peace. Leave equipped by the Holy Spirit to face the worldly “rush” of the Christmas Season. Eucharist celebrated at noon. Cost $35.00 (Adjustments can be made.) Register on the web: https://nolacatholic.org/asc Email: archspirctr@arch-no.org or call (504) 861-3254 See attached flyer for more information.

St. John the Baptist Church, New Orleans 150th Anniversary

St. John the Baptist Church, 1139 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana will celebrate the 150th Anniversary of this historic church with the Golden Steeple. Mass will be on Saturday, December 3rd, 2022 at 4pm with a reception to follow.

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.