

NOLACatholic e-Bulletin



July 23, 2025

SECTION I A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We continue to offer prayers and collect funds for those affected in the devastated areas of Kerville and Central Texas. Please send any donations made payable to the Archdiocese of New Orleans and send directly to Archdiocese of New Orleans Texas Flood Relief, 7887 Walmsley Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70125. Thanks for helping us care for those who have lost so much in the recent floods.

For the month of July, I will be on retreat, continuing education and vacation. You will remain in my prayers during this time of meetings and solitude.

The blessing of the fleet of Hopedale, Shell Beach, and Yscloskey will take place at 1:00 PM on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at Robin's Seafood in St. Bernard.

There will be a Day of Formation for Catholic Schools' faculties and staff from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Friday, August 1, 2025, at Xavier University Convocation Center.

The blessing of the fleet for Delacroix Island will take place at 1:00 PM on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at Delacroix Island Fishing Pier, 5565 Delacroix Hwy., St. Bernard.

The Seminarian Summer Gathering will take place on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, through Friday, August 8, 2025, at The Cenacle on the Lake in Metairie. Please pray for our seminarians and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life and consecrated virginity.

The Presbyteral Council will meet at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 in the Pastoral Center at Notre Dame Seminary.

Friday, August 15, 2025, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All Archdiocesan Administrative offices will be closed for the Holy Day.

Jazzed for Life, the annual gathering for parish Respect Life Coordinators, will be held at 8:30 AM on Saturday, August 16, 2025, in Schulte Hall at Notre Dame Seminary.

We will celebrate Mass for the 175th anniversary of Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Mandeville at 4:00 PM on Saturday, August 16, 2025.

The Cenacle on the Lake Gala will take place at Noon on Friday, August 22, 2025 at Chateau Golf & Country Club. [Please click here for more information.](#)

*This bulletin is also
available on the
Archdiocesan website,
www.nolacatholic.org*

**Liturgical
Considerations
for All Saints
Day and All
Souls, 2025**

**Job
Opportunities**

*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.*

There will be a 20th Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina Interfaith Prayer Service at 6:00 PM on August 28, 2025, at St. Louis Cathedral.

The Archdiocese of New Orleans Priest Convocation will be held on September 10-12, 2025. Registration packets were mailed to all priests.

During this hurricane season, please include in the Prayers of the Faithful: "That through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, we will be spared damage to life and property during the hurricane season."

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 28, 2025	Katrina 20 th Anniversary Interfaith Prayer Service at 6:00 PM at St. Louis Cathedral
September 10-12, 2025	Priest Convocation
December 13, 2025	Transitional Diaconate Ordination
May 9, 2026	Transitional Diaconate Ordination
May 30, 2026	Priesthood Ordination

SECTION II ACTION REQUESTED

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

WORKSHOPS FOR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are being presented this Summer by the Office of Worship. Attendance at a workshop for EMHCs is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. The complete schedule and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website at <https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation>. Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.

LITURGICAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY, 2025

Please see [attached Liturgical Considerations for All Saints Day and All Souls Day, 2025](#), which includes information regarding Masses, Liturgy of the Hours, weddings, obligations to attend Mass and Funerals.

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

2025 BISHOP FERNAND J. CHERI, III GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

The **Office of Black Catholic Ministries** is now accepting **vendor applications** for the **Bishop Fernand J. Cheri, III Gospel Music Festival** on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at 6:00 PM at St. Martin de Porres Center, 2241 Mendez Street, New Orleans, LA. **Vendor slots are FREE — but LIMITED – NO Food Vendors!** We are looking for vendors, crafters and/or small businesses to be part of this exciting and spirit-filled evening. Don't miss the opportunity to showcase your products and services to our vibrant community! **To reserve your spot or get more information, contact:** Office of Black Catholic Ministries at (504) 861-6207 or bcatholics@arch-no.org **Reserve your spot today before they're all gone!** [See attached flyer.](#)

SAVE THE DATE: 2025 BLACK SAINTS CELEBRATION – NOVEMBER 8, 2025

Please see the [attached flyer](#) for more information.

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES!

You are invited to the ultimate summer date night, the Faith & Marriage Apostolate's 16th Annual Diocesan-Wide Supper and Substance on Fri., July 25th, from 5:30pm - 8:30pm at Mid City Lanes Rock 'N' Bowl on S. Carrollton Ave in New Orleans! This ultimate summer date night includes an inspiring presentation from Troy & Kristy Bourgeois, live music from the band, "After Party", drinks at the bar, an array of classic Southern Louisiana cuisine to enjoy, and of course bowling throughout the night! To purchase your tickets go to FaithandMarriage.org. [See attached flyer.](#)

SECTION IV

NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Following is news and information of general interest to the local Church

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OPENING NIGHT EVENT

The Catholic Medical Association of New Orleans will hold an opening night event with guest speaker, Fr. Jeffrey Montz on Redemptive Suffering at 6:30 PM on Thursday, July 31, 2025, 7001 Canal Blvd., NOLA. [See attached flyer for more information and to RSVP.](#)

FIVE-DAY SILENT, DIRECTED RETREAT

Come to a Directed Retreat. A directed retreat is a completely silent retreat. Each retreatant meets daily with a spiritual director, is given scripture to pray with and spends the rest of the day in silence, prayer and rest. Through scripture and reflection under the daily guidance of the Spiritual Director, the retreatant will become more aware of God's presence and action in their life. Held at the Cenacle on the Lake, 5500 St. Mary Street Metairie, LA 70006, Begins: Thursday, July 24, 4:00pm, and Ends: Wednesday, July 30, after breakfast. Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Spirituality Center. Register on the web: <https://nolacatholic.org/registration>, or Telephone (504) 861-3254. Cost \$500. Deposit \$100. [See attached flyer](#).

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!

Submissions are due by 2 pm on Monday for the week the eBulletin will be published. Please send submissions or inquiries regarding the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin to communications@arch-no.org.