

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Parish founded in 1819

Church built in 1879

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018



Pastor:

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: St. Charles Church: Reconciliation 3:15 PM; Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday: St. Charles Church 7:30 & 10:30 AM
Christ the King Mission in Bellevue: 9:00 AM

Weekdays: St. Charles Church: Mon & Fri 6:15 AM;
Wed 8:00 AM; Tues & Thurs 5:00 PM

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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 first Sunday of the month. Baptisms are celebrated on the following Saturday.

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM and any time during office hours. Please call the office for an appointment.



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God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure. Our offertory contributions from last weekend were \$7,995.00.

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Donald & Doris Sibille & Deborah
By: Don and Donna Healy & Family



The Light is On For You

Please Come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Advent—The Church encourages all Catholics to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Advent. In addition to our normal confession time, St. Charles Parish and all the Catholic parishes of the diocese will be open on **Wednesday, December 19th from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Please take advantage of this opportunity to make a good Advent confession. Please also reach out to Catholics you know who have been away from the regular practice of our faith and invite them to seize this chance to begin again.

ADVENT GIVING TREE

St. Charles Church will sponsor an **Advent Giving Tree**, which is placed at the entrance of the Church. Please pick a tag of your choice, purchase the gift and return your wrapped gift with the tag attached to the church. These gifts will be distributed in the Sunset/Grand Coteau area and to a Nursing Home.

Thensted Community Outreach Center will sponsor a **Community Resource and Information Workshop; Nurse Partnership, Healthy Start and Earlysteps on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 from 5:30-7:30PM.** We invite you to attend this informational workshop on FREE services for pregnant women and women with children under 3 years old; FREE Food, FREE Childcare, Door Prizes and Fun Educational Games.

Thensted Center will be taking applications for our **“Christmas Give Away for Families in Need, including Working Families.** Residents of Grand Coteau, Sunset, Bellevue & Arnaudville. Limited amount of gifts for children under the age of 10. You will need to bring:
Proof of income and expenses
ID or social security for every child in household
ID and income, for those adults living in household
Applications must be made in person at Thensted
December 10th & 11th from 9-11 a.m.
December 13th from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

MASS IN THE CHAPEL OF THE MIRACLE

Our parish Mass on **Thursday, December 13th at 5:00 PM** will be celebrated in the chapel of the miracle at the Academy of the Sacred Heart. You are invited to this holy shrine. Park behind the Academy Chapel and go up the stairs to the second floor. (Elevator is available)

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. *Please be generous.*

Ministers sign-up sheet for all **Christmas and New Years Day** Masses is located in the minister's closet for EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS and USHERS. Please take time to sign up for the Mass you will be attending and can serve.

Church Flower Envelopes are available in the pews for anyone who wishes to donate toward the Christmas decoration,

CENTENNIAL MASS & CELEBRATION Wednesday, December 12, 2018

The closing Mass for the Centennial Year of our Diocese will be Wednesday, **December 12th** at the Cajundome Convention Center at **6:00 PM.** Our Diocese and the wonderful people of our Diocese, and how God has poured forth His Love and guidance upon us in these last 100 Years, will be the focus—A Century of Love. Along with the Mass, there will be a Historical Display before and after the Mass as well as a presentation of the many people and cultures of our Diocese. The doors will open at 4:30 because there will be much to be a part of and see. All Catholics throughout our whole Diocese are invited and encouraged to attend. Please mark your calendars.

DECEMBER

Minister Schedule - December 15-16

Vigil-Lector Linda LeBlanc
Communion **Jim Burleigh**, Melissa Stout
 Ada Barry, Jackie Vautrot,
 Shirley Young
Altar Servers Jake Domingue, Vincent Compos
 Alexa Marcantel

7:30-Lector Darrell Burleigh
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau,
Amy Lowery, Patrick Miller,
 Joseph Landry, Genny Melancon
Altar Servers Murphy Rigg, Jasper James
 Daquaylon Moten

10:30-Lector Lydia Boxie
Communion Deacon Herd Guilbeau, **Amy Taylor**,
 Rodi Aucoin, Robert & Janice Fox
Altar Servers Isaac Rowell, Jaren Santiago
 Julia Lagrange

God's Housekeepers - December 15-16

Christine Richard Becky Richard
 Donald & Jakartha Phillips
 Carolyn Jean Patricia Lemelle
 Theresa Barker



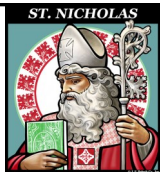
Building Fund Envelopes are available on the table at the entrance of Church.



*Please continue to pray for peace around the world.
 Pray for **all** world leaders and especially for our men and women in military service.*

Coming Events

T	11	6 PM Chimes Choir Practice
W	12	8 AM SIS School Mass 9 AM Patriotic Rosary
M	17	7 PM KPC Meeting
T	18	6 PM Chimes Choir Practice
W	19	8 AM SIS School Mass 9 AM Pro Life Rosary 6:30-8:00 PM The Light is on for You Sacrament of Reconciliation



AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

The Blessed Virgin Mary: Our Model of Stewardship

During the Advent and Christmas seasons we have a number of opportunities to reflect on and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is a model of stewardship par excellence.

On December 8, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the conception of Mary in her mother's womb without the stain of original sin.

On December 12, we celebrate Mary as Our Lady of Guadalupe. In 1531 she appeared to Juan Diego on a hill outside Mexico City. A life-size figure of the Virgin as a young, dark-skinned American Indian woman with the face of a Mestizo was imprinted on his cloak. The image gave the indigenous people of the Americas assurance that our Blessed Mother was loving and compassionate toward them.

On December 25, when we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord, we celebrate the birth of Jesus through his mother, Mary. The Incarnation took place through Mary's own flesh, and the infant Jesus was nourished by Mary's own body.

On January 1, Mary is honored as the "Mother of God," the greatest of her titles. This title is the foundation for every other title attributed to her as she became the mother of God from the instant Jesus was conceived in her womb by the power of the Holy Spirit.

BINGO

**KPC Hall 252 Church Street, Grand Coteau, LA
 Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 11AM—5 PM**

Cards are \$.50 each or 3 for a \$1.00

Gumbo will be sold \$6.00 bowl

Great Prizes!! Join us for an afternoon of fun!

The Knights & Ladies Auxiliary Court #34 will pray the **Rosary** on the **2nd Monday** of each month at 5:30 PM in the KPC Hall. Everyone is invited.