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**Letter to be read at all Masses this weekend.**

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## SECTION I

### A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

#### Official Appointment

Rev. Patrick Carr, CPA, as a member of the Finance Council, Archdiocese of New Orleans, effective immediately. We are very grateful to Fr. Philip Landry for his many years of service on the Finance Council.

#### Announcements

Dr. Ansel Augustine will be leaving his position as Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministries effective May 1, 2017, in order to move closer to his fiancée. We thank Ansel for the very good ministry and strong leadership that he has given in serving the archdiocese for the last 10 years, especially in making the Office of Black Catholic Ministries relevant for adults, young adults, and youth. We will thank Ansel again at a reception at my residence next month.

- Please see the attached letter to be read at all Masses the weekend of March 18-19. Please consider placing this in your bulletin the same weekend. Click [here](#) to download the letter.
- If a Catholic residing in the Archdiocese of New Orleans wishes to participate in St. Patrick's Day festivities and desires to eat meat, they may be dispensed and choose another day of the week for abstinence or may choose to perform an act of penance that is a greater sacrifice.
- Priests: Don't forget our Lenten Morning of Prayer on Thursday, March 16, 2017, at St. Maria Goretti Church, 7399 Crowder Blvd, New Orleans from 10:00 AM-1:30 PM. Please try to spend time in prayer with your brother priests.
- The Feast of St. Patrick will be celebrated on Friday, March 17, 2017. The Hibernians invite all to join them for Mass at St. Patrick's Church, 724 Camp Street, New Orleans, at 12:00 PM.
- The Morning of Spirituality for Men will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2017, from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at St. Anthony of Padua, 4640 Canal Street, New Orleans.
- The 30th Anniversary Mass celebrating the current church of Holy Guardian Angels will be celebrated Saturday, March 18, 2017, at 6:00 PM.
- I will attend the USCCB Administrative Committee meeting March 19-22, 2017, in Washington D.C.
- Confessions will be available in all parishes on three consecutive Wednesdays, March 22, March 29, and April 5, 2017, from 5:00 PM-6:30 PM.

***Impelled by Christ's call and inspired by the Holy Spirit through the work 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 of the parishes, schools and organizations of the archdiocese in enabling them to encounter Jesus and to witness with joy.***

- The Council of Deans will meet Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 10:00 AM at the Chanery in the Conference Room.
- Abbey Youth Fest will be Saturday, March 25, 2017, on the field of St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College.
- The Southern Regional Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be held March 31-April 2, 2017, at the Best Western Plus Landmark Hotel, Metairie, LA.

Please include in the prayers of the faithful:

For a greater respect for all religions and that we may help rid the world of anti-Semitism and all prejudice against other faith traditions, we pray to the Lord.

### Mark Your Calendars

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| March 22, 2017    | Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM                          |
| March 29, 2017    | Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM                          |
| April 5, 2017     | Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM                          |
| May 20, 2017      | Transitional Diaconate Ordination  |
| June 3, 2017      | Priesthood Ordination  |
| August 10, 2017   | Institution for the Ministry of Acolyte for the 2018 Diaconate Formation Group |
| Sept. 13, 2017    | Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM                          |
| Sept. 19-21, 2017 | Louisiana Priest Convention in New Orleans                                     |
| May 19, 2018      | Transitional Diaconate Ordination  |
| June 2, 2018      | Priesthood Ordination  |
| June 23, 2018     | Permanent Diaconate Ordination   |
| May 18, 2019      | Transitional Diaconate Ordination  |
| June 1, 2019      | Priesthood Ordination  |

## SECTION II ACTION REQUESTED

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

- ✓ Please [click here](#) to review wedding information published in the Clarion Herald's Catholic Wedding Guide in December. The Catholic Wedding Guide will be published in early April, so please copy and paste your parish info, make corrections and email to [ifoltz@clarionherald.org](mailto:ifoltz@clarionherald.org) by **MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017**. If not previously included, please send 1) wedding times in your parish; 2) web site for wedding guidelines, if applicable; and 3) name/phone number of wedding coordinator. Any questions, please call Mrs. Jonelle Foltz, (504) 596-3036.

### **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

#### **Men's Morning of Spirituality**

The 2017 Men's Morning of Spirituality will feature prominent members of the local Legal-Judicial community, Ralph Capitelli and Judge Jay Zainey, as well as Mass with Archbishop Aymond, Reconciliation, Adoration, and great music! It will be held at St. Anthony of Padua Church in New Orleans on Saturday, March 18, 2017, from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Click [here](#) to download the flyer.

#### **Theology of the Body Training**

The Spring 2017, Theology of the Body for Teens Training for both middle and high school will be held on Wednesday, March 29, Thursday, March 30, and Friday, March 31, 2017, at St. Dominic Catholic Church, 775 Harrison AVE. in New Orleans. Brian Butler of Dumb Ox Ministries is presenting this training which will feature the new "YOU" high school program available through Ascension Press. This training is ideal for parents, as well as those in formation ministries. For more information or to register please visit click [here](#) to download the flyer or contact the Respect Life Office at 504-286-1119 or [respectlife@arch-no.org](mailto:respectlife@arch-no.org).

#### **Respect Life April-Fertility/Infertility**

The April Respect Life gathering with a focus on Fertility/Infertility will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 7:00 PM at St. Andrew the Apostle, St. Andrew Hall, 3101 Eton St., in Algiers. Dr. Susan Caldwell from Hope Woman's Clinic is the speaker. Come join us and learn more about the issue. Click [here](#) to download the flyer. Contact the Respect Life Office at 504-286-1119 or [respectlife@arch-no.org](mailto:respectlife@arch-no.org) for more information.

#### **God's Special Children Mass**

All are invited to attend God's Special Children Mass on Sunday, April 9, 2017, at 2:00 PM. This Mass is open to everyone especially individuals with special needs, their families, and friends. Please join us at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Road, Metairie, LA. For more information you may contact Joy Zainey at (504) 834-5865 or visit the website [www.godsspecialchildren.org](http://www.godsspecialchildren.org).

#### **Upcoming Day of Prayer**

The Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center invites you to join us for "Come to the Quiet", a five day silent, directed retreat July 20-26, 2017, based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Through scripture and reflection under the daily guidance of an experienced spiritual director, you will become more aware of God's presence and action in your life in an atmosphere of silence and solitude. Please click [here](#) to download the flyer.

## SECTION IV NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

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

### ***Feeding Hungry Hearts at St. Martha Parish in Harvey***

Join us for an evening of "Feeding Hungry Hearts," a night of reflection, Saturday, March 25, 2017, following the 5:30 PM Mass in the St. Martha Parish Hall. Guest speaker, Sr. Judy Gomila, MSC, will share her reflections on her work with the poor and hungry communities and call us to reflect on our own poverty and hunger in our hearts for Christ. Sr. Judy has served as a missionary for the Marianites for over 15 years and most recently as a consultant for the Black and Indian Mission Office in D.C. The evening will be a great way to pause and discover how God is working in our lives to "feed" us in these final weeks of Lent. The event is free and all are welcome! A simple meal with refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by calling the Parish office at 504-366-1604. Sponsored by the St. Martha/Infant Jesus Justice and Life Ministry, 2555 Apollo Ave. in Harvey, LA 70058. Click [here](#) to download the flyer.

### **Red Glory and Praise Hymnals**

"Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Norco is looking for about 200 used RED Glory and Praise hymnals copyright 1987. We previously used these, but now have the GREEN ones. Our choir would like to supplement the new with the old. If you have any to donate, please contact Deacon "G" Gautrau at 504-201-2767 to arrange for pickup."



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March 10, 2017

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I pray that your Lenten journey has been a time of drawing closer to Christ and responding to his invitation to conversion.

As we identify an area of our life that needs change, we can be assured of God's help for us to face our weakness and experience a change of heart. Lent should include standing before our merciful God and asking for his forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as Confession.

Please be reminded that a priest will be available in every church in the Archdiocese of New Orleans for the next 3 Wednesdays from 5:00pm – 6:30pm. The heart of Jesus is open and he invites you to know and accept his mercy.

Whether we have been to Confession recently, or perhaps it has been many years, now is the time to know that his heart is open and eager to forgive.

Let us remember one another in prayer as we continue this journey through Lent to the new life of Easter.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond  
Archbishop of New Orleans

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Please read at all Masses March 18 – 19 and print in bulletin.