Please pray for peace in our world, in the United States, in our hearts, families and community. There is great destruction today not only of buildings and statues – but also the destruction of the hearts of so many people. Anger abounds. Goodness will overcome evil. May the God of love come to our aid and protect us. May the spirit of Jesus lead us to respect all and erase hatred from our hearts.

Announcements

• The Youth Leadership Awards was held on Saturday, July 11, 2020, at Divine Mercy Church in Kenner. There were 41 parish youth ministries with 100 teenagers recognized with Outstanding Parish Youth Awards. The national St. Timothy Award for leadership, at both the parish and archdiocesan levels, was presented to 24 high school seniors from the following parishes:
  Marley Arnaud (Office of Black Catholic Ministries), Blake Bollinger (Mary, Queen of Peace), Alan Bui (St. Luke the Evangelist), Trent Burke (St. Peter Claver), Cassidy Chappuis (St. John of the Cross), Mary Grace Collins (Immaculate Conception, Marrero), Emily Dieu (St. Clement of Rome), Rebecca Dobson (Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Belle Chasse), Ford Favre, Jr. (Our Lady of Lourdes, Slidell), Nicholas Flynn (St. Benilde), Benjamin Gervais (St. Peter, Covington), Meaghan Jones (St. Joseph the Worker), Emmanuel Levy (St. Clement of Rome), Matthew Lulich (St. Angela Merici), Mac McCabe (St. Clement of Rome), Lauren Nash (St. Mary Magdalen), Ty O’Connor (St. Gabriel the Archangel), Kendal Rowan (St. Joseph the Worker), Leighton Story (St. Angela Merici), Marin Trepagnier (St. Matthew the Apostle), John Virga, IV (St. Benilde), Nathalie Wagoner (Ascension of Our Lord), Kurt Werling (St. Dominic), Deborah White (Most Holy Trinity).

Congratulations to the young church and thanks to Timmy McCaffery, the staff of CYO Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office, and Fr. Robert Cooper and Divine Mercy Parish for hosting.

• Notre Dame Seminary will celebrate Mass/Commencement for Lay Graduates on Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 5:00 PM at NDS.

• The Seminarian Summer Gathering will take place on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, through Friday, August 7, 2020, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center in Metairie. Please pray for our seminarians and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. I look forward to this gathering.

• Adult Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, August 16, 2020, at 3:00 PM at St. Louis Cathedral. If your parish has candidates, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.
• 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.”

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**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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**SECTION II**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

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

We have no submissions for this section.
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

“Hope in Addiction” Talks, St. Francis Xavier Church
Substance addiction is one of the most significant trials of our time. St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Rd, Metairie, LA will host two talks entitled, “Hope in Addiction,” on Wednesday, July 22, 2020, and on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, from 7:00-8:00 PM in St. Joseph Hall. The presenter is Mary Lou McCall, Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist and Masters of Theology Student at Notre Dame Seminary. The talk on July 22nd is “Hope in Addiction, Part 1: Substance, Science, and Sacraments - Preventing substance misuse and addiction.” The talk on August 5th is “Hope in Addiction, Part 2: From Darkness into Light, A Catholic Community Healing Addiction.” Come be educated on the prevention and healing of substance addiction. Admission is free. Because of Covid restrictions, attendance is limited to 60 people.

Mission to the Holy Spirit
A Mission to the Holy Spirit will be offered August 10-14, 2020, at St. Stephen’s Church, 1025 Napoleon Avenue, New Orleans. Confession will be available from 6:15-6:45, musical performance, praise and worship 6:30-7:00, and Mass to begin at 7:00 PM.

The Mission will feature an outstanding group of well-known celebrants and musicians from our Catholic community all designed to be an uplifting experience. Archbishop Aymond will be our celebrant on August 12th. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

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

Artist Retreat
All painters of any medium are invited to five days of peaceful, quiet painting on the Abbey grounds, August 24-28, 2020. Air-conditioned space will be available in the Abbey Art Works studio, and artists will be free to work outdoors. Work at your own pace; develop your own imagery. Enjoy meeting and sharing art and ideas with other artists. The $750 fee includes room and board plus meals in the Retreat Center. For more info or to register, visit www.saintjosephabbey.com/artist-retreat. You may download a flyer here.

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

For any inquiries on the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin, please contact Pastoral Planning and Ministries at planningandministries@archdiocese-no.org.