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SECTION I
A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

We remain very grateful for the generous and effective ministry of Dr. Lee Leumas for the past 14 years as Archivist for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. We had to postpone the gathering to honor her, but hope to reschedule it soon.

I am pleased to appoint Kimberly Johnson as Archivist and Ecclesiastical Notary for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, effective January 18, 2021. We look forward to Kimberly’s leadership and our ministry together.

Announcements

• We will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Prompt Succor on January 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, 2701 State St., New Orleans.

• January 10, 2021 begins the “Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph” in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Deacon Michael Whitehouse, Ph.D (Liturgy) and the committee have sent materials to all clergy, parishes, schools, and Parish Schools of Religion. Please see page 3 for the details.

• All are welcome to pray with us at the Memorial Service for the Unborn in the Holy Innocents Prayer Garden (St. Patrick #1 Cemetery, 5000 Canal St., NOLA) on Friday January 22, 2021, at noon. We will be praying for those lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion and those who mourn them.

• In connection with the celebration of Catholic Schools Week the last week of January, we will take up a second collection in all parishes on January 30-31, 2021, to support Catholic schools. Please click here to view my letter in English and Spanish. Thank you for your support and generosity in this effort.

• The Institute of Lay Ecclesial Ministry (ILEM) at Notre Dame Seminary will Commission several graduates on Sunday, January 31, 2021, at the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Louis Cathedral.

• Confessions will be available in all parishes from 5:00 p.m. —6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays during Lent: March 10, 2021, March 17, 2021 and March 24, 2021.

• Pastors—see page 4 regarding the Order of St. Louis to be celebrated on March 21, 2021. Names of recipients are due January 22, 2021.
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.

Mark Your Calendars

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Deaths

Fr. Andy Kolzow, OP died on December 24, 2020 at Passages Hospice in New Orleans. He was 91. Fr. Andy served in New Orleans in the 1980’s but has been in Texas for much of his priesthood. A Funeral Mass was held on January 5th with burial at Rosaryville Cemetery in Ponchatoula. Please remember Fr. Andy in your prayers.

Sister Mary Angela Bergeron, C.I.C, a Sister of the Immaculate Conception, died January 2, 2021 at Our Lady of Wisdom Healthcare Center at the age of 105. Please keep Sr. Bergeron and her family in your prayers. A Funeral Mass will take place on January 8, 2021 in a small private gathering. A Memorial Mass will be held later at Our Lady of Wisdom.

SECTION II

ACTION REQUESTED

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

Workshops for New Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and basic workshops for readers will be presented this Spring by the Office of Worship.

Attendance at the workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. Attendance at the workshop for readers is strongly recommended for new readers and all readers who have not previously attended a workshop. The complete schedule can be found on the Office of Worship website at [https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation](https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation). Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending. Information on Spanish language workshops may be found through the Hispanic Apostolate. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.
CRS Rice Bowl Training

COVID-19 has had a major impact on parish life, and CRS anticipates it will be a challenge to conduct the Rice Bowl in the same way as we have done in the past. Because of this, CRS is providing virtual ways to participate in Rice Bowl during Lent 2021. To learn more about how your parish or school can engage with Rice Bowl this Lent, please consider joining us for one of the trainings being offered. Follow this link to learn how to register.

Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph Resources

The Year of the Eucharist Committee is developing resources for use throughout the Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph for parish, school, and ministry use. You can find what is available online now at https://nolacatholic.org/yoeresources. This page is being continuously updated, and you will be notified of major updates via email and/or the eBulletin. Spanish language resources will be included as soon as they are available.

RETRouvAILle WEEKend FOR Troubled MARRIages

Retrouvaille is a program designed to provide help and support to married couples who are undergoing difficulties in their relationship. Sponsored by the Catholic Church, Retrouvaille is open to couples of all faiths. It has proven helpful to couples who are troubled and stressed, or if the relationship has grown cold and distant. The next Retrouvaille Weekend will be January 15-17, 2021, at the William J. Kelly Retreat Center in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. For registration or additional information, please go to the Retrouvaille website https://www.helpourmarriage.org/ or email retrouvaillenola@gmail.com.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We are pleased to announce that the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host an annual wedding anniversary celebration for those couples who have been married for 25 years. The 2021 Silver Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at St Joseph Church in New Orleans. This event is only for couples married in the year 1996 in celebration of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. Please Note: This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one’s respective parish. (To register, please contact the parish rectory before January 15, 2021)

Instructions For Parishes

{Parishes are asked to register couples using an online form, which may be found at www.nolacatholic.org/wedding-anniversary by Wednesday, January 20, 2021, to facilitate the sending of confirmation letters, preparing of scrolls and seating of the couples. Your cooperation in maintaining this deadline is appreciated.}

CARES Act Information for Your Parish

End-of-year giving is upon us, and now is a great time to talk to your parishioners about how they can be generous. As you may know, the CARES Act was designed to help people and organizations who were impacted by COVID-19. It also provides increased tax incentives designed to stimulate philanthropic giving for nonprofits facing economic hardship during the pandemic. If you’d like help explaining some of these incentives to your parishioners, please feel free to download this flyer. You can print it out or include it in your email year-end communications. For additional information, please contact Catholic Community Foundation Executive Director Cory J. Howat at chowat@ccfnola.org or 504.527.5778.
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.

POPE FRANCIS’ JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

REGINA MATRUM AWARD

The Council of Catholic School Co-Operative Clubs (CCSCC) will present the 75th Annual Regina Matrum Award to an outstanding Catholic mother in the Archdiocese of New Orleans on Monday, May 10, 2021, the day after Mother’s Day. We invite your parish to submit an application. Please see the attached application and letter to Pastors and Principals.
**Catholic Relief Services Responds to Natural Disasters in Central America and the Philippines**

We all know how active the past hurricane season has been. Hurricanes Eta and Iota slammed into Central America in nearly the same location in Nicaragua within only two weeks of each other. Meanwhile typhoons have hit the Philippines. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has responded to these events. To learn more, see the [CRS Emergency Fact Sheet](https://nolacatholic.org/brainheartworld) and the [CRS Emergency Fact Sheet for Eta and Iota](https://nolacatholic.org/brainheartworld).

**NFP Class in Spanish**

A two-part **Natural Family Planning class in Spanish is being offered** in January and February of 2021. Couples wishing to enroll should contact St. Jerome Parish at 504-443-3174 or stjeromepsh@arch-no.org by January 4, 2021. **Dates:** Monday, January 11, 2021 & Monday, February 8, 2021  **Place:** St. Jerome Parish, 2402 33rd St., Kenner, LA 70065  **Cost:** $15 (for materials)  **Presenter:** Karen Canales

**SECTION IV**

**NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

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

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**“BRAIN, HEART, WORLD” SCREENING**

Tuesday, January 19 | 6:30 – 8:45 PM | Online

Science and research has shown that, if left unchecked, continued exposure to pornography can have lasting harmful consequences. However, today, pornography is more widely accepted, accessible, affordable, and anonymous than ever before, especially for young adults between the ages of 18-25. Join us for an online viewing and discussion on Tuesday, January 19th of “Brain, Heart, World,” a documentary that highlights how porn affects a person’s brain, their relationships, and society as a whole. Visit nolacatholic.org/brainheartworld to RSVP and receive the Zoom link leading up to January 19th. A flyer for the event is available by clicking here.

For more information on this event, which is a collaboration of the Office of Marriage and Family Life and the CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office, and other resources to find healing and wholeness from pornography, contact Gary LeBlanc at gleblanc@arch-no.org.

**Employment Opportunities**

Job opportunities are currently listed on our HR page: [https://nolacatholic.org/employment](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.