OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

In order to provide pastoral care for the people of God in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Archbishop Aymond has made the following appointments:

**Pastors and Administrators:** In accordance with Canon 522 and the USCCB norms, all appointments for pastors are for a six year term, which may be renewed.

- **Reverend Douglas Busch** as Pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Mandeville, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Cyril Buyeera** as Pastor of Ascension of Our Lord Parish, LaPlace, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Kevin DeLerno** as Pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Pearl River, effective July 1, 2021.

**Parochial Vicars:**

- **Reverend Thien Nguyen** as Parochial Vicar of Mary, Queen of Vietnam Parish, New Orleans, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Vincent Nguyen** as Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Mandeville, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Cletus Orji** as Parochial Vicar of St. Edward the Confessor Parish, Metairie, effective July 1, 2021.

**Newly Ordained Priests: (to be ordained June 5, 2021)**

- **Reverend Daniel Dashner** as Parochial Vicar of St. Peter Parish, Covington, while part-time chaplain at St. Tammany Hospital, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Ajani Gibson** as Parochial Vicar of St. Peter Claver Parish, New Orleans, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Truong Pham** as Parochial Vicar of St. Angela Merici Parish, Metairie, effective July 1, 2021.
- **Reverend Andrew Sanchez** as Parochial Vicar of St. Francis Xavier Parish, Metairie, effective July 1, 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.

Special Ministry:

**Reverend Colm Cahill** as Executive Director of Strategic Planning for the Archdiocese of New Orleans while remaining Vocation Director, effective immediately.

**Very Rev. Charles J. Benoit, O.S.B.** as Delegate of the Archbishop for Penal Cases while remaining Dean of the West St. Tammany-Washington Deanery and Pastor of St. Benedict Parish, effective immediately.

Retirement:

Reverend Walter Austin, effective July 1, 2021
Reverend Mark Lomax, effective July 1, 2021
Reverend Richard Miles, effective July 1, 2021

Our heartfelt thanks to Father Austin, Father Lomax, and Father Miles for the many years they have led God’s people as a priest of Jesus Christ.

Transitional Deacons *To be ordained May 22, 2021*

*Reverend Mr. Lennin Arroyo* as Deacon Intern, St. Jerome Parish, Kenner, effective June 1, 2021 – May, 2022.

*Reverend Mr. Jody DiMaggio* as Deacon Intern, St. Rita Parish, Harahan, effective June 1, 2021 – October, 2021.

*Reverend Mr. Andy Gonzales* as Deacon Intern, St. Ann Church and Shrine, Metairie, effective June 1, 2021 – October, 2021.

*Reverend Mr. Jeffrey Merritt* as Deacon Intern, St. Catherine of Siena, Metairie, effective June 1, 2021 – October, 2021.

**Reverend Mr. William Mumphrey** as Deacon Intern, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Slidell, effective June 1, 2021 – May, 2022.

**Reverend Mr. Dennis Obienu** as Deacon Intern, St. Joan of Arc Parish, LaPlace, effective June 1, 2021 – May, 2022.

SECTION I

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Announcements

- I would like to thank Mrs. Mary Morgan for her dedicated service as Administrative Assistant to the Office of Vocations as she will be retiring in June of this year. Mary has faithfully served the Archdiocese for over 30 years, meaning that she is well known and loved by so many of our priests and seminarians. I wish Mary and her husband Larry a very happy retirement.
• Rescheduled due to rainy weather, we will celebrate a prayer service to officially welcome the “Angels Unawares” statue to New Orleans, on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Notre Dame Seminary. “Angels Unawares” depicts centuries of migrants leaving their homelands for a better and safer life for their families, and embodies Hebrews 13:2, “Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.” The public is welcome to visit the statue on the front steps of Notre Dame Seminary.

• Each year on Good Shepherd Sunday the Archdiocese of New Orleans designates a special second collection to help support the medical and retirement expenses of our diocesan priests. This collection is scheduled for the weekend of April 24-25, 2021.

• This is “Confirmation Season”. Please pray for all candidates for Confirmation, their sponsors, and those who have prepared them to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

• The Presbyteral Council will meet on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at Notre Dame Seminary at 10:00 AM.

• The Ministerial Council will meet on Thursday, April 22, 2021, at Notre Dame Seminary at 10:00 AM.

• We will celebrate Mass for the 100th Anniversary of St. Catherine of Siena Church at 6:00 PM on April 29, 2021.

• There will be an Interfaith Prayer Service for World Refugee Day on the front steps of Notre Dame Seminary at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 2, 2021.

• We will celebrate a Jubilee Mass for religious, deacons and priests at 3:00 p.m. on May 9, 2021, at St. Rita Church, New Orleans.

• The Regina Matrum Mass will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2021 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Belle Chasse.

• The Council of Deans will meet on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

DEATH
Rev. Msgr. J. Anthony Luminais died on April 11, 2021, Divine Mercy Sunday, at the age of 93. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

Visitation: Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 10:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
Holy Guardian Angels Mission, 1701 Bridge City Ave., Bridge City

Funeral Mass: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church, 146 Fourth St., Westwego

Please keep Msgr. Luminais, his family, and all who mourn his death in your prayers. May he rest in the peace of Christ.
Mark Your Calendars

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*Highlighted items are new additions to the calendar

SECTION II
ACTION REQUESTED

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

Oils from the Chrism Mass

A number of parishes have not picked up their Holy Oils from the Chrism Mass. Pastors may arrange to pick up oils by calling the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or emailing bhickey@arch-no.org.

Ordinations

On Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Louis Cathedral, Archbishop Aymond will ordain Lennin Arroyo, Joseph DiMaggio III, Jeffrey Merritt and Andy Gonzalez to the Transitional Diaconate for the Archdiocese of New Orleans and Joseph Odongo for the Archdiocese of Tororo.

On Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Louis Cathedral, Archbishop Aymond will ordain Daniel Dashner, Ajani Gibson, Michael Lamy, Truong Pham and Andrew Sanchez for the Archdiocese of New Orleans and Thomas Bamoah for the Diocese of Yendi.

Priests and deacons are asked to bring their alb. Vestments will be provided. First Blessings at the Old Ursuline Convent to follow. A link will be provided on all social media and on nolacatholic.org for those who cannot attend to watch live.

Due to the fluidity of COVID restrictions and our desire to provide proper seating for priests and deacons, all clergy who are attending are asked to complete the RSVP form found here: http://nolacatholic.org/ordinationrsvp.
SECTION III
PARISH PUBLICITY

ARCHDIOCESAN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES
With professional instruction, Natural Family Planning has proven itself to be safe, effective, and a moral way for couples to plan their families. It is a method which respects the meaning of human sexuality as God created it and thus marital love is enhanced and strengthened. This class series the Office of Marriage and Family Life is offering in the SymptoPro™ Method of Natural Family Planning will be conducted by Kelly Donahue of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. This series will be virtual by using Zoom. The dates of the class series are May 1, May 15, May 29 and June 26, 2021. The Zoom class hours are 9:00 a.m. – noon. You do need to attend all sessions. The cost is $105.00 and includes all classes and materials. Preregistration is required. Register online https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/sympto-thermal-nfp-course.

Upcoming workshops and classes at Abbey Art Works
- **It's All Greek To Me - The Statuary of Ancient Greece and The Renaissance**, Lecture by Br. Christopher Schaefer, O.S.B., Saturday, April 17 at 1 p.m.
- Painting Impressionistic Landscapes in Pastels and Oils - Four days of Plein Air and studio painting with Alan Flattmann, May 17-21.
- New Dates: Artist Retreat, Monday - Friday, August 23-27
Registration and other details for these classes and more are available at www.saintjosephabbey.com/abbeyartworks. Abbey Art Works can also be contacted at 985-327-1021 or info@abbeyartworks.com.

30th Annual ABBEY Open Golf Tournament
The 30th Annual ABBEY Open Golf Tournament takes place Thursday, May 13th at Covington Country Club. All proceeds support Saint Joseph Seminary College, which provides training for young men studying for the priesthood from 22 dioceses in 7 states across the Gulf South region and is run by the Benedictine Monks of Saint Joseph Abbey. Sign up at www.saintjosephabbey.com/golf. Sponsor a hole at www.saintjosephabbey.com/golf-sponsor.
French Wine Pairing Date Night

The Divine Mercy Marriage Ministry presents a French Wine Pairing Date Night Event on Friday, April 30th, 2021 from 7:00-10:00 PM at the Chateau Country Club, 3600 Chateau Blvd, in Kenner. The guest speaker will be Dr. Mario Sacasa. Registration for the event is $100.00 per married couple (Limited Seating Available). Deadline to register is April 23rd. For additional details, contact: Laine Buquoi 504-583-5095 or Ashlie Clouatre 504-782-9242. Click Here to Register. For more information, see the attached flyer.

Notre Dame Seminary Eucharistic Lecture Series

Notre Dame Seminary will be offering a year-long "Eucharist Lecture Series" during 2021 for the Archdiocese of New Orleans’ Year of the Eucharist! We will be offering a monthly event, beginning with a half-hour of Eucharistic Adoration and followed by a lecture and Q&A on the Eucharist, in Schulte Auditorium at NDS. Our fourth presentation will be entitled “The Real Presence of the Eucharist” and will be offered by Dr. David Liberto, Professor of Dogmatic and Historical Theology at Notre Dame Seminary. This event will take place on Wednesday, April 21st, 2021, with Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 5:30 PM followed by a lecture and Q&A from 6:00-7:00 PM. This event is FREE and open to the public. You can attend either in person (socially distanced) or virtually, but space is limited, so make sure to RSVP. Virtual attendees will receive streaming information via email on the day of the event. Registration for this event will close on Wednesday, April 21st at 5:00 PM.

Evening of Prayer at Divine Mercy Parish

The Divine Mercy Parish Legion of Mary invites you to attend an evening of prayer for our country at Divine Mercy Parish on May 31st, Memorial Day, to honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. The Evening will start at 6:30 PM with Mass, to be followed by the Patriotic Rosary. For more information, please visit https://www.divinemercyparish.org/events/evening-of-prayer-for-our-country

“A Month of Joy with Our Lady and St. Joseph”

A Magnificat Day of Reflection and Prayer

Fr. Paul Clark, pastor of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church in Hahnville, will present the day of reflection and celebrate Mass for all gathered. Mass is at 9 am and there will be a morning and afternoon talk with opportunity for adoration, private prayer, and reflection between. There will be the opportunity to pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy as a group. To register, please complete the form available for download here and submit it along with the $25 fee (lunch included) by April 23.

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!

For any submissions or inquiries on the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin, please contact communications@arch-no.org.