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SECTION I
A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Lunar New Year, the Year of the Tiger, is celebrated today across the world. Let us embrace this new year with hope, love, and kindness.

- The Presbyteral Council will meet Thursday, February 3, 2022, at Notre Dame Seminary at 10:00 AM, followed by a meeting of the Consultors.

- Catholic Schools Week Mass will be Friday, February 4, 2022 at St. Ann Church in Metairie at 10:00 AM.

- I will be out of town for the NCBC Bishops’ Workshop on Bioethics February 6-9, 2022 in Dallas, Texas.

- The Vietnamese New Year Festival Opening Ceremony will be Friday, February 4, 2022, at 6:30 PM at Mary Queen of Vietnam Church, 5069 Willowbrook Dr., New Orleans.

- The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life will be on Saturday, February 12, 2022, with Mass at 11:00 AM at St. Rita Church, New Orleans.

- The Ministerial Council will meet on Wednesday February 23, 2022 at 10:00 AM in the Notre Dame Pastoral Center.

- The Administrative Offices of the archdiocese will be closed on February 28—March 1, 2022, for the Mardi Gras holidays. The offices will re-open on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

- There are many ways to support Catholic Relief Services in our archdiocese. Please read the attached letter for information.

- Confessions will be available in all parishes from 5:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays during Lent: March 23, 2022, March 30, 2022 and April 6, 2022.

February 2, 2022
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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SECTION II
ACTION REQUESTED
Pastors and parish secretaries are asked to please ensure response and follow-up on the items below

Workshops for New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers are being presented this Spring by the Office of Worship. Attendance at a workshop for EMHCs is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. Readers are strongly encouraged to attend the workshop for readers. The complete schedules and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website at https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation. Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.

Catholic Community Foundation Hosts Virtual ParishSOFT New Staff Training

Training opportunity! At 9 a.m. on Wednesday, February 9, Ryan Adams (CCF ParishSOFT & Data Coordinator) is offering a complete “how-to” training on using ParishSOFT Family Suite. While this virtual class is designed for new Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New Orleans parish staff members, those needing a refresher are invited to attend. Click here to register. You may also reach Ryan with training inquiries at radams@ccfnola.org or 504.527.5796.

Death

Brian Highfill died of cancer on January 23, 2022 at the age of 79. Funeral arrangements are pending. Please keep him, and all who mourn his death in your prayers. May he rest in peace.
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’ Prayer Intention for February, 2022

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, June 26, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. 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 March 11, 2022)

Instructions For Parishes

Parishes are asked to register couples using an online form, which may be found attached here by Tuesday, March 15, 2022, to facilitate the sending of confirmation letters, preparing of scrolls and seating of the couples. We will be unable to accept late registrants this year, so your cooperation in maintaining this deadline is appreciated.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE CELEBRATION

The Religious of the Archdiocese of New Orleans will gather to celebrate the World Day for Consecrated Life on February 12, 2022. This year the celebration will be held at St. Rita Parish, 2729 Lowerline Street in New Orleans beginning with Mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch in the school cafeteria. The Serra Club of East Jefferson has kindly offered to prepare and serve the lunch. All Religious of the Archdiocese are invited.

We ask the parishes and schools of the Archdiocese to help promote vocations to the Consecrated Life. Following are some possible suggestions:

- Participate in your parish vocation committee.
- Highlight stories of people who live the consecrated life, especially those who serve in the local parish or who entered from the parish.
- Promote awareness of the importance of discerning a possible religious vocation.
- Pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God’s gift of their vocation.
- Invite members of institutes of consecrated life from your parish to serve as ministers for the liturgy.
- Invite members of institutes of consecrated life to speak to adults/children in religious education programs or in school religion classes.

Please contact the Department of Religious at (504) 861-6281 for more information.
ANNULMENT WRITING WORKSHOP – ONE NIGHT SEMINAR
This one night seminar will answer everything you always wanted to know about Annulments but were afraid to ask. The Annulment Writing Workshop Ministry, a ministry of the Archdiocese of New Orleans Office of Marriage and Family Life, will be hosting the one-night seminar on Annulments on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at St. Matthew the Apostle Church (10021 Jefferson Highway, River Ridge.) The Seminar, which will offer an overview of the process, is FREE & open to those seeking more information on having their previous marriages annulled. Deacon Drea Capaci is the speaker for the Presentation. Members of the Annulment Writing Workshop Ministry will be available to answer your personal case questions on a one-on-one basis at the end of the session.

Fr. Donald Calloway to share Conversion Story at St. Francis Xavier Church March 9
Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, a renowned Speaker and Author of “Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father,” will share his Conversion Story at a Lenten Talk at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Rd., Metairie, LA, on Wednesday, March 9. Doors open, sacrament of reconciliation available, and Father’s books available for purchase at 6 pm. Father Calloway will speak at 7 pm and do a book-signing and greeting after the talk. There will be a brief presentation on the “Evangeline Project.” Admission is free but a good will offering will be taken. See the attached event flyer. For additional info, call SFX Church at 504-834-0340.

Surviving our Grief
Grief comes in all forms and everyone of us handle it differently. If you have lost a loved one, a child (stillborn, miscarriage, illness, suicide or accident at any age), a spouse, a parent, a sibling or a friend please join us. Everyone is welcome.
WHEN: Saturday, February 5, 2022
WHERE: St. Philip Neri 6500 Kawanee Ave. Metairie, La
TIME: Coffee at 8:30am Presentation at 9:00am
Mass at 11:30am with Archbishop Gregory Aymond
Please sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AEAF2AAAFBC34-surviving
This workshop is being presented by the Office of Marriage and Family Life Grief Ministry Coordinator Jewell Bayhi for more information contact Jewell Bayhi at jbayhi@arch-no.org or 985-778-6277
2022 MARRIAGE PREPARATION OPTIONS ARE LIVE

Engaged couples can now register for Catholic Engaged Encounter Retreat Weekends, archdiocesan Days for the Engaged sessions, or Special Marriage Preparation workshops in 2022 in order to complete their sacramental preparation by visiting nolacatholic.org/mfl, then clicking on “Getting Married?”.
Click here for a full 2022 calendar and explanations of the marriage preparation options available.

Presentation on History of Black Nuns in New Orleans and the U.S.

Ignatian Year NOLA and Loyola University New Orleans are pleased to welcome Shannen Williams, Associate Professor of History at Dayton University for a talk on America’s Real Sister Act: Why the Stories of U.S. Black Catholic Sisters Matter. Organized in conjunction with both the Society of Jesus's ongoing international Ignatian Year and Loyola’s programming for Black History Month, the presentation will take place on Tuesday, February 8, at 7 pm in Ignatius Chapel on the Loyola campus. A dynamic young scholar and sought-after speaker, Dr. Williams is author of the forthcoming volume Subversive Habits: Black Catholic Nuns in the Long African American Freedom Struggle (Duke University Press), several copies of which will be given away as door prizes at the event.

Archdiocesan Spirituality Center Lenten Retreat in Daily Life (Virtual)

Would you like to begin your Lenten journey with an at home retreat? Perhaps you would like to deepen your relationship with God and experience praying with scripture. This retreat is for experienced prayers and those just beginning in prayer. If God is nudging you about beginning spiritual direction, the Lenten Retreat is a wonderful opportunity to experience what spiritual direction is. Attend a virtual opening group session; spend time in personal prayer with Scripture for approximately 30 minutes each day; meet with a trained spiritual director weekly during the retreat (private session). Opening Sunday, March 6, 2:00pm-Closing Thursday, April 7, 7:00pm. Cost: $40.00 (Adjustments can be made.) To register on the web: https://nolacatholic.org/registration, email: archspircr@arch-no.org, or telephone (504) 861-3254. See attached flyer for more information.

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 March 4, March 18, April 1 and May 6, 2022. The Zoom class hours are 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. The cost is $105.00 and includes all classes and materials.

Preregistration is required. Register online https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/sympto-thermal-nfp-course.

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.