December 22-29, 2019

4th Sunday of Advent/ The Holy Family

Pastor: Rev. Clayton J. “Beau” Charbonnet, III
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Daniel Darmanin

Rev. Mr. Raymond Heap
Rev. Mr. Gilbert Schmidt
Rev. Mr. Nicholas Chetta
Rev. Mr. David Aaron

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                Metairie, LA 70002

Parish Office Address: 901 Beverly Garden Dr.
                       Metairie, LA 70002

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses
Vigil - 4:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday - 6:15 a.m.
Monday - Saturday - 8:30 a.m.

Penance & Reconciliation
Saturday - 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sunday - 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Or by appointment

Holy Hour
1st Thursday of Month following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
Tuesday following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Rosary - Before every weekday Mass
Dear Parishioners,

This bulletin will cover the weekend of December 22nd and December 29th. This is the one time of year where our bulletin publisher prints for two weeks because of the holiday schedule.

As we head into the last weekend before Christmas, I pray that you have had an Advent where you have grown—This can be challenging [especially when you think of the many challenges that we face during the Advent and Christmas seasons: end of year deadlines at work, shopping for Christmas, cooking & baking, preparing for visitors, etc., etc., etc… ]

It can seem busy, chaotic, and at times a mess, but we have to remember that Jesus is no stranger to chaos. I think about the Holy Family, preparing for the first Christmas. Imagine, if you would, the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph - Our Lady is about to give birth to the Son of God and they don’t have a place to stay – there is no room at the inn. Then they are given a stable for animals and within that stable they use a feeding trough for a crib. Next, they receive visitors in the midst of this situation – shepherds in the field and 3 magi from the east. On top of this, from what we know, the animals were still present.

From the outside, this seems like a mess. I have seen parents prepare and prepare for the birth of a child, painting a room and buying furniture so that the room will be “just right” when the child arrives. The Blessed Mother and St. Joseph didn’t have that luxury. I have seen parents hold off on visitors until they get settled with a new baby. With animals, shepherds and magi from the east, the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph didn’t have that luxury.

How did they keep their cool? They kept their priorities straight. They prayed and the Holy Spirit navigated them through muddy waters. They kept their focus on the Son of God in the womb of Our Lady. My assumption is that seeing God in the flesh was so overwhelming that the chaos fell into the background.

My hope and prayer is that you can keep your eyes fixed on Jesus, so that any chaos surrounding the final week of Advent, the start of the Christmas season, and the transition of a new year may not leave you feeling like you are failing. You are loved. God is with us.

God is with us in the mist of our struggle.
God is for us in the battles we fight.
God works through us to be messengers of mercy, love and hope.
May God bless you and your families!
Week of December 15, 2019
Weekly Collection..................................................$15,140.60
Thank you to all who support our parish each week!

**St. Vincent DePaul Pantry**

The pantry will not operate on Wednesdays during holiday weeks. Following are the dates of operation for holiday weeks thru the end of the year.

- **Monday, December 23**
  Pantry will operate from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- **Monday, December 30**
  Pantry will operate from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**St. Vincent DePaul Thanks You!**

Thanks to the generous food donations of St. Angela Merici parishioners, the St. Angela Merici School and the ladies of SALA, the St Vincent de Paul Society was able to provide Thanksgiving Boxes to over 30 needy families from our area. Each family also received a food gift card and a candle decorated by the St. Joseph Altar Society. The continued support of our parish community throughout the year is sincerely appreciated by the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference and all those we serve.

**2020-2021 School Family Support**

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**K.C. Kids' Free Throw Competition**

For: Kids 9 – 14 years old as of Jan 1
When: Saturday, January 4, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sign Up Today:
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<td>9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Holy Hour.............Church</td>
<td>8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. KC Free Throw.....Gym</td>
<td>12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Donut Sunday.............Conf. Rm.</td>
<td>Parish Office will be closed Monday, December 30—January 1, 2020. We will reopen at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 2, 2020.</td>
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<td>8:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul Mass.............Church</td>
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<td>9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul Meeting.........................Conf. Rm.</td>
<td>6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. CYO Youth Board Meeting.........................Rel. Ed. Lib.</td>
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Are you a member of a ministry that has an event planned in St. Angela Merici Parish? Did you take pictures at a recent parish event and would like to share those pictures with the church parish? If so, submit your information and pictures to the Bulletin Editor, Candice Schmidt, at candice@stangela.org. There is a 2 week deadline for all bulletin submissions before an event and/or meeting for timely publication. Please send pictures at any time.
### IN OUR PRAYERS

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- Sunday, December 22, 4:00 p.m. Vigil:
- Sunday, December 22, 11:00 a.m.:
  - Clyde L. & Gladys Ehret Curry, Tu Tran, Souls in Purgatory, David Wilthew, Robert Maher, Gerald Fucich, Virginia Stewart, Ola Becnel, Mary Ciolino, Linda & Robert (‡) Armbruster, John & Doris Zimmerman, Rita Joy Bova Taylor, James Bradle (‡), Joseph Gioia, Sylvia Maher, Bill Martin
- Tuesday, December 24, 4:00 p.m.:
- Tuesday, December 25, 11:00 a.m.:

**Sanctuary Memorials**

**Sanctuary Candle burns the week of December 22 in memory of**
- Mary Poirrier & Family

**Sanctuary Memorials**

**Sanctuary Candle burns the week of December 29 in memory of**
- Tony Lamonte

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  - June Calcagno, Ralph Baillio, David Licciardi, Tony Lamonte, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lamonte, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Spalitta, Tu Tran, Frank Cles, Jr., All Souls in Purgatory, Michael Neeb, Mary Doiron, Leon Mathes, Sr., Thomas Doussan, Howard J. Thibodaux, Mickey LaNasa, Mitchell G. Maurin(‡), Frank & Miriam Zimmerman, Ray M. Boss, Jr., Catherine Aloisio Piro, Bernie & Janice (‡) Bevon, In Appreciation, Christopher James Lagarde, Robert Kitchen Jr. & Michelle Kitchen
- Sunday, December 29, 11:00 a.m.:
  - Clyde L. & Gladys Ehret Curry, Lloyd & Ada Guillard, Tu Tran, Souls in Purgatory, Landen Hiram Parke(‡), David Wilthew, David Graci, Robert Maher, Murray Gordon, Sheets Family, Mrs. Patricia Nicholas, Virginia Stewart, Ola Becnel, Gerald Fucich, Mary Ciolino, Cathy Murray, Linda & Robert (‡) Armbruster, Joseph Gioia, Sylvia Maher, Bill Martin
- Wednesday, January 1, 11:00 a.m.:
  - JoAnn Treuting, Richard Treuting, Ralph Tortorich, Sr., Jake Montalbano, Emmett J. Owens

(‡) denotes living
**Men’s Emmaus Retreat 2020**

Men, put aside the “hustle and bustle” of daily life and attend the men’s Emmaus retreat the weekend of January 24-26, 2020. The retreat is held at Rosaryville Spirit Life Center and retreat house in beautiful, peaceful Ponchatoula, Louisiana. The retreat is based on the scripture passage “The appearance on the road to Emmaus” (Luke 24: 13-35) and is an uplifting experience that has a profound effect on men’s lives. The retreat begins at 5:00 PM Friday and ends after the 5:30 PM mass on Sunday. Round trip transportation is provided from St. Dominic Church, New Orleans. Please don’t ignore this opportunity but pray on it instead. You can also register for the retreat online at this website: [https://catholicretreatcenter.org/upcoming-events/mens-emmaus-july/](https://catholicretreatcenter.org/upcoming-events/mens-emmaus-july/)

Please contact the following men for additional information: Colin Taulli @ 504-494-4511, or Wester (Wes) Perret 985-878-1174

Something special definitely awaits you at Rosaryville!

**Knights of Columbus**

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Calliouet Council is accepting orders for manger yard signs for Christmas. Cost is $40 each. A limited supply is available. Contact Jay Schwander to order. 504-481-2467
ABOVE: Preparations for the birth of our Lord are underway at St. Angela Merici! Each week of Advent, parish families helped light the Advent candles at the beginning of each weekend Mass. Our beautiful Nativity scene is displayed on the lawn on Pomona Drive. Kimberly Mouledoux, Director of Music Ministry, and musician, Jack Craft, offered songs of praise and worship for “Word of God Speak”, a night of Adoration and reflection on Monday, December 9. **BELOW:** St. Angela Merici welcomed the Charbonnet family for an Advent Morning of Reflection sponsored by the Catholic Community Foundation on Thursday, December 12.
Parish School of Religion/ CCD

Upcoming Events:
- Monday, December 16 - Class #14: 4:45 p.m.
- There will be No CCD on Monday, December 23 & Monday, December 30 due to the Christmas Holidays.

SAM Choir

Calling All Singers 8th grade and up! If you enjoy singing, then consider singing with the choir! Music is a gift from God for us to share in worship and praise. As it says in Ephesians 5:19 “Speak to one another with the words of psalms, hymns, and sacred songs; sing hymns and psalms to the Lord with praise in your hearts.” We rehearse Tuesday nights from 7pm – 8pm in the church and sing for the 11am Mass. For more information, please contact Kimberly Mouledoux at kmouledoux@stangelaschool.org

Readings for the week 12-22-19

**Monday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
**Wednesday:** Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
**Night:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:3-11, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
**Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
**Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 11:18 [1-5, 9-14]
**Thursday:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
**Friday:** 1 Jn 11-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 15 — 22; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
**Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-5;
Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Readings for the week 12-29-19

**Monday:** 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
**Wednesday:** Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
**Friday:** 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 21:12

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Monday, March 23, 2020.

Upcoming Dates
- **Wednesday, January 15** 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Confirmation Make Up Class #3 Parish Office Workroom
- **Sunday, January 26** 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Retreat

Pro-Life Ministry

The next Pro-Life Ministry meeting will be on January 13 at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

**The Nativity** (Pro-Life Meditations on the “Joyful Mysteries” of the Rosary)
God Himself was born as a child. The greatness of a person does not depend on size; for the newborn King is very small. Let us pray for an end to prejudice against the tiny babies threatened by abortion.

**Saturday, January 18th** is the Proudly Pro-Life Dinner. If you have not purchased your tickets, please contact New Orleans Pro-Life Office. We will be celebrating 50th anniversary of New Orleans Pro-Life Ministry at this year's dinner.

Retrouvaille

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 10-12, 2020, 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.
Holy Spirit Women’s Retreat

Johnnette Benkovic Williams, Fr. Mark Goring, Deacon Larry and Andi Oney, and Patti Mansfield will be featured at the annual Holy Spirit Women’s Retreat from January 24-26, 2020, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Lafayette, LA. The prophetic theme is “2020: Without a Vision the People Perish.” The liturgies, music, prayer, teaching and fellowship will bring encouragement to all those who love the Lord and the Church. Johnnette is Founder and President of Women of Grace which sponsors conferences, media, study groups and more. Johnnette is featured on EWTN on both radio and television. Johnnette is a prolific writer and her new book is The Rosary: Your Weapon in Spiritual Warfare. Fr. Mark Goring is a dynamic and inspiring preacher who is fearless. He is a member of the Companions of the Cross, and the past Director of the Catholic Charismatic Center in Houston. He has a daily YouTube broadcast of gospel preaching. They will be joined by Deacon Larry and Andi Oney, Patti Mansfield and the CCRNO Team. Register online at www.ccrno.org or call (504) 828-1368.

Pope Francis’s Ordination Anniversary

Pope Francis celebrates his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on Friday, December 13, 2019. May his example of long and faithful service be an inspiration to bishops, priests, and the faithful throughout the world. #PrayforPopeFrancis

Prayer for Pope Francis 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood

Father of mercy,
we come before you with gratitude
for the fifty years of priesthood of Pope Francis,
whom you have made Peter’s successor.
Support him with the Spirit’s gifts,
so that he can continue to preach the Gospel with priestly zeal
and lead the Church with wisdom and strength and courage.
May his example of long and faithful service
be an inspiration to your priests and to all your faithful.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.
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### Sacramental Preparation

- **Baptism**: Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, excluding the season of Lent.
- **Confirmation**: Celebrated in the Junior year of High School. Classes begin in August.
- **Marriage**: Please contact a priest at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.
- **Anointing of the Sick**: Please call the parish office to arrange a visit by a priest. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can also deliver Holy Communion to the homebound.
- **Funeral**: Contact the parish office to meet with our Funeral Ministry in preparation for the Funeral Liturgy.

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