

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Bringing Christ to People and People to Christ Since 1909

AFTER JESUS WAS BAPTIZED,
HE CAME UP FROM THE WATER AND BEHOLD,
THE HEAVENS WERE OPENED FOR HIM,
AND HE SAW THE SPIRIT OF GOD
DESCENDING LIKE A DOVE
AND COMING UPON HIM.

MATTHEW 3:16



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 12, 2020

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Catholic Websites Links:

www.diocesealex.org

www.vatican.va

www.masstimes.org

www.usccb.org

www.catholic.com

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Tues-Thurs 5:00 pm - 5:20 pm

And by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Request at least 1 month in advance

Sacrament of Matrimony

At least 6 months in advance

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Jan. 11	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens	Feb. 1	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere
Jan. 12	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Lanie Adkins, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Susie Winston	Feb. 2	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Elizabeth Coleman, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Prejean, Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Coleman, Beth Prejean Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman
Jan. 18	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Altar Servers:	Lector: Justin Sines	Feb. 8	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens
Jan. 19	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Elizabeth Coleman, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne	Feb. 9	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Susie Winston
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Djjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Prejean, Tabatha Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Djjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey
Jan. 25	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Terri Poehl	Feb. 15	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Justin Sines
Jan. 26	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Susie Winston	Feb. 16	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Mike Friday, Kathy Friday, Susan Hilton Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Beth Prejean, Tabatha Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Beth Prejean		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Beth Prejean

Collection

December 22, 2019	\$3803.00
December 25, 2019	3478.00
—Church Vocations	297.00
December 29, 2019	3748.00

Thank you so much for your generosity!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the LORD upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).

Psalms — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29).

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38).

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Matthew 3:13-17).

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†MASS SCHEDULE &

01-11 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
01-12 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
01-12 Sunday	5:00 p.m.
01-13 Monday	NO MASS
01-14 Tuesday	5:30 p.m.
01-15 Wednesday	5:30 p.m.
01-16 Thursday	5:30 p.m.
01-17 Friday	8:00 a.m.
01-18 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
01-19 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
01-19 Sunday	5:00 p.m.

INTENTIONS

†Hendrix & Hazel Thomasee
†Mabel Brossett, Johnny, Brossett & Harold Hernandez Our Parish Family
†Blanche & John W. LaCaze, Jr. Intention for M.L.
†Intention for Shirley MacLauren
†Mac Mac Lauren Our Parish Family
†Barras, Vallien & Monette Family
†Stephen, Douglas & Mai Abington

CALENDAR

01-12 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO- Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

01-14 Tuesday

- Potluck Dinner & Rosary

01-15 Wednesday

- Adult Bible Study: 2:00 -4:00 p.m., Hall

01-16 Thursday

- Charismatic Prayer Group: 6:00 p.m.

01-19 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: Will Not Meet
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

Electronic Giving

If you'd like to donate with a bank draft or credit card, please go to our website at www.nscatholic.org and click on GIVE.

Have you remembered Holy Cross Campus Ministry in your will?

Altar Society

Charismatic Prayer Group	Joan Gahagan
High School Confirmation	Shelley Mims
Children's Catechism	Janice Ebert
RCIA	Mark Adkins
Maintenance & Grounds	John Denny
Adoration Chapel	Kathy Friday

Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Are you looking for a deeper conversion, a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and a growth in holiness? Would you like to know more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how you can better serve the Lord and His people? If interested, please come to our Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. held at Holy Cross Church. For more information, please call Joan Gahagan at 318-352-8701.

Safe Environment

The Protecting Our Children—Understanding, Reporting and Preventing Child Abuse flyer, which includes *Resources and Contact Numbers* is available for those who wish to take one.

Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors and the diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct for Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Ministers, Administrators, Staff, and Volunteers can be accessed under the Documents and Links in the Safe Environment section of the diocese website: www.diocesealex.org and a hard copy may be requested of the Safe Environment Office.

VIRTUS™ Protecting God's Children

Every adult who works/volunteers with children/youth in the Diocese of Alexandria's churches/schools must attend the VIRTUS™ *Protecting God's Children* sexual abuse awareness training. "Ongoing-training" will be part of the training component. A background check must be conducted and, the results received before an adult may volunteer/work with children/youth.

VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CHANGE. Those who are active Virtus users now have a video recertification module to complete through your on-line account. This is in addition to the monthly Virtus bulletins that must be read each month. For more information contact Pam Delrie at pdelrie@diocesealex.org or 318-445-6424, ext. 213



The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2020
A voice came from the heavens, saying,
"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well

Upcoming Virtus Sessions

- January 14, 6:00 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria
- January 23, 6:00 p.m., St. Francis de Sales Church Hall, Echo

Please pre-register. Go to www.virtus.org; and, click on **First-Time Registrant** and complete all requested information.

Message from the Pastor

Thank you so much for all the seasons greetings, the Christmas cards, and the Christmas gifts. I'm truly appreciative of the generosity you all have shown me. God bless you all abundantly in this new year. — Fr. Marc

Domestic Church Retreat • Feb. 13-16, 2020

Please join us for the next Domestic Church Retreat to be held at Maryhill Renewal Center, Feb. 13-16, 2020. What a wonderful gift to give yourselves and your marriage! The cost is \$375 per couple, which includes a \$50 deposit. To register, please visit us here: nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/domestic-church-evangelization-retreat-maryhill-retreat-center-february-1 For more information please contact Jenay Franco jenayolivia@gmail.com or (337) 258-4155.

Converging Roads to Health Care Ethics Conference • February 29, 2020

In collaboration with the Diocese of Alexandria, CHRISTUS St. Frances Cabrini Health System, and the Catholic Physicians Guild of Central Louisiana, the St. John Paul II Foundation presents the first Converging Roads health care ethics conference in Alexandria, LA. On the topic of Health Care and Human Dignity, the conference will feature Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, PhD of the National Catholic Bioethics Center, Rev. Brian Gunter of Cenla Pregnancy Center, and more. The conference will be held at CHRISTUS St. Francis Cabrini Hospital from 9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Continuing education credits for healthcare professionals and chaplains will be offered, but the conference is open to all, regardless of profession. Registration ranges from \$69-\$149 based on CME/CNE inclusion, and priests in the Diocese of Alexandria are offered a special discount. To register or for more information, please visit convergingroads.com or email erin@orlifeandfamily.org.

Life Teen - High School Youth Ministry

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Special Collection • January 26

Church in Latin America: For many in Latin America and Caribbean, rural terrain and a lack of ministers are obstacles to practicing their faith. Your support to the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs to help share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

Day of Lenten Reflection • March 14, 2020

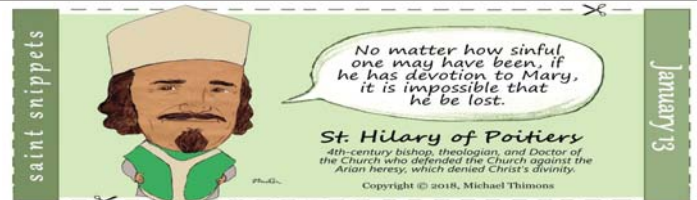
Join us for a Day of Lenten Reflection on March 14, 2020 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Natchitoches. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for a continental breakfast. Day of Reflection is open to men and women and begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends in time for the Vigil Mass at St. Anthony's Church. Lunch is included in the \$35 registration fee. Speakers will be Joan Gahagan and Mary Wilson. For more information, email dianeardoyn@yahoo.com. The Day of Lenten reflection is sponsored by CENLA Magnificat and Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Louisiana (CCRC).

SAINT HILARY (c. 315-367)

January 13

Born in Poitiers, France, whose populace would later elect him bishop, Hilary, married and a father, was converted from paganism to Christianity through his reading of scripture. The focus of his prayerful study was the Prologue to the Gospel according to John, which portrays Jesus as the divine Logos, eternally begotten of the Father. As a result, Hilary became in the words of the biblical scholar Jerome, "the Latin Trumpet against the Arians," heretics who believed Jesus to be merely human, not divine. In defense of Christ's divinity, Hilary was not only eloquent in debate but utterly fearless in the face of relentless persecution and even exile. Thus by the witness of his own discipleship, Hilary taught that faith in Jesus as the divine Son of God has consequences. Reflecting on Jesus' challenge to his disciples, "You are the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13), Hilary notes that, as salt both preserves from corruption and adds savor to food, so must the faithful disciple bear a witness that, by word and example, leads others to immortality and virtuous living.

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Words from Our Adoration Chapel • Just One Hour Can Change Our World

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Neighborly Prayer (Please review this list. If there any names that need to be removed, please call or email the office.)

Carrie Aaron, Mark Adkins, Judy Armstrong, Beth Atkins, Theresa Bayonne, Buster Beaudion, Darlene Bell, Mike Bell, Brian K. Benefield, Sr., Carol Bennett, Lisa Boydston, Mar Lou Brasher, Betty Sue Brewton, Delbert Broadway, Mabel Brossett, Emma Jean Bynog, Dwayne Carter, Jesse Chambers, Jenny Choate, Jonah Crotchet, Darlene Cloud, Donnie Cockrell, Eloise "Mickie" Colquitt, Christopher Conant, Dale Cooper, Davina Cotton, Aziza Coutee, Darren Coutee, Josephine Coutee, Raamses Coutee, Linda Crooks, Ted Cross, Stoney Crow, Mary Darby, Susan Dowden Davis, Francis Deloney, Rosa Del Toro, Lillian DeJean, Beverly Dodd, Stephen Edwards, Talia Epidendio, Beau Louis Fair, Jessica Fontenot, Linda Frey, Ashley Friday, Mike Friday, Buddy Gahagan, Audrey Gallien, Jerry Lynn Garie, Sr., Clarice Garner, Jerry Garza, Andrew Gilbert, Sandra Giska, M. Jude Glass, Jerry Glover, Karen Glover, Amanda Gomez, Natassia Lynn Gomez, Jada Grace, Mary Lynn, Alex Haddad, Steve Hamilton, Charles Hampton, Jr., Lacie Harper, Donald Harris, Kenneth Heard, Ralph Hernandez, Sonia Hester, Mike Hinds, Sam Holden, Emelle Howell, Doris James, Laura Jardine, Mary Jardine, Nora Jardine, Larry Johnson, Darrella Jones, Emery Jones, Thelma Jordan, Alina Karpinski, Daunta Karpinski, Jerica Kelly, Paul Keyser, Paula Kimberly, Aubrey LaCaze, Bubba LaCour, Florence LaCour, Glenn LaCour, Herman LaCour, John LaCour, Nazy LaCour, Aaron Michael LeBlanc, Lauren Leone, Janice Licak, Thelma Little, Jean Llorence, John Lodrigue, Jacie Logan, Gwen Lynch, Shirley MacLauren, Bob McGill, Randy Mayeaux, Holly Maynard, Lynn McCain, Dennis McClung, Brenda Melder, Ralph Mercado, Carolyn Merrell, Owen Monette, Wayne North, Andrew Odom, Diane Osborne, Jessie Parker, Karen Pichon, Burt Poche, Hannah Possioit, Dale Presson, Alton Rachal, Jr., Archie Rachal, Jr., Crystal Rachal, Jimmy Rachal, Jr., Holly Rafidi, Eddie Richard, Greg Reed, Larry Rister, Dewey Roberts, Carol Ann LaCaze Rose, Maria C. Ruiz, T.M.S. Genevieve Santana, Debby Saville, Tony Schneider, Buzz Scott, Dot Scott, Jensen Sessums, Phillip Shilling, Mike Smith, Donald Smith, Macie Smith, Vickie Spillman, Kay Sprung, Mark Sylvie, Jr., Amy Tobin, Elizabeth Trichel, Cleo Tyler, Gary Tyler, Mason Tyler, Paulette Tyler, Theresa Vallien, Jenelle Van Calsem, Glenda Sue Vanhook, Ronnie Vascocu, Billie Vercher, Clara Vercher, Cynthia White, Shirley White, Mandy Whitehead, Linda Wilkerson, Johnny Williams, Sammentha Williams Cordie Wilson, Rev. Willie Wilson, Rose Wilson, Melinda Zolzer. *May God grant healing and comfort to the sick and purification through those who suffer for the sake of the Kingdom! Amen.*