



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25, 2009

The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure
Our offertory collection for last Sunday will be published next week.
(For 2007-2008 our average weekly expenses were \$6,509.00.)

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Mrs. Yola Lemaire
By: Family

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 28th at 7:00 P.M. Bishop Michael Jarrell will be the celebrant. Please keep these young men and women of our St. Charles Borromeo community in your prayers.

Ministry Training

Training for Lectors will be given for NEW ministers and for those who already participate and have not attended a renewal training within the past two years. Training will be in St. Charles Church beginning at 7:00 PM. Please attend:
Thursday, January 29th - for Lectors

Registration for "Six Steps to Easter" Religious Education Program is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11th at 6:00 P.M. in St. Charles Chapel. This program is for students in Jr. High & High School (grades 7-8, 9-10 & higher). Completed form and a fee of \$15.00 are due at registration. Four years of this program are required for Confirmation as a Junior in high school. Parent and child must attend this mandatory meeting. Classes start February 25th.

An Altar Server Training

There will be a training offered on **Saturday, January 31st** at 9:00 AM. We request that both a parent and son/daughter attend. The requirement is that the server must have made First Communion. There is no upper age limit and we welcome men and women of all ages to participate in this ministry. (Older candidates can attend class without their parent.)

Sign Pro-Life Postcards Action against FOCA

Today our parish, along with thousands of our parish across the nation, will sign postcards urging Congress to oppose the "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) and to retain existing laws against government funding and promotion of abortion. Sign a postcard to our two U.S. Senators Mary Landrieu and David Vitter, and to our Representative Charles Boustany.

Let your voice be heard!

Thank you for standing up for life at this important time!

Sign a Petition on the Internet

You can also register an opposition against FOCA by going to the internet site: www.fightfoca.com. There you can read about the FOCA legislation and sign a petition to reject this proposed legislation that, sadly, supports taking the life of unborn children by abortion.

Senior Citizens will gather at Thensted Center on **Friday, January 30th at 10:00 AM**

Activities of the Week Jan. 19-25

M 26	4:00 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 27	6:00 PM 7:30 Choir Practice
W 28	7:00 PM Confirmation
TH 29	5:45 PM 10:30 Mass Choir Practice 7:00 PM Class for Lectors
FR 30	
SA 31	9:00 AM Altar Server Training

Minister Schedule-Jan. 31-Feb. 1

Vigil -Lector	Jim Burleigh & Ivy Lavergne
Communion	Deacon Sam Henry, Juanita Comeaux Mildred Boast, Mary Menard, Jo Burleigh
Altar Server	Nicholas Smith
7:30 -Lector	Cierra Meche & Stphanie Richard
Communion	Paul & Lolita Henry, Jackie Savoie, Pemella Williams, Darrell Burleigh
Altar Server	Taneshia Cormier
10:30 -Lector	Denise Moore & Mary Claire Trant
Communion	Deacon Herd Guilbeau, Tim Trant, Frank & Avis Domingue, Nancy Bourque
Altar Server	Lauren & Lindsey Bourque, Cody Williams

Church Cleaners for Jan. 31-Feb. 1

Earline Taylor Lou Santillo Susan Dugal
Michael & Margie McClendon



Congratulations to Mrs. Linda Senegal and Ms. Tori Johnson who received the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. award from the Diocese of Lafayette in recognition of their service in the Religious Education programs of Christ the King Mission and St. Charles Borromeo Church. The awards were given by Bishop Jarrell on Friday, January 16th, at the St. John's Cathedral.

North Region Conference is scheduled for Saturday, February 14, 2009, 8:30 am-12:00 Guest speaker is Rev. Daniel Mahan from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Topic is "Identify Your Talents for Ministry". Being held at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church in Opelousas. For more information, please contact Jackie Griffin at 831-2621.

A Prayer for our Nation

Gracious and loving God, we come to you in humble prayer for the United States of America. Bless our President. Give him wisdom and strength to serve the American people and to lead our country in ways that are pleasing to you. Bless our Congress. Instill in them knowledge and understanding to enact laws that protect the sanctity of life—from the unborn to the elderly; and promote the good of all people. Bless the people of the United States. Make us aware of our responsibility as citizens to uphold the principles of life, liberty, justice, and equality. Send your Holy Spirit upon our beloved country. Make us people of faith in time of uncertainty. Make us people of hope in times of trouble. Make us people of compassion with those who are less fortunate. Make us people of peace in our homes, our communities, our country, and our world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Sacrament Preparation for Adults

St. Charles Church offers a program to prepare adults for the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion). Classes start on February 5th and meet weekly on Thursdays 7:00-8:00 P.M. Sacraments will be received at the Easter Vigil Service on April 11th.

This program is for YOU if you are:

A baptized or un-baptized adult who would like to inquire about the Catholic Faith or who wants to become a Catholic.

A baptized adult who has not yet celebrated Eucharist and/or Confirmation in the Catholic Faith and who would like to do this.

A Catholic adult who is fully initiated and is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith.

Call the church office at 662-5279 to register. Please tell others about this opportunity, especially family members or friends who might be interested.

Christ the King Ladies Auxiliary Ct. #114 is sponsoring a Children's **Mardi Gras Pageant**. Age categories are 2-4 yr. old, 5-9 yr. old, and 10-13 yr. old. A king and queen will be chosen from each category. The entry fee is \$20. For information, call Grand Lady Paula Jordan at 351-4532 or Yvette Tyler at 684-4868.

HAPPY PEOPLE

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything