



Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

Weekly Update for September 2, 2020

I hope that this letter finds you all well. As I mentioned in last week's update, Fr. Alex is on vacation this week will not be with you at regular weekly facebook live prayer time today. Although he is out of the parish this week be assured of his prayers for you.

**Post-Hurricane Laura:** Christ the Redeemer and other local churches are partnering with Catholic Charities and the Catholic Foundation to bring needed supplies to those ravaged by Hurricane Laura. Christ the Redeemer is a drop off site for supplies and donations. You can find a list of needed supplies on our website at [www.ctr-htdioocese.org](http://www.ctr-htdioocese.org) or on the diocese website at [www.htdioocese.org](http://www.htdioocese.org)

Monetary donations are being accepted.

- Online Donations: visit [www.ctr-htdioocese.org](http://www.ctr-htdioocese.org) click GIVING; choose your normal method of giving online (text, mobile app, give now); choose Fund Drop Down; choose Disaster Relief.
- Traditional Giving: Checks can be made out to: Catholic Foundation of South Louisiana  
Memo: Disaster Relief Mailing Address: PO Box 505, Schriever, LA 70395  
OR place your check in an envelope marked Disaster Relief and drop it into the collection basket at the weekend Masses.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help the victims of Hurricane Laura.

**Youth Formation Registration:** We are continuing to register students for our 2020/2021 Youth Formation sessions. If you have not registered your children please visit our website for information and registration. [www.ctr-htdioocese.org/youth](http://www.ctr-htdioocese.org/youth)

**Wedding Anniversary Celebration:** The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is inviting all couples married in the Catholic church who are celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50<sup>th</sup>, or 60th (and beyond) anniversary during 2020 to one of two Diocesan Liturgies of the Word, which will be celebrated Sunday, November 8, 2020 and Sunday November 22, 2020 respectively at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, both at 3:00 PM. The celebration will not be a Mass, but a Liturgy of the Word. If you wish to participate in this program, contact our church office before September 18, 2020 to register. All registered anniversary couples will receive an inscribed diocesan certificate during a Christ the Redeemer Mass which has not yet been scheduled. Due to Covid-19 protocols we will not host a reception this year.

**Come Spend an Hour with the Lord:** There are several hours that are being temporarily filled by adorers serving additional hours. If you have ever considered regularly spending some time

with the Lord now is a great time to start. Please call Sara Oubre if you would like to commit to a slot. 985.447.8662

**Prayer for Hurricane Season:**

Our Father in Heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season and protect us and our homes from all the disasters of nature.

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**Support Christ the Redeemer:** Thank you all for your continuing support of our parish ministry in the face of this pandemic. Donations can be made by mail to 720 Talbot Ave., electronically <https://www.ctr-htdiocese.org/stewardship>, by texting 985.333.1108, by downloading the Connect Now Giving App, through your bank's automatic bill pay system, or by bringing a donation to our church.

**Coronavirus Precautions:** While in the Church building, please wear a facemask that covers your mouth and nose. This reduces the spread of germs in enclosed spaces. At all times we should remain six feet apart and make no physical contact with each other and limited contact with parts of the Church building such as doors or the information desk. We should not gather for extended periods of time either in the church or in the parking lot. Each person should sanitize their hands when they enter the church and preferably when they leave.

**We are here to Help:** As we continue to progress through the Coronavirus and Hurricane season, we will need to rely on each other more and more. If you find yourself in need of help or need to talk to someone, please contact our office. We are here to serve you. Our office is closed to the public, but we are available over the phone from 8:00 AM to noon and from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM at 985.447.2013.

**Sunday Obligation:** The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday remains lifted. If you cannot or choose not to attend Sunday Mass for any reason, you will not be sinning. There is no shame in choosing not to attend Mass if you are vulnerable, are caring for someone who is, are caring for young children for whom the distancing will be difficult, are concerned about getting sick, or for any other reason. Please take this time to sanctify your week in some other fashion until life returns to normal.

**Finally,** please help our Christ the Redeemer family by sharing this letter with as many people as you can. Only with your assistance can we assure that every Christ the Redeemer parishioner who wants to receive our updates can. Thank you.