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## March 15, 2023 | Weekly Newsletter

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

**Rise Up: Men's Gathering** | Thank you. The Rise Up gathering was a fantastic success. Thanks to all of our donors, volunteers, and staff who made this day possible. A special thanks to our speakers and priests who made this day so special. Over 200 men from the surrounding area registered.

**Married Couples Retreat** | On March 16 - 19, 2023, Christ the Redeemer is hosting a Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat. This retreat is for married couples to help them grow in their catholicism and marriage. The retreat is held at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center. With church registration, the retreat cost is \$350. Registration at [ctr-htdiocese.org/domestic-church-retreat](http://ctr-htdiocese.org/domestic-church-retreat)

**Fr. PJ Madden** | A mass of thanksgiving will be celebrated in Fr. PJ's honor on Thursday March 16 at 5:00 PM at St. Hilary of Poitiers.

**Confirmation Retreat** | Our 10th and 11th grade students will be away for their confirmation retreat this weekend. Please pray for our students.

**Confession Suspended** | I will not be able to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Saturday at the usual afternoon time so that I can spend the day with our Confirmation students.

**St. Joseph Altar** | Our St. Joseph Altar will be on display from 8 AM until 5 PM on Monday, March 20. In preparation for the altar, we are looking for volunteers, prayer partners, and loaned or donated items. More information will be in your bulletin this weekend.

**Children's Liturgy Change** | In order to facilitate the construction and veneration of the St. Joseph Altar, Children's Liturgy will be suspended on Sunday, March 19th.

**Men's ACTS Retreat** | Christ the Redeemer Church is sponsoring our 4th annual Men's ACTS Retreat on March 30 - April 2 at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center. Our retreat is currently full but there is a waiting list that will also reserve your spot for the next retreat.

**Women's ACTS Retreat** | Christ the Redeemer Church is sponsoring our 3rd annual Women's ACTS Retreat on April 20 - 23 at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center. Our retreat is currently full but there is a waiting list that will also reserve your spot for the next retreat.

**Bishop Dorsonville** | Save the following dates as times to meet Bishop Dorsonville. On Monday, March 27, he will celebrate the 5:30 PM daily mass at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral. The mass will be followed by about a half hour of adoration and then a reception at the Thibodaux Wellness Center. On Wednesday, March 29, we will have the Mass of Canonical Installation at St. Frances de Sales in

Houma. Parking will be at the Terrebonne civic center with transportation to the cathedral. All must be seated by 1:30 PM. A reception will follow at the civic center.

**Catholic Daughters Scholarship** | The Catholic Daughters Court Genevieve #2946 is sponsoring a \$500 scholarship for graduating seniors. The recipient may be a registered parishioner of any Catholic Church in Thibodaux. There is an application that must be completed and returned to St. Genevieve's Church office by 3 PM on March 31. For more information call 985.447.5571.

**Lent** | It is again time for our great fast.

- The Way of the Cross will be offered on Fridays at 5:30 PM.
- An additional mass will be offered on Fridays following the Way of the Cross around 6:00 PM.
- Rice Bowls should be returned by April 2. These funds go to feed the poor the world over.
- The Easter Egg Project items should be returned to the lobby by March 26.
- Mercy Night is an experience of Eucharistic Adoration, Praise and Worship, guided meditation, and confession. It begins at 6:00 PM on Wednesday during Lent.

**Holy Week**

- Confession will be offered for long periods of time on Tuesday April 4 from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM and Wednesday April 5 from 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
- The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 AM on April 6 at St. Frances de Sales Cathedral, Houma.
- The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 6:00 PM with the Altar of Repose open until Midnight. Confession will be offered until midnight
- The Hike for Christ will be held on Friday, April 7. The day begins at 10:30 AM.
- The Good Friday Solemn Service begins at 3:00 PM. The Way of the Cross will be said at 2:30 PM.
- The Easter Vigil will begin at 8:00 PM.
- Easter Sunday Mass will be celebrated out doors at 6:00 AM and 9:00 AM. The 11:00 AM Mass will be indoors and Streamed.
- Our office will be closed on April 10.

**Bishop's Appeal** | Please pray for our diocese and consider committing to support the ministers of our Bishop's Appeal. Our goal for this year is \$27,000. We are 86% of the way there.

**Footsteps of Our Fathers** | A spiritual pilgrimage to the beautiful lands of Ireland. On this pilgrimage we will see the birthplaces of Fr. Patrick O'Brien and Fr. John Gallen and the cradle of the Catholic Faith in the West. The pilgrimage is September 4 through 17, 2023. For more information: call 985.414.8456 or [info@tothemoonandbacktravel.com](mailto:info@tothemoonandbacktravel.com). Information on this pilgrimage as well as one to the Holy Land and one to Rome are available at our information center.

In Christ,  
Fr. Alex Gaudet