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Welcome *home.*

March 22, 2023 | Weekly Newsletter

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

ACTS Women Fundraiser | The ACTS Women shrimp boil fundraiser is Friday, March 24 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. There will be a drive-through. Please bring your tickets.

First Communion | We will be celebrating First Communion on Sunday, March 26th at 5:00 PM. Please pray for our students celebrating their first communion this year.

Palm Sunday | We are seeking palms for Palm Sunday. Please bring cut and cleaned palms to the tables outside of the Church. Thank you for helping ensure that everyone can have a palm.

Children's Liturgy | Children's Liturgy will be suspended for Palm Sunday, April 2, and Easter Sunday, April 9. This will facilitate our Easter celebrations. Thank you for your cooperation.

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 a waiting list 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 a waiting list 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. Events begin in the church 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 outdoors 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 93% 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. Information on this pilgrimage as well as one to the Holy Land and one to Rome are available at our information center.

Job Openings | We have been advertising two positions for some time now. There have been few developments. Please intercede on behalf of our parish, and if you know someone who would be a good fit for our parish, please encourage them to apply. Campus Custodian and General Maintenance Associate positions are open, and resumes may be submitted to ctrchurch@htdiocese.org or dropped off in our office at 720 Talbot Ave.

What do you want me to do for you? | These are the words of Jesus to the blind man on the way to Jericho. Sometimes we know the things we need to do but just lack the resource or connections to make them happen; sometimes, we don't even know where to start. Is there a sacrament that you want to receive? Do you want to get married? Do you need to get your marriage blessed? Do you need an annulment? Do you need counseling or just want some prayer or life advice? We do that. The relationship with Jesus also includes his church. We want to walk alongside you to help you get what you need from Jesus. Do you know someone who is struggling? Send them our way.

In Christ,
Fr. Alex Gaudet