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Welcome *home.*

## April 12, 2023 | Weekly Newsletter

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

**RCIA** | Congratulations to Lucero, Claire, Micah, Adrien, Kelly, and Esco who received sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

**Bishop's Appeal** | Please pray for our diocese and consider committing to support the ministers of our Bishop's Appeal. We have surpassed our goal. Thank you to all who donated.

**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.

**Confirmation** | Our parish celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for our 11th-grade disciples will be at 4:00 PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 29th. Please pray for these young disciples.

**Staff Retreat** | Our parish staff will be away for a retreat from May 2nd until 4th. Please pray for us. Our office will be open and daily Mass will be celebrated.

**Magnificat** | The Magnificat Bayou River Chapter will be hosting its next breakfast on Tuesday, May 9. Kristin Niebala will be presenting. Doors open at 8:30 AM at the Thibodaux Regional Wellness Center. Registration can be completed with this code or [here](#).



**KC Fundraiser** | The Christ the Redeemer Knights of Columbus Council #8906 will host a fried fish fundraiser on Saturday, June 10 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. The KC's will begin selling tickets after Mass.

**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.

**Formed** | Are you looking for Catholic resources for the entire family? Sign up for FORMED. Christ the Redeemer has renewed our subscription so parishioners can enjoy this platform. To sign up go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup). Search for our parish by zip code.

**Safe Environment** | The Safe Environment Certification program is an effort by the Catholic Church to ensure the ongoing safety of children in our communities. The certification prepares our parishioners to identify and properly respond to signs that a child is a victim of abusive behavior. This

prepares our parishioners to cooperate with local mandatory reporter laws. As part of this certification, the Church provides a background check for each volunteer.

**Homebound Ministry** | I am looking to populate my list of parishioners needing communion brought to their homes. Please contact our office if you or someone you know needs communion brought to their home. We are also looking to build back our ministry team. You can become part of this team by contacting our office.

**Adoration** | I am looking for people who are interested in serving as alternates for our committed adorers. In the Holy Hour, we experience the Lord in his sacramental presence. Adorers commit to spending an hour in our adoration chapel. They are invited to pray, read scripture, or participate in their devotions during that time. Rosaries, bibles, and spiritual books are available. If you would like to commit to a time, please call 985.446.8662, 985.859.4874, or 985.209.8181.

**House Blessings** | Some of our parishioners have been able to get their damaged homes back together; while many others are still in the repair process. I invite you to have your house blessed when you feel it is ready. So, if you would like your home blessed, please contact our office for times and availability. Know that evening times will be in short supply.

***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