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January 26, 2022 | Weekly Newsletter

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

**Adoration** | The Holy Hour is an ancient practice of spending an hour with the Lord in the Eucharist. This goes back to when the Lord invited Peter, Andrew, James, and John with him into the garden just before his final arrest. They could not even stay one hour with him. This privileged experience of the Lord in his sacramental presence offers us the opportunity to engage the living God face to face. Since December 12<sup>th</sup>, 1994, Christ the Redeemer has offered Thibodaux the opportunity to spend an hour with the Lord continuously. For the time being, I am looking for five people to commit to one of the following times. An adorer is only committed to spending one hour in our adoration chapel. During that time you are invited to pray, read scripture, or participate in your devotions. For your convenience, there are rosaries, bibles, and spiritual books available to you. If you would like to commit to a time, please call 985.446.8662, 985.859.4874, 985.447.9363, or 985.209.818.

- Wednesday @ 6:00 PM
- Saturday @ 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, & 2:00 PM.
- Sunday @ 3:00 PM

**Married Couples Retreat** | Want to take your marriage to the next level? Want to learn a way to integrate your marriage with the Faith? The Domestic Church movement in cooperation with Christ the Redeemer is hosting a married couples retreat on April 7-10 at the Lumen Christi Retreat Center. For more information call 225.439.0734 or email [stephtoups@gmail.com](mailto:stephtoups@gmail.com) or register at [ctr-htdiocese.org/domestic-church-retreat](http://ctr-htdiocese.org/domestic-church-retreat).

**ACTS Retreats** | Also save the date for the ACTS Men's Retreat on March 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> and the ACTS Women's Retreat on April 21<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>. ACTS is an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. An ACTS retreat's goals are to strengthen our faith, renew ourselves spiritually, and build lasting friendships. The ACTS retreat is present by laymen or women with spiritual direction provided by clergy. All Christians age 18 or older are invited to attend. Registration forms are available in the front office.

**Youth Formation** | Our next gathering for our jr. high disciples is Sunday, January 30th at Christ the Redeemer from 6 - 7 PM. Our next meeting for our 1st, 2nd, & 3rd-grade disciples is Monday, January, 31st at 5:30 PM and will be done around 7:00 PM. Our next gathering for our high school disciples is on Sunday, February 6th at ED White. It begins with Mass at 5 PM. Our next meeting for our 4th & 5th-grade disciples is on Monday, February 7th at 5:30 PM and will be done around 7:00 PM.

**Bishop's Appeal** | During February you will begin to see information on the Bishop's Appeal. This appeal raises funds to ensure the continuing ministry in five major areas: Seminarian Formation, Youth Formation, Catholic Schools, Adult Faith Formation, and our retired priests. In a few weeks, we will have a guest speaker that will shed more light on Bishop's Appeal as a way to support the ministry you find most meaningful.

**Hurricane Ida** | I had mentioned in a past newsletter that Christ the Redeemer would be working with a local architect as part of our rebuilding process. I will soon be meeting with this firm to plan out our construction. Remember in order for our parish to receive FEMA funding, we have to get bids for our project. Which will take some time, first for the bids to be written, then distributed, and finally returned. At this point, we are moving at a slow but steady pace. Thank you for your patients.

Thank you,  
Fr. Alex Gaudet