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SECTION I A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Announcements

- Please click [here](#) for a letter regarding Hurricane Irma relief and make it available to your parishioners in the manner you deem most appropriate.
- Thank you to Fr. David Caron, O.P., and the Office of Evangelization for the Workshop, *“Every Believer an Evangelizer: Fostering a Culture of Witness”*, Saturday, September 9, 2017. This was very well received by over 200 attendees which was the full capacity of the workshop. Many thanks to all the parishes that participated.
- Thanks to Msgr. Hedrick, Betty-Ann Hickey, and the Office of Worship for a successful workshop for ministers of hospitality on September 7, 2017, with over 80 people in attendance.. This was developed in response to our synod goals. Please see the flyer [here](#) for additional opportunities.
- The Council of Deans will meet on Thursday, September 14, 2017, at 10:00 AM at the Chancery.
- The Priests Convocation/Louisiana Priests Convention will be held from September 19-21, 2017, at the Royal Sonesta Hotel. If you have not yet registered, please do so as soon as possible. All active diocesan and religious priests serving in parishes or diocesan ministries are expected to attend. I encourage priests to stay at the hotel to foster unity. More than 400 Priests are registered.
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School will have a groundbreaking for its new campus on September 22, 2017, at 10:00 AM.
- We will celebrate Mass on Saturday, September 23, 2017, on the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz at St. Maria Goretti at 6:00 PM.
- The Olive Mass will be held on Monday, September 25, 2017, at 10:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. Louis King of France. The Table Foundation will host a reception at 11:30 AM at Chef John Besh’s Pigeon & Prince located at 129 Camp Street, followed by a Panel Discussion of some of New Orleans’s best and most famous chefs. To register you may call 443-541-2390 or go to the website at <https://thetablefoundation.org/the-olive-mass/>. Click [here](#) to download the flyer.
- The Serra Club will prepare and serve a luncheon for all Religious of the Archdiocese on September 30, 2017, at St. Pius X (school cafeteria) in New Orleans at 11:00 AM.

This bulletin is also available on the Archdiocesan website, www.arch-no.org, or www.nolacatholic.org

Letter regarding Hurricane Irma relief

Synod Suggestions

My House Men’s Group

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Vincentian Celebration

Impelled by Christ's call and inspired by the Holy Spirit through the work of the Ninth General Synod, the ministries of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, in union with the Archbishop and with one another, serve the people of the parishes, schools and organizations of the archdiocese in enabling them to encounter Jesus and to witness with joy.

- Notre Dame Seminary Gala and Auction will be Saturday, September 30, 2017, at 7:00 PM with the Patron Party beginning at 6:00 PM. Call Yvette LaCour at 504-866-7426 , ext. 374 for more information or click [here](#) to purchase tickets.
- The annual Red Mass will be held on Monday, October 2, 2017, at 9:30 AM at St. Louis Cathedral.
- The National Association of Catholic Nurses will hold a summit in Cape Cod, MA, from October 6-8, 2017, entitled, "Catholic Nurses Ministering in the Spirit of Francis." Panels and working groups will focus on two national health crises: opioid addiction and veteran suicide, and address nurse use of pain and stress management modalities consistent with Catholic teaching. Please help us get the word out to Catholic nurses in our archdiocese about this opportunity. More information is available by clicking [here](#).

Death

Sister Esther Marie Estero, a Sister of the Holy Family, died on Saturday, September 9, 2017 at the age of 97. Services will be held on Thursday, September 14, in the Chapel of the Holy Family Motherhouse. Visitation begins at 8 a.m., a Wake Service at 9:15 a.m. and the Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Please remember Sister Esther, her congregation and her family in your prayers.

Mark Your Calendars

Sept. 13, 2017	Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
Sept. 19-21, 2017	Priests Convocation/Louisiana Priest Convention in New Orleans
Nov. 6, 2017	Day of Formation for all Catholic School Administration, Faculty, and Staff
March 7, 2018	Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
March 14, 2018	Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
March 21, 2018	Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
May 19, 2018	Transitional Diaconate Ordination
June 2, 2018	Priesthood Ordination
June 23, 2018	Permanent Diaconate Ordination
Sept. 12, 2018	Confession available in all parishes, 5:00 PM-6:30 PM
May 18, 2019	Transitional Diaconate Ordination
June 1, 2019	Priesthood Ordination

SECTION II ACTION REQUESTED

Pastors and parish secretaries are asked to please ensure response and follow-up on the items below

- ✓ **Synod Suggestions: Action Items Worth Considering from the Implementation Plan**
 - Has a teenager and/or young adult been appointed to the parish Pastoral Council?
 - Have confession days and times been expanded beyond Saturday afternoons?

- ✓ Please be reminded of two resources available in the archdiocese. The first is the **My House Men's Group**, a confidential, Catholic 12 step program for men struggling with pornography. Men can contact the ministry at myhouse@arch-no.org or 504-430-3060. Priests have reported that is helpful to be able to refer men in the confessional to this ministry. If any priests would like a supply of cards with the My House Men's Group contact information, please contact the Office of Pastoral Planning & Ministries at 504-861-6294 or planningand-ministries@arch-no.org to arrange delivery .

The other resource you may find helpful is a counterpart to the men's group, and that is the Pearl Ministry for wives of those men who are struggling with pornography. The confidential contact number for the Pearl Ministry is 504-343-3359.

- ✓ Pastors and Parish Wedding Coordinators are asked to please click [here](#) to review wedding information published in the **Clarion Herald's Catholic Wedding Guide** in April. The Catholic Wedding Guide will be published in early October, so please copy and paste your parish info, make corrections and email to jfoltz@clarionherald.org by MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017. If not previously included, please send 1) wedding times in your parish; 2) web site for wedding guidelines, if applicable; and 3) name(s)/phone number (s) of wedding coordinator(s.) If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Jonelle Foltz at (504) 596-3036.

- ✓ Pastors are encouraged to send their **RCIA coordinators** to a workshop featuring Msgr. Michael Clay from the Catholic University of America. Entitled "Condition Critical," the session will explore why we must evangelize effectively in the period of the pre-catechumenate. The workshop will take place on Saturday, September 23, 2017, from 9:00 AM—3:00 PM at St. Mary's Dominican High School in the STEM Center. Please visit <http://www.nolaore.org/fall-rcia-workshop> for more information and to register.

SECTION III PARISH PUBLICITY

Announcements below are made available for publicizing to parishioners via placement in parish bulletins, on parish websites and social media, or other appropriate means

Beginning Experience

The Beginning Experience Weekend on October 20-22, 2017, is a wonderful healing opportunity for those suffering the loss of a spouse either through death or separation/divorce. Those who have attended this weekend attest to the new hope they have received and the powerful safe and loving environment they found in the experience. Under the sponsorship of the Archdiocese of New Orleans Family Life Apostolate this International program has helped thousands navigate the road through grief. Call Jeani (985) 640-8505 or Genevieve (504) 236-1052 for more information.

SECTION IV NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Following is news and information of general interest to the local Church

Official Catholic Directory

PJ Kenedy and Sons, the publisher of the Official Catholic Directory, has had a change of publishing schedule for this year. The normal mid-year soft-cover update for 2017 will not be published due to software upgrades at the publishing house. The current edition, the 2017 hard-cover directory, is also delayed but shipment is expected soon. Any updates made after November 2016 will be reflected in the 2018 directory. If you have questions, please contact Jonelle Foltz at 504-596-3035 or jfoltz@clarionherald.org.

Vincentian Priests Celebration

The Vincentian Priests celebration will be Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at St. Joseph Church, 5 P.M., 1802 Tulane Avenue. All, clergy religious and laity are invited to the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Congregation of the Mission in the United States. The Congregation of the Mission arrived in Baltimore in 1816, spent 1817 in Bardstown, Ky and arrived in Perryville, Mo. in 1818. At the celebration, we will also distribute a booklet describing the history of Vincentian priests and brothers in our Province, that included New Orleans, from 1818 to the present day. The celebration will include a Mass, reception and the inauguration of a "New Orleans Vincentian Priests Bicentennial Fund".

After consulting with Xavier University, the Vincentians are establishing a scholarship fund for Xavier students who have shown an interest in working to promote peace and justice after they graduate from college. Specifically, we will offer aid to students in their last year or two of college, who are running short of funds to complete their college education. The New Orleans Vincentians at DePaul Residence and at St. Joseph Church will contribute an initial \$100,000 to the fund. In an effort to have the fund reach a goal of \$200,000 we welcome additional contributions. Please send checks made out to "St. Joseph Church" with note "bicentennial fund" to St. Joseph Church, 1802 Tulane Ave., New Orleans., La 70112.