

Diocese of Lake Charles Seminarians 2008-2009



The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, D.D.
Bishop of Lake Charles



Prayer for Priestly and Religious Vocations

The son of Man came to serve and not to be served (Matthew 20:28)
O Jesus, God and Gentle Shepherd grant that the men and women from our community, may have the grace and the courage to hear and answer your call to priesthood and religious life.
Give them the wisdom to realize that life is a gift. Let them realize their life is part of YOUR plan. Call forth those you have chosen to spread the gospel message, and to help them to freely respond to a life of service in the Church.
May the Parents and families of our parishes support and encourage young men and women to search for, follow, and answer the call of God in their lives.

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Remembrance Dinner to benefit Bishop's Appeal

LAKE CHARLES --The inaugural Monsignor Irving A. DeBlanc "Remembrance Dinner" to benefit the 2008-2009 Bishop's Services Appeal will be held on Thursday, November 20 beginning at 7 p.m. at Harlequin Steaks and Seafood, 501 West College Street in Lake Charles. The cost of the dinner is \$75 and reservations may be made by calling 310-0077. Guest speakers for the event will be Nicholas Hunter and The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles. Hunter will reflect on the memory of Monsignor DeBlanc while Bishop Provost will offer a reflection on the remembrance of loved ones and conclude the evening with Benediction. The Bishop's Services Appeal is the annual fundraising drive that provides funding for the various ministries and offices of the Diocese of Lake Charles. The goal for this year's Appeal is \$600,000.



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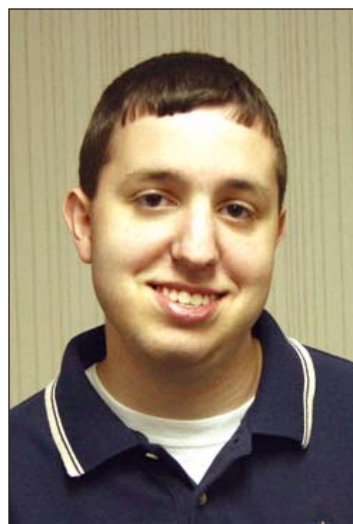
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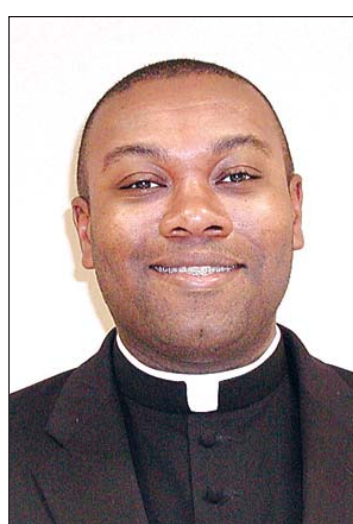
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Fred Fluitt named to lead Companions

LAKE CHARLES -- Fred Fluitt, a member of Our Lady of LaSalette Church in DeQuincy and a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre, has been elected president of the Companions of Honor of the Diocese of Lake Charles for a two-year term. The election took place at last Saturday's business meeting for the Companions, which followed the Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members of the group.

Lauretta Fluitt, also of Our Lady of LaSalette, will serve as vice president. Selected to serve additional two-year terms as secretary and treasurer, respectively, were Robert Chiasson of Our Lady of Seven Dolors in Welsh and Bernard Beaco of St. Henry Church in Lake Charles.

During the Mass members of the organization who died since last November were remembered: Noelee Boudreaux, Alvin Murphy, Wilson Winters, Max Morris, Clarence L. Duhon, Gwin Miller, Roberta M. Conner, Walter Issac Pousson, Sr., Truman Stacey, Jerome Henry Ottenweller, Roger Joseph Malbrough, Sr., Norma Gregory, Edward Thomas Cassidy, Jr., Marian Kline, Joseph Vincent Zimmerman.

Also, at the business meeting members were informed that during the 2007-2008 fiscal year, which ended June 30, contributions were made totaling \$20,744 to assist in the operation of the Office of Evangelization. This accounts for the second largest amount given by members of the organization, which is made up of individuals who have been honored by the Diocese or the Holy See or who are members of recognized orders of chivalry residing in the Diocese.



Official Appointment

His Excellency, The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, D.D., makes the following appointment:

Rev. Arturo Lozano, S.J., Director of Hispanic Apostolate, effective Nov. 1, 2008, with office at St. Henry Catholic Church; in residence at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

By order of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Ordinary,

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+Glen John Provost
Bishop of Lake Charles

40 Hours Devotion set for November

LAKE CHARLES -- Churches in the Western Deanery of the Diocese of Lake Charles will serve as hosts for the 40 Hours Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament promoting vocations to the priesthood and the religious life in the Diocese of Lake Charles during November.

At Our Lady of LaSalette Church in DeQuincy the Devotion is scheduled from Sunday, Nov. 9 through Thursday, Nov. 13. On Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday adoration will be from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. and on Thursday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

St. John Bosco in Westlake will host the Devotion on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 18-20. On Tuesday and Thursday, adoration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue until 9:30 p.m. and on Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

St. Joseph Church in Deridder will close out the month with Devotion slated from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 24-26.

Did you know...

St. Theodore Church in Moss Bluff was established on July 1, 1974. In the early days of Calcasieu Parish, people from Moss Bluff journeyed to attend Mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Catechism classes were offered in private homes in Moss Bluff and taught by priests from the mother church, including Rev. Theodore Hassink and Rev. Curtis Vidrine. St. Hubert Chapel, built in 1940 on Martha Street in north Lake Charles, was made a parish in 1952 and the St. Theodore Chapel was completed in 1968 in Moss Bluff. Population shifts diminished St. Hubert's congregation and forced the suppression of the parish in 1974. Father Hassink became St. Theodore's first pastor.

Religious order priests have been of great help to the Catholic Church in Southwest Louisiana. Do you know the name of the order that served the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Lake Charles for many years following its establishment in 1919? Find out in our next Catholic Calendar.