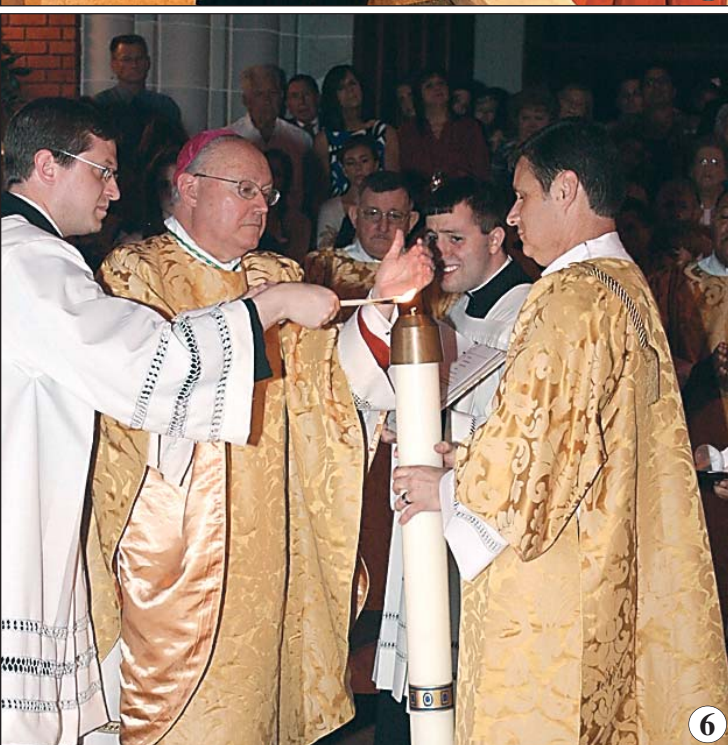
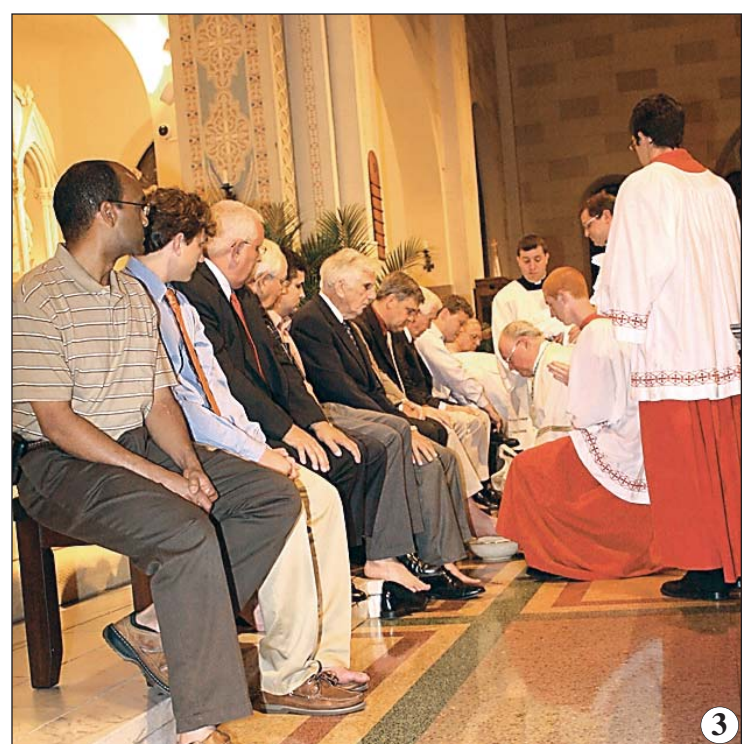




# From Palm Sunday to the Easter Vigil



The journey of Jesus, from his triumphal entrance into Jerusalem to his crucifixion and death on Calvary, is celebrated in the Diocese of Lake Charles during Holy Week. It began, from top left, with (1) Bishop Glen John Provost blessing palms that would be distributed to the faithful on Palm Sunday, April 17. It continued on Wednesday, April 20, at the (2) Chrism Mass, with Bishop Provost adding balsam, a perfume, to the oil that will become the Oil of Chrism when consecrated. On Holy Thursday, (3) the Bishop washed the feet of 12 men, emulating the washing of the feet of His disciples by Jesus at the Last Supper. On Good Friday, the only day of the year when Mass is not celebrated, the Bishop (4) and people venerated the Cross of Christ. The Service of Light (5), which begins the Easter Vigil, saw the lighting of a fire outside the Cathedral where the congregation and the Bishop and servers were gathered. The Bishop lit the Easter candle (6), which he decorated with a cross, the current year, the Alpha and the Omega, and proceeded into the unlit Cathedral. Servers follow and light their own personal candles from the Easter candle, and while moving further into the Cathedral, members of the congregation begin lighting their candles, filling the church with light. The Bishop (7) blessed the water before walking throughout the Cathedral sprinkling (8) the people with the newly blessed water, reminding us of our own baptism.

## Diocesan Briefs.....

### Catholic Charities Jazz Brunch

LAKE CHARLES - The Catholic Charities 2001 Jazz Brunch will be held from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, at Treasures of Marilyn's on Fifth Avenue with entertainment by the French singing group *Les Amis*. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Carolyn Woo, Dean of the Mendoza College of Business at Notre Dame University. All proceeds from the event support the ministry of Catholic Charities of Southwest Louisiana.

Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased by contacting the Office of Catholic Charities at 439-7436.

### Summer Holy Cross College classes

LAKE CHARLES - Three Holy Cross College courses will be offered for Summer 2011 by the Office of Religious Education of the Diocese of Lake Charles.

**Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church II** will be taught by Barbara Guillory from Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 10 beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing until noon each day. The location of the class is Crossroads Bookstore, 601 East Prien Lake Road, Lake Charles.

Deacon Glenn Viau will lead **A Survey of Catholic Morality** at Crossroads from 9 a.m. to noon Monday June 13 through Friday, June 17. This course is a pre-requisite for **Catholic Moral Teaching on Sexuality**.

Finally, **Catholic Moral Teaching on Peace and Justice** will be held on Thursdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Catholic Charities of Southwest Louisiana, 1225 Second Street, Lake Charles and will be taught by Trish Trejo.

Registration and payment of fees should be accomplished as soon as possible as classes are filling quickly.

For more information, contact Bobbie LeBlanc at 337-439-7400, Ext. 309.

### Abrazando Cristo fundraisers

LAKE CHARLES - The annual Johnnie Thibodeaux Jr.

Memorial Golf tournament will be held at Mallard Cove Golf Course, beginning at noon on Saturday, June 4. Contact Johnnie or Susan Thibodeaux at 337-478-4095 for more information or check at local golf courses for registration forms. Proceeds help with the boys home and school in Managua.

Tickets for the Annual Cash Raffle that helps purchase medicine, construction supplies and evangelization materials for mission trip are now available. Contact Monsignor Daniel A. Torres at 337-439-7400, Ext. 220 for information and raffle tickets.

### Forty Hours Devotion schedule

LAKE CHARLES - Forty Hours Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, praying for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and the religious life in the Diocese of Lake Charles will take place in the Western Deanery in May.

Locations and dates are St. Joseph Catholic Church in Vinton from May 9-13; Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church from May 16-20, and at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Hackberry on May 26-28. Contact the individual parishes to fine times of adoration.

### Women on the Way support group

LAKE CHARLES - **Women on the Way** is a monthly support group for women discerning a possible vocation to the Religious Life. Sponsored and hosted by various women Religious in the Diocese of Lake Charles, the meetings are open to all women 16 years and older.

For more information, call Sr. Camille Martinez, SEC at 477-1236.

### Institute for Black Catholic Studies in July

NEW ORLEANS - The Institute for Black Catholic Studies is a school of ministry for clergy, religious and laypersons working in the Black community and Roman Catholic Church that convenes each summer at Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans. The 2011 session is scheduled for

July 1-July 23.

For more information, check the website at [www.xula.edu/ibcs](http://www.xula.edu/ibcs) or call (504) 520-7961.

### Special Needs Masses slated

LAKE CHARLES - Masses for individuals with special needs, their families, and friends will be celebrated by Father Whitney Miller on July 10 and by Bishop Glen John Provost on October 30 in the Commons of St. Louis Catholic High School beginning at 11 a.m.

### Catholic Communications Collection

LAKE CHARLES - The annual Catholic Communications Campaign collection will be held June 4-5 in the Diocese of Lake Charles. This is an important collection for the Diocese as one-half of the contributions remains here to support the communications ministry of the Diocese.

## Did you know...

In erecting the first new parish in the Diocese of Lake Charles, Bishop Jude Speyrer established St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church as a parish on Nov. 5, 1983 and appointed Rev. James A. Doyle as the founding pastor. Father Doyle had been the priest in charge at St. Charles Borromeo Chapel, as it had been a mission of St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in Kinder. The last parish established in what would become the Diocese of Lake Charles was St. Theodore Catholic Church in Moss Bluff, erected on July 1, 1974 by Bishop Gerard Frey of the Diocese of Lafayette. Rev. Theodore Hassink was named the first pastor at St. Theodore.

There are seven Catholic elementary schools in the Diocese and all but one existed before the establishment of the Diocese. Can you name the only Catholic school established since 1980 as well as the driving force behind its formation? Find out in the next Catholic Calendar.



## New Pastor at Our Lady of Prompt Succor

SULPHUR – Rev. Edward J. Richard, M.S., a priest of the Missionaries of LaSalette and a native of DeQuincy, will become the pastor of Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church on June 1, according to The Most Rev. Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles.

The appointment was made by Bishop Provost on the recommendation of Rev. Joseph Bachand, Provincial Superior of the Missionaries of LaSalette, Province of Mary Mother of the Americas in St. Louis, Missouri.

Father Richard, who has been a director and faculty member at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis since 1996, replaces Rev. Joseph Gosselin, the pastor at Our Lady of Prompt Succor since 2004.

Father Richard has served as Director of Pre-Theology/Vice-Rector; Professor of Moral Theology; Director of Spiritual

Formation; Director of Human Formation; and Director of Worship at Kenrick-Glennon. He holds a Bachelor of Science (1978) from McNeese State University; a Juris Doctor (1983) from LSU; a Master of Divinity (1991) from Kenrick-Glennon and D.Th.M. [Doctor of Moral Theology] (1996) from the Pontifical Lateran University, *Accademia Alfonsiana*, Rome. His doctoral dissertation was on the subject of the influence of legal theory in the development of moral doctrine.

Bishop Provost will preside at the installation of Father Richard as pastor at the 4 p.m. Vigil Mass Saturday, June 4, at Our Lady of Prompt Succor.

Father Richard entered the LaSalette Missionaries' pre-novitiate formation in 1985 in St. Louis and entered the LaSalette Novitiate in 1986 in Washington, DC. He made his First Profession of

Vows on June 28, 1987 and his Final Profession on May 24, 1990.

He was ordained to the Diaconate on June 9, 1990 by The Most Reverend Jude Speyrer, Bishop of Lake Charles, at Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church in DeQuincy. Bishop Speyrer ordained Father Richard to the priesthood on Jan. 12, 1991 in Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church. Father Richard has served in a number of positions for the LaSalette Missionaries, at the provincial level, in Rome and in various parishes in Texas and Louisiana, including St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church in Carlyss.

He speaks several languages (Spanish, Italian, and French) and has been published in many scholarly publications, professional journals, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch (the secular newspaper of St. Louis, Mo.), and



Rev. Edward J. Richard, M.S.

the St. Louis Review (the newspaper of the Archdiocese of St. Louis), among others. He is a widely sought after speaker on numerous subjects and has presented a number of scholarly papers on topics such as living wills, pro-life, Christian marriage, Theology of the Body, First Amendment, Church-State Relations, Legal and Political Philosophy, Bioethics and Evangelization.

## Clergy and religious anniversaries in 2011

(For a complete list of those celebrating anniversaries this year go to <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/845-clergy-and-religious-anniversaries-in-2011.html>)

LAKE CHARLES – Thirty-four priests, deacons and religious sisters residing in the Diocese of Lake Charles celebrate significant anniversaries during 2011.

Topping the list is Rev. Egidio Vecchio, M.S., a priest of the LaSalette Missionaries, who celebrates 56 years of priestly service. Father Vecchio was ordained on June 4, 1955 at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church in Norwood, Mass., by Bishop Jeremiah F. Minihan, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston.

While serving in the Diocese of Lafayette and the Diocese of Lake Charles, Father Vecchio, now retired, was pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Vinton, Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in Sulphur, St. Joseph Catholic Church in DeRidder, and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Maplewood. Father Vecchio resides in Sulphur.

Rev. James Doyle, the founding pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Fenton (established Nov. 5, 1983) celebrates 50 years of priestly service. He was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City on May 26, 1961 by The Most Reverend John Maguire, Auxiliary Bishop of New York.

Father Doyle, who currently serves as Defender of the Bond in the Diocesan

Tribunal, has also been an assistant pastor at St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church in Lake Charles and was pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church in Big Lake. He resides at St. Theodore Catholic Church in Moss Bluff.

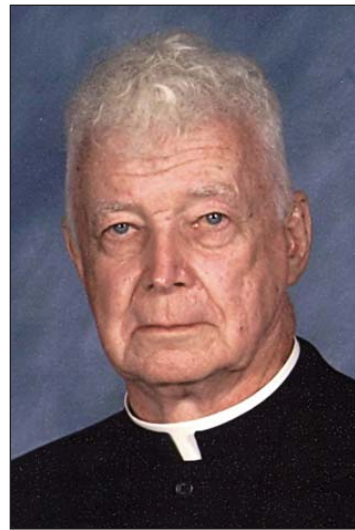
Rev. Lawrence Kohler, M.S., in residence at Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church in Sulphur, will celebrate his 50th anniversary of ordination on Sept. 24.

Deacon Fred Reed celebrated 35 years of diaconal service on Feb. 1. Deacon Reed is co-coordinator of religious education and safe environment at St. John Bosco Catholic Church in Westlake.

Sr. Ann Margaret Savant, C.C.V.I., a Perpetually Professed Sister of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Houston

celebrates 50 years since her profession of vows. She entered the convent on February 13, 1959, became a

Novice on August 15, 1959, made first vows on August 15, 1961 and final vows on August 15, 1966



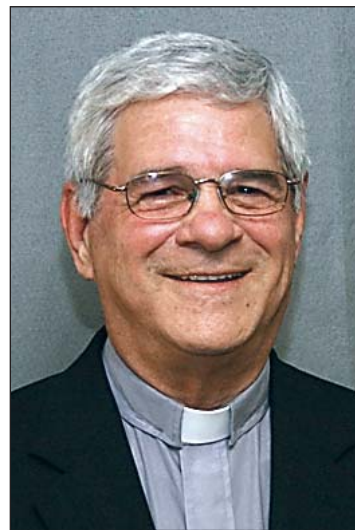
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## Saint Charles Center events

MOSS BLUFF – A number of events are scheduled in the coming months at Saint Charles Center.

“Women’s Ways of Knowing: Exploring the Feminine Path to Holy Wisdom” is Thursday, May 12 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Tabor Retreat House. Friday through Sunday, May 13-15, “Divine Therapy and Addiction” will be offered.

Private Directed Retreats of varying lengths are offered Tuesday, June 21 through Wednesday, June 29. The Introduction to the Directed Retreat will be offered Friday, June 24 to Sunday, June 26

On July 18-24, for the second year, the Center will offer a basic and intermediate workshop in icon painting. The final day to register for this program is May 15.

For more information or to register for any of these programs, call 337-855-1232.



Present at the recent blessing of the new offices of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Lake Charles were members of the Cagle Family, for whom the building's conference room is named. The philanthropy of the matriarch of the family, the late Mary Belle Roane Cagle, greatly assisted Catholic Charities for many years. Pictured in the conference room, seated from left, are Mrs. Cagle's daughters, Sue Cagle Shearman, Beth Cagle Loftin, Marianne Cagle Brame and granddaughter Diane Fruge. Standing, from left, are Bill Shearman, Mike Cagle, Bishop Glen John Provost, and Mark Fruge.

## Catholic Schools Notes

### St. Louis Catholic High School

St. Louis Catholic High School recently unveiled a portrait of St. Louis, King of France, and patron Saint of Louisiana. The commissioned work by local artist and former student, Edward Cappel, will hang in perpetuity over the school's Theology Department.

### St. Theodore's Holy Family Catholic School

St. Theodore Holy Family Catholic School's First Painting with the Family on Saturday, May 14 from 10 a.m. until noon. Kids & Adult Sessions available. Call Holy Family Catholic School at 855-9465 for more information.

### Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic School

“Fourth Annual Heavenly Fish Festival” will be Saturday, May 14, at Calcasieu Point. Adult and youth divisions! Great prizes! Fishing starts from bank, boat or pier at 6 a.m. - Weigh in begins at 11 a.m. - Entry Fees: \$25 for individual and \$60 for family. Hearty lunch and drinks provided by Port Aggregates! Official Weighmeister: Monsignor James Gaddy. Questions or registration forms are available at school office, 477-7349 or e-mail ljakel@olqhs.org

### Our Lady's Catholic School

Our Lady's School is currently registering students for PK-3 Program thru eighth grade. Classes are beginning to fill up. If you have any questions, please call the Admissions Office at (337) 527-7828 or for more information, check out the new web site at [www.olcs.org](http://www.olcs.org).

### Immaculate Conception Cathedral Catholic School

Immaculate Conception Cathedral School's fifth grade students will participate in their DARE graduation today, May 6. Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) is a police officer-led series of classroom lessons taught to students.

### Saint Margaret of Scotland Catholic School

In commemoration of National Day of Prayer, a school-wide prayer service will be held, today, May 6, at 8 a.m. The prayer service will focus on honoring and praying for our volunteers who help our school, local, state and national communities. The third, fourth, and fifth grade students will entertain with a Spring Concert following the prayer service. Registration continues in the school office, call 436-7959 for information or to schedule a tour or interview.

### Our Lady Immaculate Catholic School

OLI invites parents and the community to its Joint Board Meeting on Monday, May 16 at 5:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. An End-of-the-Year address will be shared, including School Board committee goals, school news, test results, SACS update, and reports from the Principal, Finance Committee, Athletic Committee, and PTO Board. Free daycare is provided.

### Sacred Heart of Jesus/Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic School

The Sacred Heart Booster Club will hold its annual Athletic Banquet today, May 6 at 5 p.m. in the gym. Thanks to all the parent and teacher volunteers who support the athletic program year after year. Special thanks to Coach and Athletic Director Bridgett Williams, Coach Donald Pitre, Coach Herman Stevens and Coach Kat DeJean who help Sacred Heart students grow as Christians and scholar-athletes!

## State CDA Convention May 19-22 in Westlake

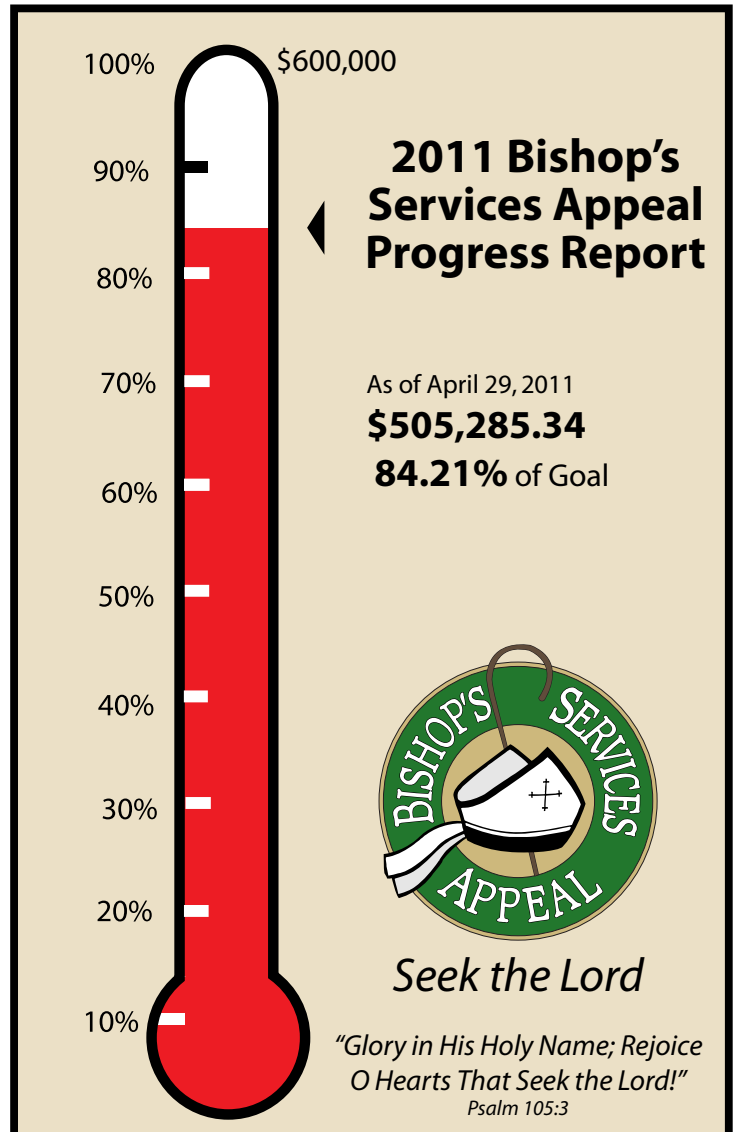
WESTLAKE – The 44th Biennial State Convention of the Louisiana State Court Catholic Daughters of the Americas, with the theme “Lily of Grace – Champion of Saints”, will be Thursday, May 19 through Sunday, May 22.

Convention Masses will be Friday, May 20, and Saturday, May 21, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The opening Mass on Friday will be celebrated by the Very Reverend Aubrey Guilbeau, State Chaplain and pastor of Immaculate

Conception Catholic Church in Maplewood.

The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, will be the celebrant at the Saturday Memorial Mass for Deceased Members and Chaplains at 9 a.m. The convention's closing Mass is 11 a.m. on Sunday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Maplewood.

Bishop Provost will also be the keynote speaker at the Saturday evening banquet.



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