



## Fathers Huckaby and Starkovich ordained

(Read more at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/874-holy-sepulchre-investiture.html>)

LAKE CHARLES – Two new priests were ordained for the Diocese of Lake Charles on Saturday, June 11, by Bishop Glen John Provost during a Liturgy held in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The pair, Father John Huckaby and Father Jeffrey Starkovich, was joined by the priests of the Diocese and elsewhere in the Mass.

Father Huckaby celebrated his first Mass on Saturday afternoon in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Lake Charles while Father Starkovich celebrated his first Mass on Pentecost afternoon in Christ the King Church in Lake Charles.

Before the conclusion of the Mass, Deacon George Stearns, Diocesan Chancellor, announced the assignments for the new priests – Father Starkovich as Parochial Vicar at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Jennings and Father Huckaby as Parochial Vicar at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church in Lake Charles. Deacon Stearns also announced other pastoral changes for the local church, which are found elsewhere on this page as well as on the website of the Diocese – [lcdioocese.org](http://lcdioocese.org).

Bishop Provost, in his homily, spoke to the new priests and to the crowd relating the story of the first journeys of St. Barnabas, whose feast day was Saturday, and St. Paul.

“When he and Paul went to Lystra and the crowds saw Paul work a miracle, making a lame man jump and walk about, the people then acclaimed the two apostles ‘gods,’” the Bishop said. “That they called Paul ‘Her-

mes” and Barnabas “Zeus” perhaps tells us something about their personalities. Paul evidently did the talking as ‘the chief speaker.’ It is implied that Barnabas remained mostly silent, at least in the account of Acts. Thus, the crowd probably presumed that Barnabas was the greater “god.”

“The priest of the Temple of Zeus ‘brought oxen and garlands to the gates, for he together with the people intended to offer sacrifice,” Bishop Provost continued. “Only Barnabas and Paul tearing their garments and shouting a loud protest stopped the folly. However, it got everyone’s attention, so that Paul could proclaim the “good news” and the one and truly living God.”

The Bishop pointed out that Paul and Barnabas had their successes and well as their failures in their ministry, and even with the division, different factions, and jealousy they met, they “came to realize that the work belonged to God, not to them, so they were not discouraged and persevered.”

Continuing he said, “even though I have never heard a priest chronicle his trials in any way similar to Paul’s, I have heard many reach the same conclusion as Paul in the Acts of the Apostles, ‘Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.’”

The complete text of Bishop Provost’s homily is found at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/bishop-provost/homilies/875-priesthood-ordination-2011.html>.



Bishop Glen John Provost, center, stands with the two newly ordained priests of the Diocese of Lake Charles - Rev. John Huckaby, left, and Rev. Jeffrey Starkovich, right - on the steps of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception following the Saturday, June 11, Mass of Ordination.



Pastors have moved into residences at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Hackberry and Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Creole, repairing some of the destruction wrought by the Hurricane Rita in 2005. In this array of photographs, the Sacred Heart residence, top left, with the St. Peter the Apostle rectory, top right, are shown. In the bottom left picture, Bishop Glen John Provost is shown blessing the Sacred Heart residence with Sacred Heart pastor, Father Timothy Goodly, left, and Father Ruben Buller, Secretary Adjutant to the Bishop while in the right photo Father Rommel Tolentino, pastor of St. Peter the Apostle, claps his hands following Bishop Provost’s blessing of the rectory in Hackberry. The houses are of similar floor plans with three bedrooms, two baths, living room, dining room and kitchen. In keeping with current building codes on the coast, the structures are on pilings.

### Official Appointments



His Excellency, The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, D.D., Bishop of Lake Charles, has made the following appointments, effective the first day of July in the Year of Our Lord, 2011:

The request for the retirement of the Reverend Don Piraro is accepted.

The request for the retirement of the Reverend Augustine Mulanjanany is accepted.

The Reverend Babasino Fernandes is appointed Pastor of St. Lawrence Parish in Hathaway, La., and St. Joseph Parish in Elton, La. for a term of six years.

The Reverend Emanuel Tanu, SVD, is appointed pastor of St. John Vianney Parish in Bell City, La. for a term of six years.

The Reverend Jacob Scott Conner is appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Margaret of Scotland Parish in Lake Charles, La., for a term of three years. He will continue his duties as Chaplain of St. Louis Catholic High School.

The Reverend Nathan Long is appointed Director of Vianney House and will begin his duties as Secretary for the Ministry of Christian Formation.

The Reverend Ruben Buller is appointed Assistant Director of the Office of Worship and will continue as Parochial Vicar of St. Henry Parish in Lake Charles, La.

The Reverend Anthony Fontenot is appointed Dean of the East Deanery for a term of three years.

The Reverend John Huckaby is appointed as Parochial Vicar of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish in Lake Charles, La., for a period of three years.

The Reverend Jeffrey Starkovich is appointed as Parochial Vicar of Our Lady Help of Christians Church in Jennings, La., for a term of three years.

Given from the Chancery of His Excellency on the eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord, 2011.

*Glen John Provost*  
+ Glen John Provost  
Bishop of Lake Charles

### Prayer for Safety in Hurricane Season

The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, has asked that during the hurricane season of 2011 the people of the Diocese of Lake Charles pray the following prayer, composed by The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder, Second Bishop of Lafayette, following Hurricane Audrey in 1957.

#### Let Us Pray

*O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children.*

*The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its quietude.*

*You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, and overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.*

*During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.*

The Most Reverend Maurice Schexnayder  
Second Bishop of Lafayette



Bishop Glen John Provost stands on the platform of the Shrine of Our Lady Star of the Sea and gives his final blessing to those who attended a “Mass to Avert Storms” on the first day of Hurricane Season, Wednesday, June 1, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Cameron. A crowd of nearly 200 people took part in the annual liturgy praying for safety from all destructive weather, particularly during the six-month hurricane season.

### Reverend Charles Soileau, retired priest of Diocese, dies

(Read more at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/873-father-charles-soileau-dies.html>)

OPELOUSAS – The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Rev. Charles Soileau, 82, a retired priest of the Diocese of Lake Charles, on Thursday, June 9, at St. Landry Catholic Church. Rev. Msgr. Louis Melancon will be the main celebrant with Rev. James Brady, pastor of St. Landry Church, concelebrating. Msgr. Daniel Torres, Vicar General, and Msgr. Ronald Groth also concelebrated. Father Soileau died Sunday, June 5, in Opelousas. Survivors include his brother Albert Soileau and wife Irene of Opelousas, his sister Alice McLellan and husband Robert of Opelousas, and sister-in-law Kathleen Soileau of Ville Platte as well as nieces and nephews.

Father Soileau was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Lafayette on June 8, 1957 at St. John Cathedral in Lafayette. Born Nov. 10, 1928 in Washington, La., he studied at St. Joseph Seminary in St. Benedict, La., and did his Theological studies at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. Following his ordination, Father Soileau served as assistant pastor at St. Peter Catholic Church in New Iberia and then at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Erath. He was named pastor of St. Eugene Catholic Church in Grand Chenier in 1967, serving there until 1969 when he became pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Lake Arthur. In 1974, he was transferred to St. Anthony Catholic Church in Eunice as pastor, serving there until late 1975 when he was named pastor at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Oakdale. During that time, he also served as Dean of the Eunice Deanery. When the Diocese of Lake Charles was established in 1980, Father Soileau remained at Sacred Heart. In 1985, he was appointed pastor of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Raymond. During that time, he also served on the Diocese of Lake Charles Parish Boundaries Commission and the Clergy Personnel Board.



## Four invested, one promoted in Order of the Holy Sepulchre

(Read more at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/876-fathers-huckaby-and-starkovich-ordained.html>)

NEW ORLEANS – Three of the Catholic laity of the Diocese of Lake Charles and one priest of the Diocese were invested into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem at the recent annual meeting of the Southeastern Lieutenancy of the Order while Bernard Beaco was promoted to the rank of Knight Grand Cross of the Holy Sepulchre.

Invested as Knights of the Order were Rev. Anthony Fontenot, pastor of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Jennings, Charles Viccellio of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Lake Charles, and Paul Reed, a parishioner of Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church in Sulphur. Joanna Viccellio, a parishioner of the Cathedral was invested as a Lady of the Order. With these investitures, the num-

ber of members of the Order in the Diocese rose to 70.

Beaco, who serves as the Diocesan Section Representative of the Order, is a parishioner of St. Henry Catholic Church. The rank of Knight Grand Cross is the highest rank attainable by a member of the Order.

The Southeastern Lieutenancy includes the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida and South Carolina.

The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, led a contingent of 23 members, including the newly invested, from the Diocese at the meeting. Clergy members of the Order from the Diocese included Rev. Msgr. Jace Eskin and Rev. Msgr. Harry Greig.

The three day meeting was held in the Roosevelt Hotel. An orientation meeting for new Investees took place Saturday morning and, following lunch, the attendees attended the celebration of the Memorial Mass

for deceased members of the Order in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. The awarding of promotions occurred during the Memorial Mass.

On Sunday, the annual general meeting took place and important information regarding the business and mission of the Order was disseminated. Following lunch, Mass was celebrated with the investiture of new members in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

A Traveler's Mass was celebrated on Monday morning by Bishop Provost before the group departed.

The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem is a Catholic order of knighthood under the protection of the pope. It traces its roots to Duke Godfrey of Bouillon, principal leader of the First Crusade. In 1496, Pope Alexander VI created the office of Grand Master of the Order, and the office vested in the papacy.



Pictured from left, at the recent annual meeting of the Southeastern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, are Rev. Anthony Fontenot; Joanna Viccellio; Bishop Glen John Provost; Paul Reed; Charles Viccellio and Diocesan Representative Bernard Beaco. Father Fontenot, the Viccellios and Reed were invested in the Order while Beaco was promoted to the highest attainable rank, Knight Grand Cross.

## Pope Benedict XIV to celebrate 60th anniversary of priesthood

LAKE CHARLES – At the encouragement of the Vatican Congregation for Clergy, Bishops throughout the world are being asked to prepare a "spiritual bouquet" for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, on the occasion of his ordination anniversary this June. This gift of prayer will consist of 60 hours of Eucharistic Adoration, offered by each diocese in the world. Sixty corresponds to the number of years that the Holy Father has been ordained.

Bishop Glen John Provost is asking each priest in the Diocese of Lake Charles to commit to a certain number of hours of Eucharistic Devotion. The "spiritual bouquet" will then be forwarded to the Holy Father.

Bishop Provost commented that "the prayer intention for these Eucharistic Hours, at the request of our Holy Father himself, will be for an increase in the number and sanctity of the priests in service to our dioceses. In this way, the entire Universal Church will lift its voice to heaven, expressing its gratitude for the priestly service of Pope Benedict XVI and praying for an intention that is dear to his heart as well as all of us who cherish the mission of Christ and His Church."

Bishop Provost also called attention to the fact that the Diocese of Lake Charles is truly blessed this year with the ordination of three to the priesthood, last December 18 and on June 11. "We cele-

brate the priesthood of Jesus Christ and thank our Heavenly Father for the graces He gives us through our Holy Father and those who follow Christ in the footsteps of His priesthood," the Bishop added.

The Holy Father's anniversary is June 29, the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, and Catholics worldwide have been urged to offer their prayers and spend time with the Holy Eucharist to honor the occasion and to pray for vocations. This time of Eucharistic Adoration has been requested from June 12, Pentecost, through July 1, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the World Day of Prayer for Priests.

Bishop Provost began the practice of 40 Hours of Devotion within each deanery each month following his ordination in 2007 and this practice has borne much fruit. This fall three new men will continue their discernment as they attend the seminary for the Diocese.

For this occasion, the USCCB Secretariat of Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations has designed a prayer card that can be downloaded from the website of the Diocese of Lake Charles at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/870-spiritual-bouquet-for-pope-benedict-xvi.html>.

## Bishop's Services Appeal over 90 percent of goal

LAKE CHARLES – Through generous contributions from the Catholic faithful of the Diocese of Lake Charles, more than 90 percent of the \$600,000 goal of the 2010-2011 Bishop's Services Appeal has been reached. Through June 13, gifts to the annual fund raising effort to aid the programs and ministries of the local church in Southwest Louisiana had reached \$551,860.15 or 91.97 percent.

Twenty-four of the 38 parishes of the Diocese have achieved or oversubscribed the individual goals for this year's Appeal, which ends on June 30. Contributions may be made directly to the church parish or mailed to the Bishop's Services Appeal, Diocese of Lake Charles, P.O. Box 3223, Lake Charles, LA 70602-3223. Make checks payable to the

Diocese of Lake Charles and note the church parish on the memo line to assure proper credit.

The top five parishes by percentage begins with St. Henry Church in Lake Charles with 134.9 percent of its goal; Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Cameron is second with 128.9 percent of its goal; Our Lady of Good Counsel and the McNeese Student Center in third with 113.2 percent; St. Joseph in Vinton fourth with 109 percent; and St. Philip Neri in Kinder in fifth with 108.4 percent.

The remaining parishes include, Sacred Heart of Jesus in Creole, 107.6 percent; Immaculate Conception in Jennings, 107.5 percent; Our Lady of the Lake in Lake Arthur, 106.1 percent; Our Lady Help of Christians in Jennings, 104.2 percent;

Christ the King in Lake Charles, 102.6; St. Joseph in Elton, 102.4 percent; and Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Lake Charles, 102.1 percent.

Others were Our Lady of Seven Dolours in Welsh, 101.7 percent; Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Jennings, 101.3 percent; St. Paul, Elton, 101.2 percent; and St. Margaret of Scotland in Lake Charles, 100.9 percent.

Also, St. Lawrence in Raymond, 100.6 percent; Our Lady of LaSalette in Sulphur, 100.6 percent; St. Joan of Arc in Oberlin, 100.3 percent; Immaculate Conception in Maplewood, 100.2; St. Joseph in Welsh, 100.2 percent; St. Joseph in DeRidder, 100.1 percent; St. Eugene Church in Grand Chenier, 100 percent; and St. Mary of the Lake Church in Big Lake, 100 percent.

### Did you know...

The oldest church parish of the Diocese of Lake Charles is the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, canonically established on Dec. 8, 1869 as St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church. The church's territory covered the five civil parishes that now make up the Diocese. In 1881, a newly built church was dedicated to the Immaculate Conception and the name was changed. Other parishes, all carved from territory of Immaculate Conception Church, that have celebrated their centenary of establishment, include Sacred Heart of Jesus, Creole (May 20, 1890); Our Lady Help of Christians, Jennings (December 7, 1891); and Our Lady of Seven Dolours, Welsh (January 1, 1904). A fifth church, St. Paul of Elton, will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2013, having been established on Dec. 13, 1913.

Can you name the new pastor of Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in Sulphur and the significance of his appointment? Find out in the next Catholic Calendar.

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat scheduled for July 29-31

LAKE CHARLES -- Rachel's Vineyard of Southwest Louisiana, sponsored by the Office of Pro-Life of the Diocese of Lake Charles, hosts its next retreat weekend Friday through Sunday, July 29-31, at Tabor Retreat House of Saint Charles Center.

The retreat is for both men and women who are suffering from the trauma and after-effects of abortion. These can include: eating disorders, difficulty with relationships, repeat abortions, substance abuse, depression, suicidal urges,

anxiety/panic attacks, nightmares, emotional numbness, guilt, anger and fear of punishment from God.

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat provides an opportunity to deeply enter the grieving process and identify all the ways an abortion may have affected you. Rachel's Vineyard offers a number of powerful exercises that allow the wounded soul to speak its grief and sorrow. The exercises help to connect participants to their inner voice, to each other, and to the love and compassion of God.

They also help participants to accept forgiveness for themselves and others. There is also an opportunity to re-connect with the children that were aborted on a spiritual level, to give them honor and dignity through special and creative spiritual exercises as well as in a memorial service.

If you or someone you love is hurting from an abortion, please reach out by contacting Rachel's Vineyard of Southwest Louisiana at 337-439-7400, Ext. 317 or by e-mail at [rachels.vineyard@lcdioocese.org](mailto:rachels.vineyard@lcdioocese.org)

## Diocesan Briefs.....

### Catholic Charities Jazz Brunch June 25

LAKE CHARLES – The 2011 Catholic Charities Jazz Brunch is scheduled for Saturday, June 25, from noon to 3 p.m. at Treasures of Marilyn. Dr. Carolyn Woo, Dean of the Mendoza School of Business at the University of Notre Dame will be the guest speaker.

The 3Js and Les Amies will provide the musical interlude while Bishop Glen John Provost will give a special piano performance.

Tickets are \$100 each and available at the Catholic Charities office, 1225 Second Street, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady Queen of Heaven and Crossroads Bookstore. All proceeds aid Catholic Charities of Southwest Louisiana in its mission to provide assistance to those most in need.

Read more at <http://live.lcdioocese.org/news/856-catholic-charities-jazz-brunch-june-25.html>.

### June schedule at Saint Charles Center

MOSS BLUFF – Several events at Tabor Retreat House of Saint Charles Center are on the schedule during the month of June.

"Falling Upward, A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life" by Richard Rohr is the June selection for the Spiritual Book Club with Father Don Piraro. The group meets from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 23.

Sister Diane Depwe will lead a silent retreat, "A Spiritual Journey according to the Gospel of John" from Friday June 24 through Sunday, June 26 for anyone over 16 years of age.

Call 337-855-1232 for more information and/or registration for any of these events. For a more complete listing of the summer programs, go to [live.lcdioocese.org](http://live.lcdioocese.org) and click Retreats on the Main Menu.

### Marriage anniversary Mass June 26

LAKE CHARLES – The annual celebration of couples in the Diocese of Lake Charles who will be married 25 or 50 years in 2011 will be for Sunday, June 26, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Most Reverend Glen John Provost, Bishop of Lake Charles, will be the celebrant of the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The Office of Family is the sponsor of the event.

Couples who will celebrate an anniversary of more than 50 years of Christian marriage that is divisible by five, such as 55, 60, 65, or 70 are also invited. All couples should contact their church parish office to register for the celebration so that a formal invitation from the Bishop can be mailed. The deadline to register is June 20.

A reception will be held in Ave Maria Hall of the Cathedral Office Complex on the corner of Kirby and Bilbo streets will take place immediately following the Mass. The Cathedral is handicap accessible for those who may require this assistance.

Contact Kathy Owen, Director of the Office of Family Life, at 337-439-7400 for more information.

### July 3 Glad Tidings on web only

LAKE CHARLES – Due to NBC network coverage of the Wimbledon Men's Tennis Finals, the Sunday, July 3, presentation of *Glad Tidings*, the Diocese of Lake Charles television program, will not air on KPLC-TV. It will be available at its regular 6 a.m. time on the website of the Diocese of Lake Charles.

Recent *Glad Tidings* programs as well as archived stream video is always available to view at [live.lcdioocese.org](http://live.lcdioocese.org). At the top of the front page, visitors can go to Resources, then follow the listing down to *Glad Tidings* and click.

The most recent program is available to you by clicking on the center of the black square.

### Diaconate ordination Aug. 6

LAKE CHARLES – Bryan Thompson, a seminarian studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Lake Charles, is scheduled to be ordained to the diaconate at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, in Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church.

A reception will follow the Liturgy in the Msgr. Irving A. DeBlanc Family Life Center.

### Special Needs Masses slated

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

### Clergy, religious anniversaries

LAKE CHARLES – The Knights of Columbus and the faith community of St. Henry Catholic Church will honor priests, deacons and religious celebrating significant anniversary years in multiples of five on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at a Mass beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the church at 1021 Eighth Avenue.

A luncheon for the honorees will follow the Mass in the St. Henry Community Center, located behind the church.

### Diocese Honors U.S. Birthday

LAKE CHARLES – Offices of the Diocese of Lake Charles will honor the birth of the United States by closing on Monday, July 4. The offices will be open the remainder of the week, Tuesday, July 5 through Friday, July 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

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