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March 26, 2025 | Weekly Newsletter

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

Coming up...

Jubilee Domestic Pilgrimage | There are still seats available for our one-day pilgrimage by bus to the Jubilee churches in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. On Thursday, March 27th, we will begin with Daily Mass at Christ the Redeemer at 7:30 AM, we will travel to Sacred Heart in Morgan City, St. Francis de Sales in Houma, Sacred Heart in Montegut, and Sacred Heart in Cut Off, and conclude at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$55.

Confession | I will be attending a strategic planning meeting on Saturday morning. I will be delayed in beginning confessions but will begin around 1:00 PM.

Lent Events |

- **The Way of the Cross** will be offered at 5:30 PM; 6:00 PM Daily Mass will follow. I will still celebrate Daily Mass at 7:30 AM, Monday through Friday, and at 8:30 AM on Saturday.

- **Mercy Nights** are on Wednesdays throughout Lent, beginning with a talk at 6:00 PM on the theme of Pilgrims of Hope. An hour of Eucharistic Adoration follows with praise and worship music.

- **Rice Bowls** help Catholic Relief Services to feed the hungry across the world will be available on Ash Wednesday and taken up on Sunday, April 13th.

- **Confession** will be offered additionally on April 7th from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, April 9th from 4:00 PM-8:00 PM, April 14th from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, April 16th from 4:00 PM-8:00 PM, April 17th from 7:00 PM-Midnight, and April 19th from 2:00 PM-6:00 PM

Youth Formation |

- On Sunday, March 30th, our 6th - 9th grades meet at CTR from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

- On Monday, March 31st, our 4th & 5th grades meet at CTR from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

- On Saturday, April 5th, our 2nd grade will have their first communion retreat at CTR beginning at 8:00 AM.

- On Monday, April 7th, our 1st - 3rd grades meet at CTR from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

For your Calendar...

Men's Bible Study | Our Men's ACTS group is hosting a bible study for men over 18 on Monday nights at 6:00 PM. The next gathering is on March 31st, at Gina's at the Legion in Thibodaux.

Alaskan Spiritual Cruise | On September 20th through 27th, I will be traveling with Fr. Cody Chatagnier and Fr. Matthew Johnston of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. They are arranging a group that will offer Daily Mass, Confession, and Spiritual Direction. For more information, please e-mail agaudet@htdiocese.org.

For your Information...

Prayer Call to Action | Please join me in intentionally praying for our next bishop. I will be praying each day at 3:00 PM. A prayer is in your bulletin.

Bishop's Appeal | The 2025 Bishop's Appeal is upon us. Our goal for this year will be \$33,000. We are at 53% of the goal. Please join me in supporting our Seminarians, Retired Priests, and three other critical ministries provided by our diocese.

Safe Environment | About 97% of volunteers have completed the certification. New volunteers must complete certification before beginning ministry. The certification prepares parishioners to respond to signs of abuse and to cooperate with local mandatory reporter laws. The Church provides a background check for each volunteer as part of this certification. For more information, please call the office at 985.447.2013. The victim abuse hotline number is 985.873.0026 or 985.850.3172.

Adoration | Spend an hour with the Lord. In the Holy Hour, we experience the Lord in his sacramental presence. Adorers are invited to pray, read scripture, or participate in devotions. Conversations with other adorers should be minimal. If you want to become an adorer or serve as an alternate, please call 985.446.8662, 985.859.4874, or 985.209.8181.

House Blessings | I invite you to have your house blessed. Please contact our office for times. Know that evening times will be in short supply.

Parish Registration | If you consider Christ the Redeemer your home, we would love to help you register as one of our parishioners. You can begin this process by contacting our office by sending an email to ctrchurch@htdiocese.org or calling 985.447.2013. Newsletter Email List | These newsletters help me share important upcoming events and news from the parish and diocese. To ensure all parishioners and those interested receive this newsletter each week, I am asking that anyone who may not be receiving it but wants to receive it, please call our office or use this link ctrchurch.flocknote.com/MassCommunicatio.

Formed | Are you looking for Catholic resources for the entire family? Sign up for FORMED. Christ the Redeemer has renewed our subscription so parishioners can enjoy this platform. To sign up go to *formed.org/signup*. Search for our parish by zip code.

What do you want me to do for you? | These are the words of Jesus to the blind man on the way to Jericho. Sometimes we know what we need to do but need more resources or connections to make them happen; sometimes, we need to figure out where to start. Is there a sacrament that you want to receive? Do you want to get married? Do you need to get your marriage blessed? Do you need an annulment? Do you need counseling, or do you want prayer or life advice? We do that. The relationship with Jesus also includes his church. We want to walk alongside you to help you get what you need from Jesus. Do you know someone who is struggling? Send them our way.

In Christ, Fr. Alex Gaudet