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SECTION I

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Official Appointment

In order to provide pastoral care for the people of God in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Archbishop Aymond has made the following appointment:

Rev. Emanuel Tanu, S.V.D. as pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish in New Orleans effective September 1, 2017.

Announcements

- Confirmations have begun for the semester. Please remember the candidates and their catechists/youth ministers in prayer.
- The Priests Convocation/Louisiana Priests Convention is being held through September 21, 2017, at the Royal Sonesta Hotel. Please pray for our priests during this time of prayer, formation, and fellowship.
- 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.
- 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 13th Anniversary Mass for God's Special Children will take place Sunday, October 1, 2017, at St. Francis Xavier at 2:00 PM. Thanks to Joy and Jay Zainey for their leadership.

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.

- Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Hahnville will celebrate their 140th Anniversary with Mass on Sunday, October 1, 2017, at 10:00 AM.
- The annual Red Mass, dedicated to prayer for judges, lawyers and all those in legal professions will be held on Monday, October 2, 2017, at 9:30 AM at St. Louis Cathedral.
- The Presbyteral Council will meet on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at 10:00 AM at Notre Dame Seminary.
- A Mass in Honor of St. Padre Pio will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2017, at 6:00 PM at St. Rita Parish, 2729 Lowerline St., New Orleans.
- I will be in Mobile, Alabama, from October 6-8, 2017, for the annual meeting of The Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre.

Deaths

Sr. Jeanne McLoughlin, O.P., a Dominican Sister of Cabra, died on September 15, 2017. Sr. Jeanne ministered at St. Leo School and St. Rosalie in Harvey and volunteered at Marian Central Middle School and St. Mary's Academy. Please hold Sr. Jeanne, the Cabra Dominicans and Sister's family in your prayers.

Deacon Frank W. Rhodes, Jr. died on September 14, 2017, at the age of 85. He served at Prince of Peace Parish in Chalmette until hurricane Katrina. He was then in service in the Diocese of Baton Rouge until his retirement. A funeral Mass was celebrated on September 19, 2017, at Our Lady of Prompt Succor in Chalmette. Please remember Deacon Rhodes, his family and all who mourn his death in your prayers.

Mark Your Calendars

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**
 - If your parish website is outdated or non-existent, have you taken advantage of the e-Catholic service offered through the Office of Communications?
 - Have the parish priests and deacons reviewed the homily resources sent to all clergy by the Office of Worship in spring 2017?

- ✓ Pastors may want to be aware of an opportunity for your Synod Coordinator and Evangelization Coordinator on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, at 7:00 PM at St. Angela Merici (901 Beverly Garden Dr., Metairie, LA 70002. An Evening of Reflection will be presented by the Office of Evangelization. Please RSVP by Monday, September 25, 2017 to David Doyle at 504-267-9650.

- ✓ Use of Parish Facilities-Many of our parishes enjoy the benefit of having outside or unaffiliated organizations use our parish and/or school facilities for their worthwhile ministries and outreach. We welcome those organizations but would remind pastors that all such entities should have a signed Unaffiliated Organization Agreement on file with the parish. For these purposes, an outside or unaffiliated organization is one that does not fall directly under the parish legal organization. The Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul Societies and Girl Scouts are all examples of unaffiliated organizations that do not fall under a parish's legal organization. Such organizations may also need a lease agreement with the church parish if they use any parish property for their meetings, etc. These are very straightforward agreements and do not require any fee for the usage since the good works of those entities benefit the entire parish. These agreements protect the parish in the event of any accident. Please contact Wendy Vitter at 861-6277 for either agreement or to clarify what constitutes an unaffiliated organization.

- ✓ Called, Formed, and Sent Conference Series- Please identify and encourage 5 lay leaders in your parish to attend a four-week conference series entitled "Called, Formed & Sent", exploring a practical theology of the vocation and mission of the laity found in the teachings of the Second Vatican Council. The series, beginning on Monday, October 23, 2017, is led by Dr. Tom Neal, Director of Lay Programs at Notre Dame Seminary, and Susie Veters, Director of Stewardship and Parish Services at The Catholic Foundation. This series will be held at the Northshore Pastoral Center in Covington, and is sponsored by Notre Dame Seminary and The Catholic Foundation. Please click [here](#) to download the flyer.

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

Teach Parenting and Family Life Skills in Jail

The Archdiocese of New Orleans Prison Ministry is seeking volunteers to help co-facilitate parenting classes at the Plaquemine's Parish Sheriff's Office re-entry program for men. Most men in the program are from New Orleans. Experience in ministry, education, counseling, social work, public speaking, or a related field is helpful but not required. If interested, contact John Messenheimer at (504)-267-9727 or jmessenheimer@arch-no.org. Help us serve the incarcerated and their families.

Training in Faith Companionship-Two Semester Training Program

To be presented by Sr. Gloria Murillo, STJ, at two locations:

Archdiocesan Spirituality Center, 2501 Maine Ave. Metairie (Begins Tues., Oct. 3, 9:30 AM- Noon)

Archdiocese of New Orleans Catholic Center, 4465 East Hwy. 190 Service Road, Covington
(Begins Thurs., Oct. 5, 9:30 AM - Noon)

For persons who are skilled in spiritual conversations through faith, listening skills, shared prayer, and faith sharing. Cost: \$200.00 (adjustments can be made) Register on the web: <https://asc.arch-no.org>, email: archspirctr@arch-no.org or call (504) 861-3254. You may download the detailed flyer [here](#).

Can Dreams Enhance Spiritual Growth

Significant dreams are recorded in scripture and in Christian tradition. This session will focus on the relationship between dreams and spiritual growth, Friday, October 6, 2017, 7:00-9:00 PM at the Archdiocesan Spirituality Center, 2501 Maine Ave. Metairie. Presenter: Sr. Janice Bachman, O.P., a Dominican Sister of Peace. Cost \$10 Register on the web: <https://asc.arch-no.org>, email: archspirctr@arch-no.org or telephone (504) 861-3254. You may download a detailed flyer [here](#).

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Vocation Weekend for High School and College Age Men

Come and See Vocation Discernment Weekend for high school juniors and seniors, and college-age men will be held November 3-5, 2017, at St. Joseph Seminary College, Covington, Louisiana. This is an opportunity for men who are interested in the priesthood and who would like to find out more about seminary life. There is no cost for the weekend, but availability is limited on a first come, first served basis. For more information or to register, call the **Archdiocesan Vocation Office** at 504-861-6298 or e-mail vocations@archdiocese-no.org. The flyer may be downloaded [here](#).

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Our next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat in the archdiocese will be November 10-12, 2017, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street in Metairie. The price is \$170/person with financial assistance available. The priest facilitator is Fr. Joseph Palermo. To register or for more information, please contact the retreat facilitators: Pam Richard at 504-460-9360 or richj504@bellsouth.net or Donna Scheuermann at 504-258-9183.

SECTION IV NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Needed for Hospitals, Nursing Homes & Assisted Living Centers

The following session is for those Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have already been trained through the Office of Worship and would like to serve in a Hospital, Nursing Home or Assisted Living Center.

This training session will focus specifically on healthcare. Those wishing to attend this session must have completed the Office of Worship training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. No pre-registration required.

Saturday, September 30, 2017

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

St. Peter Parish in St. Mary's Hall (125 E. 19th Ave., Covington, LA)

There will be additional training sessions announced in October. For questions, please contact the Office of Healthcare Chaplaincy 504-227-3606.

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MISSIONARIES OF ST. THÉRÈSE-72nd ANNIVERSARY ROSE PETAL MASS

Founded over 70 years ago, the Missionaries of St. Therese is unique to New Orleans, yet reaches across the globe with their “little ways” of prayer and sacrifice for the missions. Please join the Missionary “Rose Petals” in celebrating the Feast Day of St. Therese, the “Little Flower” at our 72nd Anniversary Rose Petals Mass on Saturday, September 30, 2017, at 11:00 AM at St. Matthew the Apostle Church in River Ridge. A light reception will follow Mass. Our celebrant is Fr. Jimmy Jeanfreau, Archdiocesan Director for the Propagation of the Faith. For information contact Lynn Schonberg at 504-577-4711 or visit the MST website at archnomo.org.

Men’s Evenings of Spirituality

The Regnum Christi Men and the Legionaries of Christ are kicking off a second year of The Men’s Evenings of Spirituality at St. Catherine of Siena Church.

All men in the Archdiocese are welcome to join us and our first guest speaker, Dr. Jennifer Miller, on September 25, 2017, 6:30-8:30 PM. Dr. Miller is Professor of Moral Theology at Notre Dame Seminary and will give an introduction to the virtues and explain the significance they have for us as men and our spiritual lives. The theme of this year’s spirituality series is Imitating Christ - Being a Virtuous Man. We have some dynamic speakers lined up to help us reflect on the virtues and help show us how we can live them out in our lives.

We will begin with Mass at 6:30 PM with dinner and speaker to follow. For additional dates, more information, and to RSVP, please visit www.rclouisiana.com.

Monthly Peace Prayer Walk

The Office of Justice and Peace, Office of Racial Harmony, and Isaiah 43 Program are hosting their monthly Peace Prayer Walk on Tuesday, September 26, 2017. We will gather at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Parish located at 2320 Paris Rd., Chalmette, LA 70043. All are invited to attend as we follow Pope Francis’ calling to be in the community to encounter and dialogue with others to promote peace. For more information, contact Kristina Gibson at (504) 310-8772. You may download the flyer [here](#).

Respect Life October Focus - Be Not Afraid

The Respect Life Office focus of the month for October is the USCCB’s 2017-2018 Respect Life Program - “Be Not Afraid.” Each week during the month of October, the Respect Life Office will highlight one of the program’s topics with a spiritual work of mercy suggestion, corporal work of mercy suggestion, and a bit of pertinent information.

October 2 - What To Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion

October 9 - Top Ten Reasons To Oppose Assisted Suicide

October 16 - Death Penalty: Catholic Q & A

October 23 - Understanding Conscience

October 30 - How To Build a Culture of Life

For more information on the USCCB’s 2017-2018 Respect Life Program please visit their website at <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/index.cfm>.

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Theology of the Body for Teens Training

The next Theology of the Body for Teens Training will be held Wednesday, October 4, Thursday, October 5, and Friday, October 6, 2017. The training is for principals, teachers, priests, DRE's, catechists, deacons, youth ministers, campus ministers, parents, and anyone who works with preteens (sixth-eighth grade) and teens (ninth-twelfth grade), and it fulfills the need for those who need the archdiocesan teacher certification. Others interested in a basic overview of Theology of the Body are also welcome to attend the first 1.5 days of the training. The training will be held at St. Dominic Church, 775 Harrison Ave. in Lakeview. If you have any questions, please contact the Respect Life Office at respectlife@arch-no.org or see the website <https://respectlife.arch-no.org/theology-of-the-body-for-teens-training>.

Rosary Congress

All are invited to the annual Greater New Orleans Rosary Congress being held this year at St. Rita Church in Harahan on October 7-13, 2017. Featuring perpetual Eucharistic Adoration and special liturgies, the Rosary Congress is a community effort calling a whole area to unite and pray for seven days and seven nights. Please download the flyer [here](#) for a complete schedule of the Rosary Congress. If you have any questions, you may contact Marie Wojdac at 504-508-7100.

"End of Life Issues, Hospice Care and Catholic Directives"

Please join the Ascension of Our Lord Bereavement Committee as they sponsor their Fall presentation on "End of Life Issues, Hospice Care and Catholic Directives" on Sunday, October 8, 2017, at 1:30 PM in the church located at 1900 Greenwood DR, LaPlace. Guest speakers are Sr. Paula Derise, O. Carm., Chaplain in Notre Dame Hospice and Kaley Brand, LMSW, Bereavement Coordinator/Social Worker, Notre Dame Hospice. Refreshments will be served following the presentation in the church foyer. For more information contact Susie Lanza @slanza@lancoconstruction.com.

Rosaryville Spirit Life

All are invited to attend our upcoming Days of Prayer. The day begins with coffee at 9:00 AM and the speaker begins at 9:30 with discussion and quiet time for reflection. Lunch will be served at noon. The cost of the day is \$35.00 and will conclude around 2:30 PM. You may register by calling 225-294-5039 or on the website at www.rosaryvillela.org. You may download the flyer with multiple topics [here](#).

Quarterly Mass for Persons with Disabilities

The Commission for Persons With Disabilities would like to announce the next quarterly Mass. It will be held on Sunday, October 29, 2017, at the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Philip Neri, 6600 Kawanee Ave., Metairie. The commission hosts this Mass at a parish in various parts of the archdiocese each quarter as a way to highlight the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the liturgy. Everyone is invited to attend. If you would like to participate, please call or email Janet Pesce at 504-455-6801 or jcpesce@att.net.

For any inquiries on the NolaCatholic e-Bulletin, please contact Pastoral Planning and Ministries at planningandministries@archdiocese-no.org.