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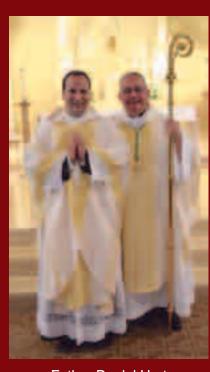
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#### Three men ordained to the priesthood for the diocese

The Diocese of Alexandria rejoices in the ordination of Rev. Daniel Hart. Rev. Dutch Voltz. and Rev. Derek Ducote to the priesthood on June 17. Pictures of the ordination Mass can be found on pages 4-7.

#### **First Communion and Confirmation pictures**

For the past four-five months, parishes around the diocese have been celebrating the sacraments Confirmation and First Communion. Pictures of each of these celebrations are printed on pages 13-22. Check them out!







Father Dutch Voltz



**Father Derek Ducote** 

## Three new priests ordained for the diocese



# Louisiana resident Patti Mansfield celebrates 50th anniversary of Catholic Charismatic Renewal with Pope Francis

By Beth Donze Clarion Herald

While in Rome attending the ecumenical vigil celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, Louisiana resident Patti Mansfield knew she would be given a seat on the main stage – as someone who had been present at the dawn of the movement in 1967.

But what Mansfield didn't know was that she would be given a chair right next to Pope Francis.

As the pope walked onto the stage, to the tune of the hymn "Long Life to Jesus the King," the audience of 50,000 pilgrims from more than 125 countries began chanting, "Francisco! Francisco!"

"He seemed to be a little embarrassed by it. He turned to me and he said, 'But (the prayer service is) for everyone.' I think he didn't want just his name being chanted," said Mansfield, 70. "I said to him, 'But they love you, Holy Father!""

The praise and worship service, held June 3 at Rome's Circus Maximus, was part of a five-day celebration of the 50-year-old Catholic Charismatic Renewal culminating on Pentecost Sunday.

The movement, which counts an estimated 120 million Catholics worldwide, centers on "baptism in the Holy Spirit," in which God's Spirit renews the graces already conferred at baptism and confirmation.

#### A 'current of grace'

During the service, Pope Francis said the charismatic dimension of the universal church is a "current of grace" that pours out over time and brings growing unity to Christians of all stripes.

"The Charismatic Renewal is not a movement like other movements in that it has no human founder," Mansfield said, detailing how this "grace of Pentecost" has broken out into various denominations. So it is ecumenical and not just Catholic, she said.

The renewal was first experienced by Protestants of various denominations in 1901, when a Bible study student in Topeka,



**50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL.** Pope Francis and Patti Gallagher Mansfield, a participant in the 1967 Pittsburgh retreat that marked the beginning of the Charismatic renewal, pray during a Pentecost vigil marking the 50th anniversary of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal at the Circus Maximus in Rome June 3. Mansfield, who lives in Covington, Louisiana, with her husband AI, says many of the 25 college students from Duquesne University and La Roche College in Pittsburgh received the outpouring of the Holy Spirit during the three-day retreat. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)

Kansas, asked to be baptized in the Holy Spirit, beginning the stream of Christianity known as Pentacostalism.

The movement broke into mainstream Protestant denominations in the 1950s and into the Catholic Church in 1967 – the year 20-year-old Mansfield and a group of college students on retreat in Pennsylvania had the common experience of being baptized in the Holy Spirit.

"There is a grace that is common to over 120 million Catholics all over the world, and it is the grace of being baptized in the Holy Spirit, but being baptized in the Holy Spirit is not an invention of the Charismatic Renewal,"

Mansfield said.

"It's referred to in all four Gospels and in the Acts of the Apostles. John the Baptist said I baptize you with water, but one is coming after me and he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit. The grace of being baptized in the Holy Spirit goes back to Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit on Mary and 120 in the Upper Room."

#### **Movement welcomed**

Mansfield said that while some denominations looked askance at this stream of Christianity when it first broke into their respective churches, the Catholic Church has welcomed it from the very beginning – and at the highest levels. In 1975, Pope Paul VI told 10,000 charismatic Catholics assembled in Vatican City that the movement was "a chance for the church"; Pope John Paul II asserted that the hierarchical and charismatic dimensions of the Catholic church were "co-essential"; and Pope Benedict XVI urged Catholics to "rediscover the beauty of being baptized in the Holy Spirit."

"So it's not like we've had to wait for the election of Pope Francis to be fully welcomed," Mansfield said.

#### Unifying power of the Spirit

Because God has poured out the grace of baptism in the Holy

Spirit upon all denominations, it has served as a significant ecumenical bridge, said Mansfield, observing that Christians are rediscovering their common ground in tenets of faith such as:

- The Lordship of Jesus. "We (all) are redeemed by the blood of the Lamb.
- Hunger for the word of God.
- Our calling to evangelize in an era marked by the loss of hope and peace.
- Christians' responsibility to help the poor. Mansfield said charismatic Catholics have excelled in this area, pointing to the ministry of Jesuit Father Rick Thomas, whose work feeding the hungry in El Paso, Texas, has been blessed by miraculous occurrences of the multiplication of food.

#### Has met three popes

Mansfield, whose ministry with the Catholic Charismatic Renewal also has afforded her the privilege of meeting Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI, has met with Pope Francis six times

During her most recent trip to Rome, she met with the pontiff on three occasions, albeit briefly. During one of those interactions, Pope Francis asked Mansfield to "Pray for me. I need it." After the ecumenical vigil, he embraced Mansfield and kissed her on both cheeks.

"He has an incredible ability to greet each person as if they're the only person in the world," she said. "He's very focused on your eyes. He takes your hands in both hands. He smiles. There's a very incredible, personal contact that he makes over and over again."



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### Millennials: Do you have something to say to the bishops?

### All young people encouraged to take survey before Synod on Family in 2018

Pope Francis has dedicated the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops to be focused on the theme of "Youth, Faith, and Vocational Discernment." It will be held in October 2018.

In preparation for the synod, a survey has been constructed by the Office of the General Secretariat of the Synod, Cardinal Lorenzo Baldisseri, asking the young people of the world to provide some insight into "what is it like to be a young person in the Catholic Church Today."

Never before, in the history of the Catholic Church, has there ever been such an extensive survey of young people to get their views and opinions.

The Secretariat is asking all young people, ages 16-29 years old to go to the USCCB website

(see web link in box on this page) to take the survey.

The Vatican launched a website devoted specifically to the 2018 Synod. On this website, you can also find the survey, but most of the website is in Italian and takes a little more navigating to find the English version.

The easiest way to take the survey is to go to the USCCB website. At the survey, you may

#### Attention all young people

(Ages 16-29 years old)

Tell the US Bishops what it's like to be a young person in the Catholic Church today!

#### **Take the Survey**

http://www.usccb.org/about/bishops-and-dioceses/ synod-of-bishops/synod-2018/

Last day to take survey: November 30, 2017



select English for the language.

The broad survey includes questions about education, home and family life, what young people think about themselves, and how much trust they have in institutions such as the government and the Church.

It is part of an "extensive consultation that the General Secretariat is doing at all levels of the people of God," according to a Vatican statement.

"Through every phase of this Synod, the Church wants again to state her desire to encounter, accompany and care for every young person, without exception," the preparatory document

"The Church cannot, nor does she wish to, abandon them

to the isolation and exclusion to which the world exposes them."

According to the document, the Church wants to ask young people how best to reach them with the message of the Gospel.

"By listening to young people, the Church will once again hear the Lord speaking in today's world. Listening to their aspirations, the Church can glimpse into the world which lies ahead and the paths the Church is called to follow."

The answers to the survey will be sent to the synod's Secretary General, Cardinal Baldisseri, through November 30, 2017, and will be used to provide the bishops with an understanding of what it's like to be a young person in the Church today.







**ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE PRIESTHOOD.** Members of the clergy watch from the side pews as Derek Ducote, Daniel Hart, and Dutch Voltz are called forward for the Election of the Candidates for the Priesthood. More than 450 people filled St. Francis Xavier Cathedral to capacity June 17 to witness the priestly ordination of Fathers Derek, Daniel, and Dutch.



REV. DUTCH VOLTZ AND FAMILY. Father Dutch Voltz stands with his family after the ordination Mass.

### Our Lady of Prompt Succor

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Rev. Daniel O'Connor, Parishioners, School and Staff join in celebrating the ordinations of our parish's native sons

Rev. Gus "Dutch" Voltz, III and Deacon Luke LaFleur

with Rev. Derek Ducote and Rev. Daniel Hart

Ad multos annos!



## June 17, 2017



**LAYING ON OF HANDS.** (above) Bishop David Talley lays hands on Dutch Voltz during the Prayer of Ordination. Each of the priests in attendance followed with the "Laying on of Hands."

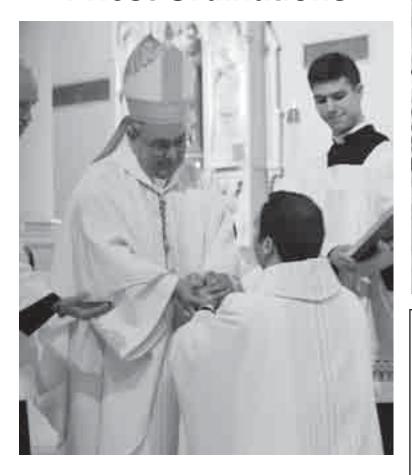


Father Gus A. "Dutch" Voltz, III

Blessings on your ordination to the priesthood

With prayers and love from all of your family

### **Priest Ordinations**



ANOINTING OF THE HANDS. Bishop David Talley anoints the hands of Daniel Hart during the ordination Mass June 17.



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Give thanks to Almighty God for the recent ordinations of

Rev. Daniel Hart Rev. Derek Ducote Rev. Gus "Dutch" Voltz, III Deacon Luke LaFleur

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Congratulations

on your ordination Reverend Daniel Hart



With prayers

and love from Mom, Dad, and Stephen.

**REV. DANIEL HART AND FAMILY.** Father Daniel Hart stands with his family after the ordination Mass.

> All photos by **Elizabeth Shaw**

Rev. James Ferguson, Rector, and the parishioners & staff of

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

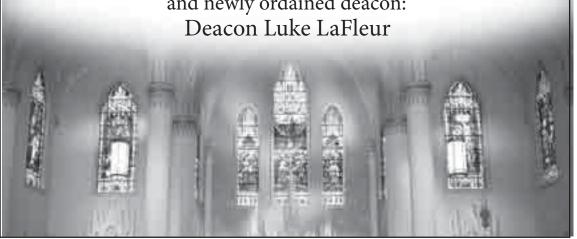
extend a warm welcome to our newly ordained priests:

Rev. Derek Ducote

Rev. Daniel Hart

Rev. Gus "Dutch" Voltz, III

and newly ordained deacon: Deacon Luke LaFleur



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BISHOP TALLEY congratulates the three newly ordained priests.



The Very Reverend James A. Wehner, S.T.D., Rector/President, and

> the Faculty, Staff, and Seminarians of Notre Dame Seminary congratulate

Reverend Derek Ducote & Reverend Gus Voltz

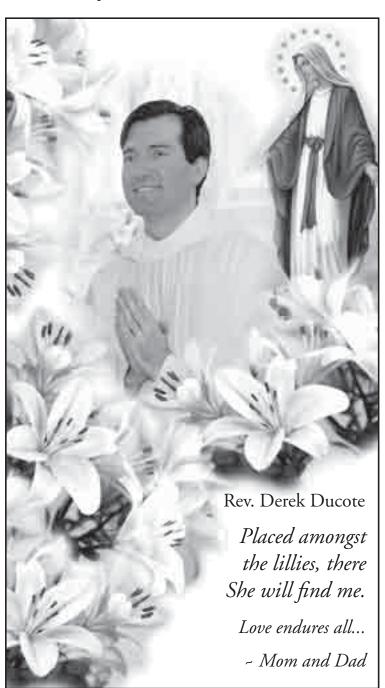
on the occasion of their ordination to the priesthood

**REV. DEREK DUCOTE AND FAMILY.** Father Derek Ducote stands with his family after the ordination Mass.

#### All photos by Elizabeth Shaw



**ANOINTING OF THE HANDS.** Bishop David Talley anoints the hands of Derek Ducote during the ordination Mass.



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**CONCELEBRATING THE MASS.** Newly ordained priests Derek Ducote, Daniel Hart, and Dutch Voltz join Bishop Talley and the other clergy of the diocese in the concelebration of the Mass.

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**VOCATIONS.** (Front row) Deacon Luke LaFleur, Father Dutch Voltz, Father Louis Sklar, Bishop David Talley, Father Derek Ducote, Father Daniel Hart. Back row: Seminarians David Keran, Chase Masters, Jacob Cass, Grant Rabalais, Matthew Bonner, and Derrick Rials.



**WELCOME OUR NEW PRIESTS.** Fathers Dutch Voltz, Daniel Hart and Derek Ducote hear the applause from the congregation as they welcome the newly ordained.

We extend a warm welcome to our newly ordained

Rev. Derek Ducote

Rev. Daniel Hart

Rev. Gus Voltz, III

Rev. José Robles Sanchez, Pastor, and the parishioners & staff of



# ST. MARY'S ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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### The graces that come from farming and harvesting

I've been told that the traditional summer months of vacation that our school age children and teens enjoy each year is a result of our history...as a nation of farmers and ranchers.

Of course, the nation as a whole would be characterized as more urban and suburban than rural in 2017; but in the four deaneries of our diocese, farming and ranching is still a way of life for many.

And I thank God for this.

Why so? Why would this Georgia transplant from the city of Atlanta thank God for rural life in central Louisiana?

Well, for one thing, the farmers and ranchers feed us....feed the world. Fresh vegetables, an abundance of meat and poultry and fish, the grains and the milk that sustain us...these are obvious reasons for rejoicing in the gifts that farmers and ranchers offer us.

But in addition to these obvious reasons, and the jobs that farms and ranches provide some



## I am the VINE; YOU are the BRANCHES

Most Rev. David P. Talley Bishop of the Diocese of Alexandria

of our people, a key grace that I have experienced when visiting the parishes and missions of mostly rural central Louisiana.... is a spirituality of work and humility and ownership:

1. Work: Pope St. John Paul the Great spoke about this often...how we had the opportunity to be co-creators with God, through the dignity of work. All work has an innate dignity, but farmers and ranchers have a special grace. They must depend on what they cannot control!

2. Humility: Farmers and ranchers can plan and organize. These men and women put in long hours....of good work. These farmers and ranchers use science and the oral traditions of the elders to bring about a great harvest.

But they must depend upon rain and sun and fair weather. As these cannot be controlled, a learned humility is part and parcel of their make-up. And as the Lord Jesus reminded His followers.... humility of heart is the open door to God's life, God's heart.

3. Ownership: In central Louisiana, there are great swaths of land owned by corporations and by generations of farmers and ranchers. But there are also small farms and ranches, family owned and family run; and lots of our people have a garden in the back yard, where vegetables and fruit trees are harvested joyfully, from back yard to kitchen table.

We are created to be the very image of God (Genesis 1.27), as a likeness for the community of self-giving love that is the Holy

Trinity. This mirroring of God... in each and every human person and in each and every relationship has been tarnished...distorted... by our actions, our choices...as we have sought to control reality, as if WE were in charge of all, as if WE were the Lord of life and death. Yeshua...Jesus of Nazareth, in His victory over sin and death....He has made it possible for us...to live a life as intended: to work with joy and commitment, to see all as gift through a humble heart and to know that we have a part to play...an "ownership" of the Kingdom being built in the Spirit.

As long as we remember who the Vine of Life is and how we are connected to this Vine, as productive branches...July will bring a great harvest...of food-stuffs...and souls.

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Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (For The Greater Glory of God)

### Christ calls us to live by a spirit of poverty

When Pope Francis celebrated his 80th birthday a few months ago, he began the day by sharing breakfast with eight homeless people at the Vatican hotel where he resides.

His guests included four Italians, two Romanians, a Moldovan, and a Peruvian. They were chosen from those staying around Saint Peter's Square and from showers for the homeless established by the Pope's almsgiver. His guests gave him a bouquet of sunflowers, and Francis spoke individually with each one of them

as they ate breakfast together.

What a powerful witness Pope Francis gives us in reaching out to those on the margins of society. During his 2015 visit to the United States, he stopped by Catholic Charities in Washington D.C., and there he said, "The Son of God came into this world as a homeless person. The Son of God knew what it was to start life without a roof over his head."

Catholic Charities is a leader in offering outreach to our nation's most vulnerable people. Stories abound about lives transformed through the good that is done by those involved in Catholic Charities.

In the Jubilee for Socially Excluded People held last November, Pope Francis listened to two homeless men speak about their experiences before offering his own off-the-cuff remarks, saying, "We must always look to the one poorer...giving the hand to the one suffering more." Then thanking homeless people for showing the world how to live in solidarity, he said, "The ability to have solidarity is one of the fruits

that poverty gives us."

Christ calls us to live by a spirit of poverty so that we might always enjoy solidarity with our fellow man. In this way, we can share in the only riches that really matter in life.

"Everything else – the heavens, the earth, all that is beautiful, – will pass away, but we must never exclude God or others from our lives."



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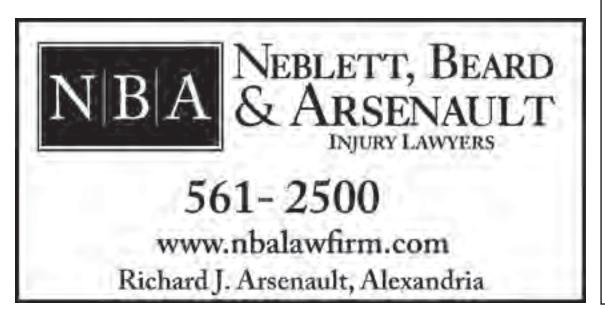
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### The Holy Trinity: One God in Three Divine Persons

(Editor's note: My Catholic Faith is a new series for the Church Today. Each month, a topic about Catholicism will be explored. The format will be traditional catechism.)

Trinity Sunday was celebrated June 11 in the Catholic Church.

Trinity Sunday is set aside on the first Sunday after Pentecost to honor the Holy Trinity – the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

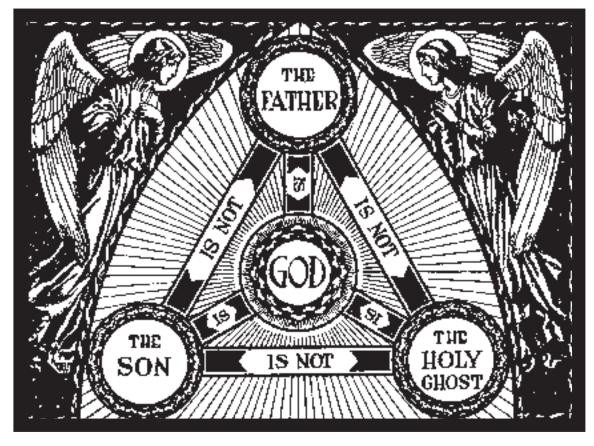
While the word "trinity" does not appear in Scripture, it is taught in Matthew 28:18-20 and 2 Corinthians 13:14 along with many other Bible passages. The Bible tells us, "And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:18-20).

The concept of the Holy Trinity can never be completely understood. That is the mystery. But it is clearly taught in Scripture

### What do we mean by the Blessed Trinity?

By the Blessed Trinity we mean one God in three Divine Persons.

- 1. The Father is God and the First Person of the Blessed Trinity. The work of creation is generally attributed to God the Father.
- 2. The Son is God and the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. To God the Son we owe our redemption; from sin and eternal death; by His death He gave us life.



3. The Holy Spirit is God and the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity. He manifests Himself in us particularily in our sanctification.

All three Persons are equal in every way, -- equal in power and equal in glory. The attributes and external works of God are common to all three Persons.

However in human speech, we attribute certain works to each Person -- the Father, the work of Creation; the Son, the work of Redemption; and the Holy Spirit, the work of Sanctification.

Can we fully understand

#### how the three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, are one and the same God?

We cannot fully understand how the three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, are one and the same God, becuase this is a supernatural mystery.

A supernatural mystery is a truth which we cannot fully understand, but which we firmly believe because we have God's word for it. A supernatural mystern is above reason, but not contrary to it. No man can explain a mystery; neither can anyone know it unless it is revealed by

God.

The doctrine of the Blessed Trinity is a strict mystery; this is, we cannot learn it from reason, nor understand it completely, even after it has been revealed to us.

The mystery of the Blessed Trinity is not a contradiction. We do not say that there are three gods in one God, nor that the three Divine Persons are one Person. We only say that there are three Persons in one God, that is, three Persons, and one nature or essence.

Somewhat similarly, the soul of man has will, understanding, and memory, but it is only one

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soul. Also the sun has form, light, and heat, but is only one sun. Three flames put together make only one flame.

### When do we profess our faith in the Blessed Trinity?

We profess our faith in the Blessed Trinity especially when we make the sign of the cross.

We also honor the Blessed Trinity every time we say the doxology or "prayer of praise:" "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end."

Finally, all of the sacraments are administered in the name of the Blessed Trinity.

### Do all Christians believe in the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity?

The doctrine of the Trinity is central to most Christian denominations and faith groups, but not

Among some of the faith groups that reject the doctrine of the Trinity are Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses, Christian Science, Oneness Pentecostals, Scientology, and the Unification Church.

Source: My Catholic Faith: A Catechism in Pictures, by Most Reverence Louis LaRavoire Morrow, D.D., Bishop of Krishnagar,



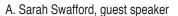












- B. St. Augustine (Isle Brevelle) Youth Group with Bishop Talley
- C. St. Frances Cabrini Church (Alexandria) Youth Group
- D. Fr. Leo Patalinghug, guest speaker (aka "The Cooking Priest") cooks while a segment of his cooking program is filmed before the start of the Steubenville conference.
- E. More than 2,300 attended this year's Steubenville South.





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- B. Bishop David Talley speaks to the teens at the conference.
- C. Bishop Talley congratulates Father Jose Robles-Sanchez at the end of the Mass for a successful Steubenville South conference.
- D. Seminarian Matthew Bonner serves at the Mass and assists the lectors at the podium.

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### Prayers continue for 'improving' La Congressman Steve Scalise

**By Christine Bordelon Clarion Herald** 

(CNS) -- Father Tim Hedrick, parochial vicar of St. Catherine of Siena Church in Metairie, was in Washington continuing his canon law studies when a news alert came across his phone June 14 that Louisiana Congressman Steve Scalise, the House majority whip, had been shot.

"I immediately called and texted Jennifer (Scalise's wife) to let her know that I was here (in D.C.) and would go and be with Steve," Father Hedrick told the Clarion Herald, newspaper of the New Orleans Archdiocese.

Scalise, his wife, Jennifer, and the couple's two children, Harrison and Madison, are Catholic and are parishioners of St. Catherine.

Father Hedrick said Jennifer Scalise, who was back home with the children in Louisiana, called for a police detail to pick up the priest from The Catholic University of America to take him to MedStar Washington Hospital Center, where Scalise was being treated.

"He was already in surgery, and they brought me down to surgery and I actually got to watch the surgery," Father Hedrick said, who learned that several members of the surgery team were Catho-

"They felt very comforted to know I was there, and they asked me to pray for them," Father Hedrick said. He was at the hospital for 12 hours that first day and was able to give the sacrament of the anointing of the sick to Scalise.

As early June 19, Scalise remained in serious condition. Over the June 17-18 weekend, he was upgraded from serious condition. He has undergone several surgeries since he took a bullet to the hip early in the morning of June 14 while at a baseball practice in Alexandria, Virginia. Doctors at MedStar Washington Hospital Center said the bullet fractured bones, injured internal organs and caused severe bleeding.

Scalise and fellow GOP House members along with staffers and others were practicing for the annual Congressional Baseball Game, which is played for charity. Four others, including Capitol police officers who were on Scalise's protective detail, a congressional staffer and a lobbyist, also were injured. The shooter, now identified as James Hodgkinson, died at the scene.

"Just being there as a familiar face at the hospital has been comforting to Jennifer Scalise," Father Hedrick said.

Father Hedrick said he also has taken on the role of Jennifer's communicator of Scalise's condition with St. Catherine parishioners. "Whatever updates she asks me to give, I do," Father Hedrick said. "She wants to thank everyone for their outpouring of



PRAYERS FOR LOUISIANA CONGRESSMAN. More than 150 people attended a prayer service at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Metairie, La., June 14 for the recovery of House Majority Whip Steve Scalise, R-La., and four others who were shot by a lone gunman while practicing in Alexandria, Va., for a charity baseball event. Scalise, his wife, Jennifer, and their two children are parishioners at the church. (CNS photo/Peter Finney Jr., Clarion Herald)

support. She's strong. She's done great."

Father Hedrick has been parochial vicar at the Scalises' parish since July 2014.

"I know him in my role as a priest and fellow graduate of Archbishop Rummel High School. And they (the family) come to church," he said.

Father Hedrick said he has been in Washington the past three summers studying canon law and has visited Scalise in his congressional office.

When Pope Francis spoke to a joint session of Congress in 2015, the congressman was able to secure tickets not only for wife Jennifer but also for Father Hedrick and New Orleans Archbishop Gregory Aymond to attend.

Since the shooting, Father Hedrick said has visited the Scalises every day. He was present when President Donald Trump and first lady Melania Trump visited Scalise in the hospital and learned the president had called Jennifer immediately after the

"The interesting thing about the Trump visit -- it was his birthday," Father Hedrick. "He left his birthday party with Melania to meet with Jennifer. When President Trump came in, he was so calm and caring and concerned about Jennifer and Steve. He promised to help them and support them."

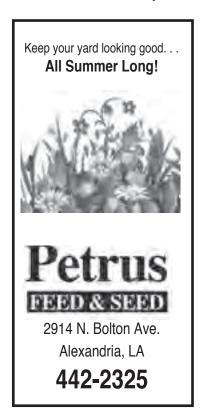
Residents of Scalise's hometown of Metairie have shown their love and concern. On the evening of the shooting, St. Catherine of Siena held a short prayer service for the Scalise family and all those injured.

Several groups, including the Knights of Columbus, also were rallying to schedule blood drives on Scalise's behalf; he has had several blood transfusions. Archbishop Rummel High School, where Scalise graduated in 1983. planned a drive June 23.

Father Hedrick said Archbishop Aymond called Jennifer the day of the shooting and offered his prayerful support.

"That's the kind of support they are getting," Father Hedrick said. "It's a great comfort for her to know that people are praying for her back home. The president, archbishop and all these people, in the midst of the tragedy, are supporting and praying for her."

Jennifer Scalise asked everyone to keep praying for her husband, the others who were injured. the medical staff and her family.







ST. MARTIN CATHOLIC CHURCH (Lecompte) CONFIRMATION. Congratulations to the 12 students from St. Martin Church in Lecompte who were confirmed recently.

## Confirmation



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Winnfield) CONFIRMATION.** Five students were confirmed recently at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Winnfield.



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (Tioga) CONFIRMATION. Seven students from Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Tioga were confirmed by Bishop David Talley June 28.



MARY MOTHER OF JESUS (Woodworth) CONFIRMATION. Three students were confirmed May 13 at Mary Mother of Jesus Church in Woodworth by Bishop David Talley.









**ST. GENEVIEVE (Brouillette) CONFIRMATION.** Eight students from St. Genevieve Church in Brouillette were confirmed May 12 by Bishop David Talley.





ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH (Deville) CONFIRMATION. Seven students from St. John the Baptist Church in Deville were confirmed May 18.



**ST. FRANCES CABRINI CHURCH (Alexandria) CONFIRMATION.** Six students from St. Frances Cabrini Church in Alexandria were confirmed June 8 by Bishop David Talley.

(Every effort in accuracy
has been made to include all
of the pictures of Confirmation
and First Communion sent in to the
Church Today by press time.
If there is an error or omission of
a picture, please contact
jpetrus@diocesealex.org.
The few remaining Confirmation
pictures (that will occur through July 23)
will be printed in the August issue.)



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH (Marksville) CONFIRMATION. Twelve students from St. Joseph Church in Marksville were confirmed May 24 by Bishop David Talley



**MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH (Plaucheville) CONFIRMATION.** Twenty-four students from Mater Dolorosa Church in Plaucheville were confirmed recently by Bishop David Talley.



SACRED HEART CHURCH (Moreauville) CONFIRMATION. Eleven students from Sacred Heart Church in Moreauville were confirmed recently by Bishop David Talley.



**ST. RITA CHURCH (Alexandria) CONFIRMATION.** Twenty-seven students were confirmed April 28 at St. Rita Church in Alexandria by Bishop David Talley.



**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Bunkie) CONFIRMATION.** Fifteen students from St. Anthony of Padua Church in Bunkie were confirmed April 19 by Bishop David Talley.



**HOLY CROSS CHURCH (Natchitoches) CONFIRMATION.** Ten students from Holy Cross Church in Natchitoches were confirmed recenty by Bishop David Talley.



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Natchitoches) CONFIRMATION. Fifteen students from St. Anthony Church in Natchitoches were confirmed recently.



**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL (Alexandria) CONFIRMATION.** Seven people from St. Francis Xavier Cathedral were confirmed April 15.



ST. MARY ASSUMPTION (Cottonport) CONFIRMATION. Twenty students were confirmed recently at St. Mary Assumption Church in Cottonport.



# CHURCH TODAY



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHE-DRAL (Alexandria) ADULT CON-FIRMATION. Fourteen adults gathered at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral June 4 for Confirmation.



**SACRED HEART OF JESUS (Pinveille) CONFIRMATION.** Twelve students were confirmed recently at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Pineville by Bishop David Talley.



ST. ALPHONSUS (Hessmer) CONFIRMATION. Nineteen students received the sacrament of Confirmation recently from St. Alphonsus Church in Hessmer.



**OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR (Alexandria) CONFIRMATION.** Sixty-eight students were confirmed at OLPS in Alexandria by Bishop David Talley.



MINOR BASILICA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Natchitoches) CONFIRMATION. Twenty-seven students from the Minor Basilica of the Immaculate Conception were confirmed May 20 by Bishop David Talley.

# First Communion

ST. JULIANA CHURCH (Alexandria) FIRST COMMUNION. Five students from St. Juliana Church in Alexandria made their First Communion May 21 with their pastor Father Remi Owuamanam. Pictured are (front row) Faith Janay Martin, Jordyn Diane Humphrey, Father Remigius Owuamanam, Jayden Tristin Louie, Maliyah Monae' Cyriaque and Lawrence Kimble. Back row: Angela Lee, director of Religious Education and Vivian Davis, assistant.





**HOLY GHOST (Marksville) CONFIRMATION.** Three students from Holy Ghost Church in Marksville were confirmed recently.





ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Natchitoches) FIRST COMMUNION. Ten students from St. Anthony Church in Natchitoches received First Communion.



ST. FRANCES CABRINI (Alexandria) FIRST COMMUNION. Twentynine students from St. Frances Cabrini School in Alexandria received First Communion April 30.



**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL (Alexandria) FIRST COMMUNION.** Four students from St. Francis Xavier Cathdral made their First Communion.



CHRIST THE KING CHURCH (Simmesport) FIRST COMMUNION. Eleven students from Christ the King Church in Simmesport made their First Communion recently.



**OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR (Alexandria) FIRST COMMUNION.** Sixty-one students from Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church received First Communion with their pastor Father Dan O'Connor and Father John Wiltse, parochial vicar.

# CHURCH TODAY





MARY MOTHER OF JESUS (Woodworth) FIRST COMMUNION. Five students from Mary Mother of Jesus Church in Woodworth received First Communion May 7 with their pastor Father Paul LaPalme.



**ST. JOHN MISSION (Columbia) FIRST COMMUNION.** Seven students from St. John Mission in Columbia received First Communion May 14 with their pastor Father James Nellikunnel.

# CHURCH OF THE LITTLE FLOWER (Evergreen) FIRST COMMUNION. (pictured with Father Bartholomew lbe, pastor) who made his First Communion recently.



HOLY GHOST (Marksville) and ST. RICHARD CHAPEL (Hickory Hill) FIRST COMMUNION. Eleven students from Holy Ghost Church in Marksville and its mission of St. Richard Chapel in Hickory Hill received First Communion April 30 with their pastor Father Abraham Varghese.



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Bunkie) FIRST COMMUNION. Twenty-two students from St. Anthony of Padua Church in Bunkie received First Communion April 23 with their pastor, Father Scott Chemino.



# First Communion

OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Winnfield) FIRST COM-MUNION. Father Stephen Soares, pastor,

First Communion May 21 at the 10 a.m. Mass.

ST. GENEVIEVE CATHOLIC CHURCH (Brouillette) FIRST COMMUNION. Four students from St. Genevieve Church in Brouilette made their First Communion April 23 with their pastor Father Abraham Palakkatturchira



ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH (Mansura) FIRST COMMUNION. Nine students from St. Paul Church in Mansura received First Communion May 7 with their pastor Father Irion St. Romain.







OUR LADY OF SORROWS (Moreauville) FIRST COMMUNION. Two students from Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Moreauville received First Communion May 7 with their pastor Father Jose Pallipurath.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH (Marksville) FIRST COMMUNION. Fourteen students from St. Joseph Church in Marksville received First Communion April 30 with their pastor Father Rusty Rabalais.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH (Cloutierville) FIRST COMMUNION.



STS. FRANCIS & ANNE (Kolin) FIRST COMMUNION. Eight students from Sts. Francis and Anne received First Communion April 30 with Father Bino Pallipparambil, pastor.



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH (Colfax) FIRST COMMUNION. Three students from St. Joseph Church in Colfax received First Communion May 7.



ST. PATRICK (Montgomery) FIRST COMMUNION. Congratulations to from St. Patrick Church in Montgomery who made his First Communion May7. Pictured are Deacon E.J. Barre, Landyn Gilcrease, and Fr. Silverino Kwebuza, pastor.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (Tioga), FIRST COMMUNION.





**ST. MARTIN CHURCH (Lecompte) FIRST COMMUNION.** Congratulations to the seven students from St. Martin Church in Lecompte who received First Communion May. 7.



HOLY GHOST (Marksville) and ST. RICHARD (Hickory Hill) BACCALAUREATE MASS.



**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE (Mansura) SCHOLARSHIPS**. Fr. Irion St. Romain, pastor,

\$500 scholarships from St. Paul's Church and KC Council 4010. These scholarships are awarded based on Catholic Youth Leadership criteria offered each year.



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Winnfield) SENIOR MASS.** Congratulations to seniors

after the Senior Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Winnfield with Fr. Stephen Soares.



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (Bunkie) 8TH GRADE GRADUATION. Sixteen students from St. Anthony of Padua School graduated from the 8th grade in May.



**LSUA CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER GRADS.** Congratulations to Maddie Runyan, St. Martin Church in LeCompte; Lynn Ray, Sts. Francis & Anne in Kolin; and Emily Boudreaux, St. Alphonsus in Hessmer; who all graduated from LSU-A with a B.S. in psychology.









### Temptation

It looks like fun and all seems well, But all it is, is a fast pace to Hell.

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### It's not too late to enroll in a Catholic school!

It's hard to believe this is the middle of July and we are already talking about the start of school!

But it's true -- our Catholic schools in Avoyelles parish will start August 10, followed by three more schools starting on Aug. 14 and one last one on Aug. 16.

If you have been thinking about sending your child to one of our eight Catholic schools in the diocese, now is the time to think more seriously about it.

First, let me say that a Catholic education is more affordable now than you think. It is true that tuition has increased over the years, but along with that, the efforts have increased to get more financial aid for students.

Two state groups -- ACE Louisiana and Arete -- have increased funding for non-public school tuition. Come visit me and let's see if you qualify for state funding.

We also have private funding available for those who might need a "little help" paying for tuition, especially when several students are coming from one family.

Tuition at our schools ranges from \$2,255 to \$6,300 a year. Many hard-working Catholic families struggle to send their children to Catholic schools, especially when more than one student from a family is attending.

If you think you could afford to send a child to Catholic school



By Thomas E. Roque Superintendent of Catholic Schools

for a year -- or even part of the year -- we need to talk.

The benefits of helping a child attend Catholic school is a gift that offers so many benefits and blessings.

Think about it and call me if you are interested -- 318-445-6424. ext 224.

The second thing is that our Catholic schools are great.

I'm not saying that just to sound good; I'm saying that because it is true.

We surpass the public schools with our ACTS scores each year and in most standardized test scores. Our students are offered millions of dollars in scholarships each year to attend colleges and universities. The programs in our schools are aimed at helping ALL students excel in reading, math, science, and other subjects.

Our sports programs offer outstanding competitive opportunities for both boys and girls. Even the smallest of our schools

have won state titles.

If your child is not into sports, each of our schools offer some degree (although some more than others) of extracurricular activities. Whether it's the award winning choir at St. Mary's in Cottonport, the professional drama productions at Menard, or any number of active clubs at any of the schools, you can be assured your child will find his/her place to thrive.

Thirdly, we are growing. Out of all of the dioceses in the state last year, the Diocese of Alexandria is the only one that showed an increase of students attending Catholic schools. All of the others are either experiencing a decrease in numbers or are flat (remaining the same).

Our growth is a positive indicator that our schools are doing well and satisfying the needs of our students.

Last, but not least, God is part of our everyday routine. Prayer at the start of every day, prayer before meals, and maybe even prayer before a test. Mass at least weekly, opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and annual retreats. All of these and more are part of our Catholic schools.

It's not too late to enroll your child in one of our Catholic schools. Call the school of your choice now to give your child the best in Catholic education.



The Diocese of Alexandria and Holy Savior Menard invites all students in grades 7-12 to the annual Back to School Rally on Saturday, Aug. 19 from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. at the Menard Gym. Come join us as we 'kick-start' the year with God, music, praise and worship and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. For more information, contact Jessica Sanders at 318-305-1351. Join us and bring a friend!

# Back to School Start Dates:

August 10 · Sacred Heart School, Moreauville

- · St. Anthony of Padua, Bunkie
- · St. Mary's Assumption, Cottonport
- St. Joseph School, Plaucheville

August 14 · Holy Savior Menard, Alexandria

- · St. Frances Cabrini, Alexandria
- · St. Mary School, Natchitoches

August 16 · Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Alexandria

### **VIRTUS**

- Tuesday, Aug. 1 -- 6 p.m. St. Anthony School, Bunkie (library)
- Wednesday, Aug. 2 -- 1 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria
- Tuesday, Aug. 29 -- 6 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria

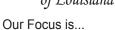
To register,

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Every adult who works/volunteers with children/youth in the Diocese of Alexandria's churches/schools is required to attend a VIRTUS™ Protecting God's Children for Adults sexual abuse awareness training.



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### If Jaws didn't keep you out of the water, 47 Meters Down will

Shark-diving movie creates an atmosphere of claustrophobic nerve-racking terror underwater

By John Mulderig Catholic News Service

NEW YORK (CNS) -- Way back in 1975, Steven Spielberg taught the world just how scary sharks can be with his classic "Jaws." Apparently the two main characters in the thriller "47 Meters Down" (Entertainment Studios) failed to get the message.

As a result, they face an ordeal that, thanks to its plausibility, audiences may find more frightening than many horror films featuring monsters or knifewielding maniacs.

While viewers are not entirely spared the graphic outcome of a battle between humans and the ocean's most efficient killers, the bloodletting is not excessive or exploitative. And the script, penned by director Johannes Roberts and Ernest Riera, goes easy on the panic-induced cursing. So, although it's not for the fainthearted of any age, the film is probably acceptable for older teens.

While vacationing in Mexico, sisters Lisa (Mandy Moore) and Kate (Claire Holt) take up with a couple of locals, Louis



**47 METERS DOWN.** Matthew Modine, Claire Holt and Mandy Moore star in a scene from the movie "47 Meters Down." After two sisters, vacationing in Mexico, try shark diving for the first time, the iron cage designed to protect them from the fatal fish snaps from its cable and the sisters plummet to the seabed at the dept of the title. The Catholic News Service classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13. (CNS photo/Entertainment Studios Motion Pictures)

(Yani Gellman) and Benjamin (Santiago Segura). The lads urge their new friends to try shark diving and, since Lisa has just been dumped by her boyfriend back home on the grounds that she is averse to adventure, she reluctantly yields to Kate's enthusiasm

for the idea.

Lisa should have gone with her gut. After only a few minutes in the iron cage designed to protect them from the fatal fish, the cable holding the enclosure snaps, and the siblings plummet to the seabed at the depth of the title.

The resourceful duo must now confront not only the predators they were meant to be observing in safety, but the consequences of a rapidly dwindling supply of oxygen as well. As they struggle to survive, and Taylor

### MOVIE REVIEW

(Matthew Modine), the skipper of the boat they were lowered from, tries to organize a rescue, themes of forgiveness and self-sacrificing love are briefly showcased.

But such lofty ideals, of course, are not really the point. What Roberts is aiming for, and mostly achieves -- despite occasionally clunky dialogue -- is an atmosphere of claustrophobic, nerve-racking terror.

Those disposed to subject themselves to the experience will likely come away satisfied. The timid, by contrast, should stick to the shore.

The film contains some gory and gruesome images as well as a single rough and a couple of crude terms. The Catholic News Service classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.





#### Vacation Bible School

- July 17-21: St. Frances Cabrini School VBS. 8 a.m. 5 p.m. for students in Pre-K through 6th grade. \$100 per child. 7th-12th grade, ask us about counselor applications. Register in the school office or at www.cabrinischool.com.
- July 17-21: St. Rita Church, Alexandria. 8 a.m. 12 noon for students in grades Pre K through 6 (2017-18) at the Holy Family Center. There will be no charge for registered parishioners; cost for all others is \$25 per family. For more information, call Courtney Brinkman at 445-7141 ext 217.
- July 19-21: Mater Dolorosa in Plaucheville.

#### **Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites**

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites, who are members of the Carmelite family of the 16th-century reform of St. Teresa, meet on the second Saturday of every month at Maryhill Renewal Center beginning with a Mass at 9 a.m. Discalced Carmelite Seculars come from all walks of life, from every level of education and from every type of work. They are Catholic laypersons over the age of 18 (married or unmarried) or ordained diocesan priests or deacons. If you are interested, join us this Aug. 12 at 9 a.m. at Maryhill or call Mary Jo McCoy, president, at 318-481-9638.

#### **Echo Retreat for Young Adults**

Registration is open now for an Echo Cenla Retreat for Young Adults to be held July 21-25 at Maryhill Renewal Center in Pineville. ECHO is a Theology of the Body Camp put on by DumbOx Ministries. The camp includes listening to spiritual talks, hiking and swimming, jamming to live music, attending Mass and receiving Jesus daily, ...and experiencing the love of God and community. Open to young adults who have been out of high school for at least one full year.

For more information, go to www.dumboxministries. com/echo.

#### **Marriage Encounter Weekend**

On a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend you will have the time you need to focus on your relationship and learn a unique communication technique which will help you to bridge any gaps you may have and bring back that spark that made your marriage so special. The next weekends are July 14-16 and Oct. 20-22 at the Bishop Robert Tracy Center in Baton Rouge. To register, go to LAMS-wwme.org or call Jack & Angel LaBate at 470-297-8560 or jackandangel@bellsouth.net.

### DIOCESAN BRIEFS



Lauren , Kresi and Caiden were recognized May 21 as the newest members of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Winnfield by Father Stephen Soares, pastor.

#### **Dr. Brant Pitre to speak**

Mark your calendars now for a one-day conference on July 22 featuring the popular speaker Dr. Brant Pitre, who is a professor of Sacred Scripture at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. The one-day conference titled "The Jewish Roots of the Holy Eucharist, will be held Saturday, July 22, at the Divine Providence Center at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church in Alexandria. More information will be provided later.

#### **Suicide Intervention Training Workshop**

Save Cenla, a local non-profit organization that focuses on raising mental health awareness to prevent suicide in central Louisiana, will sponsor an ASIST two-day interactive workshop in suicide first aid. The Living Works ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) program teaches participants to recognize when someone may have thoughts of suicide and work with them to create a



PRIEST APPRECIATION SUPPER. CDA Court Padre Pio of Cottonport invited the priests in Avoyelles parish to a supper for Priest Appreciation on Monday, June 5 in conjunction with their CDA end of year program. Pictured are (from left) Fr. William Gearheard, Fr. Jacob Thomas, Fr. Walter Ajaero, Fr. Edwin Rodriguez-Hernandez, Fr. Abraham Varghese, Fr.Bartholemew Ibe, and Fr. Jose Pallipurath.

plan that will support their immediate safety. The workshop will be held Aug. 5-6 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:40 p.m. at he Multi-purpose Building (223 Melancon Dr.) in Marksville. Cost is \$55 per person and includes course materials and lunch and snacks each day. To register go to www. savecenla.com by July 10. For more information, contact Angela Dixon at 337-519-1888. or Andy Dixon at 337-288-0973 or email savecenla@yahoo.com.

#### **Seminars on Christian Healing Prayer**

The last weekend of the three Seminars on Christian Healing Prayer by Jim and Christy Gootee and the Two Hearts Team will be held Aug. 5-6. at Maryhill Renewal Center from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The course is progressive, but if you still want to pick up the last session, register by sending your name, address and phone number to: christygootee@outlook.com. The course is meant to bring you healing and to teach you to pray for others to receive healing.

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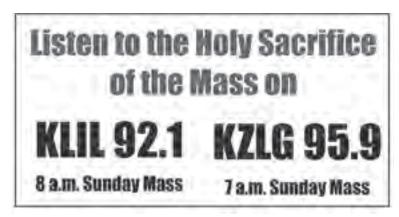
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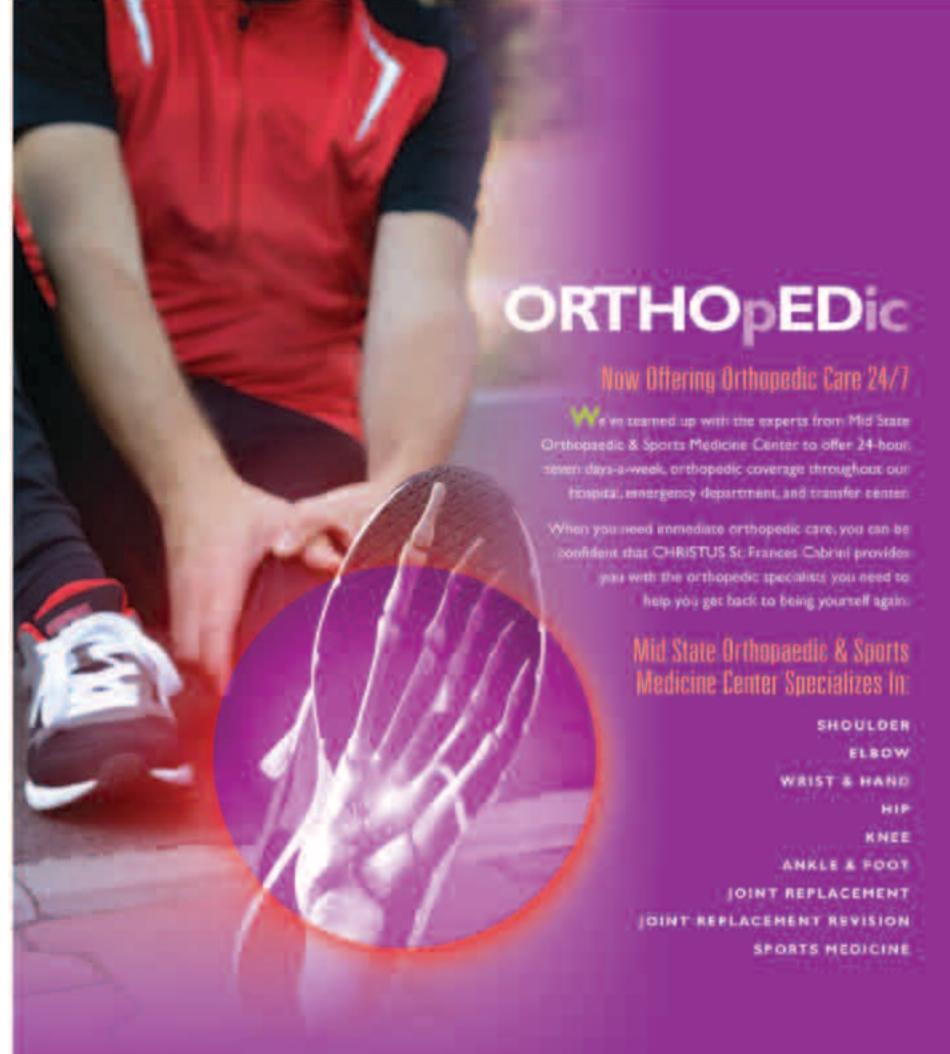
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# July - August

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
17	18	19	Outdoor Rosary 20 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, Marksville	21	Dr. Brant Pitre presentation 8:00 a.m 3:30 p.m.	23
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24	25	26	Outdoor Rosary 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, Marksville	28	29	30
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31	AUGUST  Diocesan School Retreat 8:30 a.m 2:30 p.m. St. Rita Church, Alexandria  VIRTUS Training 6:00 p.m. St. Anthony School Bunkie	VIRTUS Training 1:00 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Center Alexandria	Outdoor Rosary 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, Marksville	4		Healing Prayer, Maryhill Workshop, Marksville
PRAY FOR FR. R. OWUAMANAM	PRAY FOR BISHOP D. TALLEY	PRAY FOR FR. A. PALAKKATTUCHIRA	PRAY FOR FR. B. PALLIPARAMBIL	PRAY FOR FR. J. PALLIPURATH	PRAY FOR FR. J. PARDUE	PRAY FOR FR. C. PARTAIN
7	8	9	School starts: • St. Mary's, Cottonport • Savred Heart, Moreauville • St. Anthony, Bunkie  Outdoor Rosary 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, Marksville	Mass in honor of St. Philomena 6:00 p.m. St. Frances Cabrini Church Alexandria	Order of Carmelite Seculars Meeting 9:00 a.m 1:00 p.m. Maryhill Renewal Center	Mass Celebrating Our Lady of Fatima 6:00 p.m. Mary, Mother of Jesus, Woodworth
PRAY FOR FR. T. PAUL	PRAY FOR FR. G. POOKKATTU	PRAY FOR FR. R. RABALAIS	PRAY FOR FR. C. RAY	PRAY FOR FR. T. REYNOLDS	PRAY FOR FR. J. ROBLES SANCHEZ	PRAY FOR FR. E. RODRIGUEZ HERNANDEZ
School starts: • Menard, Alexandria • Cabrini, Alexandria • St. Mary's, Natchitoches	The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (A Holy Day of Obligation) PRAY FOR FR. C. SCOTT	School starts: • Prompt Succor, Alexandria  PRAY FOR FR. B. SEILER	Outdoor Rosary 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, Marksville	18 PRAY FOR FR. P. SIERRA POSADA	Diocesan Back to School Rally 6:30 p.m. Holy Savior Menard Alexandria	PRAY FOR FR. I. ST. ROMAIN



SMART HEDICINE HEALING GRACE



