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St. Anthony student named Louisiana State Catholic School Student of the Year

St. Anthony School in Bunkie is proud to announce that eighth-grade student, Brees [redacted], has been named the 2024–2025 Louisiana State Catholic School Student of the Year. This prestigious honor recognizes outstanding Catholic school students across the state who exemplify academic excellence, strong moral character, leadership, and a deep commitment to their faith.

Brees stands out not only for her impressive academic record and leadership abilities, but also for the integrity and devotion she brings to her daily life. She is a shining example of what it means to live out one’s Catholic faith with purpose and grace.

In her reflection submitted as part of the Student of the Year competition, Brees wrote passionately about the importance of her Catholic education and the role her faith plays in shaping her goals:

“I have attended St. Anthony School my entire life and value my Catholic education because it allows me to live out my faith every day. My goal in life is

simply to get myself and the people I love to heaven. Nothing else is more important to me than my faith in God. I value my faith and my family above all else. I work hard every day to be who God created me to be. Saint Catherine of Siena said, ‘Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.’ If I can live my life following God’s will and being faithful to His plan for me, then I will have lived a happy life,” says Brees.

“Even though I have accomplished many things in my young life, I am not defined by awards or recognition. I am defined by living a faithful life. Jeremiah 1:5 says, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart. I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.’ I pray that I can always live my life knowing how much God loves me and spreading that love to others,” she goes on to say.

St. Anthony School and the Diocese of Alexandria are honored to have Brees represent our Catholic community at the state level. Her dedication to academic



LOUISIANA STATE CATHOLIC STUDENT OF THE YEAR. Pictured left to right: St. Anthony Principal, Sadie LaPoint; Student of the year, Brees [redacted]; Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Alexandria, Sylvia Davis.

excellence, her leadership, and, most importantly, her unwavering faith make her truly deserving of this recognition. Brees is an inspiration to her peers and a shining example of the mission of

Catholic education. Her presence at St. Anthony School is a gift to our community, and we look forward to all she will continue to accomplish through her faith and leadership.

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Pope Francis leaves legacy of service and mercy

by Cindy Wooden
OSV News



POPE FRANCIS DIES APRIL 21, 2025. Cardinal Farrell prays near the body of the late Pope Francis. U.S. Cardinal Kevin J. Farrell, chamberlain of the Holy Roman Church, leads a prayer service as Pope Francis, in his coffin, rests in the chapel of his residence, the Domus Sanctae Marthae, at the Vatican April 21, 2025. (CNS photo/Vatican Media)

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Francis, who died April 21 at the age of 88, gave new energy to millions of Catholics -- and caused concern for some -- as he transformed the image of the papacy into a pastoral ministry based on personal encounters and strong convictions about poverty, mission and dialogue.

U.S. Cardinal Kevin J. Farrell, chamberlain of the Holy Roman Church, announced that Pope Francis had died at 7:35 a.m.

"His whole life was dedicated to the service of the Lord and his church," Cardinal Farrell said in a video announcement broadcast from the chapel of the Domus Sanctae Marthae, where Pope Francis lived.

His gestures -- from tenderly embracing the sick to repeatedly visiting prisoners -- touched millions of hearts. But controversy raged over his denunciations of the excesses of unbridled capitalism, his warnings about the human contributions to climate change and his insistence on accompanying, not judging, gay people.

With bronchitis and difficulty breathing, Pope Francis was admitted to Rome's Gemelli hospital Feb. 14. He was diagnosed with double pneumonia and a complex infection. He had returned to the Vatican March 23 to continue his convalescence.

God's mercy was a constant theme in Pope Francis' preaching and was so central to his vision of what the church's ministry must embody that he proclaimed an extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy for Dec. 8, 2015-Nov. 20, 2016.

Elected March 13, 2013, Pope Francis was the first pope in history to come from the Southern Hemisphere, the first non-European to be elected in almost 1,300 years and the first Jesuit to serve as successor to St. Peter.

In the first three years of his papacy, he published three major documents: "Evangelii Gaudium" ("The Joy of the Gospel"), a detailed vision of the program for his papacy and his vision for the church -- particularly the church's outreach and its response to challenges posed by secular culture; "Laudato Si", on Care for Our Common Home," on

the environment; and "Amoris Laetitia" ("The Joy of Love"), his reflections on the discussions of the synods of bishops on the family in 2014 and 2015.

Holiness was the topic of his March 2018 apostolic exhortation, "Gaudete et Exsultate" ("Rejoice and Be Glad") in which he insisted being holy is not boring or impossible, and that it grows through small, daily gestures and acts of loving kindness.

Following in the footsteps of his predecessors, Pope Francis was an untiring voice for peace, urging an end to armed conflict, supporting dialogue and encouraging reconciliation. The pope described Russia's invasion of Ukraine as "madness" and called on the world's bishops to join him in consecrating Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. When Hamas militants attacked communities in Israel, killing scores of people and taking more than 200 people hostage in late 2023, and Israel retaliated by attacking Gaza, Pope Francis made repeated appeals for the return of hostages, a ceasefire to deliver humanitarian aid, and a real commitment to a negotiated peace.

Promoting peace, solidarity and respect for the Earth, the pope insisted people needed to recognize each other as brothers and sisters and issued an encyclical about

that, "Fratelli Tutti, on Fraternity and Social Friendship." He signed the text at the tomb of St. Francis of Assisi on the saint's feast day, Oct. 4, 2020.

Pope Francis spent much of the first nine years of his pontificate pursuing two ambitious projects: revitalizing the church's efforts at evangelization -- constantly urging outreach rather than a preoccupation with internal church affairs -- and reforming the central

administration of the Vatican, emphasizing its role of assisting bishops around the world rather than dictating policy to them.

On March 19, 2022, the ninth anniversary of the inauguration of his papacy, he finally promulgated "Praedicate Evangelium" ("Preach the Gospel"), his complete restructuring of the Roma Curia, highlighting its mission to serve the church's evangelization efforts at all levels.

His simple lifestyle, which included his decision not to live in the Apostolic Palace and his choice of riding around Rome in a small Fiat or Ford instead of a Mercedes sedan, sent a message of austerity to Vatican officials and clergy throughout the church. He reinforced the message with frequent admonitions about the Gospel demands and evangelical witness of poverty and simplicity.

Although he repeatedly said he did not like to travel, he made 47 foreign trips, taking his message of Gospel joy to North and South America, Europe, Africa and Asia.

Jorge Mario Bergoglio was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina's capital city, Dec. 17, 1936. He earned a chemical technician's diploma from his high school and entered the Jesuit novitiate in March 1958. After studying liberal arts in Santiago, Chile, he returned to Argentina and earned his licentiate in philosophy from the Colegio San Jose in San Miguel.

He was ordained a priest Dec. 13, 1969, and after his perpetual profession as a Jesuit in 1973, he became master of novices at the Seminary of Villa Barilari in San Miguel. Later that same year, he was appointed superior of the Jesuit province of Argentina, a role in which by his own account he proved a divisive figure

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The funeral Mass of Pope Francis celebrated Saturday, April 26

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- The funeral Mass of Pope Francis was celebrated April 26 in St. Peter's Square.

Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re, dean of the College of Cardinals, presided over the liturgy, which began a nine-day period of official mourning and daily memorial Masses.

The deceased pope's body, which was taken to the chapel of his residence late April 21, the day of his death, was carried into St. Peter's Basilica for public viewing and prayer early April 23.

The public viewing was scheduled to end late April 25 with another prayer service to close the coffin.

Matteo Bruni, director of the Vatican press office, said the Mass originally scheduled for the Jubilee for Adolescents April 27 was one of the eight memorial Masses following the funeral of

the pope. Cardinal Pietro Parolin, who was secretary of state under Pope Francis, presided.

The rites and rituals for dressing the body, moving it to St. Peter's Basilica and celebrating the funeral are published in the "Ordo Exsequiarum Romani Pontificis" ("Funeral Rites of the Roman Pontiff").

The rites originally were approved by St. John Paul II in 1998 but were released only when he died in 2005. Modified versions of the rites were used after Pope Benedict XVI died Dec. 31, 2022, and Pope Francis revised and simplified them in 2024.

U.S. Cardinal Kevin J. Farrell, the chamberlain of the Holy Roman Church, presided over a prayer service for the formal verification of the pope's death April 21 in the chapel of the Domus Sanctae Marthae, where Pope Francis celebrated an early morning Mass most days before his final illness.

Season of Service by the numbers:

This year, a total of 25 teams participated, two of which were schools: Sacred Heart Moreauville and St. Frances Cabrini School comprised of 702 students and faculty. The total number of participants for this year was 1,011. Thank you so much for a great 2025 Season of Service and see you next year!

SEASON OF SERVICE AT ST. FRANCES CABRINI CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA. Every Wednesday during Lent, parents, students, and parishioners participate in a walking rosary with intentions for the SFC school and church. The path goes around the perimeter of the school and parish. Different students and parishioners help lead the rosary. The Youth group also sponsored a Lenten supper afterward on March 28. The youth group supplies the food and serves the meal. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship with guests from other parishes.



The Youth group's own Season of Service project involved cleaning tables and chairs that Cabrini School and the church parish use. The kids hit the ground running and never complained. They began work at 9:00 a.m. and finished around 2:30.



SEASON OF SERVICE, MARKSVILLE. One of the ways St. Joseph Church in Marksville encourages fellowship among its parishioners is through their Community Meal Ministry. All attending this event enjoy delicious meals and homemade desserts prepared and served by St. Joseph parishioners. Pictured are Father Wade deCoste, Claudette Couvillon, Dianne Dubroc, Vickie Husbands, Pam Mitchel, Laura Dauzat, and Ronald Andrews.



SEASON OF SERVICE. Ingrid Cannella-Newell formed a group to pressure wash, trim, and replace bushes in and around the original rosary walk at Maryhill Renewal Center. Pictured are Darrell Newell, Ingrid Cannella-Newell, Brittany Newell, and D. J. Jones. Teammate not included in the picture is Maria Burke.



SEASON OF SERVICE SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH PINEVILLE. Team Sacred Heart Eucharistic Reveal reports that at least 43 people participated in a 24-hour Adoration Challenge and some who plan to use the Adoration Chapel more often in the future. During the 24-hour challenge, the property was well lit to encourage those to participate overnight.



I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Psalm 30: 2
Responsorial Psalm
for May 4
Third Sunday of Easter

SEASON OF SERVICE. On a cold and windy Thursday, Mar. 20, Team XII Prayer Group collaborated with Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana and participated in a Volunteers of America outreach ministry. Hot bowls of gumbo and bags of non-perishable foods were handed out to disadvantaged individuals at Emmanuel Baptist Church, downtown Alexandria.



(below) OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH, FIFTH WARD, LA. Alexis Lajaunie and Jathan Dubroc were honored with the Knights of Columbus Catholic Youth Leadership Award on Saturday, March 22, presented by Council #9418 members Wilbert Carmouche and Kenneth Ducote. The award acknowledges their demonstrated leadership in the church and community, and they will go on to represent the local council at the state level.



SEASON OF SERVICE, MARKSVILLE. The CCD class of St. Joseph Church in Marksville held a Lenten Food Drive to fill their parish food pantry.



CABRINI WINTER BALL. Saturday, March 22, Bishop Robert Marshall attended and delivered the invocation at the annual Cabrini Ball celebrating the 75th Anniversary of CHRISTUS St. Frances Cabrini Hospital at the Randolph Riverfront Center. He had the opportunity to visit with two sisters from the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word who founded the hospital. Pictured left to right: Sis-ter Ita Harnett, CCVI, and Sister Helen Ogbuji, CCVI. Sr. Ita worked at the hospital in years past and Sr. Helen is in the regional board of CHRISTUS Health System. The evening featured a wonderful meal prepared by celebrity chef, John Folse.

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 us to God.
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 God is good,
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 God is the truth.”**

pope francis



LEESVILLE BIBLE STUDY GROUP. Since Covid hit our communities, many bible study groups have dispersed and they have not come back together. Recently, Liz Descant of St. Michael the Archangel in Leesville, formed a bible study group called "Journeys in Faith." During this Lenten season, the group is studying the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ each Thursday from 12:00-1:00 pm. If you are interested in forming a group, please contact Liz at lizdescant@gmail.com and she can help you get started. You can tailor your group to your needs.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. St. Francis DeSales Church in Echo celebrated First Holy Communion on April 6.

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popae francis



ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR AT CABRINI. Bishop Robert Marshall with Fr. Chad Partain, Sister Nina Vincent (principal), Sr. Stephanie, and students of St. Frances Cabrini School with the church parish St. Joseph Altar in the school's gym.



FATHER KURIAN ZACHARIAH, PASTOR OF CHRIST THE KING CHURCH, SIMMESPORT, is shown blessing the St. Joseph's Altar hosted by Bayou Chateau Nursing Center.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WINNFIELD, ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR was March 19 after Mass. The meal consisted of spaghetti with boiled eggs, stuffed artichokes, Italian green beans and salad. The desserts were served from the St. Joseph's altar and included cannolis and cucidatas. A prayer box on the altar was available for prayer requests. Donations were given to help provide food for the poor. St. Joseph candles, holy cards, medals and fava beans were given to all who attended! Over sixty people enjoyed an evening of prayer and fellowship.

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Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Manna House has huge impact on kids from Tensas area

by Father Taylor Reynolds
Pastor of St. Joseph Church,
St. Joseph, Louisiana

Charity covers a multitude of sins as St. Paul reminds us, in reference to the power of charity to not simply undo the effects of sin by countering it with good, but also that charity, being of God, draws us closer to God by which sin pulls us away. It's with this simple principle that during this Jubilee year of Hope the Church speaks much of the gift of freedom from sin that can be offered during a jubilee year, especially through indulgences.

An indulgence is a designated act that, by its nature, draws us closer to Jesus and thus the Church, as the treasurer of Jesus' saving merits, is able to attach to specific actions a certain remission of the temporal punishment or effect of sin. Actions that fall into this category are: praying the stations of the cross on Fridays; reading scripture for an hour; praying a holy hour, etc.

During a jubilee year, a year of pilgrimage, people can receive an indulgence just by visiting specific churches. However, the Church also promotes performing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy as acts that can be indulgences. There are actions outlined by Jesus in Matthew 25:25 and following such as feeding the poor, visiting prisoners and so forth.

Recently, the junior high and high school students of St. Joseph Church in St. Joseph, LA, made a pilgrimage trip first to go and work at the Manna House in Alexandria and then to have a tour



TENSAS PARISH KIDS SERVE AT MANNA HOUSE. Fr. Taylor Reynolds, pastor of St. Joseph Church in St. Joseph, LA, brought a group of junior high and high schoolers from his parish to volunteer at Manna House. The experience taught them valuable life-lessons.

of the Cathedral, go to confession and finally to 'test their faith' by climbing the bell tower. The students worked from 9:30 a.m. on March 31 until 1:30 p.m.

"It's very good and important for their formation," said Jessica Viator who runs, manages and works at the Manna House. The students helped to prepare meals, bag up food, serve the food, hand it out to the needy who came to the delivery window and then helped to clean up.

"Something I took away from the trip was not only working there but seeing people not as fortunate as I am but we have to remember we are all loved by God," said Curtis Davis, 9th grader, who commented about the trip.

"It was great, I could do this [serve the poor] every day," reported Carter Lardy, 8th grader, while giving out food to people who came to the window to

receive a meal.

"I never realized there were so many hungry people. It felt good for me to help out as best as I could," stated Russell Ratcliff, 8th grader, after returning from the trip.

One of the other beautiful gifts that came out of the trip to Manna House is that no one is turned away because they don't qualify. Anyone who goes to the Manna House is given a meal with no questions asked.

"Don't judge a book by its cover because many people looked okay and were dressed nicely but still needed help," related Catherine Davis, 8th grader.

During this Jubilee year of Hope we are reminded that hope leads us to Charity. May we all learn to practice the virtue of charity and see the face of God in others.



JUBILEE PILGRIMS OF HOPE: On March 20, several members from Our Lady of Lourdes in Fifth Ward visited Our Lady of Lourdes in Vidalia on their Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope Tour.

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PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF ALEXANDRIA. On Tuesday, April 15, priests, deacons, religious and the faithful joined together to celebrate the annual Chrism Mass at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria. During the Mass, the sacred oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick are blessed, and the priests who serve our diocese renew the promises made at their ordination.

POPE FRANCIS

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because of an “authoritarian and quick manner of making decisions.”

In May 1992, Father Bergoglio was named an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Buenos Aires. He was appointed coadjutor archbishop five years later and became archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998; Pope John Paul II named him to the College of Cardinals in 2001.

As leader of an archdiocese with more than 2.5 million Catholics, Cardinal Bergoglio strove to be close to the people. He rode the bus, visited the poor, lived in a simple apartment and cooked his own meals.

His international reputation was enhanced by his work at the 2007 assembly of the Latin American bishops’ council, CELAM, and particularly by his role as head of the committee that drafted the gathering’s final document on reforming and reinvigorating the church’s evangelizing efforts on the continent.

Cardinal Bergoglio was a known and respected figure within the College of Cardinals, so much so that no one disputed a respected Italian journal’s report that he received the second-highest number of votes on all four ballots cast in the 2005 conclave that elected Pope Benedict XVI.

Eight years later, Pope Benedict retired. At the cardinals’ meetings prior to the 2013 conclave to elect his successor, the need to reform the Vatican bureaucracy was a common theme of concern.

Addressing the gathering, Cardinal Bergoglio warned against “self-referentiality and a kind of theological narcissism” in the church and argued the next pope “must be a man who, from the contemplation and adoration of Jesus Christ, helps the church to go out to the existential peripheries” to spread the Gospel.

His election March 13 came on the second day of the conclave, on its fifth ballot. He chose the name Francis to honor St. Francis of Assisi, “the man of poverty, the man of peace, the man who loves and protects creation,” he said.

“Go out” was Pope Francis’

constant plea to every Catholic, from curial cardinals to the people in the pews. More than once, he told people that while the Bible presents Jesus as knocking at the door of people’s hearts to get in, today Jesus is knocking at the doors of parish churches trying to get out and among the people.

But he faced criticism for what many saw as a lack of consistency in dealing forcefully with the clerical sexual abuse crisis, especially when it came to holding bishops accountable for handling allegations and removing priests credibly accused of abuse.

And while his pontificate marked major progress in the Vatican’s attempts to reach an agreement with China’s communist government on the appointment of Catholic bishops, a provisional accord signed in September 2018, and renewed in 2020, 2022 and 2024, was denounced by critics as a betrayal of Catholics who risked their lives for refusing any cooperation with the communists.

Like his predecessors, Pope Francis was a strong defender of the sacredness of human life. Meeting Catholic physicians in November 2014, for example, he insisted that in “the light of faith and the light of correct reason, human life is always sacred and always of ‘quality.’ There is no human life that is more sacred than another” and no “human life qualitatively more significant than another.”

For Pope Francis, helping the defenseless also meant paying special attention to prisoners, victims of war and, particularly, Christians and other religious minorities persecuted for their faith.

When Islamic State forces and other terrorist groups began specifically targeting Christians and other religious minorities in Syria and Iraq, and later in North Africa, Pope Francis demanded the international community act.

He frequently cited figures that the number of Christian martyrs is greater today than in the first centuries of Christianity, and he insisted the international community cannot “look the other way.”

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To register, go to www.virtus.org.
For more information, call 318-445-6424, ext. 213.

*We are
his people,
the sheep of
his flock.*

Psalm 100: 3
Responsorial Psalm
for May 11
Fourth Sunday of Easter



CONFIRMATION, ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH, ISLE BREVELLE. On Saturday, Mar. 15, Bishop Robert Marshall celebrated a Confirmation Mass at St. Augustine Church on Cane River with three young parishioners. Thank you to Father Bill Gearheard, Deacon Chad Thibodeaux, Sister Elizabeth Holmes, SSF, and the parishioners for supporting the Confirmandi and for welcoming Deacon Richard Mitchell (who took this photo) and me.



CONFIRMATION, ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH, BUNKIE. On Saturday, Mar. 22, Bishop Marshall celebrated Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent and the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Bunkie. Fifteen young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Monsignor Scott Chemino, Father Taylor Reynolds, Deacon Richard Mitchell (who took this photo) and the parishioners of St. Anthony for their support of these Confirmandi. Both Msgr. Chemino and Fr. Reynolds are native sons of St. Anthony parish. I invited the Confirmandi and others to consider a vocation to priesthood or religious life.



CONFIRMATION, ST. FRANCES CABRINI CHURCH. On Sunday, Mar. 23, Bishop Robert Marshall celebrated Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent and conferred Sacrament of Confirmation on five young disciples at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Tioga. Thank you to Father Rick Gremillion, Deacon Roger Christopher, and the parishioners for their support of these Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH, HESSMER. On Monday, Mar. 24, Bishop Marshall I celebrated a Confirmation Mass at St. Alphonsus Church in Hessmer. Twenty young disciples were sealed with the Holy Spirit. Thank you to Father Kenneth Michiels, the parents, sponsors, catechists and parishioners who walked with the Confirmandi in their pilgrimage of faith and hope.



CONFIRMATION, ST. FRANCIS de SALES CHURCH, ECHO. On Saturday, Mar. 29, Bishop Robert Marshall began the celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday) with Mass and the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Francis de Sales Church in Echo. Four young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Dwight DeJesus and the parishioners for welcoming Deacon Richard Mitchell (who took this photo) and me and for supporting the Confirmandi in their journey of faith and hope.



CONFIRMATION, ST. JAMES MEMORIAL CHURCH. On Sunday, Mar. 30, the celebration of Laetare Sunday continued this morning at St. Juliana Church in Alexandria with Mass and the Sacrament of Confirmation. Four young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Luke LaFleur, Deacon Luke White, Deacon Richard Mitchell (who took this photo), and the parishioners for their welcome and their strong support of the Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, MOREAUVILLE AND BORDELONVILLE. Bishop Robert Marshall concluded the observance of Laetare Sunday by celebrating Mass and the Sacrament of Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church in Moreauville. Sixteen young disciples from the parishes of Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Sorrows (Moreauville) and St. Peter (Bordelonville) were confirmed. (This parish opted to wear violet vestments.) Thank you to Father Brian Seiler, Father Paul Kunnumpuram, Deacon Reggie Ducote, Deacon Richard Mitchell (our MC), and the parishioners of all three parishes who supported these Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, ST. MARTIN CHURCH, LECOMPTE. On Wednesday, April 2, Bishop Marshall celebrated a Confirmation Mass at St. Martin Church in Lecompte. Seven young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Marc Noel, Deacon Paul Sunderhaus, the parents, sponsors, catechists and parishioners for their support of these Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH, PINEVILLE. On Thursday, April 3, Bishop Robert Marshall celebrated a Confirmation Mass this evening at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Pineville. Sixteen young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Dale Meade, Father Donnie Kuzma, Deacon Richard Mitchell, the parents, sponsors, catechists, and parishioners for their support of these Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, ST. JOHN CHAPEL, COLUMBIA. On Saturday, April 5, Bishop Marshall celebrated Mass for the Fifth Sunday of Lent and the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. John Church in Columbia. Six young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Jason Gootee and the parishioners for welcoming Deacon Richard Mitchell and me and for their support of the Confirmandi.



CONFIRMATION, ST. FRANCIS AND ANNE CHURCH, KOLIN. On Sunday, April 6, Bishop Robert Marshall celebrated Mass and the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saints Francis and Anne Church in Kolin. I was pleased to confirm six young disciples. Thank you to Father Bino Pallipparambil, Deacon Greg LeBlanc, the catechists, sponsors and parishioners for their support of the Confirmandi. Many thanks to the parents and to the Confirmandi themselves for their witness of faith.



CONFIRMATION, ST. RITA CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA. On Wednesday, April 9, Bishop Marshall celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Rita Church in Alexandria. Thirty young disciples were confirmed. Thank you to Father Anthony Dharmaraj, Deacon Kenny Sayes, Deacon Richard Mitchell, the parents, sponsors, catechists and parishioners for their support of these Confirmandi.

Blessings from Healthy Blue Louisiana

Unexpected Christmas blessings came to Catholic Charities in December of 2024 when our community partner and friend, Monette Bourque, Community Relations Representative in Marketing for Healthy Blue Louisiana, a Medicaid provider, shared the wonderful news with us that we were chosen recipients of a \$12,000 grant to provide sustenance to those who are food insecure. This was not a benefit we applied for, nor knew about, but wholly emerged from their bounty they wished to share with organizations who could achieve the goal of nourishing those in need. Healthy Blue has solidified a relationship with Catholic Charities over the past two years by financially supporting our Annual November and December Christmas Cheer Outreach to marginalized individuals and families throughout Central Louisiana. They knew our work and gifted us with funds to do more.

Since January we have expended funds in the following ways: provision of food to those who have experienced house fires, food boxes to those we serve in our basic needs assistance program, basic needs food pantry replenishment, and two Season of Service hot meals and take away lunch bags for those in attendance at the Volunteers of America Homeless Outreach events for the months of March and April. In addition, we have provided food support to Central Louisiana Homeless Coalition clients.

Future projects include providing a hot meal and food boxes to residents in Forest Hill and Glenmora in collaboration with our Teresian Sisters and our churches in those communities. We also intend to support the Christus St Francis Cabrini Community Clinic Food Pantry, purchase Farmer's Market vouchers for distribution, and again provide food boxes during our November and December Christmas Cheer Outreach events



DONATION OF SNACKS to the Central LA Homeless Coalition with Kitty Wynn, Executive Dir. and Jennifer Gilchrist of Catholic Charities.

planned for later this year.

It is through the blessings from organizations like Healthy Blue and other donors that we can be the hands and feet of Christ our brothers and sisters in need.



(ABOVE) SEASON OF SERVICE PROJECT. Catholic Charities and The XII Mens Prayer Group cooked and served a meal to attendees at the monthly Volunteers of America Homeless Outreach event. (below) Sack lunches provided to participants at the the SOS VOA Homeless Outreach event.



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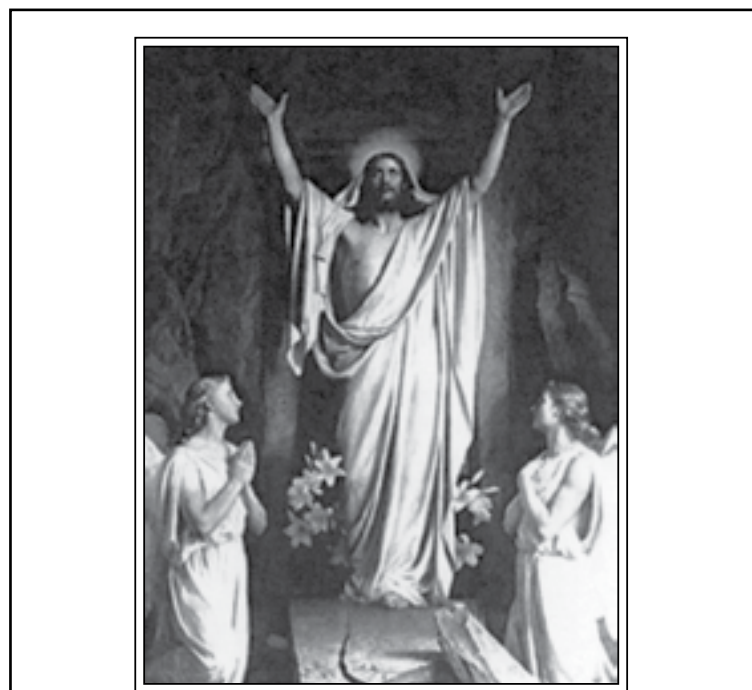
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ST. FRANCES CABRINI CHURCH.

On Thursday, April 17, Cabrini School's 8th grade acted through the Living Stations of the Cross.

(right) **ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL IN PLAUCHEVILLE** held its annual Passion Play on Holy Thursday. High school students worked hard to portray the fourteen stations that Jesus experienced.

(below left) **PARISHIONERS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IN FOREST HILL** enacted the Via Crucis en Vivo (Live Stations of the Cross) presented by the Youth Group of Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe (Our Lady of Guadalupe) Mission.



ST. FRANCIS DESALES CHURCH IN ECHO. Parishioners and friends gathered for the Good Friday tradition of The Passion of Christ Reenactment.



WE WELCOMED 18 PEOPLE INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH DURING EASTER VIGIL AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL – 11 through Baptism and 7 who were baptized in another Christian tradition through a profession of faith. These 18 and 2 adult Catholics who had not completed their Sacraments of Initiation were confirmed. Most received their First Communion this evening as well. It was a joyous celebration.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Psalm 145: 1
Responsorial Psalm for May 18
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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SACRED HEART SCHOOL, MOREAUVILLE. Several members of the Children of Mary led the Holy Rosary before Mass during Grandparents Day at the school. Pictured left to right: Aubree [redacted], Emma Grace [redacted], Luby [redacted], Aubrey [redacted], and in the back Lucy [redacted].



ST. FRANCES CABRINI SCHOOL IN ALEXANDRIA. Cabrini School Jr. Beta Club recently attended the Beta Club State Convention and participated in several activities including Robotics).



ST. FRANCES CABRINI SCHOOL, ALEXANDRIA. Earlier this month, Cabrini students attended the regional social studies fair and absolutely rocked it! Their hard work truly paid off, and it looks like they had a blast!



(above and below) ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL (PLAUCHEVILLE) ATHLETICS CLAIM DISTRICT CHAMP TITLES. On April 1, St. Joseph Varsity Baseball and Varsity Softball were victorious over Plainview High School and secured their District Champ Titles for the 2024-2025 Season. The Lady Eagles finished the game with a score of seven to four, while the Eagles ended with eight to six. Congratulations to both.

ST. FRANCES CABRINI SCHOOL PARTICIPATES IN RAPIDES PARISH FITNESS MEET. Cabrini School wrapped up another fantastic season for Junior Runners! Congratulations to Landry for winning 2nd place in pull-ups and Marley for taking 2nd place in the long jump at the 2025 Rapides Parish Fitness Meet! They put in the hard work and hopefully made some awesome memories. Till next year runners!

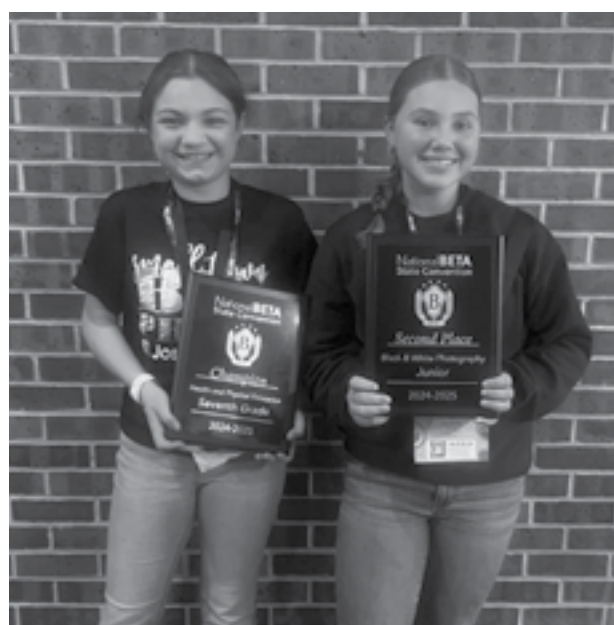


ST. FRANCES CABRINI SCHOOL RELIGION FAIR. It's that exciting time of year again! Our 4th through 8th graders participated in Religion Fair presentations, showcasing their dedication and insights into their faith. Special shoutout to our 4th graders for taking their first year presentation so seriously! Maggie is dressed as St. Therese of Lisieux; Belle is dressed as St. Rose of Lima; Willow is dressed as St. Teresa of Calcutta; Emily is dressed as St. Patrick.



READING PROGRAM AT ST. JOSEPH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PLAUCHEVILLE. During the annual "Read Across America" week, Principal Rhiannon Moreau enjoyed spending time with and reading to her 3rd graders.

5TH GRADE RETREAT HOSTED BY HOLY SAVIOR MENARD MAC TEAM. The Holy Savior Menard MAC (Menard Apostles for Christ) Team recently hosted a retreat for the OLPS 5th graders. The event provided a wonderful opportunity for students to deepen their faith. Centered around the theme "Love God, Love Others," the retreat was both impactful and inspiring, leaving a lasting impression on all participants.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL STUDENTS participated the recent 2025 Jr. BETA La. State Convention. Alayna [redacted] was awarded first place in the Health and Physical Education Testing. Abbey [redacted] was awarded second place for her Black and White photography. They now advance to the National BETA Convention in Orlando Florida this summer.



 A promotional graphic for "HSM HOLY SAVIOR MENARD SUMMER CAMPS". The graphic features a large background image of a baseball field with a player swinging a bat. Overlaid on this are several smaller images showing children participating in various activities like chess and soccer. The text lists five different camps with their respective dates, times, and costs. At the bottom, there is a QR code and a call to action: "FOR MORE INFO SCAN ME! & TO REGISTER".

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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL ESSAY WINNERS. Each year, the Knights of Columbus Council #2142 (Plaucheville) sponsors the local Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest, which is open to all students in grades 8-12. Contest participants receive certificates, and the winning students are awarded cash prizes. The winning students' essays advance to competition on the diocesan level, where they are eligible for additional cash awards. This year's winners at the local level were recognized during the school Mass in February. Congratulations, Elizabeth [redacted], Senior; Ali [redacted], Junior; Natalie [redacted], Sophomore; Ava [redacted], Freshman; and Camille [redacted], 8th Grade. (Also pictured: Knight E.J. Cox, Father Martin Laird, and Knight Stephen Couvillion). Natalie and Elizabeth won first place at the Diocesan level and continued to State where their essays won again. Their essays now advance to the national level of competition.

Hearts on fire: Steubenville South 2025 registration is full - and we need your prayers!

We have some exciting news to share: Steubenville South 2025 is officially full!

Over 2,100 teens, group leaders, volunteers, priests, and religious are registered and preparing for a powerful weekend of faith, fellowship, and encounter with Jesus Christ. From June 20-22 in downtown Alexandria, the Lord will move in mighty ways - and we couldn't be more grateful, humbled, and expectant.

This year's conference theme is *Consumed*, drawn from Deuteronomy 4:24: "The Lord, your God, is a consuming fire, a jealous God."

Our teens are bombarded every day by messages that distract, discourage, and divide. But the God of the universe is calling them into something deeper. At Steubenville South, they will experience Christ in the Eucharist, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the love of the Church that surrounds them.



But here's the truth: this mission doesn't just belong to the young people attending. It belongs to all of us.

Join the Mission through Prayer

We are calling on our diocesan

family - individuals, families, parishes, religious, priests, and deacons - to cover this weekend in intentional prayer. There are two powerful ways you can take part:

- Sign up to pray on-site in the Chapel (Holiday Inn Ballroom): Throughout the weekend, we will have a dedicated chapel just steps from the conference, open for adoration and prayer. We are looking for individuals, families,

religious, and clergy to commit to one-hour prayer slots in person. Your quiet intercession in that space helps anchor everything happening just a few feet away. It's holy ground - and we'd love to have you there.

- 2. Can't make it in person? Would you still consider committing to one hour of prayer during the conference weekend? Whether it's in front of the Blessed

Sacrament, from your kitchen table, or during your morning walk - your prayers make a difference.

You can sign up for either option by visiting www.steubenvillesouth.com

There, you'll find a simple prayer commitment form where you can select your hour and choose whether you'll pray on-site or from wherever you are. We'll also send prayer intentions and updates so you can stay connected to what God is doing throughout the weekend.

Be part of something bigger

We believe this weekend will be full of healing, conversions, and deep renewal - not just for the teens attending, but for their families, their parishes, and the future of the Church.

Let's be the Church that stands behind them.

Let's surround this entire weekend in a blanket of prayer and trust that God, who is faithful, will do more than we could ask or imagine.

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DEUTERONOMY 4:24

*O God,
let all the
nations
praise you!*

**Psalm 67: 4
Responsorial Psalm
for May 25
Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Annual Cabrini Crawfish Boil - May 2

Join us for the St. Frances Cabrini School Annual Crawfish Boil on May 2! Take-out from 4-6 p.m. \$30.00 for 5 lbs. of crawfish, corn and potatoes. Dine-in from 5:30-8:30 p.m., all you can eat. In the Activities Building. Sponsorships available, for more information visit: cabrinischool.com. Stock the Bar raffle tickets, \$1.00 each. Drawing at 8:00 p.m. on May 2. 1st prize: Bar for a Year; 2nd prize: Bar for a Weekend; and 3rd prize: Bar for a Night.

Pre-Cana Marriage Prep Workshop - May 3

These one-day workshops will be at the St. Joseph Catholic Center located at 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria, LA. Beginning at 8:00 a.m., the day will include presentations on various topics that are vital to a couple's lifelong marriage. The workshop will end at approximately 3:00 p.m., and lunch will be provided. Space will be limited, so please register for a workshop as soon as possible.

Registration for the May workshop is now open. There is a fee of \$60 per couple. You may pay online after submitting the registration form. You can also pay the day of the workshop via check, money order or cash. Or you can prepay by mailing your check or money order (payable to Diocese of Alexandria) and mail to: Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation, P.O. Box 7417, Alexandria, LA 71306-0417. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Jason Lavergne in the Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation at 318-445-6424, ext. 207.

Spring Dinner in Echo - May 4

At St. Frances de Sales, Echo. Pork or Chicken with trimmings, cost is \$12 per plate. Contact Erica for tickets +1 (318) 264-5615. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus #9294.

Discalced Carmelites Monthly Meeting - May 10

The Order of the Discalced Carmelites holds its monthly meeting at 9:00 a.m. every second Saturday, at Maryhill Renewal Center. Anyone is invited to attend morning prayer followed by Mass and then the meeting. If you are interested in Carmelite spiritual studies, please contact Mary Jo McCoy at 318-346-6860 or 318-481-9638. **If you plan to attend.....Please call Mary Jo McCoy at the numbers listed above OR Deacon Bill Travis at 318 640-2827 or 318 664-7069 and someone will meet you at the Maryhill gate.

DIOCESAN BRIEFS

Catholic High Schools Graduation Dates

May 13, Holy Savior Menard High School, Alexandria
May 16, St. Joseph High School, Plaquemine
May 18, St. Mary's High School, Natchitoches

Sacred Heart (Pineville) Spring Fair and Silent Auction - May 16-18

Sacred Heart of Jesus will have their Spring Fair and Silent Auction will be held on May 16-18 in the Activities Building behind the church at 519 Sanders St., Pineville. Crawfish will be served on Friday night; Saturday will be full of games and fun; and on Sunday the auction ends and we will serve Chicken dinners. Please purchase tickets in advance - Crawfish, 4 lbs. \$20; Chicken dinner \$10. Tickets are available for purchase before/after Mass on April 26-27, and May 3-4. Walk-ins are welcome while quantities last. Mark your calendars and don't miss out on this time of sharing food, fun, and fellowship with your local church family. Please contact Wade Trahan, Fair Chairman at 318-308-0406 or Madonna LeBlanc, Silent Auction Chairman at 318-792-1816 for more information. Thank you for your support!

Summer Camps at Holy Savior Menard - begin May 27-30

Holy Savior Menard High School will host several camps over the summer:

May 27-30: Basketball Camp 8:30-11:30 a.m. for boys and girls coached by three former collegiate players. Cost: \$125 and includes t-shirt. Contact [bcarbo@](mailto:bcarbo@holysaviormenard.com)

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June 2-6: Baseball Camp 8:00 a.m.-12 noon with Coach Marks, college players and current varsity roster. Cost is \$125. Contact jmarks@holysaviormenard.com.

June 2-6: Softball Camp 8:00 a.m.-12 noon coached by varsity coaches and current varsity roster. Cost is \$125. Contact bturney@holysaviormenard.com.

June 3-6: Robotics Camp 1:00-4:00 p.m. Space is limited to 10. "Before care" is available from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Cost is \$150. Contact tshepherd@holysaviormenard.com.

June 23-26: Soccer Camp 8:00-11:30 a.m. for boys and girls ages 6-14. Cost is \$125. Contact [ccampbell@](mailto:ccampbell@holysaviormenard.com)

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje - June 2-10

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Steubenville South Conference - June 20-22, 2025 | Registration is FULL!

We are completely blown away - registration for the 2025 Steubenville South Conference is officially FULL! Over 2,100 teens and adults from across the Gulf South will be gathering in Alexandria this June for a powerful encounter with Jesus Christ.

Our hearts are on fire with anticipation as we prepare to welcome them into a weekend of grace, worship, sacraments, and transformation. The theme, Consumed (Deuteronomy 4:24), reminds us that "The Lord, your God, is a consuming fire." We believe He's ready to move in mighty ways.

Now, we need you.

We're inviting every parishioner to be part of this mission through prayer. There's two ways to get involved:

- Pray on-site in the Chapel (Holiday Inn Ballroom): We're seeking individuals, families, priests, deacons, and religious to sign up for a one-hour time slot of intercessory prayer in our adoration chapel just steps from the conference.
- Can't come in-person? You can still commit to one hour of prayer during the weekend - from your home, church parish, or anywhere you are. Your prayers can change hearts and open the doors to grace. Sign up today at www.steubenvillesouth.com to choose your hour of prayer. Thank you for lifting up this generation of young Catholics. Your prayers matter. Your presence matters. And together, we believe God will do something amazing. Let's geaux.

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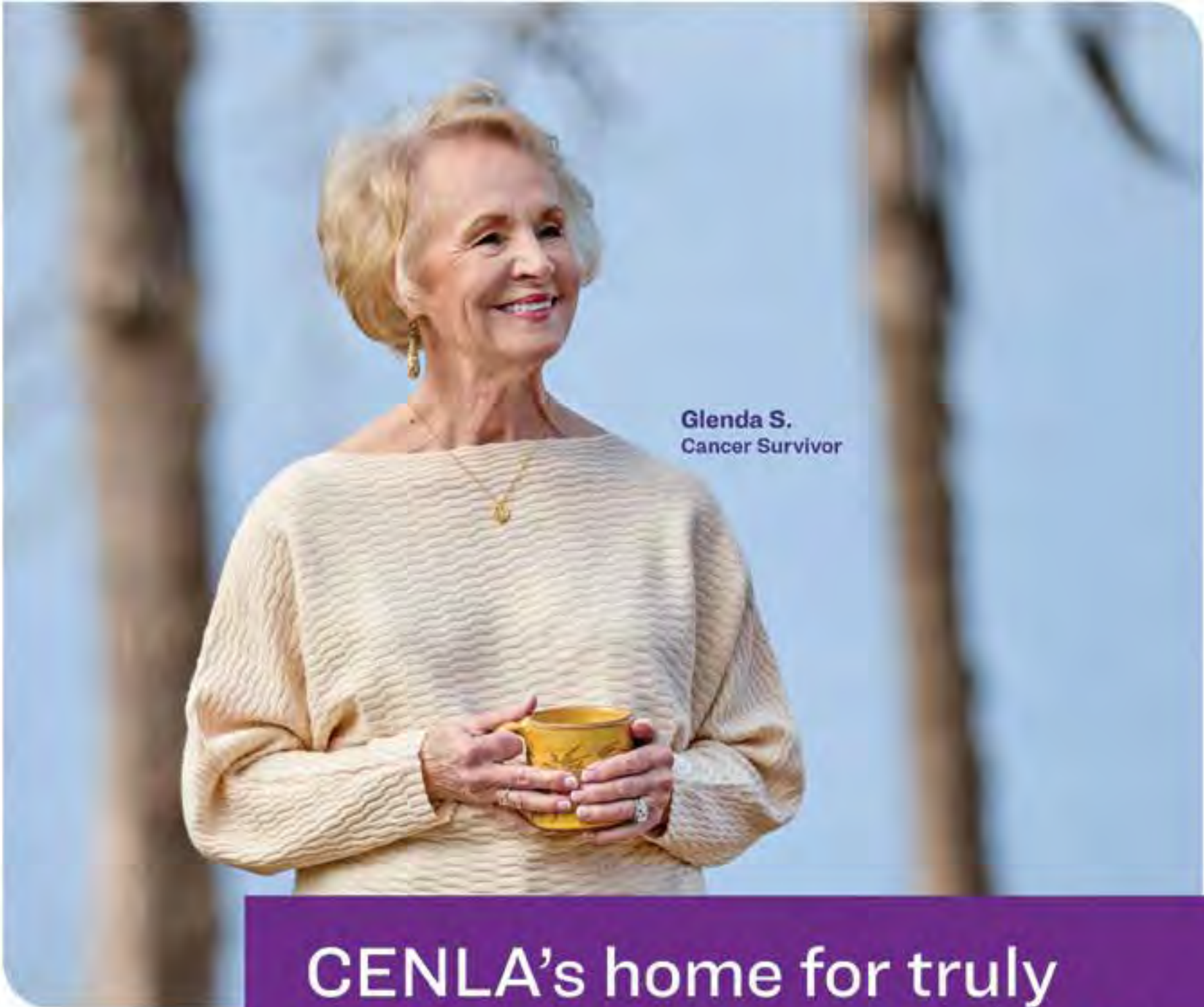
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May 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>APRIL 28</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. E.J. BARRE</p>	<p>29</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. S. BRANDOW</p>	<p>30</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. J. BROCATO</p>	<p>MAY 1</p> <p>PRAY FOR BISHOP R. MARSHALL</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Annual Cabrini Crawfish Boil 4:00-8:30 p.m. St. Frances Cabrini School Activities Bldg., Alexandria</p> <p>FIRST FRIDAY PRAY FOR MSGR. S. CHEMINO</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Pre-Cana Marriage Prep Workshop 8:00 am-3:00 pm St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria</p> <p>FIRST SATURDAY PRAY FOR DCN. R. CHRISTOPHER</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Spring Dinner St. Francis de Sales Church, Echo</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. J. CUNNINGHAM</p>
<p>5</p> <p>VIRTUS Training 6:00 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. W. DECOSTE</p>	<p>6</p> <p>PRAY FOR BISHOP R. MARSHALL</p>	<p>7</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. D. DEJESUS</p>	<p>8</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. LG DELOACH</p>	<p>9</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. B. DESHAUTELLE</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Discalced Carmelites Monthly Meeting 9:00 a.m. Maryhill Renewal Center</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. J. DESIMONE</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Mother's Day</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. A. DHARMARAJ</p>
<p>12</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. D. DUBROC</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Graduation: Holy Savior Menard High School, Alexandria</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. R. DUCOTE</p>	<p>14</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. W. ENDRIS</p>	<p>15</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. P. FAULK</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Graduation: St. Joseph High School, Plaucheville</p> <p>Spring Fair and Silent Auction -- Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pineville</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. L. FELDKAMP</p>	<p>17</p> <p>PRAY FOR MSGR. J. FERGUSON</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Graduation: St. Mary's Catholic High School, Natchitoches</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. W. GEARHEARD</p>
<p>19</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. L. GLANKLER</p>	<p>20</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. J. GOOTEE</p>	<p>21</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. S. GRAMIGNA</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Last Day of School (except St. Mary's Natchitoches)</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. R. GREMILLION</p>	<p>23</p> <p>PRAY FOR DCN. M. GUIDRY</p>	<p>24</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. D. HART</p>	<p>25</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. R. HUMPHRIES</p>
<p>26</p> <p>MEMORIAL DAY PRAY FOR FR. H. IMAMSHAH</p>	<p>27</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. R. JOHNSON</p>	<p>28</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. T. KENNEDY</p>	<p>29</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. P. KULIGOWSKI</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Last Day of School for St. Mary's Catholic School, Natchitoches</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. P. KUNNUMPURAM</p>	<p>31</p> <p>PRAY FOR FR. L. LAFLEUR</p>	<p>JUNE 1</p> <p>SOLEMNITY of the ASCENSION of the LORD PRAY FOR BISHOP R. MARSHALL</p>



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