

CHURCH TODAY

Serving the Diocese of Alexandria, Louisiana Since 1970

2025 Ad Rates

How to advertise in The Church Today!

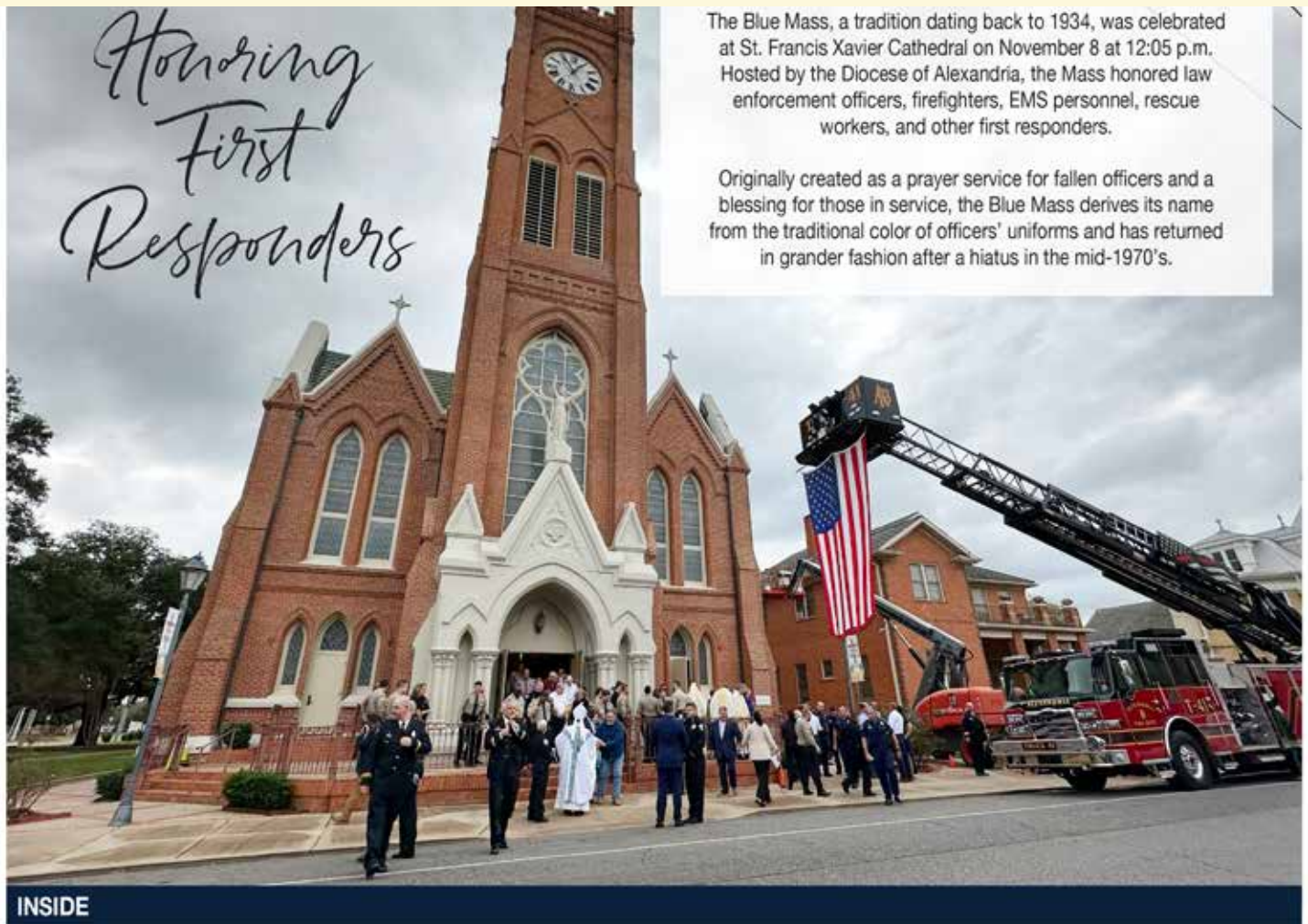
Advertising Rates

The Church Today is a quality newspaper read by people you know, go to church with, and share your faith.

The Church Today is the only Catholic newspaper in Central Louisiana.

Included in this flyer: Ad Rates • Publication Dates • Deadlines • Ad sizes

For more information: call Joan Ferguson at 318-445-6424, ext. 264 or e-mail joanferguson@diocesealex.org



The Blue Mass, a tradition dating back to 1934, was celebrated at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral on November 8 at 12:05 p.m. Hosted by the Diocese of Alexandria, the Mass honored law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMS personnel, rescue workers, and other first responders.

Originally created as a prayer service for fallen officers and a blessing for those in service, the Blue Mass derives its name from the traditional color of officers' uniforms and has returned in grander fashion after a hiatus in the mid-1970's.

INSIDE

Pilgrims of Hope

Bishop Robert W. Marshall, Jr. invites us to embrace the Jubilee Year 2025 with renewed faith, reconciliation, and acts of charity. See more on page 2.

Advent Confession Opportunity

Most churches in the Diocese of Alexandria will host an evening for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Dec. 5, with additional opportunities on Dec. 4 or Dec. 6. Please see a list of dates and times on page 3.

Building trust with Middle Schoolers

Learn how to connect meaningfully with this age group and get details on the upcoming Beyond the Limits Jr. High Conference on page 4.

Advertising Rates

Open per column-inch \$10.00

The contract rate (run in multiple issues) is discounted, call us to find out more!

PRE-PRINTED INSERTS..... \$50.00 per 1,000 (\$600)

COLOR

The following prices are in addition to the cost of the ad:

Color (limited availability, please inquire first)..... \$245

MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

Width of page (image area) 10 inches

Depth of page (image area)..... 13 inches

Width of one column..... 1-7/8 inches

Columns per page 5

Total column/inches per full page 65

DIGITAL IMAGES GUIDELINES

1. Digital images should be sent as .jpg, .tif (tiff), or pdf format.
2. Send digital images through email as an attachment, NOT embedded in another document such as Microsoft Word.
3. Color pictures are preferred with no prior image adjustments or cropping.
4. Digital images should be scanned at 1200 dpi for bitmap art; 300 dpi for photographs; OR at least 75 percent of its original size.
5. As a guideline, digital image files should be at least 1MB in size.
6. E-mail images to joanferguson@diocesealex.org

GRAPHIC DESIGN SERVICES

Free graphic design services for ads are available to all clients.

Text and all images must be provided.

A proof will be provided upon request.

For More information, contact:

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website: www.diocesealex.org (view the current issue)

All rates and deadline dates subject to change.

Typical Ad Sizes

(Many other size combinations available)

2 columns wide X 2 inches high = 4 inches total
(measures 3-7/8" wide X 2" tall)

\$40

2 columns wide X 4 inches high = 8 inches total
(measures 3-7/8" wide X 4" tall)

\$80

3 columns wide X 3 inches high = 9 inches total
(measures 6" wide X 3" tall)

\$90

The Church Today 2025 Deadline/Print Schedule

Copy/Ad Deadline	Print Date
Jan. 16	Jan. 27
Feb. 13	Feb. 24
Mar. 13	Mar. 24
Apr. 10	Apr. 28
May 15	May 26
June 12	June 23
July 17	July 28
Aug. 14	Aug. 25
Sept. 11	Sept. 22
Oct. 16	Oct. 27
Nov. 13	Nov. 24
Dec. 11	Dec. 29

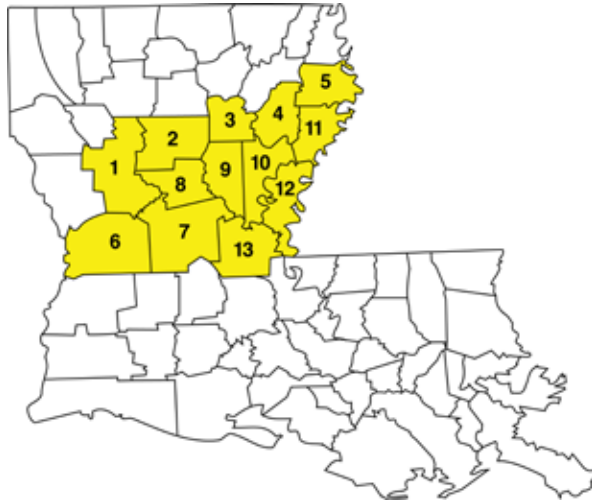
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Deadlines/publication dates are also accessible here:
www.diocesealex.org/our-diocese/the-church-today

Why Advertise in The Church Today?

- **You reach a specific audience** -- Catholics in central Louisiana
 - Mailed to about 10,000 addresses -- 12 times a year
 - Has potential of reaching 33,000 Catholics in over 10,000 households
- The Church Today **reaches a 13 parish area** including:

1. Natchitoches
2. Winn
3. Caldwell
4. Franklin
5. Madison
6. Vernon
7. Rapides
8. Grant
9. LaSalle
10. Catahoula
11. Tensas
12. Concordia
13. Avoyelles



- **The readers of The Church Today tend to be loyal** to the businesses they come to know and trust.
 - **The Church Today accepts limited advertising**, so there is less competition among advertisers and more editorial reading around ads.
 - **The paper goes directly** by U.S. mail service **into the homes of educated people** with large household incomes.
 - **Readers of The Church Today are major consumers.** Most:
 - Dine out several times a week
 - Travel for both business and pleasure
 - Shop wisely
 - Own their homes
 - Purchase major household items
 - Are interested in the latest innovations in technology
 - **Your ad helps to support the existence of the Catholic press.**
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