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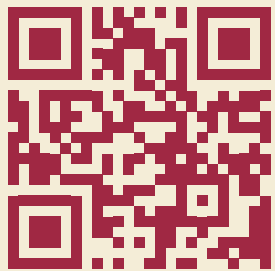


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Experience the Impact of Catholic Charities in Action in New Video

In a powerful new video, Catholic Charities shines a spotlight on three programs transforming lives across the Archdiocese of New Orleans: Foster Grandparents, Padua House, and Project SAVE.

From mentoring children to providing specialized care and life-changing legal advocacy, these ministries are creating brighter futures every day.



Scan the QR code with your phone to see how hope, compassion, and service are making a lasting impact throughout our community. You can also visit ccano.org to watch.



Cecilia Babin,
Physical Therapist
at Padua House,
works with
resident Artur.



Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans provides life-giving programs that deliver health and human services to the most vulnerable and needy throughout 8 civil parishes in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. We serve people regardless of race, religion, age, ethnicity or economic status.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO



Earlier this summer, I had the incredible opportunity to spend the day filming segments for a new, powerful agency video that shines a spotlight on three programs transforming lives across the Archdiocese of New Orleans: Foster Grandparents, Padua House, and Project SAVE.

We began the day with our Foster Grandparents at Head Start Incarnate Word. Even though their summer break was right around the corner, the energy

and excitement of our grandmas were only matched by the exuberance of the students growing up in front of their eyes. An afternoon visit to Padua House in Belle Chasse followed, where I connected with new resident Artur. His positive perspective exemplifies how I hope to continue serving both Catholic Charities and the community for as long as possible. The day concluded with a visit downtown to Project SAVE. I was inspired by the bravery of a young woman working to reclaim her life following domestic violence from her partner.

While nothing compares to experiencing our work in person, this video brings you as close as possible to the heart of our ministry — providing resources throughout the Archdiocese that will help shift the balance for those in need. Please take a moment to scan the QR code on the back panel of this newsletter to watch this impactful video of Catholic Charities in action.

I have no doubt this new video will inspire many more throughout the community to transform their own faith into action. This is especially important as we near the launch of our most vital fundraising campaign of the year, the **Archbishop Hannan Community Appeal (AHCA)**. Each year, the generosity of AHCA donors sustains life-changing programs that strengthen individuals and families.

Inspired by the incredible spirit of stewardship throughout our Archdiocese, I am delighted to share that **Mike and Cindy Nolan** will serve as chaircouple for the AHCA campaign this year. Their longstanding devotion to the community is

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Foster Grandparent volunteer Grandma Marva and Head Start student Joy during video shoot.

demonstrated in their commitment to Catholic organizations. Please take a moment to read more about Mike and Cindy inside. We will also feature them in the October issue.

As I reflect about the time I spent this summer with Mike, Cindy, and the programs that participated in the filming, it reminds me that our ministry is built on people who choose hope, compassion, and service.

Thank you for being part of that mission, and for helping us continue to bring Christ's love to our neighbors throughout the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

With gratitude and blessings,

Cynthia T. Hayes

President and CEO

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans

Padua House Celebrates Christmas in July

Christmas came early at Padua House as residents celebrated a joyful Christmas in July gathering. Santa and Mrs. Claus made a special visit, spreading smiles as they handed out gifts to the children, while festive Christmas songs filled the room. Special thanks to all the volunteers and supporters who helped make this day happen.

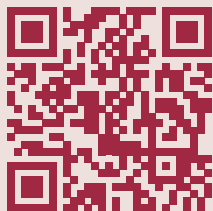


Auctions in August Benefits Catholic Charities

Bidding is now available for Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Co's annual Auctions in August, which benefits local nonprofits and runs until August 31. Bid on amazing items from area businesses while supporting the mission of Catholic Charities.

Thank you to all the businesses helping turn their donations into dollars for Catholic Charities. Items up for bid include gift certificates, dining experiences, unique gifts, professional services and more from **Aucoin Hart Jewelers, Perlis, The Westin - New Orleans, Beau Chêne Country Club, Southern Hotel, Drew Laborde Golf Academy** and many others.

Start bidding by scanning this QR code or visit www.gulfbank.com/auction. Click "Toggle Filters," select Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans from the dropdown menu and click "Submit" to see the items that benefit our mission!



Salesian Gospel Roads Retreat Brings Joy to PACE

Catholic Charities was blessed to once again welcome an incredible group of young men and women from the Salesian Youth Ministry during their 2026 Salesian Gospel Roads Summer Service Retreat.

Throughout their time with us, these dedicated volunteers generously served at both PACE Centers, bringing joy, compassion, and enthusiasm to our participants. They spent time visiting with seniors, playing games, and even hosting an energetic dance party!



Mike and Cindy Nolan to Chair AHCA Campaign

For many years, Mike and Cindy Nolan have exemplified faithful Catholic stewardship through their generosity, service, and commitment to the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Mike, a Vietnam veteran and former Chairman, President, and CEO of Fifth District Savings Bank, has served in numerous leadership roles with Catholic organizations. Cindy has devoted her life to Catholic education, parish ministry, and seminarian formation. She is also a recipient of the Regina Matrum award, which recognizes Catholic women who are models of motherhood.

Recipients of the Order of St. Louis Medallion, Mike and Cindy continue to be a lasting example of faith-filled leadership and service.

We are grateful for their guidance and know their faith and dedication will make this campaign successful. Be on the lookout for a feature story on the Nolans in our October issue.

