

# YOU ARE NOT ALONE

*a community education series on opioid abuse*

- WHO:** Counseling Solutions, *Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans*  
Substance Addiction Ministry, *Archdiocese of New Orleans*
- WHEN:** Tuesday, November 13, 2018  
6:00 – 8:30 PM
- WHERE:** St. Joseph Church Gymnasium  
610 6<sup>th</sup> St.  
Gretna, LA 70053
- WHY:** Opioid use, addiction and overdose is currently a vital issue facing the United States as a whole, with an estimated 33,000 opioid related deaths in 2015. Louisiana has not escaped this trend, with deaths due to drug overdose overtaking homicides in New Orleans in 2016.

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The forum is free and open to the public.  
Light refreshments will be served.

Local resources on addiction will be available before and after the presentation.

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## AGENDA

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm	Doors Open & Refreshments Served
6:30 pm – 6:35 pm	Dr. Mark Taliancich, CCANO <i>Welcome &amp; Introductions</i>
6:35 pm – 6:55 pm	Kevin Gardere, Bridge House/Grace House <i>The Effect of Addiction</i>
6:55 pm – 7:15 pm	Dr. A. Kenison Roy, Guest Speaker <i>The Brain Disease of Addiction</i>
7:15 pm – 7:35 pm	John Antonucci, Longbranch Healthcare <i>Recognizing &amp; Coping with Addiction</i>
7:35 pm – 7:55 pm	Deacon Louie Bauer, Substance Addiction Ministry <i>Spiritual Impact of Addiction</i>
7:55 pm – 8:30 pm	Questions & Answers

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Special thanks for providing the refreshments for our event go to:

