March 29, 2015

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church
1802 Tulane Ave  New Orleans, LA 70112-2246

A New Orleans Historic Landmark
Founded in 1844

Entrusted to the pastoral care of the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians) since 1858.

Parish Staff
Fr. Tom Stehlik, C.M., Pastor
Gina Fulton, Receptionist, Wedding Director
Rose Mary McDonald, Housekeeper
Bro. Bob Koppes, CFC, Bookkeeper

Mass Schedule
Sunday Masses: 10 a.m. & 8:30 p.m.
Weekday Masses: 12:15 p.m.
Holy Day Masses: 12:15 p.m.

Church Open
Mondays thru Fridays: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
One hour before each Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Wed. & Fri. 11:50—12:10; Sundays 7:45—8:15 p.m.

Baptisms Call the Pastor to make appointment. Parents and Godparents need to attend instruction for sacrament prior to date being established.

Weddings Contact priest at least six months prior to planned wedding date. After contacting priest, contact the wedding director, x141 to reserve the time and date for your wedding.

Ministry to Sick Please call the church office if your loved one is hospitalized or shut-in and unable to attend Mass for the Anointing of the Sick for healing and to receive communion.

New Parishioners Welcome to St. Joseph Church. If you wish to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the registration forms on the table in the rear of the church. You can turn in the completed form to the receptionist in the church office.

Contact Us
Church: 504-522-3186; 522-3187
Church Fax: 504-522-3171
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The Rebuild Center
1803 Gravier St., NO, 70112

Lantern Light/Feed Jesus
504-273-5573
Birth Certificate Assistance
Mail, Phones,
ID Assistance
Lunch—Daily
Prescription Assistance
Emergency groceries &
financial assistance
for area residents

Harry Tompson Center
504-273-5547
Showers, Laundry,
Legal Aid, Notary Services,
Restroom Facilities
Medical Services, Mental
Health, Hygiene Kits,
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Jesus

Monday, March 30, 2015—
12:15 p.m. Sean Schaff

Tuesday, March 31, 2015—
12:15 p.m. The Schaff Family

Wednesday, April 1, 2015—
12:15 p.m. Paul Curcio (+);

Thursday, March 26, 2015—Thursday of the Lord’s Supper
7 p.m. St. Joseph Parishoners Living & Deceased

Friday, April 3, 2015—Friday of the Passion of the Lord
3 p.m.

Sanctuary Candle and Mass Intentions

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week to pray for the eternal rest of Christina McNulty. If you would like to reserve a date to burn the Candle in memory of someone or for a special intention, please call the church office (522-3141, x141). The Sanctuary Candle offering is $15 for 14 days. The offering for Mass intentions is $5.00 per Mass.

Important Message from the Archdiocese of New Orleans

“In continuing our commitment of support and healing, we invite and encourage people who have been sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees or volunteers of the Archdiocese of New Orleans to call the Victims’ Assistance Coordinator: Sr. Carmelita Centennial, MSC, Ph.D, (504) 861-6253.”

Your prayers are asked for the following parishioners and their family members, who are in need of healing:

- Bob Smothers
- Marshall Vaughn
- Marion Vaughn
- Mary Willis
- Frances Fiegler
- Tina Roderfeld
- Selena Batiste
- Juanita Ware
- Sheila Jones
- Alyce Smothers
- Linda Elwood
- Allen Maldonado
- Landy Lanza
- Heather Faircloth
- Lawrence Brown
- Mamie Brown
- Pat Reese
- George Wells
- Charlie & Joanne Slocum
- Jody Nicely
- Mike Mullin
- LaDonna Finch
- Mel & Gaspar Schiro
- Catherine Gonzalez
- Sara Marino
- Baby Jarius James
- Clarke Bordelon
- Connel Batiste
- Jane Tonglet
- Joseph Bennett, Jr.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71; Jn 13:21-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Ex 12:1-14; Ps 116;
1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 -53:12; Ps 31;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-23;
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Mk 16:1-7

Pope Francis

Homily from Sta. Marta, Mar. 10, 2015

How many of us Christians find ourselves ‘poisoned’ by the dissatisfactions of life. Yes: God is good but... we are Christians but... This kind of Christian ends up not opening his or her heart to God’s Salvation, but always posing their own conditions. ‘Yes, I want to be saved but in this way...’ This attitude poisons and hardens the heart. Let us ask for the grace to accept our difficult moments. To accept the divine way of salvation, to accept this ‘wretched food’ that the children of Israel lamented... Let’s accept the paths that the Lord leads us on. May this Holy Week – that begins today, Palm Sunday – help us to turn away from the temptation to put conditions and limitations on God’s saving grace.”
Please pray for the “Elect” (who will be fully initiated into the Church, this Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil)
Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist: Kevin Ferguson, Sabian LaGarde, Kyia R. Smith, Ernie Martell
Confirmation & Eucharist: Drew Bunker, Rachael McWaters, Kimmie Milton, Corliss Truehill, Ann Wallace and Ben Wright

Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday)
The transforming season of Lent gives way to the Triduum on the evening of Holy Thursday with the beginning of the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. The Easter or Paschal Triduum (Trih-doo-um) is from the Latin “three days.” These three days of Holy Week make one major celebration of the saving mysteries of our faith, the Paschal Mystery. Each of the celebrations begin at sunset according to the Jewish custom of when the day begins and lead us through the Lord’s supper to the cross, to the glory of the resurrection.

TODAY’S READINGS
Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10).
First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).
Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).
Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).
Gospel — The account of Christ’s passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47).

PROPHETIC ANOINTING
The solemnity of today’s readings invites us into silent contemplation of the mystery of our redemption. There are so many levels on which to understand the events of the Passion. The woman who anoints Jesus acts prophetically in a way that the other disciples do not yet grasp.

Anointing is for priests, prophets, and kings, and also for the preparation of the dead. It is for healing and for holiness. Her action acknowledges the imminent events of the passion and death of the Lord, and points toward his resurrection and triumph over evil and death.

Christ is priest and victim, prophet and God, King and Lord. All these things are acknowledged in her prophetic anointing.

CHARTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE
In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Archdiocese of New Orleans continues to make the Hot Line available for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the Church. The Hot Line continues to be available; the number is (504) 522-5019. In continuing our commitment to support and to heal, we invite and encourage individuals who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Archdiocese to call our Hot Line. The Hot Line is available 24 hours a day and your message will be received confidentially by a trained mental health professional. In addition, anyone can make a direct call during regular business hours to the Victims’ Assistance Coordinator at (504) 861-6253