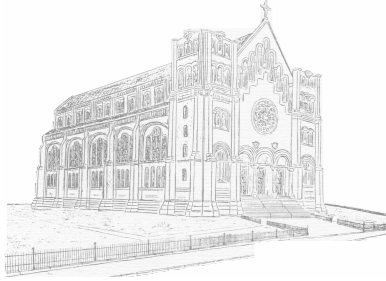
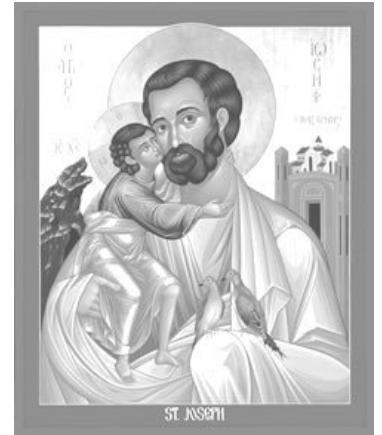


December 13, 2020

# St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

1802 Tulane Ave New Orleans, LA 70112-2246



**A New Orleans Sacred 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*  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: 10 a.m. & 8:30 p.m.  
Weekday Masses: 12:15 p.m.

## CHURCH HOURS

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

**The Rebuild Center** 1803 Gravier St., NO, 70112

**Lantern Light/Feed Jesus**  
**504-273-5573**

Birth Certificate Assist. Mon.  
Mail, M-F 9-10 am  
ID Assist. Tues. 8am  
Lunch—Daily M-F 12:45 pm  
Resume Typing: Thurs.

Health, Hygiene Kits,  
Emergency groceries  
& financial assistance  
for area residents

**Harry Tompson Center**  
**504-273-5547**

Showers, Restroom Facilities  
Legal Aid Mon/Wed 8am  
Phones; Notary T, W, Th 12:15  
Computer Wed. 9:30-11:30  
Medical Services, Mental

**DePaul USA**  
**504-273-5561**  
Housing w/ case mgt.  
Transportation

**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.



**10:00 am Parishioners & Benefactors of St. Joseph Church**

**8:30 pm +Kaleb M. Butler +; +Tuela V. DeRitter; + Joseph Morales Jr.;**

Monday, December 14, 2020—*St. John of the Cross*

12:15 pm **Intentions of the BVM; Roselyn & Gary Families**

Tuesday, December 15, 2020—

12:15 pm **+ Vardigan Fam; + J. Morales, Jr.; + Bert Wallace**

Wednesday, December 16+, 2020—

12:15 pm **Anthony D’ Alfonso; Benitez-McCrary Fam.**

Thursday, December 17, 2020—

12:15 pm **Fr. Francis Peninno +; Brian D’ Alfonso**

Friday, December 18, 2020—

12:15 pm **Susan Spalutto; Lynn Ebeyer**

**Sunday, Dec. 13, One in Faith #961**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 24:2-17; Ps 25:4-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-13; Ps 34:2-23; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-17; Mt 1:1-17

Friday.: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-19; Mt 1:18-25

Saturday: Jgs 13:2-25; Ps 71:3-17; Lk 1:5-25

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;  
Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS , WHO ARE IN NEED OF HEALING:**

Dorothy Alexander, Jorge Arzuaga, Beatrice Augustin, Anthony Blaise, Clarke Bordelon, Lawrence & Mamie Brown, Angelle Campbell; John & Cindi Caron, Julianna Chevalier; Sue Dakote, Mary Duet, John & Kathleen Gebbia, Sylvia Daily-Powell, Joseph Delay, Terry Eggleston, Linda Elwood, Heather Faircloth, Frances Fiegler, Darrell & Ramona Ford, Donald Frazier, June & Mark Eiserloh, Shirley Gaither, Roselyn Hansen, John Hakanson, Sarah Hollier-Watkins, Marvin Johnston, Jim Karam, Bill Kroetz, Ken & Bette Kussman, Nowell Lacking, Landy Lanza, James Leung, Andrew Marino, Sara Marino, Karen McCoy, Donna Moore, Maura O’Donovan, CHF, Tina Roderfeld, Bernie Saul; Pippy Sanders, Louise Sonnier, Mel & Gaspar Schiro; Theard Simms, Fr. Tom Stehlik, CM, Virginia Stehlik, Malcolm Taylor, Jane Tonglet, Fritz & George Tripkovich, Corliss Truhill; Georgiana Prevost, Marion Vaughn, Juanita Ware, Cathleen Ward, Warren Webster, Mary Willis, Lynn Williams, C & JA Slocum.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

In the Archdiocese of New Orleans, we have declared 2021 as a Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph.

The reason for 2021 being dedicated to the Eucharist is to help all of us grow in our relationship with Christ and learn more about:

- The meaning of the parts of the Mass
- The theology of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist
- The obligation we have as Catholics to participate in Mass on Sunday

Please be assured of my prayers for you as the pandemic continues. This year has been very challenging and we will be glad to welcome 2021!

God’s blessings in this Advent season, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond  
Archbishop of New Orleans

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. — 1 Thessalonians 5:16

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Please keep in your prayers:

**Hanna, Isaac, Jenaphur, José, Judy, Khrie, Katharine,  
Kevin, Lillian, Rachel, Ray, Steve, and Zachary.**

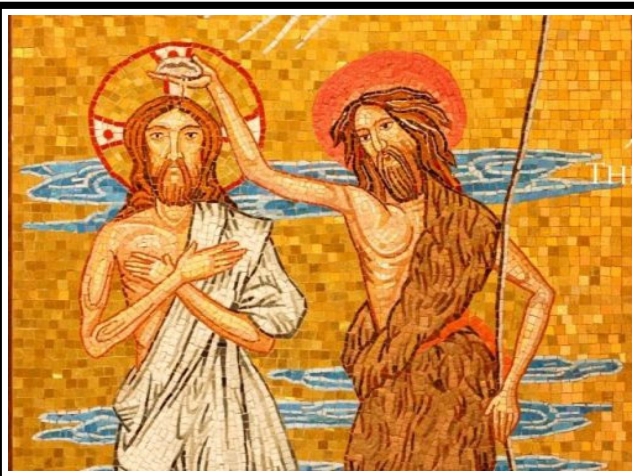
**TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP**

**Dec. 6 Parish.....\$ 4,190.00**

**Capital Campaign..... 1,708.00**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:** Dec. 24 Vigil Mass—4 pm; Midnight Mass (Carols at 11:30 pm);  
Dec. 25 Christmas Morning-10 am

**SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** We are pleased to announce that the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host an annual wedding anniversary prayer service for those couples who have been married for 25 years on **Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** at St Joseph Church in New Orleans. This event is only for couples married in the year 1996 in celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

**Psalms** — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-54).

**Second Reading** — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

**Gospel** — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

**JOHN THE BAPTIST**

At a school open house a woman could be overheard introducing her husband to some of the other parents. “Oh, Bill, I’d like you to meet Jordan’s father. And over here, this is Briana’s mom; you know, the little girl from our Ellen’s soccer team.”

With satisfied resignation Bill introduced himself: “I’m Ellen’s Dad.” It’s good to know who you are. Be it someone’s father or mother, son or daughter, husband or wife, it’s important to embrace the full meaning of our various roles.

John the Baptist knows who he is. And who he is not. He is not the Christ. Nor Elijah. Nor like any other prophet God’s people had ever seen.

John the Baptist knows his mission is divine. He’s more than satisfied to be the one to announce the coming of God’s reign. The Christ is near. Make straight your paths.

**Pope Francis’ *December Intention***

**For Our Spiritual Life**

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS**

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week to pray for the eternal rest of **Joseph Morales, Jr.** To reserve the Sanctuary Candle in memory of someone or for a special intention, call the church office (522-3186). The offering is \$15 for one week. The offering for Mass intentions is \$5.00 for a Mass.

**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 and your message will be received confidentially by a mental health professional. Anyone can make a direct call during regular business hours to the Victims’ Assistance Coordinator at (504) 861-6253.

