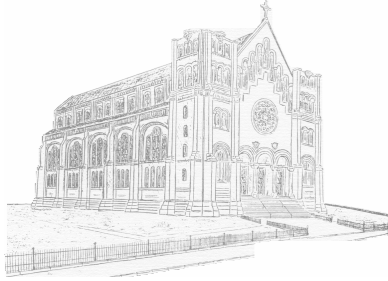


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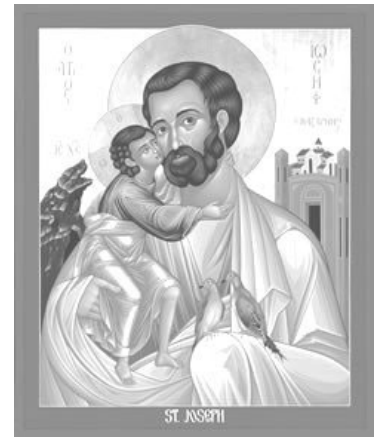
St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

1802 Tulane Ave New Orleans, LA 70112-2246



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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 St. Joseph Parishioners, Living & Deceased

8:30 pm Patricia Butler +; Clarence Schlamp+; Joseph Morales, Jr. +; Pippy Sanders; Dr. Mathew Illicakl+

Monday, December 23, 2019—

12:10 p.m. Norby Dunn; Bernard & Donna Triche

Tuesday, December 24, 2019—

12:15 p.m. Parishioners & Benefactors

Wednesday, December 25, 2019—

12:15 p.m. Parishioners, Living & Deceased

Thursday, December 26, 2019—St. Stephen

12:15 p.m. Elderly & Infirm Parish Members

Friday, December 27, 2019—St. John

12:15 p.m. Virginia Stehlik (birthday 91)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Dec 22, One in Faith #963

Mon.: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17; Ps 25; Mt 21:23-27

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

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

Thurs: Jds 13:2-7, 24,25; Ps. 71; Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24; Lk 1:26-38

Sat.: Zep 3:14-18; Ps. 33; Lk 1:39-45

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Psalm 24:1-6;
Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

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

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

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

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

O Antiphons, 9 Days (Novena) before Christmas

The "O" Antiphons have been sung since the 700 s. They accompany the *Magnificat* canticle of Evening Prayer from December 17-23, drawing from biblical imagery the messianic hopes for the coming of Christ.

December 17

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!

December 18

O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!

December 19

O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay!

December 20

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness!

December 21

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

December 22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

December 23

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

PARISH CALENDAR

- 23 Dec. **Monday** Church Decorating and Dinner
- 24 Dec. **Tuesday** Vigil Mass 4 pm; **Midnight Mass (11:30 music)**
- 25 Dec. **Wednesday** Mass of Christmas Day (10 am)

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, Dec. 15\$ 5,375.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Decorating Church for Christmas Sign up after Mass to decorate on Monday, Dec 22 at 5 pm, and bring a side dish along with the meal that will be prepared and served after decorating. Come get in the Advent-Christmas spirit at SJC!

Thank you to all who participated in the **Angel Tree Gift Program**, sponsored by the Marian Sodality for your generosity in providing Christmas gifts for all who needed a little help this year. Through you St. Joseph made Christmas a little brighter for 170 people!

Women's New Life Center Advent Baby Bottle Appeal Please return your bottles and donations this Sunday or next. Thank you for praying for and supporting the sacred gift of life! God bless you!



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalms — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. He shall be Emmanuel, "God is with us" (Matthew 1:18-24).

SUMMONED BY GOD

As Christmas draws near, Advent's scriptures lure us into a world of dreams, signs, wonders, and the miracle of the virgin birth. Too often we allow the great stories of our faith, the ones that are most familiar, simply to wash over us. Today's Gospel account of the events leading up to the birth of the Lord reads like a present-day soap opera. Yet Joseph's courage, even in the midst of what must have been an incredibly confusing time, provides a model for us. Each week, we are summoned by God to embrace the way of goodness and truth through the proclamation of God's holy word. Like Joseph, we are called to do as the Lord commands us. As we stand at the threshold of Christmas, let us have the courage to be open to whatever it is that the Lord will require of us as we celebrate the miracle of Bethlehem.

Pope Francis' December Intention

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th 4 pm & Midnight (11:30 pm)

December 25th 10 am

CONGRATULATIONS to:

Amy and Devin

On the Baptism of Anniston Keni

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.

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