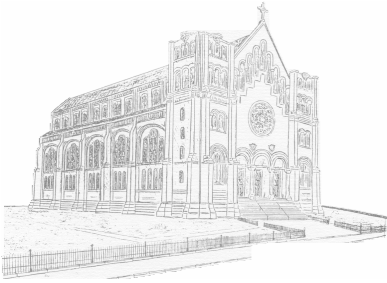


December 5, 2021

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*
Sr. Claire Edwards, D.C., *Pastoral Associate*
Gina Fulton, *Receptionist, Wedding Director*
Tasheena Butler, *Mission and Service Coordinator*
Rose Mary McDonald, Jane Tonglet, *Housekeeping*

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: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
One hour before Sunday Masses

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.

CONTACT US

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

Baptisms Call the Parish Office for Information. Parents and Godparents need to attend instruction for sacrament prior to date being established, presented by Sr. Claire, DC.

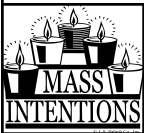
Weddings Contact priest at least six months prior to planned wedding date. After contacting priest, contact the wedding director, (x141) to reserve the time and date for your wedding.

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.

Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021



10:00 am Rosalie Blady +; Christina McNulty +; Gloria Kellaer +; Nichlas Beninate, Jr. +

8:30 pm *St. Joseph Parishioners and Benefactors*

Monday, December 6, 2021—St. Nicholas

12:15 pm **John K. Lawyer +; William Urban II**

Tues, December 7, 2021—St. Ambrose

12:15 pm **Lilia Sandoval; Eva Guillory +; Susie Mace +**

Wed., December 8, 2021—Immaculate Conception of Mary

12:15 pm **Jorge Arzuaga**

Thursday, December 9, 2021—St. Juan Diego

12:15 pm **Matthew D'Alfonso; Judith Cortes-Monje**

Friday, December 10, 2021—Our Lady of Loreto

12:15 pm **Madeline von Almen +; Carolyn Williams +**

Sunday, Dec. 5, One in Faith #959

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-13; Mt 18:12-14

Wed.: Gn 3:9-20; Ps 98; Eph 1:3-12; Lk 1:26-38

Thurs: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13; Mt 11:11-15

Fri: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Sat.: Sir 48:1-11; Ps 80: 2-19, Mt 17:9, 10-13

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6;
Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

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

Dorothy Alexander, Beatrice Augustin, Anthony Blaise, Clarke Bordelon, Lawrence & Mamie Brown, Angelle Campbell; John & Cindi Caron, Ellen Carty, Betsy Conners, Sue Dakote, Gretchen Delo, Joyce Delo, Mary Duet, John & Kathleen Gebbia, Sylvia Daily-Powell, Joseph Delay, Terry Eggleston, Linda Elwood, Francis Frught, Heather Faircloth, June & Mark Eiserloh, \ Frances Fiegler, Shirley Gaither, Nancy Hale, CHF, Roselyn Hansen, John Hakanson, Sarah Hollier-Watkins, Jim Karam, Bill Kroetz, Nowell Lacking, Ken & Bette Kussman, Landy Lanza, James Leung, Andrew Marino, Sara Marino, Troy Martinez, Karen McCoy, Donna Moore, Frank Morales, Mosella S. Newman, Maura O'Donovan, CHF, Joyce Randolph, Tina Roderfeld, Bernie Saul; Julius Saul; Pippy Sanders, Anthony, Donnie and Jennie Satcher, Louise Sonnier, Mel & Gaspar Schiro; Theard Simms, Virginia Stehlik, Diedra Steibing, Malcolm Taylor, Jane Tonglet, Fritz Tripkovich, Corliss Truhill, Georgiana Prevost, Martha A. Treen, Marion Vaughn, Warren Webster, Ozzie Welch, Mary Willis, Lynn Williams, Billy & Gladustine Windham.

Advent Traditions

FEAST OF FAITH

Advent wreath: The Advent wreath is one of the most recognized Advent custom. It is a wreath made of evergreens which symbolizes the many years from Adam to Christ in which the world awaited its Redeemer; it also represents the years that we have awaited His second and final coming. The wreath holds four equally spaced candles, the three purple ones lit on the penitential Sundays and a pink one for *Gaudete*, the joyful third Sunday in Advent.

The empty manger: The idea is that when acts of service, sacrifice, or kindness are done in honor of Jesus whose coming we prepare for, a piece of straw is placed into the empty manger. Then, on Christmas morning, Baby Jesus is placed in the manger. As you prepares for Jesus' coming through their good deeds, reflect together on the incomparable self-gift of God at Christmas that enables us to be part of Gods family.

The Mary candle: Some families have the custom of decorating a candle with a blue veil on December 8th, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. On this great feast, others place a candle with a blue ribbon before a statue or picture of the Blessed Virgin, whose yes to God enabled our Lords coming at Christmas. The candle is lit during meal times to serve as a delightful reminder of Mary's eager expectation of the Light of the World. It can also serve as a reminder to each family member to keep their own light of grace burning as a preparation for Christ's coming.

God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low. — *Baruch 5:7*

“It is my hope that in a small way I have been able to contribute to peace through compassion and also to the recognition...

‘That there is that of God in everyone,’ a conception of the sanctity of life which precludes all wars and violence.”

—Fritz Eichenberg

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

November 21, Parish.....\$ 8,555.00

Campaign for Human Dev..... \$ 537.00

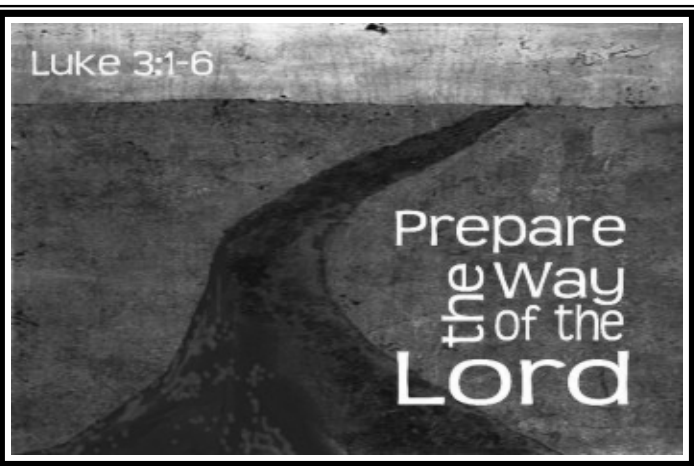
November 28, Parish..... 3,826.00

Thank you for your generosity!

The Office of Marriage/Family Life announces the annual **Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church, New Orleans to give thanks to God for couples celebrating or their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, open to couples married between 1992 - 1997. *To register contact the parish office.*

Next Sunday, there will be a 2nd collection for the RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS.

Christmas Decorating—This year we will decorate for Christmas on Thursday, December 23 at 5 pm, followed by a meal at 7:30 pm. Please sign up after Mass on Sunday or call the office.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Stand on the heights, Jerusalem; see your children rejoicing that they are remembered by God. A merciful and just God leads Israel in joy (Baruch 5:1-9).

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — May your love increase in knowledge to discern what is valuable that you may be blameless for the day of Christ (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

Gospel — John proclaims a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All flesh shall see the salvation of God (Luke 3:1-6).

A DEEP CHANGE OF HEART

When John proclaimed a baptism of repentance, as today's Gospel relates, he called people to a deep change of heart. For John the Baptist, repentance was not simply regret for past failings, but a commitment to orient life around God's desires and purposes. What might living in alignment with God's desires look like? Our readings offer some clues. Baruch indicates that when mercy and justice are embraced like a royal garment, we may see the fruits of repentance. Paul notes how the Holy Spirit has been active within the church in Philippi, forming them to live in a loving and united community of faith, so they may witness to the love of God. And John himself suggests that a repentant heart clears a path for God to enter, leveling the mountains and valleys of our resistance, so that God might dwell within.

Pope Francis' December Intention

Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit. .

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle this week is in memory of **Bruce Albert**. To reserve the Sanctuary Candle in memory of someone/special intention, call the church office (504-522-3186). The offering is \$15 for one week. The offering for Mass intentions is \$5.00.

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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