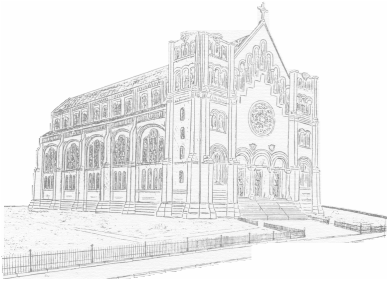


December 12, 2021

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

1802 Tulane Ave New Orleans, LA 70112-2246



*A New Orleans Historic Landmark
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**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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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.

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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.



10:00 am *St. Joseph Parishioners and Benefactors*

8:30 pm Myron & Eva Guillory +; Joseph Morales, Jr. +; Lillian Naranjo; Giselle Ford

Monday, December 13, 2021—*St. Lucy*

12:15 pm **John K. Lawyer +; Abigail Medina**

Tues, December 14, 2021—*St. John of the Cross*

12:15 pm **Lyda Torres; M/M Craig Ford; Ted & Yvonne Kirn +**

Wed., December 15, 2021—

12:15 pm **Joseph Morales, Jr. +; Rivera Fam.+; Bert Wallace; Ella**

Thursday, December 16, 2021—

Grace

12:15 pm **Miriam Munoz**

Friday, December 17, 2021—

12:15 pm **Elizabeth Rodriguez; Johathon & Chelsea**

Sunday, Dec. 5, One in Faith #962

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Tues: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-23; Mt 21:28-32

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

Thurs: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2-13; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2-10; Ps 72:1-17; Mt 1:1-17

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

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;
Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

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 Frucht, 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.

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation. — *Isaiah 12:3*

“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

December 5, Parish.....\$ 5,997.00

Capital Campaign..... \$ 878.00

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.*

This 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 (504.522.3186).



TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalms — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

REJOICE

The prophetic writings we hear in today’s scriptures call us to rejoice and celebrate the goodness of God. Zephaniah, Isaiah, Saint Paul, and John the Baptist all follow the rich tradition of the Biblical prophets, a tradition that reaches full expression in Jesus. The prophets warn that human failings have truly disastrous consequences. All are summoned to repent, and to change their lives. The Good News is that God’s gracious love exceeds and overcomes all human corruption. God will not give up on us. Indeed, God keeps pursuing us, and eagerly seeks to reconcile with us. God’s initiative to set the world aright culminates with Jesus, whose coming John the Baptist announces. John’s message summons us to join in God’s reconciling work, by living generously and justly in our daily lives. As we rejoice in God’s grace, we then extend the fruits of this grace to all.

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 **Eva Guillory**. 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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