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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m. (Haitian/Creole)

DAILY MASSES

Monday-Friday 12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Mass & Novena
First Friday 8:00 a.m. Mass
Adoration until 12:10 p.m. Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. (upon request)
Tuesday 6:00-6:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment.

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Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

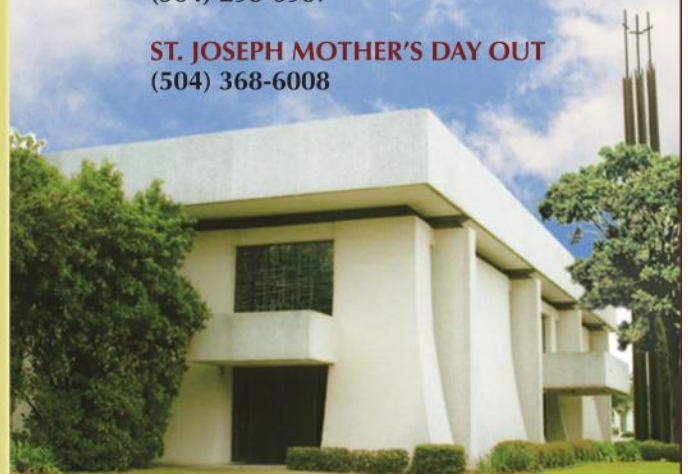
Monday 8:30 a.m. & Novena
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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Readings for the Week of December 2, 2018

Sunday	First Sunday of Advent Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday	Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday	Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday	Saint Nicholas, Bishop Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is held each Monday at 8:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Church and each Tuesday at St. Joseph Church during Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held at St. Anthony Church on First Friday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.



At all masses next weekend, the second collection will be for the annual collection that benefits more than 31,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Please give

what you can. See enclosed letter from Archbishop Gregory Aymond regarding this collection.



COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 10-11, 2018

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes	\$ 837.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$1,180.65</u>
Total Collected	\$2,017.65
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$3,324.35

School Maintenance\$ 245.25

COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 17-18, 2018

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes	\$2,174.25
Loose Collection	<u>\$2,117.05</u>
Total Collected	\$4,291.30
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$4,933.21

Human Development\$1,053.21

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes	\$ 657.00
Loose Collection	\$ 614.50
Total Collected	\$1,271.50
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$4,070.50

Human Development\$ 871.50

COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 24-25, 2018

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes	\$2,563.25
Loose Collection	<u>\$2,770.25</u>
Total Collected	\$5,333.50
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$3,891.01

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes	\$ 512.00
Loose Collection	\$ 549.79
Total Collected	\$1,061.79
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$4,280.21

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, December 1, 2018

4:00 p.m. – Louise Theriot, Charles Cavanaugh Lyons, Louise Diaz Lyons, Luke LaBruzza, Sr., Leta & Sidney Phillips, James K. Gaudet, Willie Boudreaux, Jr., Letha & Al Ehret, Christopher Brannon Sweeney, Corinne Ribaul Sweeney, Patsy Grefer, Dorothy Shreves, Kenneth Leithman, Clarence Williams, Eunice Grace Summers, Gwynn Mothe Birchfield, Carolyn Garcia Wolfram, Philip Bernard Macaluso, Jr., Jamie Martin Roach, Curtis J. Hebert, Jr., Thomas Kempf Baruzzi, Deborah Sue Dunn Ballina, Anthony Bono, Jr., Dolores & Marille Fauchaux, Sr.

Sunday, December 2, 2018

7:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – Marvin Miller, Felix, Lucille & Eldon Hebert, Charles & Philomena Miller, Richard & Mercedes Lehenbauer, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel, Theresa DiPascal, Charles Cavanaugh Lyons, Louise Diaz Lyons, Horace & Vernell Soileau, E.J. & Beulah Cambre, Jackie Cambre, Charles Cavanaugh Lyons II, Julia & Michael Dauenhauer, Christopher Brannon Sweeney, Corinne Ribaul Sweeney, Mary & Joseph. Ribaul, Sr. & Fly., Salvador P. Ribaul, Sr., Leon A. Ribaul, Sr., Joseph Ribaul, Jr., Betty Dufrene, William Swiler, Living & Deceased Members of the Guillot, Russo, Danna & Marcel Families, Souls in Purgatory, Conversion of Sinners, C.J. Hebert, Joseph Cerniglia, Sr., Mike Strohmeyer, Lemm & Delores Bauer

11:30 a.m. – Luke LaBruzza

6:30 p.m. – For Peace in the World

Monday, December 3, 2018

12:10 – Nguyen Kim Mai

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

12:10 – Mary Goodwyne

6:00 p.m. – Charles Cavanaugh Lyons & Louise Diaz Lyons

Note: Novena/Mass will start at 6:00 instead of 6:30 due to Advent Mission at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

12:10 – Bernadette Stoll

Thursday, December 6, 2018

12:10 – Lelia “Pete” Boudreaux

Friday, December 7, 2018 (First Friday)

8:00 a.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners

12:10 – Peggy Durkes

6:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass – Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

Hilbert, Annie, Bob & Lloyd Morvant

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, December 1, 2018

5:00 p.m. – Valerie Thibodaux, Phyllis Gegenheimer Hubert, Kenneth Leithman, Carol Vignes

Sunday, December 2, 2018

10:30 a.m. – Margie Arnold

Monday, December 3, 2018

8:30 a.m. – Eva M. Cooper

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

8:30 a.m. – Valerie Thibodaux

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

8:30 a.m. – Charles Cavanaugh Lyons II

Thursday, December 6, 2018

8:30 a.m. – Julia & Michael Dauenhauer

Friday, December 7, 2018 (First Friday)

8:30 a.m. – Virgie Ott

Saturday, December 8, 2018 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

8:30 a.m. – Ralph Fryou, Jr.

5:00 p.m. – Vigil for December 9, 2018

Roland N. Barrios, Margaret Arnold, Phyllis Gegenheimer Hubert, Kenneth Leithman, Carol Vignes

Sunday, December 9, 2018

10:30 a.m. – Margie Arnold

Baptismal Seminar

For information regarding Baptismal Seminars, please call the St. Joseph Parish Office.



St. Nicholas of Myra
Come take a picture with St.
Nicholas on Sunday, December 2nd
after 11:30 Mass
St. Joseph Church
Bring your camera



Advent Mission
St. Joseph Church
December 3-5
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Fr. Peter Hammett, OSB
St. Joseph Abbey

Please note that Novena on Tuesday, Dec 4 will start at 6:00 instead of 6:30 p.m.



The St. Joseph Society of St. Vincent de Paul is scheduled to meet on **Wednesday, December 5th from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room of the St. Joseph Parish Office. Rosary starts at 2:45 p.m. prior to the meeting. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month. Come gather with other Vincentians to learn and grow in Holiness.

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule is as follows:

St. Joseph

December 7 - 6:30 p.m. Vigil

December 8 - 8:00 a.m. and 12:10

The 8am & 12:10 masses on December 8 do not meet your obligation for December 9 mass

St. Anthony

December 7 - No Vigil Mass

December 8 - 8:30 a.m.

A collection will be taken up at all masses

If you were unable to attend the class for the Recommissioning for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion held at St. Joseph Church on Saturday, November 10th



you may attend the class being held on **Wednesday, December 5th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Rosalie School** **OR Saturday, December 8th at 9:00 a.m. at St. Martha Church.** This class is for all Eucharistic Ministers, both St. Joseph and St. Anthony Parishes, commissioned prior to 2018.

Reserve the Date!!

You are cordially invited to **two Christmas Concerts at St. Joseph Church:**
Sunday, Dec 9 – 4pm
Jefferson Chorale & Loyola University Chorus present
“Et In Terra Pax” directed by Dr. Louise LaBruyere



Monday, Dec 17 – 7pm

The Holy Family Singers of St. Joseph Church and Immaculate Conception Church Adult and Children Choirs directed by Kristin Albarado & Janel Ockman present ***“Come Messiah”***.

This concert will feature all three choirs along with a string quartet and other musical instruments.

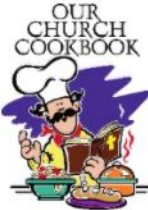
Please come enjoy the Music of the Season!



Religious articles for the Christmas season will be available for purchase at St. Joseph Church during the month of December, before and after all masses, **beginning this weekend December 1-2 through December 15-16.**

In need of a Christmas present!
St. Joseph "Mother Church"

Cookbooks will also be available for purchase during the month of December at a cost of \$25.00. Please make checks payable to **St. Joseph Restoration Fund**. The cookbooks are also available for purchase year-round in the Parish Office or through our website.



St. Anthony Parish News

Big Thanks!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to food baskets for Thanksgiving. Also, a big hurrah for all who put together and distributed the baskets. It was a big job and well done.



Christmas Cookie Sale

Santa's bakers are making an extra special effort to give you a variety of special Christmas goodies. Mark your calendars for Dec. 8-9 and Dec. 15-16 after Saturday 5pm Mass and Sunday 10:30am Mass.

Ladies Club Quarterly Communion Mass

All members as well as other ladies of the parish are asked to join us Dec. 9th at 10:30am Mass. Seats will be reserved.

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of ***Anthony Christiana, Jr.*** May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. ***Amen.***

Mary, the Mother

Manifest infirmity, O wondrous humility, in which all the greatness of God lay hidden! The mother to whom His infancy was subject, He ruled with His power; and to her at whose breasts He nursed, He gave the nourishment of truth.

He who did not shrink from making a beginning like ours, perfect in us His gifts. And may He also make us children of God, He who for our sakes wished to become a human child.

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December 1, 2018

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Soon our parishes will be conducting the Retirement Fund for Religious collection. This annual appeal benefits 31,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests—women and men who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church.

During the 2018 World Day for Consecrated Life, Pope Francis remarked, “There is no growth without roots and no flowering without new buds.”¹ This analogy has certainly born out within the life of the Church in the United States. Senior religious were the roots that established Catholic schools, hospitals, and social service agencies—allowing generations of Catholics to flourish. Today, the example of older religious inspires younger members to persevere in mission and ministry.

Yet many religious communities struggle to provide for aging members. Most elder religious served for small stipends, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. Rising health-care costs and decreased income compound the struggle to provide adequate care. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more. It also helps religious congregations implement long-range retirement strategies, even as they continue to serve the People of God.

I recognize this is but one of numerous worthy causes in need of assistance; I ask simply that you give what you can. In thanksgiving for their faithful service, please join me in supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious and in praying for God’s blessing on our nation’s elderly religious.

Wishing you God’s blessings and with the assurance of my prayers, I am,

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory M. Aymond".

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans

¹Pope Francis, *Homily*, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 2, 2018,
https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2018/documents/papa-francesco_20180202_omelia-vita-consacrata.html.

This letter is to be made available the weekend of December 1 and 2 in a manner which you deem most effective. Thank you.

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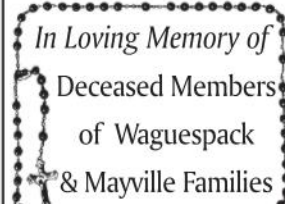
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