

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Scripture Readings for the Week of May 31, 2020

Sunday Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7; 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Monday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of the Church

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87: 1-2,3 and

5, 6-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and

16; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and

Companions, Martyrs

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef;

Mk 12:18-27

Thursday 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14;

Mk 12:28-34

Friday Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and

Martyr

2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166,

168; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday Saint Norbert, Bishop

2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22;

Mk 12:38-44

Sunday Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56;

2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18



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.

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction with Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held at St. Anthony Church on First Friday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.





COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 23-24, 2020

ST. JOSEPH

ST. ANTHONY (Dated 5/20/20)

Maintenance Fund June 6-7, 2020



A second collection for the

<u>Maintenance Fund</u> will be taken up at all masses next weekend. This monthly collection will be dedicated solely for the maintenance, repairs, or upgrades to our church complexes. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

Note: St. Joseph Parishioners - Please disregard the envelope for June 7, 2020 for Debt Reduction.

NEW MASS GUIDELINES

Since we are now under Phase 1 of the reopening guidelines, churches are open again officially for public masses. St. Joseph and St. Anthony churches have returned to our regular mass schedules with a maximum attendance of 100 for St. Joseph and 200 for St. Anthony per mass. Please remember to practice proper handwashing before coming to church, wear a mask/face covering and practice physical distancing. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray will be provided for your use as you enter church. If you are ill for any reason, please refrain from attending mass.

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Rev. Gary P. Copping, Pastor

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, May 30, 2020

4:00 p.m. – Gabriella Rodrigue, Leta & Sidney Phillips, James K. Gaudet, Letha & Al Ehret, Joy Millet, In Honor of St. Joseph, Patsy Grefer, Anna & Frank Cardinale, Tommy O'Brien, Conversion of Sinners

Sunday, May 31, 2020

7:30 a.m. - For All Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel, Willie Boudreaux, Jr., Alton Casler, Poor Souls in Purgatory

11:30 a.m. – Horace & Vernell Soileau, E.J. & Beulah Cambre, Jackie Cambre

6:30 p.m. – For the Victims of the Corona Virus

Monday, June 1, 2020

12:10 – Bill Swiler

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

12:10 – Anthony J. Labruzza, Jr.

6:30 p.m. – Edward, Susie, Ray & Bobby Comeaux

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

12:10 - John Lanier

Thursday, June 4, 2010

12:10 - Theresa DiPascal

Friday, June 5, 2020 (First Friday)

8:00 a.m. – Howard Peltier

12:10 – Willie Boudreaux, Jr.

The Flowers on the Altar at **St. Joseph** this week will be in memory of

Letha &Al Ehret





Baptismal Seminar

For information regarding Baptismal Seminars, please call the St. Joseph Parish Office or send an email to stjosephgretna@arch-no.org.

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, May 30, 2020

5:00 p.m. - Celeste LeSassier, Emelda Rachel

Sunday, May 31, 2020

10:30 a.m. – For the Victims of the Corona Virus

Monday, June 1, 2020

8:30 a.m. - Margaret D. Arnold

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

8:30 a.m. - Yvonne Calvo

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

8:30 a.m. – For the Victims of the Corona Virus

Thursday, June 4, 2020

8:30 a.m. – For the End of the Corona Virus

Friday, June 5, 2020 (First Friday)

8:30 a.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners

Saturday, June 6, 2020

8:30 a.m. - Joe Relle

5:00 p.m. – Emelda Rachel

Sunday, June 7, 2020

10:30 a.m. – Frank Romano, Sr.

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the souls of *Joyce Hebert and Barbara Gusman Normand*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.



We would like to congratulate *Christina Leigh Duggar and Allison Faith Rosiere* who were officially accepted into the Catholic Church on May 23 & 24

at St. Joseph. We welcome them with open arms!

With great pride and joy, we give thanks to God for 8 of our children who received the Sacrament of Holv Communion on May 23, 2020 at St. Anthony Church. Our beloved children are: **Heather Jeanine Cruz** Joshua Rouse McCullogh **Frederick Charles Delhom Charlotte Marie Stacey Matt Dylan Molina Logan Hyde Davis Langston Athanase Drake Izabella Grace Williams**





Back Open for Business!

St Joseph Church has the 3:00 slots on Sundays and Mondays at the Gretna Bingo Palace. Please come out to play BINGO and support our Restoration Fund.

St. Joseph Restoration Fund Major Contributors of \$5,000 or More

St. Joseph Women's Club **Gretna Historical Society China Doll Restaurant Karen Meyers Gulf Coast Bank & Trust German-American Cultural Center** Jefferson Historical Society of LA John & Anne Kulakowski **Gretna Community Transportation Company** Kenneth & Darnell LeBlanc Italian-American Society **Gretna Police Benevolent Association** The Estate of Charles C. & Louise D. Lyons Arthur & Brenda Lawson Rev. Fr. Gary Copping, Pastor Robert Gelpi Lois LaBruzza Wiley & Raylyn Beevers Wesley & Shayna Beevers Morvant Stan & Judy Salathe Mary Ribaul Bose **Kenneth & Gavle Alfortish** David & Susan Kalil Thomas "Skip" & Lauren McGinnis

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Brett J. Lawson

Please be reminded that St. Joseph Church is open daily from 8am-4pm. Drop by, light a candle, say a prayer, adore the Eucharistic Face of Jesus, walk the Stations, and lay your burdens down at the Cross.



At the request of the Archbishop, the church bells will be rung daily at 6:00pm to offer prayer for protection from the coronavirus and ask God's blessings healthcare workers who serve us so well.

Watch Mass on TV & Online

For those who cannot attend mass in person, mass will be broadcast live at 12:05pm, Monday thru



If you are unable to receive the Holy Eucharist in person, consider this special prayer, an Act of **Spiritual Communion:**

My Jesus,

I believe that You

are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

St. Alphonsus Liguori

Clarion Herald The e-edition of the Clarion Herald is available each week at http://clarionheraldla.newsmemorv.com.



A new electronic issue of the Clarion Herald goes live every Tuesday at approximately 3:00pm. Summer biweekly schedule will begin May 30: No print issues May 30; June 13 & 27; July 11 & 25; and Aug. 8



Welcome Deacon Thomas! Deacon Thomas Binanbiba Bamoah will be our Transitional Deacon here in the Parish from June 1 to the beginning of October.

Deacon Thomas was born on March 1, 1976 at Konjatedando, a small village in the Northern part of Ghana

to parents who were life-long peasant farmers. He is one of 10 children.

Education:

arrives.

1995-1997 - St. Mary's Minor Seminary 1999-2000 - St. Charles' Minor Seminary 2005 - St. Victor's Major Seminary 2006-2007 - St. Augustine Millenium Major Seminary (over 900 miles from his home) 2007 - suspended priestly formation to provide for some family needs 2016 - returned to priestly formation He is now studying at Notre Dame Seminary.

Please make sure to meet and greet him when he

Willwoods Faith and Marriage Married Couples Retreat: June 12th - 14th

Attention all married couples: We are back and ready to offer you and your beloved a weekend getaway designed to bless and enrich your faith and your marriage!

You and your spouse will spend time growing closer through inspiring talks, private couple time, individual prayer time, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration and the celebration of the Mass! Through God's grace, you will walk away with a renewed strength and a deeper commitment to each other and to God.

To register for your relaxing and rejuvenating retreat, visit www.FaithandMarriage.org. A suggested donation is requested but not required. Cost should never be a reason why a couple cannot make a weekend! Scholarships are available! If you have any questions, please call (504) 830-3716. Limited spaces available.

Rev. Thomas Bouterie will be the celebrant at all masses June 20-21 at St. Joseph Church and June 27-28 at St. Anthony Church. Fr. Tom will speak about the mission of "Food For The Poor". Their mission is to link the church of the



First World with the church of the Third World in a manner that helps both the materially poor and the poor in spirit.

The materially poor are served by local churches, clergy and lay leaders who have been empowered and supplied with goods by *Food For The Poor*.

The poor in spirit are renewed by their relationship with and service to the poor through their direct ministry of teaching, encouragement and prayer.

Ultimately, they seek to bring both benefactors and recipients to a closer union with our Lord.



Come Lord Jesus Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 1:00pm in the Social Room of the St. Joseph Family Life Center.

Gretna Glance Blog Now On-Line Helen Williams, a parishioner of St

Joseph who loves her Church and her Gretna Community, has now taken her journalism to the internet in her new blogsite http://gretnaglance.com/ She is best known on the Westbank as the Times Picayune/Nola.com columnist covering Gretna community news, as well as other Westbank events. For almost a decade, she penned the "Gretna at a Glance" column, wrote feature stories, including cover articles for Inside Out magazine until the paper was sold in 2019. Check out her new blogsite and

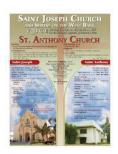


"like" her on Facebook.

The St. Anthony Church Centennial Celebration scheduled for June 13 has been postponed until after the Corona Virus pandemic.

Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Through the intercession of *Our Lady of Prompt Succor*, may we be protected from all loss of life and property during this hurricane season.



If you are unable to attend mass in person, there are several ways to receive our weekly parish bulletin:

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Your generous contribution to support the mission and ministries of St. Joseph/St. Anthony Parishes has always been greatly appreciated. Your stewardship is an act of thanksgiving for all that God has done for you and your loved ones. During the Coronavirus pandemic, some of us cannot be physically together to celebrate the Holy Mass, but we can still make a gift of ourselves by continuing to support our parish by digital giving or through the US mail. No gift is too small or insignificant. God bless you in advance for your parish support.

Dear Parishioner,

With so much uncertainty regarding the COVID-19 virus and increasing recommendations to avoid crowds and take proper safety precautions, we wanted to remind you that we have options in place now that you can use today. This option is an ideal way to support the parish and our mission should you elect to stay home and worship. Online Giving is available for you to make contributions to the church. This option makes use of current technology and security standards and allows you to easily setup recurring contributions. It also enables our church to take advantage of new tools to become more efficient. Online Giving Parishioner Benefits Secure and confidential. No need to share payment information with the church office. Efficient. Set up direct withdrawals from your checking, savings account or a credit card. Simple. Start, stop and change your contributions at any time. Convenient. No need to write a check or have cash available. Remote flexibility. You can give from virtually anywhere anytime. Online Giving is intended to be a convenient tool for you to use, and we strongly support both Online Giving and Offering Envelopes for contributions to the parish. Online Giving is the electronic way to participate in weekly offertory. Start giving online today!

- 1. Visit our church website at www.stjosephgretna.com and click on the online giving link for either St Joseph or St Anthony
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