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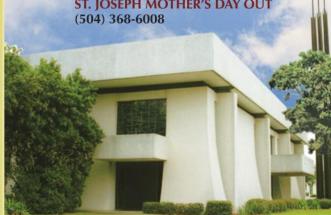
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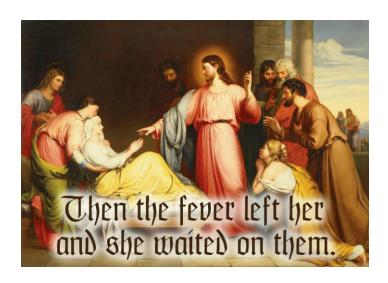
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for the Week of February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday

> Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

Monday Saint Jerome Emiliani: Saint Josephine

Bakhita, Virgin

Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and

35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday Gn 1:20—2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30;

Mk 7:14-23

Thursday Our Lady of Lourdes

Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30

Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37 **Friday**

Saturday Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13;

Mk 8:1-10

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time **Sunday**

> Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45



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.





Will be reported in next week's bulletin



Wedding Banns February 13, 2021 Bailee Carroll Nicholas Comeaux

Mardi Gras/Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule- Office Hours

Lundi Gras/Mardi Gras Feb. 15 & 16, 2021

St. Joseph/St. Anthony Offices will be closed in observance of Mardi Gras

Mardi Gras - February 16, 2021

St. Joseph - There will be no 12:10 mass but Mass & Novena will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. Devotion to the Holy Face following Mass

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule A Day of Fast and Abstinence February 17, 2021

St. Joseph 8:00 a.m., 12:10, 6:30 p.m.

St. Anthony 8:30 a.m.

A collection will be taken up at all masses on **Ash Wednesday**

Stations of the Cross

Beginning February 19th Each Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph - Mass & Stations St. Anthony – Stations only

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, February 6, 2021

4:00 p.m. – Eddie Falterman, Ralph Goodwyne, Jr., Faye Cemo, Leta & Sidney Phillips, James K. Gaudet, Vincent & Ethel Alexie, Patsy Grefer, Letha & Al Ehret, In Honor of The Virgin Mary, Ellis J. Piglia, Sr., Janice Gros, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Conversion of Sinners, Bonnie Valdes, Emelda Jacobsen Griffin, Shirley Sisung Poole, Charles, Mary & Pete Russo

Sunday, February 7, 2021

7:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel, Carmen Koenig Kass, Ruth Casler, John Lanier, For Arch. Aymond, For All Priests, Willie Boudreaux, Jr., Marvin J. Miller, Felix, Lucille & Eldon Hebert, Charles V. & Philomena Miller, Richard & Mercedes Lehenbauer

11:30 a.m. – Barbara Barrilleaux

6:30 p.m. – For All Victims of the Coronavirus

Monday, February 8, 2021

12:10 – Dexter, Laurie, Camile Gros, Jr., & Fly., Jane Sanchez, Rome & Barrilleaux Fly.

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

12:10 - Conversion Of Sinners

6:30 p.m. – Ellen McDermott

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

12:10 - Kendall Alfortish

Thursday, February 11, 2021

12:10 - Rev. Patrick Kennedy

Communal Anointing of the Sick

Friday, February 12, 2021

12:10 – Poor Souls In Purgatory

Stations of the Cross Each Friday During Lent

Following 6:30pm Mass – St. Joseph Church

6:30pm – St. Anthony Church (No Mass)

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, February 6, 2021

5:00 p.m. – Marilyn Borne, Louise Roche', William D. Herzog, Jay Paul Roussel, Sr.

Sunday, February 7, 2021

10:30 a.m. – Herbie Figarola

Monday, February 8, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Cleo Raye LeBlanc

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Wedge Family

Thursday, February 11, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Kass

Friday, February 12, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Jay Paul Roussel, Sr.

Saturday, February 13, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kass, Sr.

5:00 p.m. – Verna Blazio, Genette Kass, Florence Cooper Herzog, Jay Paul Roussel, Sr.

Sunday, February 14, 2021

10:30 a.m. – Margaret D. Arnold

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the souls of *Betty Ann LeBlanc and Felix Alfonso*, *Jr*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.

Baptismal Seminar

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



Coronavirus Prayer

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power, and we are dependent on you. We place ourselves in your loving hands. Give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Place your healing hand on those who are ill and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Calm our fears and help us to trust you as our faithful God. Enlighten our government and Church leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give blessing to those in healthcare and protect them.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. Blessed Francis Seelos, pray for us.



That Man Is You! "The Battle for the Bride"

Spring Semester has begun ++ Every Friday morning with 5:45am breakfast, 6:15am greeting, 6:20am

Video Presentation; 7:00am small group discussion, and 7:30am dismissal. Please come. Program runs for 13 weeks. We meet in the St. Joseph Auditorium (above the Cafeteria).

The Catechesis on the Mass class will continue to be held on Mondays at 4:00pm in the St. Joseph Social Room.





Come Lord Jesus! Bible Study -- In St Anthony Parish Office/Hall --Thursdays at 10:30 in St Anthony Rectory ++ Also on Wednesdays at 1 pm St Joseph has their CLJ in the St Joseph Social Room ++

Please join us for either++ It's a program that was developed in the Diocese of Lafayette, Louisiana in the late sixties and early seventies by Father Conley Bertrand, a parish priest. Graced with a love for prayer and Scripture and an ardent zeal, he sought to communicate these qualities to his parishioners. Come, Lord Jesus! is the fruit of many years of prayer, reflection on Sacred Scripture, and experimentation. This inspiring program is a complete study of the Sunday Readings, including Gospels (Be My Witness), Epistles (Love One Another) and the Old Testament (Give Glory to God) in three separate volumes. Following the Liturgical Calendar and utilizing the Catechism of the Catholic Church, members grow in sanctification through prayer, Scripture, Eucharist, and Christian community.

15 Ways to Gain an Indulgence in the Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph

Ways to remove the temporal punishment due to sin for yourself or for a soul in purgatory. **Please visit the**



St. Joseph website to read this article, which can be found in the right-hand column under Parish News.

Copies are also available in the rear of St. Joseph Church.

A PRAYER FOR THE INTERCESSION OF ST. JOSEPH

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O, most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O, most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O, our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

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Monthly Explanation of the Mass

Did You Know? - The Procession: The priest and ministers (representing the whole people of God) symbolically move from the ordinary (the world) to the extraordinary (the sanctuary, which is a symbol of heaven itself) – from the secular to the sacred, from the everyday to the eternal. - The Altar: The altar represents Christ himself. When we see the priest kiss the altar, we should reverence Christ in our heart. The altar is the center, where the mystery of our faith is celebrated. - Sign of the Cross: We begin Mass with the Sign of the Cross. This is not an introduction to prayer, but is in fact a prayer in and of itself. It is a prayer! It affirms our faith in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We recall our baptism and are reminded of the great act of love of Christ, who suffered and died for us.

LENT AND EASTER GUIDELINES

THE LENTEN SEASON A distinction is to be made between Lent and the Easter Triduum. Strictly speaking, Lent ends with the beginning of the Triduum on Holy Thursday. The Ordo notes: "Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord's Supper exclusive on Holy Thursday."

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.



Workshops for New Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Interested in becoming a reader at Mass or an Extraordinary

Minister of Holy Communion? Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and basic workshops for readers will be presented this Spring by the Office of Worship. Attendance at the workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. Attendance at the workshop for readers is strongly recommended for new readers and all readers who have not previously attended a workshop.

Anyone wanting to participate in these workshops must receive approval from Fr. Gary.



Eucharist Lecture Series:
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Notre Dame Seminary's year-long **Eucharist Lecture Serie**s kicked off on Wednesday, January 27th. Fr. James Wehner, Rector/President of NDS, offered the first presentation titled "The Eucharist in the Life of the Church". The evenings will begin with Eucharistic Adoration at 5:30 PM followed by the lecture and a question and answer session from 6:00-7:00 PM. These events are free and open to the public. For more information and to register for the lectures, visit https://nds.edu/els/.

Upcoming Lecture Dates:

Wednesday, February 17th, 2021 The Eucharist in Sacred Scripture Dr. Nathan Mastnjak

Wednesday, March 17th, 2021 The Eucharist in the Letters of St. Ignatius of Antioch Dr. Gregory Vall

Wednesday, April 21st, 2021 The Real Presence of the Eucharist Dr. David Liberto

Wednesday, May 19th, 2021 Eucharistic Images and Art Prof. Jordan Haddad

Wednesday, June 16th, 2021 The Eucharist and Human Suffering Fr. Michael Champagne, C.J.C.

Wednesday, July 21st, 2021 The Eucharist and Poetry Fr. Phillip Neri Powell, O.P.

Wednesday, August 18th, 2021 The Eucharist and the Moral Life Fr. Bryce Sibley

Wednesday, September 15th, 2021 The Eucharist at the Center of Family Life Dr. Tom and Patti Neal

Wednesday, October 20th, 2021 Eucharistic Miracles and Saints Fr. Jeffrey Montz

Wednesday, November 17th, 2021 Eucharistic Devotions Fr. Nile Gross

Wednesday, December 15th, 2021 The Eucharist and the Future of the Church Archbishop Alfred Hughes



GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration will take place on **Sunday**, **June 27**, **2021 at 3:00 p.m.** in St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. **Please Note:** This celebration **will not be a Mass**, but a **prayer service**. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish. (**To register, please contact the parish office before March 12, 2021).**

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During this time of the Mass, we usually have our collection or offertory. As you may know, our offerings to God are an age-old practice that allows the faithful to bring their gifts to God. Those gifts offered can be in many forms; an offering of your prayers, giving of your service to your family or neighbors during this time and/or financial giving. I recognize this time may be difficult for some people to feel like they can give, but I remind you that if you need help, please reach out to the Church. But also, if you can help, please reach out to the Church. We want to connect the great generosity that we know is present, with the need in our community.

St. Joseph and St. Anthony need you.

Your financial gift is needed more than ever as we no longer have the regular income that allows the parish to operate and minister. If you would prayerfully consider mailing in your offering (or making an online gift), we would be grateful for your sacrifice as we continue to serve your spiritual needs.

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