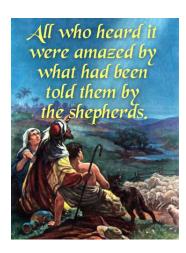


SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



Readings for week of January 1, 2023:

Sunday, January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 Monday, January 2, 2023 Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday, January 3, 2023 The Most Holy Name of Jesus 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday, January 5, 2023 St. John Neumann, Bishop 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Friday, January 6, 2023 St. Andre' Bessette, Religious 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday, January 7, 2023 St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 -6a & 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday, January 8, 2023 The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



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 DECEMBER 17-18, 2022

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5,026.00
Online (12/12-18/22)	\$ 539.00
Total Collected	\$5,565.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$3,659.51

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	. \$2,014.00
Online (12/12-18/22)	. \$ 135.00
Total Collected	. \$2,149.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	

COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER 24-25, 2022 Will be reported in a future bulletin

Maintenance Fund January 7-8, 2023



A second collection for the Maintenance Fund 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.



The St. Joseph and St. Anthony Offices will be closed Monday, January 2, 2023 in observance of New Year's.

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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, December 31, 2022 (New Year's Eve)

4:00 p.m. – Leta & Sidney Phillips, James K. Gaudet, Letha & Al Ehret, Joyce & Allen Cambre, Rita & Daniel LeBlanc, Sr., Lester Cambre, Ursula Ramm, Leona "Sue" Brunet Cambre, Patsy M. Grefer, Case J. Sampey, Jr., James "Bo" Boudreaux, Jr., Emelda Jacobsen Griffin, Shirley Sisung Poole, Ryan Welch, Tommy Walters

11:30 p.m. – Gerard & Mary Foley Special Mass to Ring in the New Year

Sunday, January 1, 2023 (Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

There will be no 7:30 a.m. Mass 9:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

11:30 a.m. – Peter & Eliska Spera, Philip & Lillian Saladino, Leona "Sue" Brunet Cambre, Anthony & Katherine Labruzza, Mary St. Germain, Carmen Koenig Kass, Ciaccio Fly., Priscilla J. Cosse', Catherine Berrigan Kloor, Nidia Rodriguez

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, January 2, 2023 12:10 – Tiney Dowel

Tuesday, January 3, 2023 6:30 p.m. – John H. Link, Sr.

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 12:10 – Alton Casler

Thursday, January 5, 2023 12:10 – Wiley J. Breaux, Sr.

Friday, January 6, 2023 (First Friday) 8:00 a.m. – Anna Danjean

12:10 – Jules Vegas



The Sanctuary Light at **St. Joseph** this week will burn in memory of *Richard P. Arcement*

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, December 31, 2022 (New Year's Eve) 5:00 p.m. – Cannon-Kass Family, Angel Noland

Sunday, January 1, 2023 (Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

10:30 a.m. – Billy R. Cannon

Monday, January 2, 2023 8:30 a.m. – For Peace in the World

Tuesday, January 3, 2023 8:30 a.m. – Margaret D. Arnold

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 8:30 a.m. – For the End of Violence in our Archdiocese

Thursday, January 5, 2023 8:30 a.m. – For Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 6, 2023 (First Friday) 8:30 a.m. – Ray Escoffier

Saturday, January 7, 2023 8:30 a.m. – Mary Louise Catanese 5:00 p.m. – Lawrence Pfeiffer

Sunday, January 8, 2023 10:30 a.m. – Maurice Korndorffer, Nidia Rodriguez



The Sanctuary Light at **St. Anthony** this week will burn in memory of *Margaret D. Arnold*

Reminder: Beginning January 2023, 12:10 Mass at St. Joseph Church on Tuesdays will no longer be celebrated. We will still have 6:30pm Mass with Novena on Tuesdays. Also, 8:30 am Mass will still be celebrated at St. Anthony.

St Anthony Church has a lending library of Catholic books, movies, and cd's in the back of the Church. Please check out the wide assortment of media and consider checking out something for yourself or for someone you know, so that you may increase



your Faith and understanding of time-held beliefs.



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In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the souls of *Sharon Wilcox Kraus*, *Laurie Marie Thibodeaux*, *Joni LaBauve Colvin*, *Nidia Rodriguez and Yvonne Ferrand*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.



Wedding Banns Saturday, January 7, 2023 Quoc Dang and Mylan Pham

The St. Joseph Women's Club will hold their quarterly meeting on Monday, January 9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Social Room of the Family Life Center. All women, 18 years of age or older, are invited to attend.



Save the Date!!



That Man is You will start back on Fridays <u>beginning January 20</u>. Join us for breakfast in the St. Joseph Cafeteria at 5:45am; we will begin our presentation at 6:15am followed

by small group discussion; we will have you out by 7:30am. Register for this free program online at www.tmiy.org. All men are invited.

Come, Lord Jesus! Bible Study

Tuesdays - 6:30PM - Young Adult Ministry (call the Parish Office if interested) Wednesdays - 1:00PM - St. Joseph Cafeteria Thursdays - 9:30AM - St. Anthony Rectory



SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce that the annual Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday,

March 26, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church, New Orleans. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The celebration is open to couples married between 1993 - 1998. To register, please contact the parish office before Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Please Note: The Silver Wedding Anniversary celebration is a prayer service, not a Mass and will not fulfill the couple's Sunday obligation. Couples should plan to attend Mass at their home parishes.



Save the Date in 2024 for a Marriage Retreat

Willwoods Married Couples Retreats are a wonderful way for couples to break away from daily struggles and tasks and

spend time rejuvenating and enriching their marriage. St. Joseph and St. Anthony Parishes are promoting a Marriage Retreat for their married parishioners at the Christian Life Center on the weekend of January 13-14, 2024. Details will follow as we get closer to the date. Spouses will spend time growing closer through inspiring talks, private couple time, individual prayer time, Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration and the celebration of Mass. Through God's grace, each couple will walk away with a renewed strength and a deeper commitment to each other and God. The retreat is not intended for deeply struggling marriages. If you need assistance in finding help in this area, please contact the Family Life Apostolate, or please call Willwoods and they can help you in your search.



Adult Catechetical Formation

Come join us on Mondays from 4pm to 5:30pm in the St Joseph Auditorium to watch renowned scholars on video present on Catholic topics to help us better

understand and live out our Faith. No need to RSVP; just show up. Refreshments are generally served at the gathering, so please come check us out.

Classes will resume on Monday, January 9th.

St. Joseph Calendars for 2023 are available for pick up in the back of church. Please remember to pick up a calendar so that you may know times and dates of Church Liturgies and may utilize to help organize your days,



months, and year. Many thanks to our parishioner, Sue Cambre, for her generosity in sponsoring the calendar.



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