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4:00 p.m. Vigil Saturday

Sunday 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m. (Haitian/Creole)

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Monday-Friday 12:10 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Mass & Novena Tuesday

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## CONFESSIONS

3:00-3:45 p.m. Saturday

8:30 a.m. (upon request) Sunday

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

#### **DAILY MASSES**

8:30 a.m. & Novena Monday

Tuesday-Saturday 8:30 a.m. First Friday 8:30 a.m.

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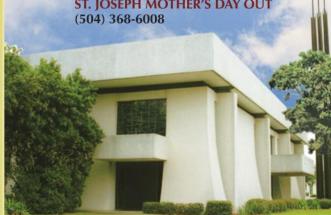
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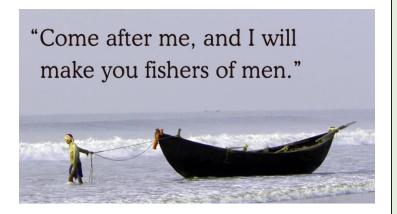
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# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for the week of January 21, 2024:

Sunday, January 21, 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Monday, January 22, 2024 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday, January 23, 2024 Sts. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr & Marianne Cope, Virgin

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday, January 24, 2024 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20 Thursday, January 25, 2024 The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Acts 22:3-16; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18 Friday, January 26, 2024 Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk

4:26-34 Saturday, January 27, 2024 St. Angela Merici, Virgin 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk

Sunday, January 28, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



4:35-41

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 JANUARY 13-14, 2024**

#### ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5	,638.00
Online (1/8-14/24)	. \$	709.00
Total Collected	\$6	5,347.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$9	,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]		*

ST. ANTHONY
Will be reported in next week's bulletin



Second Collection January 27-28, 2024 Catholic Schools Week See attached letter from Archbishop Aymond

Fr. Gary will be away from the office January 22-26 attending a priest retreat. If you need assistance, please contact the Parish Office.

Please keep him in your prayers.

Stroke Scan Plus Vascular Ultrasound Screening Event

On January 23 and 24, St. Joseph will have a Vascular Ultra Screening Event from 10am to 8pm in the Social Room of St. Joseph Complex.

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## MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

## ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, January 20, 2024

**4:00 p.m.** – Patsy Grefer, Terrio Fly., the Ehret Family, Virginia Trapani Stansbury, For the Healing of Frank Huezo

Sunday, January 21, 2024

**7:30 a.m.** – Amy Loup

**9:30 a.m.** – Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel, Patricia Chiasson

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

**6:30 p.m.** – For the Haitian Community

Monday, January 22, 2024

**12:10** – Labruzza Fly.

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

**6:30 p.m.** – Elsa de Cowes

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

12:10 - Paul Walther, Sr.

Thursday, January 25, 2024

12:10 – Joyce Rome Lauland

Friday, January 26, 2024

12:10 – For the Healing of Frank Huezo

## In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of *Lydia Augustine*. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.

## ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, January 20, 2024

**5:00 p.m.** – For All Parishioners

Sunday, January 21, 2024

10:30 a.m. - For the End of Racism & Discrimination

Monday, January 22, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Donald Trump

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. - For Peace in the World

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

**8:30 a.m.** – For the End of Abortions

Thursday, January 25, 2024

**8:30 a.m.** – Billy R. Cannon

Friday, January 26, 2024

8:30 a.m. – For All Poor Souls

Saturday, January 27, 2024

8:30 a.m. – For the End of Violence in Our

Archdiocese

**5:00 p.m.** – For All Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, January 28, 2024

10:30 a.m. – Raymond Strohmeyer, Sr.



The Westbank Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting at St. Anthony Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. Rosary at 7:00pm, Praise & Worship at 7:30pm, and Mass at 8:00pm.



## SUNDAY AND MONDAY BINGO'S AT GRETNA BINGO PALACE BENEFIT ST. JOSEPH RESTORATION

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

## **Baptismal Seminar**

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





That Man is You has started back on Fridays. 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 <a href="https://www.tmiy.org">www.tmiy.org</a>. All men are invited.

Registration is now open for the Archdiocese of New Orleans Men's Conference, Saturday, February 24, 2024 at St. Catherine of Siena, Metairie. This year's conference theme is "I Have Called You Friends". Recent studies indicate that the percentage of adult men with at least 6 close

friends has been cut in half since 1990 and as many as 20% of men report having no close friendships at all. It is a growing problem not only for the life of the Church, but one which is gaining attention and causing concern even within secular society. Our Catholic faith is rooted in friendship. Our men need friends to live up to their calling as men of God and as men of the Church. Please help us call all the men of our local Church of New Orleans to this important event! Parishes will be receiving more information from the Office of Marriage & Family Life.

For more information, contact 504-861-6243 or mfl@arch-no.org. Find us on Facebook/Instagram @nolacatholicmen!

In Honor of St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, we will be blessing throats at all masses at both St. Joseph and St. Anthony on February 3 & 4, 2024.





World Day of The Sick in on Sunday February 11th. This is celebrated in association with the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes. Normally on or around the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, parishes may have a Communal Anointing of the

Sick. St Joseph will have their Communal Anointing of the Sick on Monday February 12th at the 12:10pm Mass (the day after the World Day of The Sick). Please come out and get the Sacrament of the Sick if you are elderly, about to undergo surgery, or have a serious medical condition. Invite or take someone you know who may fall into this category with you to Mass and experience God's Saving Graces.

# Save the Date!! April 20, 2024 Women's Day of Reflection On. Saturday, April 20, 2024, Sr.

On. Saturday, April 20, 2024, Sr. Tracey Matthia Dugas, FSP will be our Spiritual Guide and Presenter for our Women's Day of Reflection. Please mark your calendars. More information to come regarding registration.





If you or someone you know in St. Joseph or St. Anthony Parishes is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please notify the office at 504-368-1313 and someone will be in contact with you.

Magnificat Westbank Chapter Breakfast

Saturday, February 3 - 9:30am-Noon

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## Friendship

In the second reading this week you heard about St. Paul speaking to the Corinthians, who at that time were part of the Greek culture. The Greeks believed that the body was just a coffin that held their spirit. Therefore, the body had no purpose, and it could be used for anything that would please them and there would be no consequence.

St. Paul who was inspired by his encounter with Jesus was trying to lead them in a different direction. He asked, "Did you know that your bodies are members of Christ?" He was telling them and us that when you were baptized that the Holy Spirit would enter your body and you would become a temple of His Spirit. St. Paul, through the inspiration of Jesus, made known to the Corinthians and all of Christianity this truth.

In next week's second reading, St. Paul is again speaking to the Corinthians and all of Christianity about the second coming of Jesus. This is the end of time when Jesus will come and separate His followers from those who chose not to follow Him. It is a time that only God the father knows. St. Paul was under the impression that it was coming very soon for him and the Corinthians. He suggests that they should live as if Christ was coming that very day. For them they should right any wrongs that they have done, in their marriage, in the use of wealth or power, or anything that is now used for the good of all people. He wants them and us to prepare for the judgment of God.

## **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



Fr. Gary will again this year be offering classes on our Catholic Faith for those interested in becoming Catholics or wanting to enrich their Faith. Classes have already resumed and are being

held in the St Joseph Rectory and will run throughout the year until Holy Week. Call Parish Office for details. We are also looking for those who would like to assist Fr. Gary in presenting the classes. Sometimes the best way to learn our Faith is to teach our Faith. All are welcome!

## Come, Lord Jesus! Bible Study

Tuesdays - 6:30PM – 31 Derbes Dr., Gretna Wednesdays - 1:00PM – St. Joseph Cafeteria



Thursdays - 9:30AM - St. Anthony Rectory Saturdays - 10:00AM - 516 Evergreen Dr., Gretna If interested, contact Ginny Dufrene, Regional Coordinator (504) 451-1265

## Domestic Church Families Informational Meeting February 3 - Our Lady of the Lake

Those interested in joining the Domestic Church Families Movement are invited to attend an informational meeting at Our Lady of the Lake in Mandeville on Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:45 a.m.

## What is the Domestic Church Movement?

Domestic Church is a lay movement for Sacramentally married couples that provides Catholic Christian community and lifelong spiritual formation through small groups and retreats. The movement was founded in Poland in the early 1970s. Today, there are more than 13,000 couples in Poland, and nearly 5,000 more couples around the world. For more information contact Ashley Gernon at Ashley.gernon@gmail.com or 504-452-1077.

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January 2024

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Each year during the last week of January, we join the nation in celebrating Catholic Schools Week. This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Catholic Schools Week celebrations in our country! Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of New Orleans work tirelessly to remain institutions of academic excellence, deeply rooted in the teachings of the Catholic church. To remain successful, our schools depend on financial resources.

Like most things in our world, there are significant costs associated with maintaining successful operations. Teachers must be paid a fair wage, facilities must be updated and maintained, and faculty and staff must work to be innovative in their educational practices. Recent years have been particularly difficult with many of our families, donors and benefactors bearing additional financial burdens, including poor economic conditions, Hurricane Ida recovery, and lingering challenges from the pandemic. Despite these difficulties, it is our responsibility to make Catholic education more accessible and affordable.

By offering financial support to the mission and ministry of Catholic education in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, you are affording a child an opportunity that is otherwise out of reach. Catholic schools help form disciples who live out our Catholic faith, and it is our hope that every Catholic assist in these efforts. As a result, every parish in the Archdiocese of New Orleans will take up a second collection on January  $27^{th} - 28^{th}$ . Thank you for your consideration in offering a gift.

The funds collected through the second collection will support the Champions of Catholic Education tuition assistance fund. This fund will aid families that cannot afford the full cost of Catholic school tuition, and those experiencing financial difficulties. Our Catholic schools and families need your support.

Wishing you God's blessings in 2024 and with gratitude for your generosity, I am,

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Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond Archbishop of New Orleans

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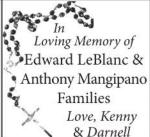
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