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SICK AND SHUT-INS

Please notify office.

MARRIAGE

Please call at least nine-six months in advance.

NEWCOMERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourself and register in church or at the parish center.

Saint Joseph

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Friday: Office Closed

Church is open for prayer until 2:00 p.m. daily.

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.

Website: www.stjosephgretna.com

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Monday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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

WEEKEND MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

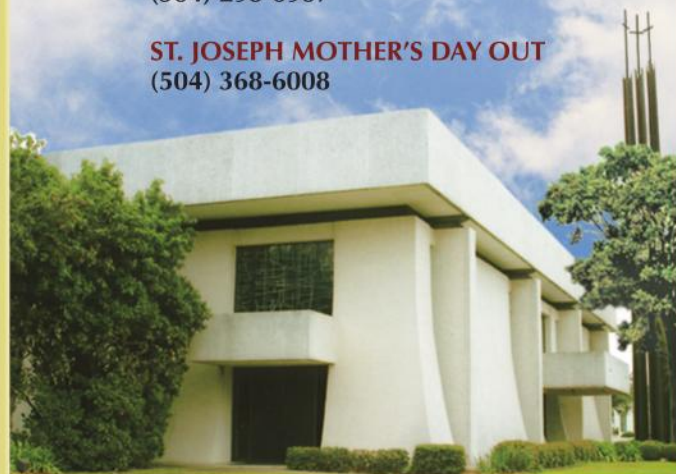
Monday 8:30 a.m. & Novena
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First Friday 8:30 a.m.
Mass Holy Hour & Novena

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Saturday 4:30 p.m.
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then the fever left her
and she waited on them.

Readings for the week of February 4, 2024:

Sunday, February 4, 2024 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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, February 5, 2024 St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5&10, 11;
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday, February 8, 2024 Sts. Jerome Emiliani, Priest & Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37&40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday, February 9, 2024

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15;
Mk 7:31-37

Saturday, February 10, 2024 St. Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22;
Mk 8:1-10

Sunday, February 11, 2024 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.



COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 27-28, 2024

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5,168.00
Online (1/22-28/24)	\$ 549.00
Total Collected	\$5,717.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] ..	-\$3,507.51

Catholic Schools \$1,253.00

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$1,953.00
Online (1/22-28/24)	\$ 85.00
Total Collected	\$2,038.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] ..	-\$3,304.00

Catholic Schools \$ 286.00

Second Collection

February 10-11, 2024

St. Joseph Restoration Fund

Monies collected have been earmarked for this fund and will be used for major repairs to the interior & exterior of the church, auditorium, cafeteria building, and other major projects to restore the beauty of St. Joseph Church. This collection will not replace the monthly Maintenance Fund collection but will be an additional collection.



St. Joseph Altar



Save the Date!!

2024 St. Joseph Altar

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

We will begin making cookies for this year's Altar on Monday, February 5 at 9:30am in the Cafeteria.

Volunteers are welcome.

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, February 3, 2024

4:00 p.m. – Ralph Goodwyne, Jr., Patsy Grefer, Alexie Fly., Dominic Nam Do, Vinsonte Pham, Dominic Thanh Do, Dominic Do, Mary Dang, Joseph Dang, All Souls, Grandparents Souls, All the Poor Souls, Mary Vog Nguyen, The Ehret Family

Sunday, February 4, 2024

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – John Lanier, Paul Walther Sr., Rose Mancuso, Cathy Breau, Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel, Patricia Chaisson, For the Healing of Frank Huezo, Joni Panepinto Bathel, Richard Labonte', Maria, Anna

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, February 5, 2024

12:10 – Victor J. Balbuena

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

6:30 p.m. – Edward Brunet Family

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

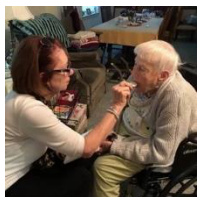
12:10 – Poor Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, February 8, 2024

12:10 – For Peace in the World

Friday, February 9, 2024

12:10 – For All Deceased Parishioners



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.

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, February 3, 2024

5:00 p.m. – For the End of Violence in Our Archdiocese

Sunday, February 4, 2024

10:30 a.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners

Monday, February 5, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Chantel Martin

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Billy R. Cannon

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Jody Kreller

Thursday, February 8, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Anna Billa Kerner

Friday, February 9, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Fr. Vincent Ryan Clunes

Saturday, February 10, 2024

8:30 a.m. – For Peace in the World

5:00 p.m. – For All Parishioners

Sunday, February 11, 2024

10:30 a.m. – For the End of Abortions



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

Calling All Ladies

St. Anthony Ladies Club meets every second Wednesday of the month in the school cafeteria at 6:00pm. All ladies are invited to attend. Please join us for dinner and socializing.



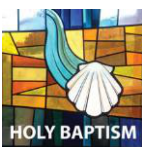


SUNDAY AND MONDAY BINGO'S AT GRETN BINGO PALACE BENEFIT ST. JOSEPH RESTORATION

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.



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.

Our next St. Joseph Young Adult Ministry Meeting will be Monday, February 19th starting at 6:30pm with recitation of Rosary in Church followed by a meal in Rectory. All are welcome.



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 www.tmiv.org. All men are invited.

ECHO For Engaged Couples

A new weekend retreat for engaged couples that can be used as another option for official marriage preparation. This retreat offers a dynamic, integrated experience for couples to receive excellent formation on the nature of the sacrament of marriage and the needed tools to improve their readiness to live the gift of marriage well. **This retreat is currently being offered only once per year and has room for about 50 couples. The next scheduled retreat is February 23-25, 2024 at Maryhill Renewal Center in Pineville, LA.** Online registration is available on the St. Joseph web site or at the following link:

<https://www.echoretreats.com/engaged.html>

For further information, contact Brian Butler at 985-951-2215



Fr. Gary is again offering classes on our Catholic Faith for those interested in becoming Catholics or wanting to enrich their Faith. **Classes 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



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

Mass Schedule- Office Hours

Lundi Gras/Mardi Gras

February 12 & 13, 2024

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

Mardi Gras - February 13, 2024

St. Joseph - 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 14, 2024

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 16th

Each Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m.

St. Joseph – Mass & Stations

St. Anthony – Stations only

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.

Friendship

Anxiety is something that we have learned to live with. Our everyday lives deal with different choices that could affect our health, our livelihood, and our families. We spend time worrying if what we are doing is best for us and our loved ones. St. Paul said in the second reading today that there is only one way to make the right decision and that is to think about the reason that we are here and where we are going rather than what we have and how we will use it. People were created to be loved and things were created to be used. Sometimes we allow our hearts to become overwhelmed with the love of things and sooner or later we will fall into the use of people to protect the things we love.

Next Sunday we will hear Paul speaking to the people of Corinth about his transformation from being a persecutor of Christ to becoming a voice of Jesus mercy. St. Paul was preaching the Gospel as a mission which was given to him as a gift. He was to spread the words of Jesus, so that all would hear the message and Paul would receive nothing in return except the knowledge of the importance of the mission and the power of the word. St. Paul's journey was difficult most of the time because he was challenging the message of people who were in power and the way many people chose to live without spiritual direction. St. Paul looked at his reward as being chosen to do this and the good he could do by spreading the word of Jesus.

The Cenacle on the Lake Retreat Center

Invites you to the following:

Silent Women's Retreat with

Fr. Joseph Nassal, C.P.P.S

March 1-3, 2024

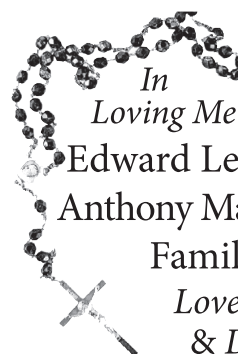
Silent Retreat with Sr. Judy Gomila, MSC

March 8-10, 2024

Please register by visiting the website:

neworleansretreats.com or by calling 504-267-9604

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