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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.

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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
Tuesday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.
First Friday 8:30 a.m.
Mass Holy Hour & Novena

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
and anytime by appointment

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Readings for the week of April 28, 2024:

Sunday, April 28, 2024 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24;
Jn 15:1-8

Monday, April 29, 2024 St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin &
Doctor of the Church

Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 St. Pius V, Pope

Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-
31a

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 2, 2024 St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of
the Church

Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 3, 2024 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14

Saturday, May 4, 2024

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 5, 2024 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 1 Jn
4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17



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 APRIL 20-21, 2024

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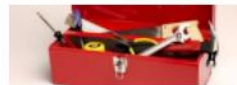
Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5,794.00
Online (4/15-21/24)	\$ 719.00
Total Collected	\$6,513.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] ..	-\$2,711.51

Diocesan Priest Retirement

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$1,298.00
Online (4/15-21/24)	\$ 235.00
Total Collected	\$1,533.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]. .	-\$3,809.00

Diocesan Priest Retirement

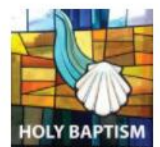


Maintenance Fund May 4-5, 2024

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.

Baptismal Seminar

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



May Crowning
Saturday, May 4, 2024
4:00pm Vigil Mass
St. Joseph Church



MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, April 27, 2024

4:00 p.m. – Patsy Grefer, Terrio Fly., The Ehret Fly., The Falterman Fly., Dominic Thanh Do, Dominic Do, Maria Chuong Vu, All Souls in Purgatory, Pray for Healing

Sunday, April 28, 2024

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

11:30 a.m. – Dora K. Simoneaux, Link Fly., Jonathan Bolar, Byron Philip Jones, Sr., Wilbert White, Sr., Christopher Robichaux, Geneva Montgomery Bocage, Joni Bathel, Daniel Rosenthal, Ray Griffin, Sr., Patricia Lerille Tillotson, Wayne P. Anderson, Sr., Catherine Julia Soutullo, Joshua Matthew Nieves, William Robert Laughlin, Jr., Kevin Uzee

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, April 29, 2024

12:10 – Irvin Brunet Family

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

6:30 p.m. – The Gauthreaux Family

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

12:10 – Doris Stein

Thursday, May 2, 2024

12:10 – Lester Rawlings Cambre

Friday, May 3, 2024 (First Friday)

8:00 a.m. – Alton Casler

12:10 – Kathleen Bonomolo



The Sanctuary Light this week at St. Joseph will burn in memory of Lucille Dubreuil

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, April 27, 2024

5:00 p.m. – Lionel “Buddy” Kass, Jr.

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:30 a.m. – For the End of Violence in Our Archdiocese

Monday, April 29, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Lionel “Buddy” Kass, Jr.

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

8:30 a.m. – For Peace in the World

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Michael C. Arnold Family

Thursday, May 2, 2024

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

Friday, May 3, 2024 (First Friday)

8:30 a.m. – Simone Scanio

Saturday, May 4, 2024

8:30 a.m. – Henry Strohmeier, Jr.

5:00 p.m. – Jody Kreller, Simone Scanio

Sunday, May 5, 2024

10:30 a.m. – For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life



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.

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are being presented this Spring by the Office of Worship. Attendance at a workshop for EMHCs is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. The initial schedule and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website. Additional dates will be added. **Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish before attending.** If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.





**SUNDAY AND MONDAY
BINGO'S AT GRETN
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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.



Please support our local Community Center for Life by participating in our Baby Bottle Campaign. The Knights of Columbus and our parishes of St. Joseph and St. Anthony will host a Baby Bottle Campaign for CLC.

St. Joseph will have their Baby Bottle Campaign on Saturday/Sunday May

4/5.

Please pick up a baby bottle, fill it with your offering, and turn it back in when you return to Mass the following week. All gifts of charity are accepted and encouraged. Please be generous in your offering. Thank you in advance for your benevolence.

On Sunday, May 5th, near the Feast Day of St. Gianna Beretta Molla (the Patron Saint of Doctors, Wives, and Unborn Children), Fr. Gary Copping will celebrate the Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb at the 9:30am Sunday Mass. All expectant mothers, fathers, families, and friends are invited to celebrate Human Life and the Human Person in the Womb. Please save the date and let everyone know about this special blessing. Hope to see you all there.



Save the Date!!

**Sam Garnett, St. Joseph Church Music Director
Graduate Organ Recital
May 4, 2024 – 7:30pm
St. Charles Ave. Presbyterian Church
1545 State St., New Orleans**



**Magnificat Meal –
Westbank/Marrero Chapter
Saturday, May 25, 2024 –
9:00am – 12:00pm
Four Columns, 3711
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Speaker: To be Announced
Tickets & Reservations: \$20;
call Cindy Delger (504)319-**

6788. Ticket sales end May 18

Friendship

St. John is telling us that God's truth is an action. God sent Jesus to us as a sign that we need to do something rather than talk about it. We see this every day when we hear people say, "I am going to do something." In my younger years I had a friend someone nicknamed Gonner.

God sent Jesus to call us to action and that He did. The world of that time was set on the belief that death stopped our existence, but it really only stopped the life in our human body, our souls are everlasting. Now being Catholic is to a certain extent challenging but the rewards are out of this world. We all have felt love, and it is a very powerful experience. The more you are able to love and the more people you love give you an overwhelming feeling. That is what John is telling us God created us out of love, and we are to give that love back to him and all of his creation. That is what eternal life is about, total love for each other and for all who join us with him. No sorrow, anger, suffering, tears. Now in order to get there from here we must begin by practicing how to love here. Challenging yes but we have examples to follow.

It starts in our homes and goes on from there. One of the rules is not to judge others. We should not try to change someone but show them the love and happiness we have by loving. A loving heart is better than a clever mind.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

**Donate to Our
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donations, call (504)827-5842 x102**

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Congratulations to: Benton Bruner, Cydney Pumphrey, Liam Sievers, Justin Solar, Hayden Thierry on receiving their 1st Holy Communion. May God bless them.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Widowed? Separated? Divorced? Listen. Accompany. Heal. One weekend ... All the difference.

Join us for the Beginning Experience of New Orleans Weekend Retreat May 17-19, 2024 at the Cenacle on the Lake Retreat Center located at 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, LA.

For more information including registration and fees, contact Registrar, Liz Reis at (504) 858-1813 or email lzbthreis@yahoo.com.

Weekend program includes materials, two nights' lodging and five meals. Beginning Experience is an international ministry founded by a Catholic religious sister and her divorced friend offering hope and healing for those who have lost their marriage through death, separation, or divorce. The Beginning Experience weekend transforms lives and has helped thousands navigate the road through grief.

To read more about the ministry, one may visit www.beginningexperience.org.

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**St. Joseph Family Day
Sunday, June 2, 2024
After 11:30 Mass**

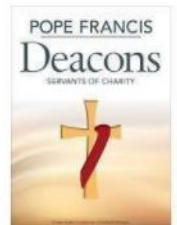
It will be like an indoor picnic in the Gym!

ALL FREE, ALL WELCOME!

**Burgers, hot dogs and the fixings!
Chips and desserts!**

Games, Face Painting, etc.

2029 Diaconate Formation Group



The process of Inquiry – Discernment for the next permanent diaconate formation group is beginning. The following sessions will be held at the ANO Administration Office Lunch Room at 6:30 PM on the following dates:

**Tuesday, April 23
Wednesday, May 1
Tuesday, May 7
Wednesday, May 15**

An RSVP is required. Send to pdiaconate@arch-no.org or call 504-861-6329 for more information.

**St. Joseph 2nd Annual
Women’s Day of Reflection
Saturday, April 20, 2024**

We would like to thank Missy LaCour, Peggy Foley, Debbie Swiler, Fr. Gary Copping, and all the volunteers that made our Second Annual Women’s Day of Reflection a great success. What a glorious day!
Looking forward to next year!!



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