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#### WEEKEND MASSES

4:00 p.m. Vigil Saturday

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

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

### **DAILY MASSES**

Monday-Friday 12:10 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Mass & Novena Tuesday

**First Friday** 8:00 a.m. Mass

Adoration until 12:10 p.m. Mass

### CONFESSIONS

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

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

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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 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.

Mass Holy Hour & Novena

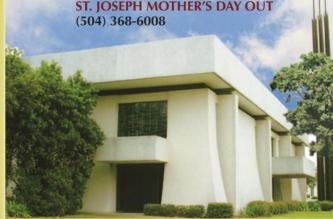
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Saturday 4:30 p.m.

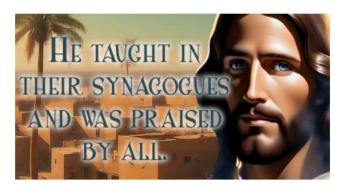
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### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday, January 26, 2025 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday, January 27, 2025 St. Angela Merici, Virgin Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 28, 2025 St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday, January 29, 2025

Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 30, 2025

Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 31, 2025 St. John Bosco, Priest Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, February 1, 2025

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, February 2, 2025 Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32



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.



In Honor of St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, we will be blessing throats at all masses at both St. Joseph and St. Anthony on Monday, February 3, 2025.





### **COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 18-19, 2025**

#### ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$ 9,876.00
Online (1/13-19/25)	<b>\$ 761.00</b>
Total Collected	\$10,637.00
<b>Budgeted Weekly Expense</b>	\$ 9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] +	\$ 1,412.49

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

Maintenance Fund February 1-2, 2025

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.



Wedding Banns Saturday, February 1, 2025 Krystal Trinh Andrew Doan

### Flame of Love Celebration Feast Day February 1, 2025 St. Anthony Church, Gretna

8:30-9:00 Holy Mass

9:00-10:00 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament,

Sacrament of Reconciliation

10:00-11:05 Quiet Time

11:05-11:20 Flame of Love Rosary

11:20-11:25 Litany of Saints

11:25-12:00 Addie's Talk

12:00-1:00 Angelus, Quiet Time (Lunch)

1:00-3:00 Flame of Love Cenacle

3:00-4:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet, St. Michael Chaplet

4:00-4:30 Benediction

### MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

### ST. JOSEPH

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, January 25, 2025

**4:00 p.m.** – Ehret Fly., Terrio Fly., Falterman Fly., Mary Grace Orsag, Patsy Grefer, Albert Gros Fly., Robert Mire, Benny Randazzo

Sunday, January 26, 2025

**7:30 a.m.** – Amy Loup

**9:30 a.m.** – Allen J. Roussel, Frank Maness, Mary Brazeal

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

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

Monday, January 27, 2025

12:10 - Peggy Palmer

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

**6:30 p.m.** – For All Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

**12:10** – John C. Huertin, Jr.

Thursday, January 30, 2025

12:10 – Jacqueline Rome Roy

Friday, January 31, 2025

**12:10** – Raul Gomez



The Sanctuary Light this week at St. Joseph will burn in memory of Maurice Korndorffer

Save the Date!! April 5, 2025

Third Annual Women's Day of Reflection Topic: Spiritual Poverty & Femininity

On Saturday, April 5, 2025, Claire Gallagher, a consecrated virgin for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, will be our Spiritual Guide and Presenter for our Women's Day of Reflection. Please mark your calendars. Registration will open on Saturday, February 1st. Stay tuned for more details.

Saturday, January 25, 2025 5:00 p.m. – James Rouse

Sunday, January 26, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Raymond Strohmeyer, Sr.

Monday, January 27, 2025

**8:30 a.m.** – Clay Leon IV

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

8:30 a.m. - Clay Leon III

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

**8:30 a.m.** – Phan Nguyen

Thursday, January 30, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Michael C. Arnold, Jr. Family

Friday, January 31, 2025

**8:30 a.m.** – Phan Nguyen

Saturday, February 1, 2025

8:30 a.m. - Michael C. Arnold, Jr. Family

5:00 p.m. – Lauren Berg

Sunday, February 2, 2025

10:30 a.m. - Clay Leon III



The Sanctuary Light this week at St. Anthony will burn in memory of Raymond Strohmeyer, Sr.

### In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of *Lloyd Leaber*, *Jr*. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.



### 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 <a href="mailto:stjosephgretna@arch-no.org">stjosephgretna@arch-no.org</a>.



That Man Is You – All Things New Spring Semester Starting Friday, January 31st ATTENTION MEN OF ST. JOSEPH!

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then Come Join...That Man is You! Friday Mornings starting on January 31; 5:45am-7:30am in Cafeteria Contact Fr. Gary Copping at 504-485-3164

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## Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims Of Hope January 1-December 28, 2025

For the **2025 Jubilee Year**, Pope Francis has selected the theme, *Pilgrims of Hope*. It is his desire that this Jubilee year may contribute to restoring a climate of hope and trust around the world and allow for each of us to experience an encounter with Christ through pilgrimage to sacred spaces and in meeting the poor, sick, and vulnerable that we are called to serve.

### **Designated pilgrimage sites:**

St. Louis Cathedral

St. Stephen's Basilica

National Shrine of Our Lady of Prompt Succor National Shrine of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Shrine of the Vietnamese Holy Martyrs

St. Jude Shrine

St. Augustine Church

St. Joseph Abbey – Covington

St. Charles Borromeo – Destrehan

St. John the Baptist – Edgard

St. Joseph Church & Shrine – Gretna

St. Ann Church & Shrine - Metairie

For more information regarding Jubilee Year 2025, plenary indulgence, etc., visit:

https://nolacatholic.org/jubilee2025

# 2025 NOLACatholic Men's Conference: "I Trust in You" Saturday, March 15, 2025 St. Dominic Church, New Orleans

Registration is now open for the Archdiocese of New Orleans Men's Conference. This year's conference theme is "I Trust in You". Last year we focused on the loneliness crisis among men and the need to rebuild genuine friendship. For most men, the greatest obstacle to genuine friendship is the erosion of trust. On a daily basis, men contend with the dangers and difficulties of a sometimes-chaotic world. Building relationships of trust is a serious and delicate task that seems to have become more difficult day by day. How do we build mature relationships of trust with God, the Church, and one another when our lived experience makes trusting difficult? How can we find the peace and confidence in God's plan for us when we see so much chaos all around? How do we become the trustworthy men God, the Church, and our family and friends need us to be in order to fulfill our vocations and build a more peaceful and productive society? Please help us call all the men of our local Church of New Orleans to this important event! The conference will be held at St. Dominic Church on Saturday, March 15, 2025.

World Day of The Sick is on Tuesday 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 Anthony will have their Communal Anointing of the Sick on Tuesday February 11th at the 8:30am Mass. 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.

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Registration for teams is now open
Sponsors are Needed
More information to come!!

#### **Good News**

We as Christians are fortunate because we have learned the true desire of God's creation of us. Some people who have not understood the reason for our love of God and our dedication to his plan for us have a different view of the way we live our lives. Many people think that Christianity is all about sin and judgment, heaven, and hell; and that God is a heavenly policeman who is constantly monitoring our movements, writing down all our sins in His book and waiting to throw us into hellfire as soon as He catches up with us. They have refused to look deeper into our religion and have turned their back on the truth of God's plan.

We are now in year C of the reading of the gospel, the year of Luke. He tells us of the true purpose of God's plan through Jesus.

Jesus has come to start a revolution of mercy and love in the world. Here in today's Gospel reading he publishes the Christian manifesto:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's Favor.

This is Good News for every person, not punishment but love.



### Save the Date!! Monday, February 10, 2025

We will begin making cookies for this year's Altar on Monday, February 10 at 9:30am in the Cafeteria.

Volunteers are welcome.

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January 2025

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Pope Francis has named the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as Sunday of the Word of God. This is an annual observance aimed at helping us grow in a deeper appreciation of the Sacred Scriptures.

When we gather on Sunday or for any Mass, God speaks his word to us through the Scriptures. Our desire is to open our ears and our hearts to listen attentively. May I suggest that we could more effectively do this by reading the Sunday Scriptures before Mass in order to prepare our hearts to receive his word.

As we reflect on the importance of the Word of God in our lives, it would be an opportunity to give some consideration to joining a Bible study group, reading a few verses of Scripture every day or reading a book explaining the Scriptures.

God speaks to us in many ways, but in a very unique way, through the Scriptures. By praying the Scriptures, we will know of God's personal love for us and his call to be disciples of Jesus.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond Archbishop of New Orleans

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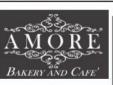
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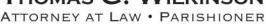
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