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4:00 p.m. Vigil Saturday

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

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Monday-Friday 12:10 p.m.

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

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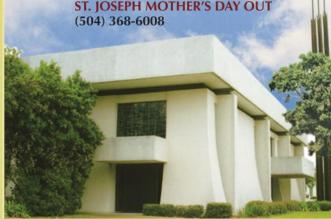
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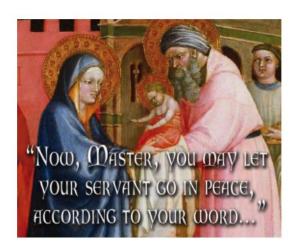
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PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Sunday, February 2, 2025

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

Monday, February 3, 2025 St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday, February 4, 2025

Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-27, 28&30, 31-32; Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday, February 5, 2025 St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 6, 2025 St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11; Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 7, 2025

Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29 Saturday, February 8, 2025 St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 9, 2025 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11



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 25-26, 2025

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5,749.00
Online (1/20-26/25)	\$ 606.00
Total Collected	\$6,355.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$2,869.51

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	. \$1,153.00
Online (1/20-26/25)	. \$ 335.00
Total Collected	. \$1,488.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	

COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 18-19, 2025 ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	. \$1,429.00
Online (1/13-19/25)	. \$ 210.00
Total Collected	. \$1,639.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$3,703.00



Second Collection February 8-9, 2025 St. Joseph Restoration Fund Monies collected have be

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.

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.



MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, February 1, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Ehret Fly., Terrio Fly., Falterman Fly., Seal Fly., Uzee Fly., Cannon Fly., Patsy Grefer, Felix Albert, All the Souls, Dominic Thanh Do, All Parents Souls, All the Poor Souls, Minh Dang, Huong Do, Sue An Abbey Guillermo, Robert Mire

Sunday, February 2, 2025 7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – Fonseca, Brunet, Cambre, & Boudreaux Flys., Frank DeJesus Palacio, Frank Ehret, III, Mary Grace Orsag, Darnell LeBlanc; Babson J. "BJ" LeBlanc; Bob Martin

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For The Haitian Community

Monday, February 3, 2025 12:10 – Ralph Goodwyne, Jr.

Tuesday, February 4, 2025 6:30 p.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday, February 5, 2025 12:10 – Wiley J. Breaux, Sr.

Thursday, February 6, 2025 12:10 – John Lanier

Friday, February 7, 2025 (First Friday) 8:00 a.m. – Foley Fly. 12:10 – Casler Fly.



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.

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, February 1, 2025 5:00 p.m. – Lauren Berg

Sunday, February 2, 2025 10:30 a.m. – Clay Leon, III

Monday, February 3, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Phan Nguyen

Tuesday, February 4, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Ray Seamon

Wednesday, February 5, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Josie Cheramie

Thursday, February 6, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Br. Amedy Esquibel

Friday, February 7, 2025 (First Friday) 8:30 a.m. – Joseph Romano

Saturday, February 8, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Nora Romano

5:00 p.m. – James Rouse

Sunday, February 9, 2025 10:30 a.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners



The St Anthony Ladies Club will meet every second Wednesday of the month in the St Anthony School Cafeteria at 6pm. Please consider joining our Ladies of St Anthony for this group. Their next meeting is Wednesday February 12 at 6pm.

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of *Catherine Hepting Strickland*. May her 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 stjosephgretna@arch-no.org.



That Man Is You – All Things New Spring Semester Has Resumed! 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 from 5:45am-7:30am in Cafeteria. Contact Fr. Gary Copping at 504-485-3164



Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce the annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church, Metairie. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or 50th wedding recently celebrated their have anniversary. The celebration is open to couples married in 1975 or before. (To register, please contact your parish office before Friday, April 11, **2025).** Please Wedding Note: The Golden 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.



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.

Save the Date!!
Chili Cookoff 2025
Saturday, March 22, 2025
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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

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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.

REWARD

Did you ever go to the doctor and have him tell you to change a couple of things that you were doing, and in a week or so you started to feel better? Were you ever running late for an important appointment and come to the last stop sign and even though you were in a hurry you came to a complete stop and when you made the corner you see a policeman standing there by his motorcycle. Sometimes positive things happen more when you obey the rules.

In St. Luke's Gospel today after her purification period Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple to fulfil an obligation of the order to the Jewish faith. In the process of that they meet with Simeon who because of his undying dedication to his faith was promised to see something that had been waited on for centuries. Joseph and Mary also meet Anna who was so committed to faithfulness to God that she never left the temple. Both were rewarded with meeting their eternal companion. These are examples that true faith cannot be easy, but it

does have its rewards. The weather lately has not been something to celebrate but at least we have had due notice to prepare. Grocery shopping has also been crowded but the supply of food has been plentiful. So, life cannot always be peaches and cream, but as long as we have our faith that we are not human beings having a spiritual experience, but we are spiritual beings having a human experience our commitment is focused on the right reward.

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.



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