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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.

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

6:00-6:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment. Tuesday

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WEEKEND MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

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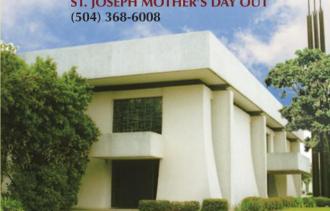
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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)



Sunday, June 22, 2025

Sunday, June 22, 2025 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Monday, June 23, 2025

Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20&22; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 26, 2025

Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 27, 2025 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rm 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

Saturday, June 28, 2025 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr & Doctor of the Church

Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50&53, 54-55; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday, June 29, 2025 Sts. Peter & Paul, ApostlesActs 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19



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 JUNE 14-15, 2025

ST. JOSEPH

| Envelopes, Loose, Checks | \$6,101.00 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Online (6/9-15/25) | \$ 516.00 |
| Total Collected | \$6,617.00 |
| Budgeted Weekly Expense | \$9,224.51 |
| Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] | -\$2,607.51 |

ST. ANTHONY

| Envelopes, Loose, Checks | \$2,218.00 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Online (6/9-15/25) | . \$ 160.00 |
| Total Collected | \$2,378.00 |
| Budgeted Weekly Expense | . \$5,342.00 |
| Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] | -\$2,964.00 |

COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE 7-8, 2025 ST. ANTHONY

| Envelopes, Loose, Checks | \$ | 9,965.00 |
|--------------------------------------|------|----------|
| Online (6/2-8/25) | . \$ | 240.00 |
| Total Collected | | |
| Budgeted Weekly Expense | \$ | 5,342.00 |
| Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] | +\$ | 4,863.00 |

Second Collection Peter's Pence June 28-29, 2025

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

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"The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See." Please be as generous as your means allow.

Sponsor of the Week



MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, June 21, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Ehret Fly., Falterman Fly., Frank Maness, Jr., Hazel Maness, Robert Mire, Bonnie Parker, Honor Mother of God, All the Poor Souls, Grandparents Souls, Parents Souls, Minh Dang, Huong Do, William "Billy" Sherman, Jr.

Sunday, June 22, 2025

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. - Fonseca, Brunet, Cambre & Boudreaux Flys., Sue An Abbey Guillermo, Frank & Hazel Maness, Jeff Reiser, Sgt. Grant Candies, Helen Thibodaux, Betty Lawson Lilly, Tom Frank Tuminello, Allen J. Roussel, Betty S. Castro, Enos Norman Bellanger, Samuel Tague, Bobbi Hanson

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

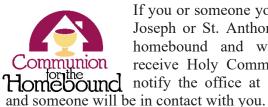
Monday, June 23, 2025 12:10 - Alton Casler

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 6:30 p.m. – Kenneth Bouvier, Sr.

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 12:10 - Louis J. Guccione, Sr.

Thursday, June 26, 2025 12:10 - Norma Donahue

Friday, June 27, 2025 12:10 – Mary Frances Copping



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

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, June 21, 2025 5:00 p.m. – Susan Stumpf Landry

Sunday, June 22, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Dee Dee Gautreaux, Charlie Baldwin, Margaret Lindquist, Christopher Roussell

Monday, June 23, 2025 8:30 a.m. - Michael C Arnold, Jr. Family

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 8:30 a.m. - Lawrence P. Murphy

Wednesday, June 25, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Raymond Strohmeyer, Sr.

Thursday, June 26, 2025 8:30 a.m. - Frances Bruce

Friday, June 27, 2025 8:30 a.m. - Cannon Family

Saturday, June 28, 2025 8:30 a.m. - Thank You Dear Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 p.m. – Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr.

Sunday, June 29, 2025 10:30 a.m. - Sheila Ann Newton

We would like to extend our best wishes to Ms. Patti Waddell, Principal of St. School on Anthony upcoming retirement at the end of this school year.



Ms. Waddell has been principal

of St. Anthony School for the past several years. She has been a dedicated and passionate leader, as well as an advocate for all children during her many years as an educator. Ms. Waddell is thoroughly loved by all whose lives she touched and will be sincerely missed by students, parents, and staff.

We would like to welcome Ms. Benita Plaisance who will be our new Principal starting with the upcoming school year.



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.





Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration June 22, 2025

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is celebrating the annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration today at St. Philip Neri in Metairie. Parishioners from St. Joseph Parish celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries are:

Peter & Jill DeBroeck Jay & Ginny Dufrene Harold & Judy Zeisloft

Congratulations to all the happy couples!

The drawing for the St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) "Fine Dining for a Year" Raffle (valued at \$1,990.00) was held Friday, June 6, and the lucky winner was Willie Rigney. Congratulations, Willie!



We want to thank you for supporting the fundraiser and for your help with SDVP. Half of the proceeds of the ticket sales stay with St Joseph SVDP, and that is a whopping \$1,400.00. A big thanks to everyone who helped by purchasing raffle tickets.

For those needing assistance with gambling issues, you are welcome to attend the weekly meeting of Gambler's Anonymous which is held in our Social Room at 7pm each Wednesday.



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

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St. John the Baptist – Edgard

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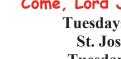
St. Ann Church & Shrine - Metairie

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

https://nolacatholic.org/jubilee2025

Annual Fourth of July Concert

Sarah Jane McMahon, an acclaimed soprano soloist, will headline "American Music through the Decades" a Fourth of July Concert on July 6, 2025, at 3:00pm at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Rd., Metairie. The Concert will feature patriotic music and popular American music from the 50s and 60s. Sarah Jane will be joined by soloist and accompanist, Linden Uter, the. Music Director at St. Francis Xavier Church. Admission is free. A Good Will Offering will be taken. The KCs of St. Francis Xavier will serve free hot dogs from 1:15-2:30pm in the air-conditioned gym.



Come, Lord Jesus! Bible Study Tuesdays – 10:00AM –

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Tuesdays – 6:30PM –
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Wednesdays – 1:00PM – St. Joseph Cafeteria

Thursdays – 9:30AM – St. Anthony Rectory If interested, contact Ginny Dufrene, Regional Coordinator (504) 451-1265

Miracles

There is only one miracle that appears in all four Gospels, and we read about that on the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi. In each Gospel there is a story of the feeding of five thousand men and uncounted women and children with five barley loaves and two fish. Now here we are, in the middle of no-wheres-ville and all of Jesus' followers and because of his compassion he knew about their need for food. What should he do? His disciples had one idea, but Jesus could not send them away. He sat them down and then fed them.

It had been a long day, and they had come some distance so their need for food was apparent. All he had was five loaves and to fish but let us not forget that he is the Son of God.

His love moved him to action, and his concern brought them food for their bodies as his words brought sustenance for their spirit.

The Eucharist is one of the greatest gifts that God has given us, and it is something that should be partaken of as often as possible. In this sacrament we have the privilege of having the living presence of Jesus within our body. Holy Communion brings us to the realization that Jesus is always with us and available to us in a most intimate way to share our journey through this life.

Sometimes our human mind will block this understanding because our eyes cannot see this transformation, but God has given us many signs through time that confirm the real presence of Jesus in the host. There have been Eucharist miracles in Siena, Italy in August 1730, in Holland in the 14th century, in Mexico in July 2013 and in Constancy New York in April 1997. There are many more recorded miracles of the Eucharist which will help us to believe in the precious gift which Jesus has given us.

When you are invited to receive the Eucharist, you are called to the body and blood that Jesus assumed to save us. When you receive it please open you heart to accept all of the graces that God has given you. In the moments of prayer after you return to your seat thank God for all of the things that he has given you. And let the joy of his presence be with you all day.



We would like to thank *Mike Giglio* for his dedication to St. Joseph Parish for the past 7 years. For those of you who don't know, Mike has been in charge of the scheduling of Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers and the creation and maintenance of our Parish Facebook account. Mike, we would like to thank you for all your dedication and hard work!

We would also like to introduce you to *Juliette Swiler*, who will now be taking over the scheduling of Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers for St. Joseph Parish. She is currently in the process of updating the monthly schedules and names and contact information for all Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers. We thank her for taking over this important role and ask for your prayers and support during this transition. Her contact information is as follows: (504)931-2759 or juliette.swiler@gmail.com

Interested in how to better serve our church parishes? Why not consider becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and/or Altar Server, please speak to Fr. Gary or contact the parish office for more information.

Our churches need YOU!!

Deacon David Kalil Ordained to the Permanent Diaconate by Archbishop Gregory Aymond on June 14, 2025 at St. Louis Cathedral







Our Italian Cookie Sale Is Back!!

Baking for the annual Italian Cookie Sale by the St. Joseph Women's Club will begin Monday, August 11th. Orders will be filled the beginning of September. Almond, sesame, anise-flavored sweetbread and the ever-popular fig cookies will be available (fig \$12/dozen, sesame \$7/dozen, anise \$8/dozen, and almond \$7/dozen). There are many ways that you may place your order: using the order form below; with any member of the Women's Club; forms will be available in the rear of St. Joseph & St. Anthony Churches and at the St. Joseph Parish Office; or by calling Debbie Swiler at 504-722-5958. Don't be disappointed, place your order early!

Deadline for submitting orders is Monday, August 4.

ORDERS MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT THE ST. JOSEPH OFFICE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS OR AFTER HOURS, PLEASE PLACE IN THE SILVER DROP OFF BOX OUTSIDE THE OFFICE DOOR <u>OR</u> PUT IN SEALED ENVELOPE MARKED COOKIE SALE AND PLACE IN COLLECTION BASKET.

ST. JOSEPH WOMEN'S CLUB ITALIAN COOKIE SALE

| Buyer's Name | | Club Member | |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|--|
| Telephone # | | Telephone # | |
| Fig Cakes (Cuccidati) | dz @ 12.00 pe | er dozen \$ | |
| Sesame Seed | dz @ \$7.00 p | er dozen \$ | |
| Anise Sweetbread | dz @ \$8.00 p | er dozen \$ | |
| Almond | dz @ \$7.00 p | er dozen \$ | |
| Total | | \$ | |

Note: Preservatives are not used in our cookies; not gluten free, and some may contain nuts. They can be frozen if you want to keep them for Thanksgiving, Christmas, or longer. Cash accepted or check made payable to St. Joseph Women's Club.





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