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#### **BAPTISM**

By appointment. Please call during early months of pregnancy for interview and seminar.

#### CONFIRMATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a three year program. It begins in the 9th grade of high school and ends in the 11th grade with the reception of the Sacrament. 600 % Com.

#### 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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**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.

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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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

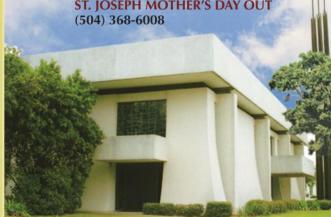
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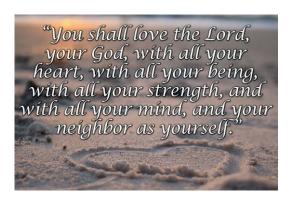
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# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Week of Sunday, July 13, 2025

Sunday, July 13, 2025 Fifteen Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Monday, July 14, 2025 St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Mt 10:34-11:1 Tuesday, July 15, 2025 St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday, July 16, 2025 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27 Thursday, July 17, 2025

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1&5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 18, 2025 St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest Ex 11:10-12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15&16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 19, 2025 Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1&23-24, 10-12, 13-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 20, 2025 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42



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 JULY 5-6, 2025**

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Online (6/29-7/6/25) <u>\$ 884.00</u>
Total Collected
Budgeted Weekly Expense \$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]\$ 82.51
Maintenance Fund
ST. ANTHONY
Envelopes, Loose, Checks \$1,918.00
Online (6/29-7/6/25)
Total Collected
Budgeted Weekly Expense
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]\$3,089.00
Maintenance Fund \$ 638.00

#### COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE 28-29, 2025 ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$1	,276.00
Online (6/23-29/25)	. \$	160.00
Total Collected		
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$5.	342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]		



Next week (July 19-20), our parishes will take up the 141<sup>st</sup> annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Please be as generous as your means allow.

#### MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

#### ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, July 12, 2025

**4:00 p.m.** – Ehret Fly., Falterman Fly., Robert Mire, Bonnie Parker, William "Billy" Sherman, Jr., Stacy English, Ricky B. Videau Franklin, Sr., Patricia Peer Aymami, June Decker Gauthreaux, Ralph C. Matherne, Susan Elaine Stumpf Landry, James White, Orelia J. Williams, Maria Can Pham, Maria Voc Tran, Dominic Thanh Do, For Grandparents Souls, All the Souls

**Sunday, July 13, 2025** 

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

**9:30 a.m.** – Sidney J. Waguespack, Jr., Frank & Hazel Maness, Kenneth Charles Lincoln, Jeff Reiser, Samuel Tague, Bobbi Hanson

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

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

Monday, July 14, 2025

12:10 – Angelo T. Arnona

**Tuesday, July 15, 2025** 

6:30 p.m. – Ralph Goodwyne, Sr.

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

12:10 – Louis Dubreuil

**Thursday, July 17, 2025** 

12:10 – Robert J. Mayville, Sr.

Friday, July 18, 2025

12:10 - William "Billy" Sherman, Jr.



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

#### ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, July 12, 2025

5:00 p.m. – Jody Kreller

**Sunday, July 13, 2025** 

**10:30 a.m.** – Sheila Ann Newton, Barbara Herzog Kass

Monday, July 14, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Nellie Relle

**Tuesday, July 15, 2025** 

8:30 a.m. – Frances Bruce

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

**8:30 a.m.** – Kass Family

**Thursday, July 17, 2025** 

8:30 a.m. – Christopher Russell

Friday, July 18, 2025

**8:30 a.m.** – For All Those Who Lost Their Lives in the Texas Flood

Saturday, July 19, 2025

8:30 a.m. – For All Deceased Parishioners

**5:00 p.m.** – Tre' Walker

**Sunday, July 20, 2025** 

**10:30 a.m.** – Charles Gautreaux, Charlie Baldwin, Margaret Lindquist

C.C.D. Registration for the 2025-2026 School Year

Registration for grades 1-8 will take place on Monday, August 25th from 5:30-6:30 P.M. in the St. Anthony School Office at 900 Franklin Street. Please bring the child's baptismal certificate.

**Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation** 

Registration for Confirmation will be held on Monday, August 25th from 5:30-6:30 P.M. in the St. Anthony School Office at 900 Franklin Street. Baptismal and First Communion certificates are required. (Remember, all high school students wishing to be confirmed in the 11th grade must register each year, beginning in the 9th grade.)



#### 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.





# 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

The Cenacle on the Lake presents "Heal, Grow, Thrive!"
Grief Retreat for Women and Men
August 2-3, 2025

Fr. Gary Copping will be one of the presenters

\$150 registration fee includes meals & accommodations Please register by visiting neworleansretreats.com or by calling 504-267-9604

#### **ATTENTION ALL MEN!!**

"That Man Is You"

#### Starting back Friday, September 12

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Fr. Gary Copping and Paul Coles got to talk to Mark Hartfiel of Paradisus Dei. He was filming the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary which will come out on DVD later this year.

#### Save the Date!!

St. Joseph Church Women's Retreat September 26-28, 2025

> Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center Osyka, MS

Cost: \$375 per person includes 3-day and 2-night retreat; all meals, sleeping accommodations, and the retreat itself.

For more information, call Linda LaBorde at (504)458-6562. Registration forms are available in the rear of St. Joseph Church.

# In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the souls of *Earl Joseph "EJ" Oubre, Jr., Albert Ott and Ellen O'Brien.* May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.





Deacon David Kalil preaching at his first Mass at St. Joseph on June 21<sup>st</sup> followed by a celebration with a beautiful cake!



Save the Date!!
August 7-10, 2025
The Men's Westbank ACTS Retreat
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Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center Osvka, MS

As the ACTS retreat is a three day and three-night Catholic lay retreat, it will

begin on Thursday evening and end the following Sunday at a Mass celebrated with the parish community. The host parish has not yet been determined. This upcoming men's retreat will include talks and activities with focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS Program acronym is derived. Holy scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church are the guides for the retreats. The retreats will take on some of the traditions and atmosphere of the Westbank parish community and facilitates the attainment of a new or deeper relationship with the Lord through:

**Adoration** – the call by, acceptance of, and response to God, **Community** – the love and caring of each other,

**Theology** – the study of God through scripture and the Catholic Faith,

**Service** – to God and his people.

Activities during the weekend will be both high energy and relaxing, plug give retreatants a better understanding of the significance and importance of aspects in our lives that we often take for granted.

The price is \$375.00 per person, inclusive, for the three days, three nights and for transportation, housing, meals, and supplies. For more information, call/text Chad Sherman (504)812-3123.



St. Joseph is in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers at our weekend Masses. Training is available to prepare one for this ministry. In the Catholic

Mass, the role of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMOHCs) is a vital ministry that ensures the reverent and orderly distribution of the Eucharist. This ministry is not merely a functional role, but a profound act of service and devotion, reflecting the deep reverence for the Body and Blood of Christ. Understanding the responsibilities and significance of EMOHCs can deepen our appreciation for this ministry and inspire those called to serve.

The Purpose and Need for Extraordinary Ministers to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion when there are not enough ordained ministers (bishops, priests and deacons) to serve the congregation. This need often arises in parishes with large congregations or during special liturgical celebrations where the number of communicants is particularly high. The term "extraordinary" highlights that this role is supplementary and not a replacement for the ordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Please contact Fr. Gary or the Parish Office for more information.

#### Who is my neighbor?

One of the themes that came from today's reading was the point of being a good neighbor. Now how is that to be defined? Should it be a geographic location or a spiritual awareness? Jesus' concept was that of the latter.

In today Luke's Gospel reading the priest and Levite had more important things to do then help the poor traveler because if they would have shown love to the traveler there would have been consequences involved. When we love someone and put their wellbeing before our own there can be a risk. When you act with courage there can be a danger, but it also could be something that needs to be done.

Now, who is our neighbor? Is it someone who is like us, in education, religion, culture, our position? Someone who went to school with us or belongs to our church or lets us borrow anything they have. If this is correct it would be easy to love our neighbor. Jesus' view of our neighbor is not only the people like us but all people. Our neighbors are everyone, especially those who are in need. If you think about it, that is the only way it can be because if not then they would not be our neighbors and they would not have to love us. Once again it comes down to putting God's will before our will. Jesus gave these words to St. Luke to pass on to us so that we can live with the love of our neighbor. Just think about this. When we get to heaven we will all be neighbors and now would be a good time to adjust to that reality. If not, we would have to spend some time in, "Do Better School."

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### 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	
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Sesame Seed	dz @ \$7.00 p	per dozen \$	
Anise Sweetbread	dz @ \$8.00 <u>1</u>	per dozen \$	
Almond	dz @ \$7.00 p	per 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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