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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.

Saint Joseph

610 Sixth Street, Gretna, LA 70053
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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

Mon; Wed-Fri 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

Email: stjosephgretna@arch-no.org



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Deacon Oscar Alegria, Sr.
Deacon Len Enger
Deacon David Kalil
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Tiffany Cannon, Secretary
Sam Garnett, Music Director
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OFFICE HOURS

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

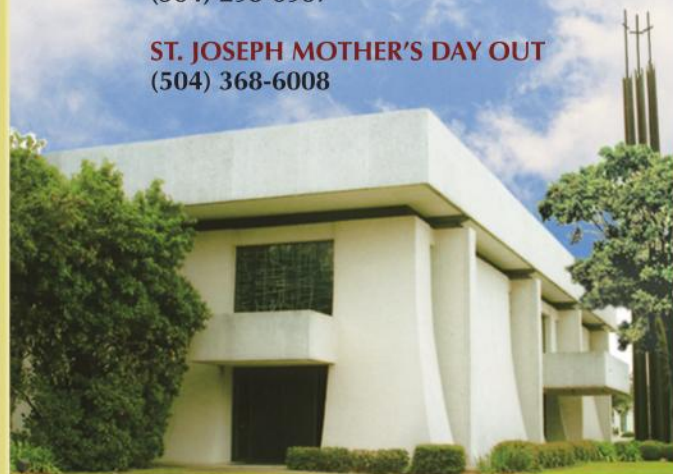
Monday 8:30 a.m. & Novena
Tuesday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.
First Friday 8:30 a.m.
Mass Holy Hour & Novena

CONFESSIONS

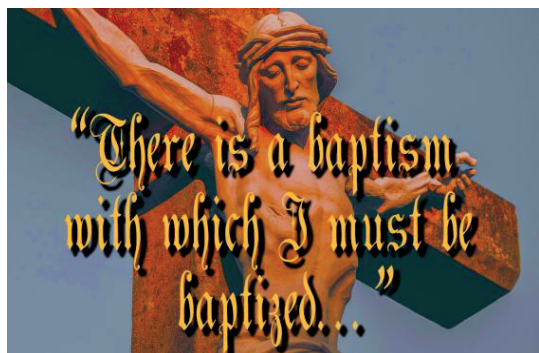
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
and anytime by appointment

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Week of Sunday, August 17, 2025

Sunday, August 17, 2025 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4;
Lk 12:49-53

Monday, August 18, 2025

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab&44;
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 19, 2025 St. John Eudes, Priest

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of
the Church

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 21, 2025 St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 22, 2025 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

Rth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,
9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 23, 2025 St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Rth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 24, 2025 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk
13:22-30



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 AUGUST 9-10, 2025

Will be reported in next week's bulletin

COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST 2-3, 2025

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$8,499.76
Online (7/28-8/3/25)	\$ 335.00
Total Collected	\$8,834.76
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]..	+\$3,492.76

Maintenance Fund \$585.00

TMIY Pot-Luck Dinner with Guests

Monday, August 18th – 6:00pm – Auditorium

Pot-Luck Dinner for TMIY attendees and wives or
any others that are interested in learning about our
Friday Morning Men's meetings.



ATTENTION ALL MEN!!

“That Man Is You”

Starting back Friday, September 12

For more information, visit:
www.stjosephgretna.com

Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Through the intercession of *Our Lady of Prompt
Succor*, may we be protected from all loss of life and
property during this hurricane season.

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.)

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, August 16, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Ehret Fly., The Ortolano Fly., Benny Randazzo, Jr., Falterman Fly., Bonnie P. Parker, William “Billy” Sherman, Jr.

Sunday, August 17, 2025

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – Fonseca, Brunet, Cambre & Boudreaux Flys., Allen J. Roussel, Frank Maness, Theresa DiPascal, W Richard & Helen White, Samuel Tague, John Marek, Susan Danna, Joseph Thomas Kish, Leger Family

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, August 18, 2025

12:10 – William “Billy” Sherman

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

6:30 p.m. – Sean Baldwin

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

12:10 – Brad G. Theard

Thursday, August 21, 2025

12:10 – Paul Walther, Sr.

Friday, August 22, 2025

12:10 – Bonnie Pitre Parker

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of *Joseph Jimenez III*. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen.*

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, August 16, 2025

5:00 p.m. – Dee Dee Gautreaux, Charles Gautreaux, Tre’ Walker, Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr., Frank LeSassier, Jr.

Sunday, August 17, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Raymond Strohmeier, Sr.

Monday, August 18, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Raymond Strohmeier, Sr.

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Arnold Lirette, Jr.

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

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

Thursday, August 21, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Cox Family

Friday, August 22, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Thank You Dear Blessed Virgin Mary

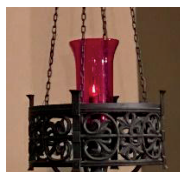
Saturday, August 23, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Christopher Roussel

5:00 p.m. – Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr.

Sunday, August 24, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Barbara Herzog Kass



The Sanctuaries Light this week at **St. Anthony** will burn in memory of *Frank LeSassier, Jr.*

The Westbank Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting at St. Anthony Church on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Rosary at 7pm, Praise & Worship at 7:30pm, and Mass at 8pm.

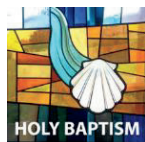


**SUNDAY AND MONDAY
BINGO'S AT GRETNA
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RESTORATION**

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.

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>



**Join the Holy
Family Singers for
Summer Choir!**

In an effort to recruit a few more choir members, we are trying “*Summer Choir*” in August. We are opening up the loft for anyone who wants to come sing with us on Sundays to join us.

During the month of August, the Holy Family Singers are offering a relaxed, no-pressure way to join in and experience singing with our church choir. You are warmly invited to the choir loft at 8:45am on all Sunday mornings in August to go over the hymns and psalm for that day.

If you're interested in singing a little more, there are also Wednesday evening rehearsals at 6:30pm starting August 6th. No experience needed—just a love of music and a willingness to praise God through song!

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Did you ever have a problem to solve or a decision to make that needed some input from someone whom you trusted and could call on. At times your spouse could only answer with a smile, and a dear friend seemed to hear, but was unable to be contacted at that particular moment to help you. This can be a common experience in our lives and also in our prayer lives. Many times in our lives, we are faced with decisions that are located someplace between what we think is correct and what we believe could be either right or wrong. Then what should be the guild line to make that choice?

Jesus set aside his divine existence to become our savior and teacher. One of his first lessons was that God, his father, was a God of love and forgiveness. That did not mean that there were no commandments but there was also compassion. Jesus taught this to his apostles and many others who would follow his teachings. This legacy has been passed on for over 2000 years. Jesus is never too busy to help us when we need him. He has given us many people and aids to answer our questions. Sometimes it is better for us to work through a problem so that we can reveal our real problem.

This is a gift that is too precious for us to hold within ourselves for one hour a week. This is something, especially at this time in our culture, that must be reflected to our loved ones, our friends and others. It can be done most effectively by examples of kindness, caring and charity.



August is Make-A-Will Month!

This August is Make-A-Will Month, and we're making it incredibly easy for you to take this loving step.

Free to use; simple and fast (just 15 minutes), no paperwork required, no requirement to leave a gift. Creating your will doesn't just protect your family – it reflects your values and reminds them of how deeply you cared. Start your free will today!

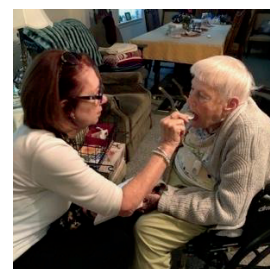
Dot it for your family. Do it for peace of mind!

For more information, visit MyCatholicWill.com



Fr. Gary will again this year be offering classes on our Catholic Faith for those interested in becoming Catholics or wanting to enrich their Faith. **Classes will begin Thursday, August 28th at 6:30 pm in the St Joseph Rectory and will run throughout the year until Holy Week. Call Parish Office for details.** We are also looking for those who would like to assist Fr. Gary in presenting the classes. Sometimes the best way to learn our Faith is to teach our Faith. **All are welcome!**

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.



Attending Mass Together

Just as with dinner, try to work towards getting your family back to Mass together. You might have to adjust to Saturday or Sunday options, whichever works best for the majority of the family.

50/50 Split Raffle! \$20 per ticket

Must be 18 or older to participate in Raffle

Will be drawn at 3:00pm on October 18 at conclusion of Rummage Sale

Tickets will be sold after all weekend masses at St. Joseph Church starting August 9-10

See next page for more details about Rummage Sale





**It's that time of year again!
Start cleaning out your closets, attics, and garages!
We need your treasures!!**

On Saturday, October 18th (8am-3pm), St. Joseph Restoration Committee will participate in the annual Gretna Citywide Yard Sale. Beginning Wednesday, September 3 & each following Wednesday & Saturday (Sept. 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, and Oct. 1) from 9am – 1pm.

Furniture - For large size pieces, contact Mary Helen Williams @504-450-8481 to send picture and set up time for you to bring furniture items to the gym. **We do not/cannot pick up furniture or any items.**

We do not take double/full size beds or large entertainment centers or hutches.

We Accept & Appreciate:

Kitchen/Household Items

Holiday Decorations

Home Décor (framed pictures, wreaths, mirrors, lamps)

Jewelry

Team Sports Clothing & Paraphernalia (Saints, Pelicans, LSU, any Pro & College teams)

Vintage Clothing and accessories

Clothing (**In style, very good condition –gently used**)

Formal Wear – (men & women)

Coffee Table Books & Cookbooks **only (no other books accepted)**

Linens (Bedspreads, Comforters (**no sheets or mattresses**))

Purses/Totes/Shoes (**in good condition**)

Religious Articles

Toys & Games

Bicycles - all sizes

Gardening & Patio Items

Camping & Sporting Goods

Vinyl Records

WE DO NOT ACCEPT:

Electronics, Wheelchairs, Walkers, Medical Equipment, Books (other than mentioned above), CDs, DVDs

Donations may be dropped off **on those dates only** in the Gym at the corner of Newton & Seventh Streets (side door). **You must be able to bring your own donations – no pick-ups will be scheduled. For more information, please call Geri Mayville 504-512-0436. Clothes hangers & racks needed; shoe boxes needed (these items can be taken on regular collection days)**

The Sneak Peek prior to the Rummage Sale will be on Thurs., Oct. 16th from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. where you get to bargain shop early for only \$5.





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